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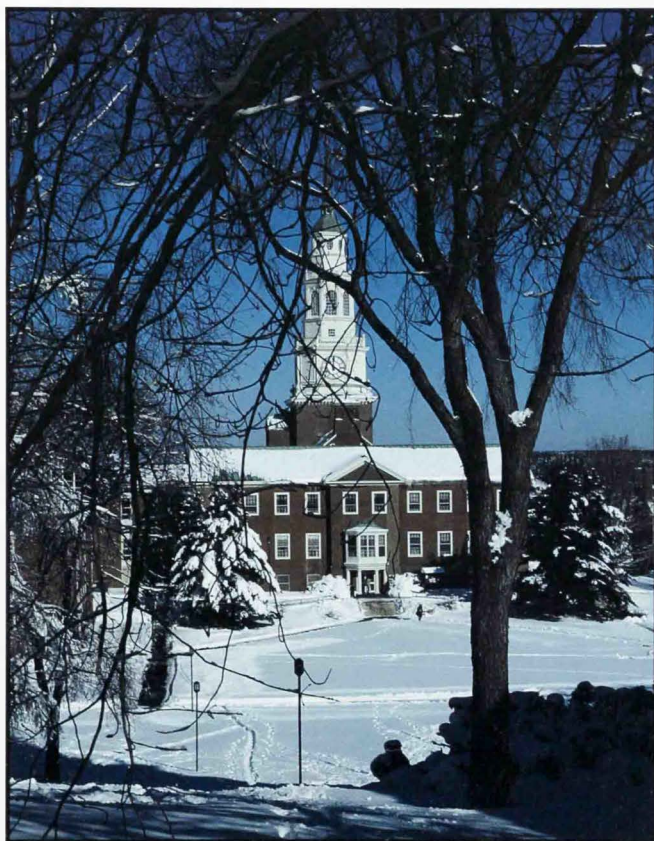
God's Country?
The Role of Religion
on a Secular Campus

The Year Was 1929...

Banks were in trouble. . . . The economy was headed into tough times. . . .

New political developments in Europe and the rising economic might of Japan challenged the existing world order.

Sound Familiar?



“In 1929 Colby launched a major fund-raising drive—a drive that despite the Great Depression and the Second World War would succeed in building a new campus on Mayflower Hill.

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Michael L. Franklin '63
Alumni Fund Chair

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INSIDE COLBY

Can a publication be so good it puts itself out of business?

Three years ago, the College started a thrice-annual newspaper called *Currents* to complement *Colby* magazine. *Colby* was dignified and sophisticated; *Currents* was informal, even a bit brassy. *Colby* generally covered the activities of alumni; *Currents* focused more on the present-day campus. *Colby's* production schedule dictated early deadlines; *Currents'* approach allowed more immediacy.

While *Colby* remained popular with alumni who especially relished news it brought of former classmates, *Currents* was a hit for its reporting of campus news.

Last spring, an overseers visiting committee wondered why a single, magazine-format publication couldn't feature the best attributes of both. This is the first edition of the amalgamated effort. A second will follow in March.

If you like the redesigned *Colby* magazine, we'll publish a third in May and continue five or six times each year. The November issue would include *The President's Report*, and the summer issue would report on Reunion and Commencement. The result should be more news, better continuity and a net savings in production costs.

Currents may be retired, but we hope those who liked it will recognize its vitality in this and future issues of the new *Colby*. We await your comments.

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Gleaned by Dean Earl H. Smith from his weekly campus newsletter, FYI.

Colby Pride *Newsweek* magazine (Oct. 1) touts the first wave of teachers in the new Teach for America Program, which, the piece says, "is designed to entice smart, idealistic college graduates to work as public school teachers" . . . Two of the "educational missionaries" featured in the article are Laura Kays of Smith College and Colby's own **Marc Winiecki '90** . . . Marc is teaching biology, chemistry and physics at Jamesville High School in Martin County, N.C. . . . "On opening day," the article says, "the only advice that his fellow teachers gave Winiecki was not to smile until Christmas, so the students would know who was boss. He laughed. 'If I'm going to go down, it's going to be smiling,' he says." . . . No one who knew Marc at Colby would be surprised at that.

Hail Colby, Hail! The individual fall COOT groups competed with each other to see who could provide the best rendition of the alma mater . . . The winning group, chosen by judges at the famous Friday night group showing of trip pictures, was "Barren-Chairback A&B," which did a "back woods" version of the song, complete with tuning fork and pots and pans . . . They serenaded Bill and Linda Cotter at their house later that evening.

Just to Bug You In case we have forgotten *Micropeplus Nelsoni*, Bob Nelson of the Geology Department has found and recorded another species of beetle, also named for him . . . This one's *Oxypoda Nelsoni* Lohse, an aleocharine staphylinid that is the largest known North American species in the genus at 3.8 mm . . . It is known from the holotype Bob collected in northern Alaska back in '79.

Environmental Sound Thanks to a gift from Eleanor S. Campbell '81, the College has purchased a mobile wood chipper, already at work helping to reclaim for the earth the endless piles of brush that come from keeping the campus spiffy . . . The machine will soon pay for itself, as the local landfill operators charge \$75 for each truckload of brush.

All in the Name Because of a concern that students might view the Writing Center as a service for struggling new students only, the place has changed its name to the Writers' Center . . . The proprietors also worried that the word "writing" carries the connotation that the focus of the help given was on the product rather than the process.

Student Is Killed The enthusiasm that comes with the opening of a new college year was much dampened by the news

of the death of **Jodi Lynn Spear**, age 20 . . . Jodi and her parents were killed in a light plane crash near Boston as she was about to depart on a commercial flight to Japan for a Junior Year Abroad program at Kansai University . . . A memorial service was held in Lorimer Chapel in mid-September.

Pass/Fail Frozen Last year, the faculty voted to change the Pass/Fail system to Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory . . . Aside from the change of terms, it was agreed that the Satisfactory designation would be awarded only for a grade of C or better . . . Under the earlier Pass/Fail arrangement, a Pass was given for a grade of D or better . . . Students complained this fall that they had not been given ample notice of the new system, and in September the faculty agreed to retain the older system for the sophomores, juniors and seniors and phase in the new plan for all students next fall.

Familiar Faces, New Places **Doug Reinhardt '71**, a staffer since 1972, has been promoted to the position of associate vice president for finance and treasurer . . . **Doug Terp '84**, assistant director of personnel since 1987, has been named director of the department following the retirement of **Bob Keane**. A Phi Beta Kappa grad, he worked for the Republican National Committee and the Vermont Republican Party, then was a computer sales consultant and account rep for McAuliffe, Inc. prior to returning to his alma mater . . . **Gina Toman**, commons coordinator since 1988, has been named assistant director of student activities. She replaces **Todd Blake '88**, who has taken a similar post at Brandeis.

New Faces, Familiar Places Colby welcomes **Roland Allen**, new assistant dean of admissions, who will help especially with minority recruiting . . . **Tom Smith** is a new assistant football coach, and his wife, **Andrea McNeal Smith**, is helping the Admissions and the Dean of Students offices . . . **Toni Federle** is the new receptionist in the Admissions Office . . . **Carol Anne Beach '88** is an intern in the Communications Office and will handle sports publicity . . . **Linda Lehman Goldstein** is the new director of corporate and foundation relations in the Development Office.

Moosecellaneous *U.S. News and World Report* has ranked Colby 18th among the top 25 national liberal arts colleges. Even though the rankings may be more fickle than fact, all agree that it is better to be on the list than not on it . . . Although low thermostats and warm sweaters will still be the order of the day, it's nice to know that Colby contracted for its heating fuel in the spring and locked in a full-year price of \$17 a barrel! . . . Colby continues to be a "hot" place for college-bound students. Some 350 visited in July, a new record.

NEWS FROM THE HILL

New Students Explore Poverty at Home

As is the College custom, the Class of '94 received its first Colby assignment weeks before arriving on Mayflower Hill—but this time the newest Colbians became teachers as well as students.

More than 300 first-year students submitted papers on the subject of poverty in and around their hometowns. Their work adorned the rear of the Student Center's Page Commons Room when the orientation speaker, sociologist Ruth Sidel, delivered her address. In her book, *Women and Children Last*, Sidel wrote about poverty in America, which was the theme of Orientation Week and the fall semester all-campus lecture series.

The largest among many misconceptions about poverty in this country, Sidel told the students, is that it is mainly confined to urban and/or minority communities—a myth she said many of their own papers had pierced. Sidel read excerpts from some of the first-year students' efforts, among them portraits of impoverishment on the fringes of affluent communities where the students live.

While 46 percent of America's poor do reside in large cities, Sidel noted, the majority do not, and 26 percent come from rural states. With one in 10 of the new students coming from Maine, reports from a number of localities in the state confirmed Sidel's contention. Ethnic and racial stereotypes about U. S. poverty are also off base, Sidel said, noting that although minority children are more likely to be poor than white children, "the vast majority of poor people are white."

In his address to the new class, President William R. Cotter, tracing Colby's long-standing commitment to freedom and diversity, noted the presence of Ben Garrison '94, a

direct descendant of William Lloyd Garrison, whose 1833 address at Colby inspired the creation of one of the nation's first campus antislavery societies. The Colby president also discussed recent developments in Europe and the Middle East and remarked on an upsurge of student interest in participatory activities, including volunteer projects in Waterville and the new Teach for America program.

"But you should not adopt my view or anyone else's views on political morality, community service, the Middle East crisis, the CIA, racism, sexism or other issues," Cotter told the Class of '94. "A liberal arts college abhors conformity and resists imposed orthodoxy. We strive for an environment where students and faculty have maximum freedom to pursue their own beliefs and interests, so long as each refrains from compromising the equal freedom of others. There are two key rules in liberal learning. The first is, ask questions. The second is, ask more questions."



Photo by David Leaming

Ruth Sidel

Broder Receives Lovejoy Award

David Broder of the *Washington Post*, the 1990 Elijah Parish Lovejoy fellow, used his lecture at the College's 38th Lovejoy Convocation to address far more than the 350 in his audience at Lorimer Chapel. The political columnist, who is syndicated in more than 300 newspapers, also spoke to his fellow journalists across the country.

"We in the press have to redefine our mission," Broder said after receiving an honorary doctor of laws degree from the College. "We have to become activists in the process."

Broder, who has championed a national effort by the news media to verify claims made by candidates in their television commercials, said that reporters have abdicated their responsibility by allowing candidates and their media advisors "to set the agenda." As a result, he said, campaign rhetoric often has little to do with the relative merits of the candidates or their qualifications for office.

Reporters ought not to create their own agenda, Broder said, but should base their coverage on issues of concern to the public. "We need to go out into the field," he said. "We need to let the people ask the questions and then we have to bring those questions back to the candidates. We need to find out what is on their minds."

The lecture climaxed the event held at Colby each year since 1952 in memory of Lovejoy, an 1826 alumnus who was slain in 1837 defending his abolitionist newspaper and who is considered America's first martyr to the cause of press freedom.

Broder's convocation audience included Colby faculty and students as well as news executives, community leaders and political dignitaries such as former Sen. Margaret Chase Smith, who was greeted with a standing ovation when she was introduced at the outset of the convocation by President William R. Cotter.



Photo by Scott Davis

David and Ann Broder admire gifts presented by President William R. Cotter at a dinner preceding the Lovejoy Convocation.

Cotter then recalled a passage from Lovejoy's 1826 valedictory address to his Colby classmates: "Let us pursue with unwavering aim the course we may determine to pursue. Let it not be said of us that our alma mater has sent us forth into the world in vain. Let us cherish those kindred feelings which have so often been awakened over the pages of classic eloquence or under the still purer influence of the Muse—and when called to give up our account for the talent committed to our care, may it not be found that we have buried it in the dust."

"What sort of words would have moved a mob to thrice destroy his presses and, the third time, kill Elijah Parish Lovejoy as well?" Cotter asked. "These words were written more than a quarter of a century before the start of the Civil War: 'Look at the slave-drivers who go up and down our streets, lifting their heads and moving among us unshamed, unrebuked—as if they had not forfeited all claim to the name Man. All abhor the traffic and detest the wretch who pursues it: why then is he not driven from the face of day and made to hide himself in some dark corner, whose murky gloom might faintly emblem the savage darkness of his own heart? If the laws protect the miscreant who coins his wealth out of the heart's blood of his fellow creatures, he can at least be crushed beneath the odium of public opinion.'

"Is it any wonder," Cotter asked, "why Colby College has treasured the memory of this man for 153 years, and why so many of America's distinguished journalists, joined tonight by David Broder, consider this award we have named in Lovejoy's memory to be a singular honor?"

In the honorary degree citation, Cotter praised Broder as a reporter "early to grasp" the increased importance of television and polling in the United States and the diminishing role of the political party structure.

"More recently," the president told the honoree, "you have focused concern on a mode of mudslinging called, in classic doublespeak, 'negative campaigning.' Yet you remain positive about the social science of politics, examining it the way the Greeks did, as a study more of the governed than of their governors."

At a dinner before the award ceremony, Cotter teased Broder about his love for the Chicago Cubs and presented him with a Cubs warm-up jacket provided by Lovejoy selection committee chair Richard Ciccone of the *Chicago Tribune*.

Then the president turned serious.

"You were born, reared and educated in Illinois, that state of Lovejoy's martyrdom, and your career exemplifies the highest aspirations of his own, tragically shortened life," he told Broder, who earned bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of

Chicago. "We describe the Lovejoy award, in part, as a bridge between freedom of the press and academic freedom, and it is especially pleasing to note that, like Lovejoy, you are a scholar and a journalist—demonstrating once more that these worlds need not be mutually exclusive."

"Watsons" Meet on Mayflower Hill

Mayflower Hill is anything but sleepy in the summer, with such activities as sports camps, special programs for doctors, master classes for church organists, pianists and string musicians and computer seminars for children and teachers. But it isn't every day that a Bell Jet Ranger III helicopter touches down on the lawn bordering Mayflower Hill Drive, as one did on a Friday in mid-August.

The pilot was former IBM chair Thomas Watson, Jr., on campus for a conference of Watson Fellows. In 1961 his family established the Watson Foundation, which he now heads, in honor of his father. The foundation stakes recent college graduates to a year of study and discovery abroad. On their return, the 1989 fellows gathered at Colby, where the annual get-together has been held for the past two years.

1989's Watson Fellows dispersed throughout the world in what was arguably the most turbulent year in recent memory, and those who gathered at Colby told tales of excitement and frustration. Several, including Patty Carlson '89, saw their projects partially derailed by the restrictions placed on foreigners following the Tiananmen Square massacre in China—fellows with China-related projects were advised by the foundation to seek out other locales. Those who planned to travel extensively in Eastern Europe were also advised to stay away.

But most agreed that in the end, the snags turned out to be at least as useful as the smooth sailing they encountered. Carlson crossed a China experience off the list of

possibilities and concentrated, instead, on Taiwan, where she found a family to live with and, through them, arranged to observe a number of local kindergartens.

David Glass (Pomona '89), who had intended to gather oral history of the Chinese Communist Party, found himself in Malaysia instead, increasingly frustrated by a lack of research leads. Glass told of a chance encounter in a Malaysian bar (the "Wild West Saloon") with an expatriate American engineer who offered to introduce him to people who could help his project. Although Glass had been warned about strangers who prey on Americans abroad, he took a chance—saying to himself, as he recalls, "I'm a Watson! How can I say no?" The engineer squired Glass around for a month, giving him the access to Malaysian society he needed to complete his project.

After the year abroad, most fellows return to this country and take up more normal pursuits. For some, career choice builds directly on the Watson experience. Deanna Cook '88, who spent her travel year writing an international cookbook for children, is now an editor at *Math Magazine*, a Scholastic, Inc. publication in New York. Carolyn Treat '82, who studied marble sculpture techniques in Greece and Italy, is a sculptor in Portland, Maine. And Tom Claytor '85, whose Watson study was titled "Romance of the Bush Pilot: Kenya, Brazil, Nepal, New Zealand," lists his occupation as "Bush Pilot/Film Producer" and his address as "Africa."

CORE Founder Captivates Crowd

James Farmer, who in 1942 founded the Congress of Racial Equality, came to Colby this fall, and for about 90 minutes it seemed as if Lorimer Chapel was a large time machine, transporting the capacity crowd back three decades.

Colby, January 1991

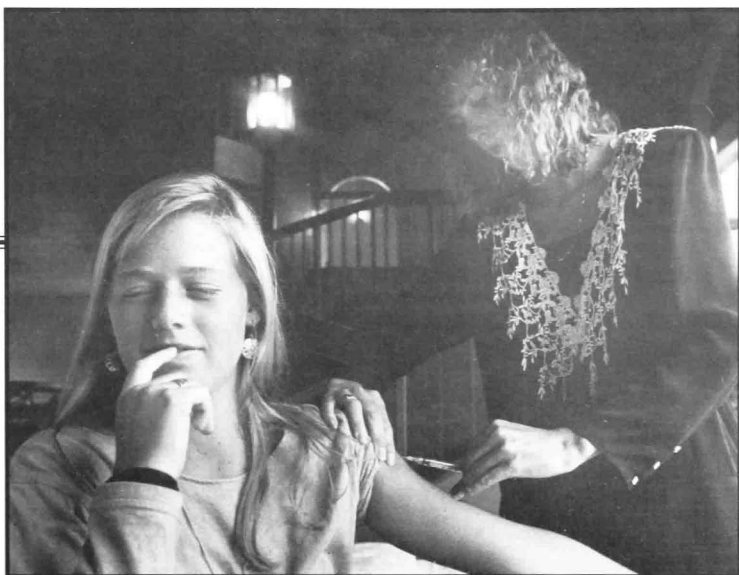


Photo by David Leaming

Tania Biddle '92 was among 700 students who received measles booster shots in September after one case of the highly infectious disease was diagnosed. Seven students who had no proof of immunity were housed in makeshift quarters in the Millett Alumni House, but—thanks largely to the College's rapid response—no other cases were reported.

The atmosphere in the chapel was heightened by a renewed concern at the College about discrimination, evidenced in a two-day workshop for staff and student leaders on campus racism conducted in September by the nationally prominent consultants, Equity, Inc. The chapel was packed to the rafters with students, faculty and members of the community, and the speaker rose to the occasion—frail and nearly blind now but still possessing the eloquence and emotion that made him one of the prophets of the American civil rights movement.

Farmer held his audience spellbound. He spoke of his early work in the movement and his narrow escape from a mob in Louisiana on the very weekend of the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I have a dream" speech. He outlined the advances made by the movement in the sixties, then spoke despairingly of what he characterized as a re-emergence of racism fanned by government policy.

"We didn't kill racism in the sixties, but racism almost killed me," Farmer said, recalling the night in 1963 when he was released from jail in Plaquemine, La., and escaped a lynch mob by riding out of town hidden in a hearse.

"The eight years of the Reagan admin-

istration took the shame out of racism and spread the lie that there is no longer any discrimination," he said, adding that even in the deepest days of Southern segregation he had never "experienced more overt hate than right now."

Farmer urged students to exercise their rights in the political process. He noted that in 1964 three CORE workers, Andrew Goodman, Michael Schwerner and James Chaney, died to earn such rights for blacks in Mississippi. "Politicians, white or black, share one ability," Farmer said. "They can count."

He closed his speech with a poem. There was absolute silence after its last line, "I'll never let race define my soul!" echoed through the room. Then spontaneous, loud and prolonged applause erupted as the crowd rose to its feet.

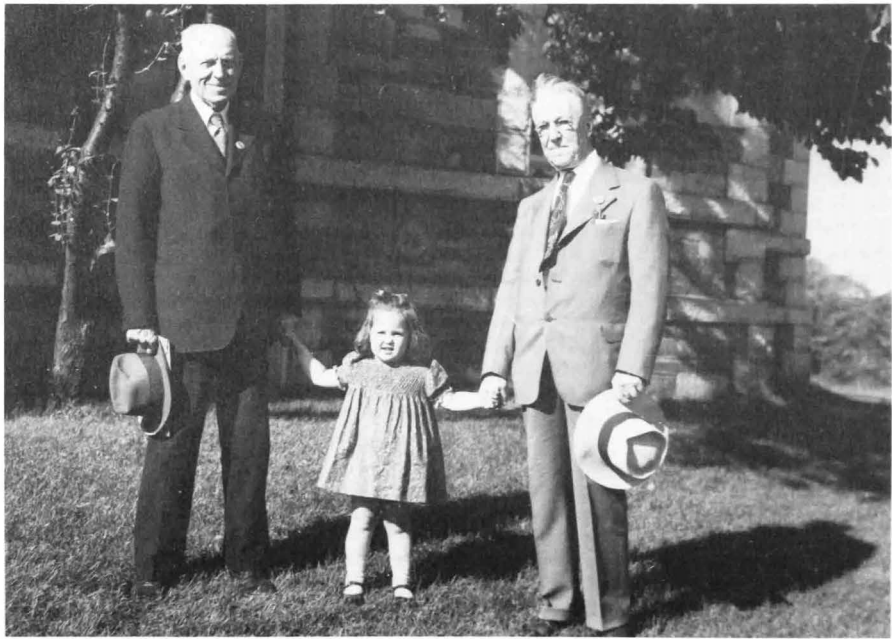
At a reception following the speech, Farmer was surrounded by excited and inquisitive students—some of whose parents had not been born in 1942 when Farmer and fellow black students turned their disgust at the refusal of service by a Chicago restaurant into a successful protest. What Farmer and his compatriots had invented was a form of peaceful demonstration that would become, two decades later, a fixture of the civil rights movement—the sit-in.



Megan, 1990



A. Raymond Rogers, 1917



Harvey D. Eaton, Margo Beach, Albert F. Drummond, 1946

A New Face in the Album

Megan MacDonald '94 Continues a Family Tradition at Colby

When Megan MacDonald '94 of Milton, Mass., decided last spring to attend Colby, word of her choice evoked a spate of congratulatory notes and calls from relatives—including a number she never knew she had.

MacDonald is the 53rd member of the Drummond-Eaton clan to attend Colby, but the first in 22 years. She traces her Colby roots to one of the two giants of the clan, her great-great-grandfather, Waterville attorney Harvey Doane Eaton. A member of the Class of 1887, Eaton founded the Central Maine Power Company and created the nation's first public utility district, achievements that moved Colby to vote him an honorary doctorate in 1952, two years before his death at age 91.

Megan MacDonald's great-grandmother, Harriet Eaton Rogers '19, married a Colby man, A. Raymond Rogers '17, and they produced three more Colbians: Estelle Rogers MacDonald '39 (Megan MacDonald's grandmother), Martha Rogers Beach '42 and A. Raymond Rogers, Jr. '49.

It was the marriage of Megan's great-aunt, Martha Rogers, to George L. Beach, Jr. '41, that connected the descendants of Harvey Doane Eaton to the heirs of another giant of Colby lore, Joseph Hayden Drummond of the Class of 1846.

"When Mom went off to Colby from New Bedford, she met this fellow and brought him home, thinking I've met this wonderful new man," said Martha's daughter, Margo Beach Long '65, a school psychologist in New London, Conn. "Of course, it wasn't that way at all. Mom didn't know it when she met Dad, but her parents and his all had gone to Colby at about the same time."

George Beach's mother, Louise Drummond Beach '14, was the granddaughter of Josiah Drummond, whose mark on Colby was undeniable. He helped found the first campus fraternity, Delta Kappa Epsilon, was a member of the College's Board of Trustees for 45 years and its chair for the final 12, from 1890 until his death in 1902, received an honorary Colby doctorate in 1871 and initiated the drive that financed construction of Colby's first women's dormitory.

Three of his relations were Colby trustees—Wilford Gore Chapman of the Class of 1883, who served from 1903 until his death in 1920 and was board secretary from 1907 on; Albert Foster Drummond of the Class of 1888, who served from 1918 through 1929;

and Wilford Gore Chapman, Jr. '12, a trustee from 1930 to 1935. A fourth trustee, Neil Leonard '21, a member of the board from 1933 until his death in 1968 and its chair during the important post-war period from 1946 through 1960, was married to Josiah Drummond's granddaughter, Hildegard '19.

Through the fifties and sixties, a steady stream of Drummond-Eaton descendants found their way to the new campus on Mayflower Hill—from Neil Leonard, Jr. '50 to Josiah Hayden Drummond IV '64 to George and Martha Rogers Beach's daughter, Margo Beach Long, and, finally, Clark Drummond Chapman '68, nephew of the legendary Professor Alfred King Chapman '25, L.H.D. '68.

And then there were no more.

Estelle Rogers MacDonald's time at Colby was a joyful one. She majored in French, acted in Powder & Wig productions and the Christmas play, wrote for the *Echo* and organized her junior class dinner and dance. But, for one reason or another, through the seventies and eighties none of Estelle Rogers MacDonald's nine children went to Colby, nor did any of their contemporaries among the Drummonds and Beaches and Chapmans and others in the family tree of Josiah Hayden Drummond.

Then, a year ago, Megan MacDonald, a senior at Thayer Academy, began narrowing her choice of a college. "I was looking for the usual thing," she remembers. "A small liberal arts college. Colby was the first one that came to mind." A visit to Colby piqued her interest. "It was small," she said. "I liked that, and I loved the campus. . . . Also, my father's aunt [Martha Rogers Beach] has a house in the Belgrades, so I had been to that area. It wasn't totally new."

Margo Beach Long, who brought her own family back to the lake each summer to the cottages her great-grandfather built, says for a time she hoped her own son might "become the sixth generation of our family to attend Colby," but he accepted a football scholarship from the University of Massachusetts.

Megan says that while she mulled her college options, there was no pressure from the family to choose Colby for the sake of tradition, and her grandmother corroborates that, even though another choice might have meant a two-generation gap in her branch of the family's Colby lineage. "Of the grandchildren, only Megan was interested,"

Estelle MacDonald said. "I was thrilled, but I can't say that I influenced her."

She'd have chosen Colby in any event, MacDonald said during her first semester this fall, but the idea of resuming such a strong family tradition helped her to decide. "That was definitely part of it," she said, adding that she was also struck by how much the campus reminded her of her happy high-school surroundings at Thayer. And after returning from her coastal biking expedition during the Colby Outdoor Orientation Trip (COOT), it was clear to Megan that she had made the right choice. "I think I'm beginning to love it here already," she said, "although it is quite strange, going to a school that loads of family went and a place that [virtually] belonged to my great-grandfather."

When Megan's great-great-grandfather, Harvey Doane Eaton, came to Colby in 1883, there was no such thing as COOT, and Colby was a distinctly different place. The campus then overlooked the roaring Kennebec River, and women had only been attending Colby

Fairfield, Benton, Winslow and Waterville were all in view. "There," he told an associate, gesturing to the expanse below, "is a district."

Eaton's inspiration, the multi-jurisdictional public-service district, eventually became a standard tool across the country for managing regional public-service needs. His own public service continued when, as an extension of the library he had created in his office, he helped to develop the Waterville Public Library. He saw his campaign for education fulfilled when he was given the honor of breaking the ground for the Waterville High School after being one of its primary developers.

The dedication to education and community was carried on by Eaton's daughter Harriet, who attended Colby 32 years after her father, graduating with the Class of 1919. It was at Colby that she met Raymond Rogers '17, who became her husband and with whom she had four children. Harriet Rogers became a director of the Maine Children's Home and played an active role in establishing the Parent Teacher Association during the 1930s. She was also on the boards of directors for Thayer Auxiliary Hospital and the Waterville Historical Society.

Her husband, Raymond, went to Harvard Law School, and he ran for Congress in 1936, losing to his Republican rival. Rogers met with disappointment again when he lost his campaign for Republican mayor of Waterville. After a stint in the armed services as a colonel, he became a chairman of the advisory board of the Salvation Army and an attorney in Waterville, where he practiced until 1962.

Raymond and Harriet's daughter Estelle entered Colby in 1935. She remembers that the relatively low tuition, roughly \$200 a year not including books, helped make her matriculation possible. But she graduated well in advance of the flowering of feminism and met resistance when she tried to convert her degree into career opportunities. "I went for a job in a department store after Colby in 1939 and was told by the manager there that college girls were a dime a dozen," she remembers. She entered secretarial school in New York, hoping to find work as a receptionist.

While her Colby experience could not help her dismantle the gender barriers to a career, Megan MacDonald's grandmother says it was helpful in preparing her to rear her own nine children. She feels that her "excellent background at Colby," where she concentrated in French and English, has made her a good mother to her "large, healthy and prospering family."

Megan should encounter fewer obstacles professionally. Personally, her family ties are already paying off. She has developed a rapport with her Great-Aunt Martha and Great-Uncle George, now retired and still living in Waterville. And when members of the Drummond-Eaton clan return to the lakeside cottages on Snow Pond in North Belgrade next summer, they'll know that 149 years after Josiah Drummond first entered Colby, another member of the family is carrying on the tradition.



Grandfather Eaton receives his honorary doctorate from Colby, 1952

for a dozen years. Eaton was quick to make his mark on the College and the town and became a big name not only in the MacDonald family tree but also in the history of Waterville. After graduating from Colby in 1887, he went on to receive his law degree from Harvard and was admitted to the U.S. District Court, the Circuit Court and the Maine Bar. After opening a law firm in Waterville, Eaton took two of his cases to the highest court in the country and was victorious in both.

After his Supreme Court triumphs, Eaton teamed up with Walter Wyman to create the Kennebec Water District, the first municipally owned water company in Maine. The idea came to him in the midst of a drinking-water shortage in Waterville. He happened to be on the heights west of Waterville at a spot where the towns of

A VOICE FROM "THE VOID"



Michael Rothschild Walks Abreast with His Days

by Stephen Collins '74

With his new book, *Wondermonger* (Viking, 1990), whipping up tidal waves on the sea of American literature, Michael Rothschild '69 leaves his farm outside of Phillips, Maine, for New York and Boston fairly frequently these days.

For the most part, the interviews, radio shows, readings and book-signings have been smooth sailing for Rothschild, whose work has been compared favorably to that of William Faulkner, Gabriel García Márquez and Jorge Luis Borges. But occasionally, he gets a question that throws him, and it was during one of the New York interviews that he was asked, "How is it possible to work for 20 or 30 years up there in a void?"

After all, the question implied, New York is the cultural capital

of America, the center of art and literature, where writers schmooze with writers and where literary careers are made or broken. And Phillips, a tiny town more than an hour northwest of Waterville on the verge of the Unorganized Territory of Franklin County, is nowhere.

Back at the farm on Tory Hill, weeks after fielding that question, Rothschild was still shaking his head, brown hair braided tight down the back. After a big lunch of home-grown ham, garden vegetables and his wife's freshly baked bread, he settled into the study of his 20-room farmhouse and wondered, "Is this the void?"

It was a rhetorical question. The notion of writers talking only to other writers, plotting their literary careers and hanging on the proclamations of the critics is, in his words, "bull's-eye, dead-center



Ram, beaten lead, 24 x 36 inches. 1987.

Photos by Madeleine de Sinety

void." Art and literature aren't about art and literature, they're about life. And Rothschild's all but self-sufficient farm is a place where life is experienced firsthand, where art is extracted from and hammered out of nature.

Life is pulling milk from Bertha the cow's udder. It's pulling a carrot from the soil, a lamb from the womb of a ewe. It's draining the lifeblood of a pig from its throat during slaughter.

"I want to get the egg from under the ass of the hen," Rothschild said. And it's that same gritty, elemental quality that puts Rothschild's writing as far away from Philip Roth's angst-ridden urban landscape as farm life in rural Franklin County is from condo life on the Upper West Side.

Rothschild, now 43, grew up in Bangor and attended Colby during the late 1960s. He is full of droll stories about college theater productions, in which he performed with the likes of professors Irving Suss, Abbott Meader and F. Celand "Ed" Witham. One semester, Rothschild played the part of the menacing brother in Harold Pinter's *The Caretaker* so convincingly that Suss, whose character took nightly beatings from Rothschild's, had to be cajoled into returning to the stage for Act Two. And it was probably those same thespian talents that made Rothschild a fearsome presence during his term as chief justice of the student judiciary. One Waterville attorney, engaged by a student called before the court, was so intimidated by Rothschild that he packed his things and left the hearing room, convinced that the student stood a better chance of winning the case without his presence.

Rothschild recalls, from those years on campus, Professor Alfred Chapman's elegance and frankness, his passion for the Romantics and encyclopedic knowledge of their world and his ability to share that passion with his students. And Rothschild still shares Professor Emeritus R. Mark Benbow's sense of the immediacy of Shakespeare.

"Chappie" and Benbow were not ordinary professors, and Michael Rothschild was no ordinary student. He spent a year with the Royal

Shakespeare Company in England before attending Colby and, as a student, wrote stories later published in *The Paris Review*.

When his last semester ended in 1969 he skipped Commencement and set off for Franklin County on a motorcycle, looking for a place to live. The story of how he bought 200 acres and turned them into the center of his universe, like many of his personal anecdotes, hints that there's a little Wondermonger in Michael Rothschild—something charmed about his karma and perhaps magnified by his world-class storytelling abilities.

Rothschild and family—wife Catharine (O'Reilly) and four children—bucked the astronomical odds that decimated the ranks of back-to-the-landers and thrived on their hilltop farm. Of the legions of would-be homesteaders who tried and failed, Rothschild says cryptically, "You see, they were reading Thoreau when they should have been reading Emerson." He reminds a visitor that for all of his talk of solitude and self-reliance, Thoreau could—and often did—fall back on his father's fortune to sustain himself.

While he was learning the lessons of farm life—that apples, for instance, could go from the trees to the cider press to the hog trough, then through the hog to the manure-spreader—Rothschild continued writing. In 1973 his first book, *Rhapsody of a Hermit and Other Tales*, was published to critical acclaim. Then came a long silence. It would be 17 years before his next book, *Wondermonger*.

Having to get the egg from beneath the hen and keeping up with all the other demands of a family farm leaves little time for artistic self-expression. "We grow 90 percent of our food. We have 25 sheep, three or four beef animals, ducks, turkeys and chickens," Rothschild explained. There are also the gardens, orchards full of old strains of apples, dairy cows, horses and farm equipment to tend. And, as he watched the leaves on Mt. Abram beginning their fall display this year, Rothschild was buckling down to finish a monumental post-and-beam barn before snowfall—a replacement for an old barn that burned early in the year.

About his stories, Rothschild has been quoted widely as saying, "I work on them when I have time, mostly late at night; but there is very little time."

Compounding the chronic time crunch is the fact that writing is just one of Rothschild's talents, and not necessarily the ascendant one. About a dozen years ago Rothschild discovered a set of wood-carving tools that had belonged to his father. That was the beginning of a detour into sculpture for which he uses the metaphor of a fish with a hook in the side of its mouth. "I used to fight it," he said. "Now I swim in that direction because I've learned it will hurt my mouth less, and it takes a lot less energy."

Working at his Tory Hill homestead, Rothschild began shaping chunks of hardwood, slabs of slate and massive sheets of lead into moose and rams heads, birds of prey, life-size sturgeon and expressive female forms. During the 1980s he met considerable success with his sculpture—though success, in a commercial sense, was never what he was after.

The sculptures and the pictures he paints plumb Rothschild's deepest feelings. They weren't conceived or fabricated for galleries or collectors. "None of my sculptures was ever made to sell," he said, though some pieces have, including a carved blue heron to author Stephen King of Bangor. One buyer, about to spend a sum that would pay for a modest house in Maine, mentioned how well the piece in question would look in his office in Washington. Rothschild said he told the buyer that if the sculpture was to leave the state of Maine, the deal was off—no sale. "And I really needed the money," he added.

In 1988–89 Rothschild traveled to China to lecture on his work at Central Academy of Fine Arts in Beijing—a tour arranged in part by his son, Harry, a Harvard undergraduate who was living in China at the time. Rothschild has been invited to mount an exhibit in Beijing, and if he accepts, it will be the first time he's shown his work formally. The fact that tens of thousands of Chinese would come to view his work for its artistic value—not because of who he is or because they have any commercial interest—appeals to the artist. He still doesn't plan to exhibit in the United States, but he did publish a book of photographs of his artwork, *Jubilaté*, this year, and he shows his pieces at home by appointment.

Despite his success with the visual arts, the questions about his literary hiatus persist. Why the detour into sculpture? Why neglect the promising writing career?

To Rothschild they are silly questions. They smack of our Western predisposition to stuff people into pigeonholes—as writer or sculptor, one but not both. Accused of neglecting his writing career he scoffs, "I have no career. I don't care about my career."

Writing, he says, is one of the self-expressive elements of his life, not a job. Writing and reading, like walking around, are simply things he does. He insists he is no more a writer than he is a father, a husband, a builder, a farmer or a sculptor.

Writing, drawing and sculpting are all ways to express feelings. "And when you bear down so hard on the page, so hard you go through the paper into the desk, then it's time to work on something more obdurate," he said, describing the need to shift media, moving back and forth between study and studio.

Comparisons with Faulkner (whom he says he never particularly admired) and Borges seem to amuse Rothschild. And praise, contrasted with the power of art to communicate feelings and to move people, "doesn't mean spit," he said.

More important than critical acclaim are tears in the eyes of the toughest fifth grader at Strong Elementary School after Rothschild reads him Oscar Wilde's *The Nightingale and The Rose*. More meaningful than public recognition is the unchecked emotion of a blind



Cow Moose, linocut, 67 x 23 inches. Edition of 12. 1989.

woman as she caresses an abstract sculpture and realizes that her sister was the model.

And more powerful than money was the night China's most revered sculptor, Qian Shao Wu, stopped Rothschild in mid-lecture and, agitated, asked to review slides of Rothschild's sculpture, *Croucher*. Bidding Rothschild and the Beijing audience to wait while he left to get some drawings—studies for a sculpture he'd been working on for five years—Qian returned and, looking at photos of Rothschild's sculpture and comparing it to his own drawings, said, "I will never complete this sculpture. It is finished."

Back home in Maine, Rothschild contemplates a unified vision of life, in which a man can be a writer, a farmer and an artist; a father and a friend; a producer and a consumer; a disciple of William Blake's *Songs of Innocence* and his *Songs of Experience*. His thoughts return to China and to Dong Xin Bin of Nanjing. Dong is a respected physician, herbalist and author—and at the same time, one of China's premier landscape painters.

Rothschild reads from his son's translation of an article in the Chinese art magazine *Jiansu Pictorial* about Rothschild's visit to Dong.

Dong Xin Bin pointed to a water painting scroll on silk and began to explain what he called Three Moonlights and Lone Boat.

"I, Dong Xin Bin, raise my head and see the moon light the sky. I lower my head, and I see the moonlight in the water, the reflection of the moon. I am drunk. My eyes, my drunken eyes, produce another, third type of moonlight. The boat passes on. There is nothing. The past, the present, the future are all there at once, and suddenly there is nothing. Therefore I have painted this picture. Is that not different from what you do in your country?"

Michael: "Dong Xin Bin, my family has a cow named Bertha. For 10 years my children are nourished by the milk of this cow. One warm summer

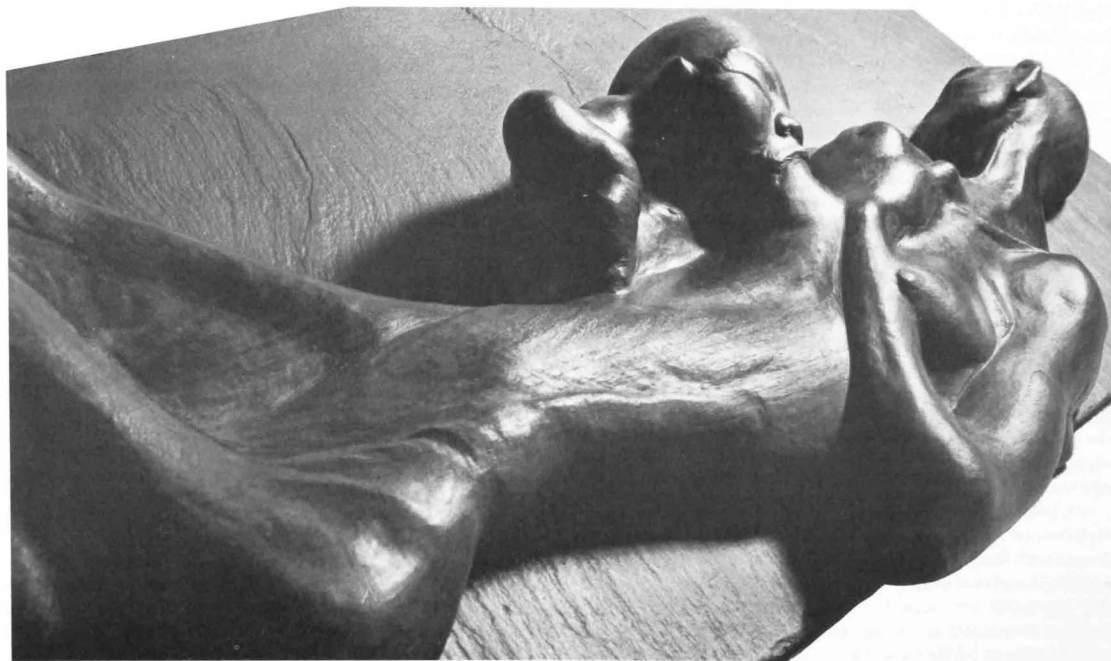
night, I, too, was drunk. I went up into our field and lay down, and Bertha came out of the dark and lay down beside me. She was breathing warm air, which spurted out onto my face, while chewing grass to transform the field into milk, into the teeth and bones of my children. After an unknown length of time a large shooting star traversed the heavens. I could not see it directly. The cow raised her head and followed the journey of the star. I was lying on my back at her knees and could see the star reflected in the great bulb of the cow's eye. I felt the warmth of the cow's body and breath, the milk she gave me and my family, and in that instant the cow seemed all of heaven and all of earth. That instant of that cow-night was the past, the present, the future. I, too, make a picture and a sculpture to suggest what I felt this night. Then tell me, Dong Xin Bin, where is the cow and the star in a mountain pasture in Maine so different from your three moons in the south of China and your lone boat?"

Recently a parcel arrived on Tory Hill—a painting from Dong with a note. The painting depicted a cow on a hill, stars in the night sky and below, a lone boat on the water. The note, translated, concludes: "The universe connects all of us, and art connects human beings to the universe. Despite the suffering, this is a glorious world, and art is just proof of it."

Just as Rothschild was moved when Qian Shao Wu produced the drawings that were identical to a sculpture Rothschild had done half a world away, he is moved by the harmony in the quests of two artists, one working in Nanjing and one in Phillips, Maine.

"It was not by chance that someone like Dong Xin Bin is making that sound in China," Rothschild said. "I want to answer that sound."

—Stephen Collins lives in Oakland, Maine, where he and his wife, Candace Hill, publish *The Summer Times*, a seasonal newspaper for the Belgrade region.



Feeding, black walnut on black slate, 18 x 48 inches. 1982.

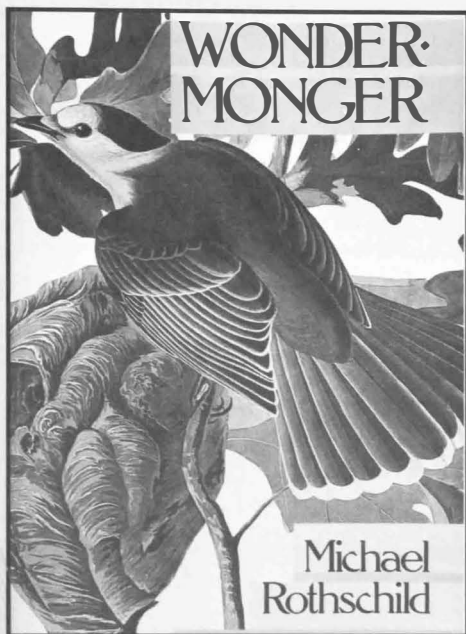
“Characters to Whom Things Matter, Desperately”

“There are few things worth waiting 17 years for,” begins Elizabeth Hand’s *Washington Post* review of Michael Rothschild’s latest collection of stories, “true love I suppose, or maybe one’s dream house or that trip to Venice. To this short list we can now add Wondermonger . . .”

Raves have been the norm for the book. In *The New York Times*, David Dawson advised readers to “look behind the rich detail of the nine . . . stories themselves. Underneath them all,” he continued, “driving these stories to the quick of your soul, you’ll find . . . the devotedly beating heart of one who has the careful ability to mold and chisel his stories into living, breathing works of art.”

Colby asked assistant professor of English Michael Burke for his assessment of *Wondermonger*. Burke, too, found Rothschild and his stories intriguing, challenging and impressive.

To a reader coming fresh to Michael Rothschild’s work, his stories are a shock and a surprise, for it is as though, for him, the last 20 years in American fiction haven’t happened. Here is a writer who isn’t afraid to be lush, to use language effusively; there is none of the spare, minimal style by which the contemporary short story is plagued; none of that modern, fashionable despair or the agonizing over the existential void.



Rothschild’s work is hard to place, in part because it so clearly doesn’t fit into today’s mainstream but also because it harkens back to other writers and to ambitious attempts to create a world in a way that isn’t attempted much anymore. There are elements of Faulkner here, and of the South American fabulists, but most compelling is the sound of a Maine—much like our own—being recreated in myth and fable.

The first three works, the novella “Wondermonger” and two stories, “The Price of Pine” and “How the Oval Hill Wajosis Became Starkmont,” are all set in the beginnings of a Maine-like place. And as one reads, one has the sensation that this is how it might have been, how Maine might have come to be. And then one realizes that no, this is not how it

happened but how Rothschild has made it happen. He is like Faulkner in that regard, inventing a land all his own: where Faulkner’s was Yoknapatawpha County, Rothschild’s is Sunbury Town and Tantrattle and Jeshimon Plantation and Starkmont.

Perhaps the most defining characteristic of the collection is that of obsession: in all of the most successful stories, characters are obsessed with something, either with settling a territory, as in “How the Oval Hill Wajosis Became Starkmont,” or with love and revenge, as in “Wondermonger,” or with killing a bear, as in “The Strike Hound.” All of the major characters have some im-

age of themselves to protect or have a thing they own or want that demands protection or effort. These are characters to whom things matter, desperately. Perhaps it is this concern of Rothschild’s for the significance of actions and of the past that makes the book seem so out of our times.

One reads Rothschild’s work with the sense that he is an unconventional writer: unconventional in taking as his subject rural Maine and its mythic past; unconventional in avoiding or ignoring the mainstream of American literature; and unconventional as another way of saying that he is good and interesting. The “Wondermonger” of the title, which refers to the character Mordecai Rime, might just as well refer to Rothschild, a worker of wonders.



KEEPING THE FAITH

*Though Distanced from Its Baptist Origin,
Colby Still Offers Religious Students A Niche*

by Mary Ellen Matava

Soon after she arrived at Colby, Kim Ereminas attended a home-style breakfast put on by the Colby Christian Fellowship. The experience, she says, converted her from a "closet Christian" to someone willing to openly declare her faith. "I was really struck by the power that was in the room," she said. "People were so loving and caring."

Now a junior and vice president of the group, Ereminas says her faith has deepened since. "I never felt the conviction until I came to Colby," she said. "I am a shy person, but I took a leadership position in the fellowship my sophomore year. It has forced me to come out of my shell and claim my faith."

Ereminas's experience seems to be unusual. For many of her contemporaries, the college years are a time to question—and often reject—religious beliefs taught by parents. For a variety of reasons (including something as simple as a desire to sleep in on weekend mornings), students sometimes turn away from family traditions, such as weekly church or temple attendance.

In high school, John Cook participated in Sunday services as a lay reader and was a member of the choir and parish council at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Burlington, Conn. But once in college, he said, he "fell out of church."

"I was learning other things in classes," said Cook, who transferred to Colby last fall after two years at Trinity University in Texas. "I read the essay 'Self Reliance' by Emerson. I started to see church as a crutch, a place where people collect money, a corrupt institution."

"When we come to college, we tend to neglect the religious aspect of our lives," said Ronald Morrell, Colby's Protestant chaplain.

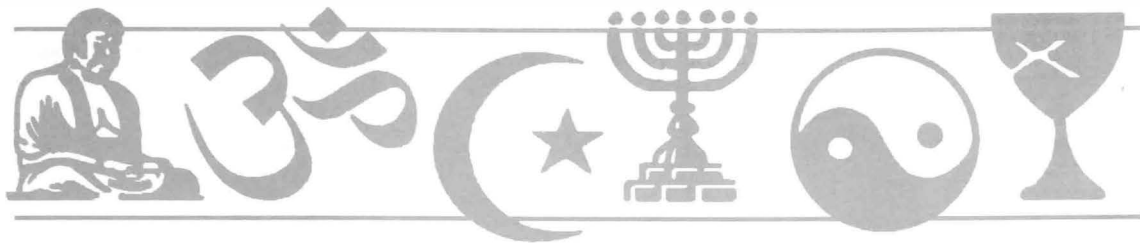
In earlier days, Colby would have countered such neglect. Students had to attend daily services in the chapel and to go to church on Sunday—requirements that were eliminated in the early decades of this century. The College was liberal for its times. Although Colby's precursor, the Maine Literary and Theological Institution, was strictly

Baptist, members of other denominations were welcomed at Waterville College, and the Colby College charter is nonsectarian. In his history of the College, the late Ernest Cummings Marriner notes that Colby's most famous early graduate, Elijah Parish Lovejoy, was a Presbyterian, and that, as early as 1909, Congregationalists outnumbered Baptists on the faculty.

Since 1984, Colby has employed three chaplains to minister to students. Professor Thomas Longstaff, chair of the Department of Philosophy and Religion and an ordained Episcopal priest, served as part-time chaplain for several years in the late 1970s and taught in the department as well. He was the last College chaplain to also have ties to the Philosophy and Religion Department, and he says the separation is wise.

"That is the way it should be," he said. "It keeps clearer the lines between the practice and the study of religion."

With help from the chaplains, students can find a niche in the religious services and activities. And for some, it fills a void.



"It's surprising. You look at this campus, and there are so many activities every day," said Father John Marquis, the Catholic chaplain, who divides his time among Colby, Unity and Thomas colleges. "In spite of all that, there's an awful lot of alienation. That, to me, is where I come in."

Marquis eats breakfast in the dining hall regularly, so students can get to know him. "I realized this was a great place to meet people," he said. "They're groggy, they're sleepy, but they're also tense sometimes and worried about what's coming up during the day."

To become familiar to students, Marquis immersed himself in campus events after the Diocese of Portland transferred him to Waterville from St. John the Baptist Church in Brunswick in 1989. In fact, he had just finished unpacking his bags that fall when he loaded a backpack and took off on a COOT expedition. "I wanted to be present,

visible and available to the campus," he said.

In addition to saying Mass, hearing confessions and advising the Newman Club, a Catholic student organization, Marquis does a lot of informal counseling—in the dining halls, for instance, or in the bleachers at football games. "Students just come on up and sit next to me," he said.

Ministering to Protestant students at Colby can be tricky because of the broad spectrum of denominations represented, so Ron Morrell tries to keep his Sunday evening worship services simple. Students sometimes help plan the services, and occasionally Morrell will turn sermon chores over to one of them. He incorporates songs or prayers from the various worship traditions. "Each year it changes a little, depending on the students who come to the chapel," he said.

Students interested in pastoral ministry have found an encouraging mentor in Morrell. He has taken them along to minis-

ters' conferences and had them deliver sermons at the China Baptist Church, where he is pastor. One of those students, Thomas Charlton '88, is now enrolled at Gordon-Conwell Seminary in South Hamilton, Mass. "I find that very fulfilling and satisfying," Morrell said.

Morrell and Rabbi Raymond Krinsky, the Jewish chaplain, have other congregations that keep them busy, so their time at Colby is devoted, for the most part, to the students who seek them out. "Those that come to the chapel are searching already," said Morrell. "My role is to aid them in their pilgrimage."

Some Jewish students attend services at the Beth Israel Congregation on Main Street in Waterville. Many more get involved with activities sponsored by the Hillel Foundation, which, like the Newman Club, has a strong student base nationally. Hillel is host to an annual Hanukkah party, puts on a seder at Passover and organizes group trips to the Waterville synagogue for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. Hillel also sponsors Holocaust Remembrance Week and brings to campus films and lecturers on Jewish themes.

"There is a felt need for involvement in things Jewish," said Krinsky. No matter how religious students are, he added, "they have a strong desire for [Jewish] identity."

As part of his duties, Krinsky comes to campus regularly to meet with Hillel officers or individual students and offers Hebrew lessons to those planning trips to Israel.

Like many of their Christian peers, some Jewish students spend their College years weighing the value of religious convictions. But for them, Krinsky said, there is the added question of what it means to be Jewish on a predominantly Christian campus.

"They come into contact with Christian beliefs, and some come to me with questions—about the after-life, for example," Krinsky said. The



Photo by Kevin Rothstein '94

Kim Ereninas '92, Steve Lilley '92, Kristin Short '92 and Mark Muir '93, all officers in the Colby Christian Fellowship, sing hymns and study the Bible at the group's meetings, which draw about 30 students and faculty members to the chapel lounge each week.

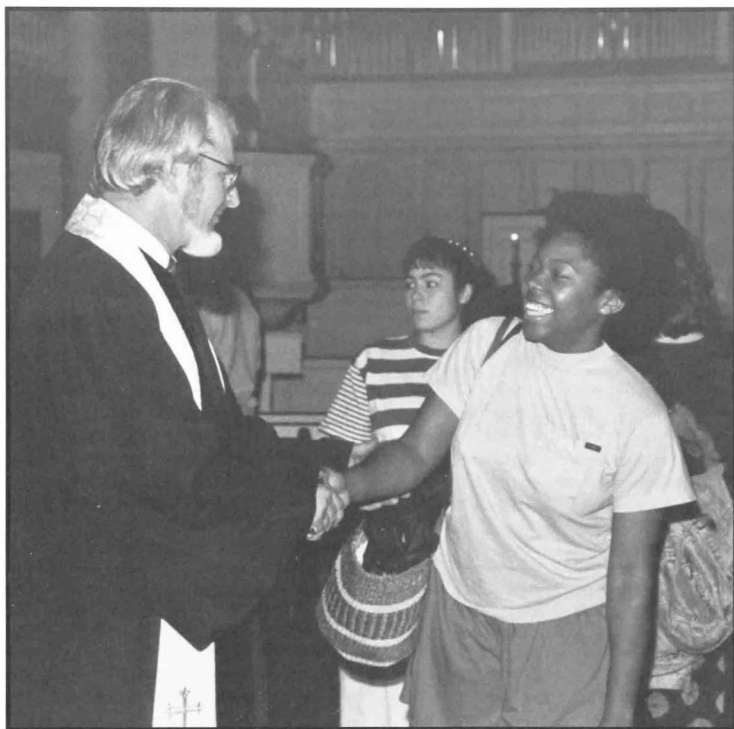
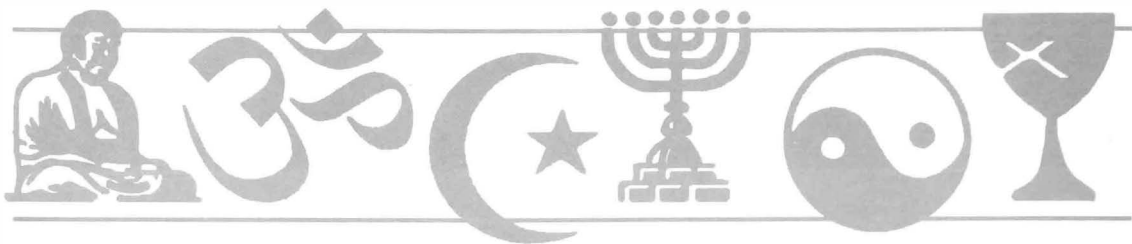


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Thokozani Kadzamura, an exchange student from Malawi, greets the Rev. Ronald Morrell after the Sunday evening chapel service.

rabbi, who spent 16 years as director of Hillel at the University of Virginia before coming to Colby, is comfortable with students. When such questions arise, he says, he helps students understand the teachings of their faith.

Betsy A. Kuller '90 tried to observe kosher dietary laws in her co-op residence hall, where students can elect to have kitchen privileges. She went to Krinsky's monthly services and drove 10 hours to New York so she could spend Passover with her family.

"Something like that was important to me," she said. "To some extent, by my own initiation, I was able to practice my religion at Colby."

But a more religious Jew would have a harder time, according to sophomore Stephanie Pulver, president of Colby's Hillel. The Jewish Sabbath, which begins at sundown on Friday and ends 24 hours later, is hardly a period marked by meditation and reverence on campus, she observes.

"I wouldn't come down hard on Colby," said Kuller, who is now working on a kibbutz in Israel, "though I don't think it will ever be a good place for people committed to Judaism as a way of life."

According to Krinsky, however, Jewish students can fit in at Colby, even those who choose to pursue their religion actively.

"They don't have to be minimalistic about [being Jewish]," he said.

Pulver and others use Hillel to celebrate—and explicate—their culture. They note that most of the students who attend the Hanukkah party, seder meal and other Hillel events are gentile. "We want to expose our culture to others," Pulver said.

Devoted Christian students often feel that they, too, are in a minority on campus, among a nonworshiping majority. Ereminas is close to many of the Colby Christian Fellowship members and shares a co-ed suite of rooms with several. She also has many friends who don't share her beliefs.

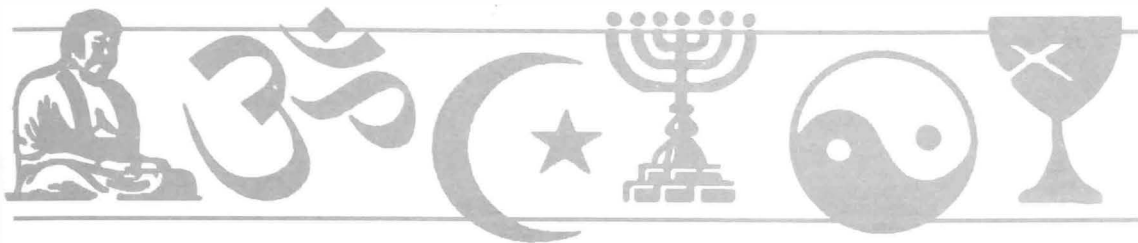
"They accept me, though they sometimes laugh at me," she said. "One of them called me 'virtuous.'"

Elaine Jorgensen, a senior and president of the Newman Club, knows how it feels to be set apart by her principles, which she believes are rooted in Catholicism. Jorgensen is anti-abortion. "Most of my friends are pro-abortion. We just don't discuss it," she said. "People who know me know the way I feel about it. It's not my top priority to spread it around. I feel that would alienate a lot of people."

While Ereminas said she doesn't "beat people with Bibles," she won't hesitate to get into a discussion about morality. "If I knew a homosexual I would question him, but I wouldn't condemn him. I believe homosexuality is wrong," she said flatly.

Abortion and homosexuality are two of the more volatile issues facing the faithful—and society in general. And on a campus where college health insurance covers abortions and where understanding varied lifestyles is encouraged, one would think there would be plenty for chaplains to discuss.

But they tend to steer clear of controversy. Morrell and Marquis choose not to make issues the focal point of their sermons, and Krinsky leaves complex moral decisions to the individual. Morrell outlines basic Christian beliefs from the pulpit. "The basis is what's important for making moral decisions, rather than preaching on specific issues," he said.



Marquis spoke about abortion in a sermon only once, he said, in response to an item in the student newspaper, the *Echo*, that noted that flu shots were \$3 at the health center and abortions were free.

"When I saw that, my stomach churned," Marquis said. "To me, it was a real symbol of how mixed up and confused our values are." But he usually stays away from tough issues, on the grounds that they cannot be covered effectively in a five- to seven-minute sermon. [In fact, the *Echo* was mistaken; Colby's health center offers counseling and referrals and does not perform abortions.]

The college ministry, Marquis says, is not the place to climb on a soapbox. He keeps his homilies upbeat most of the time.

"If I can just open a little crack in their minds or their souls or their hearts, to help them think a little more seriously, then I think I've done my work," he said.

One of the most important things a chaplain can do is help students cope with grief. The death of a family member or a classmate can bring students to the chaplains for strength. Memorial services were held recently for two members of the Class of 1992, Todd Iszard and Jodi Spear. Students packed the chapel for both.

"We try to help them see how their faith relates to life," Morrell said. "We help students with the grief process and are there simply to talk."

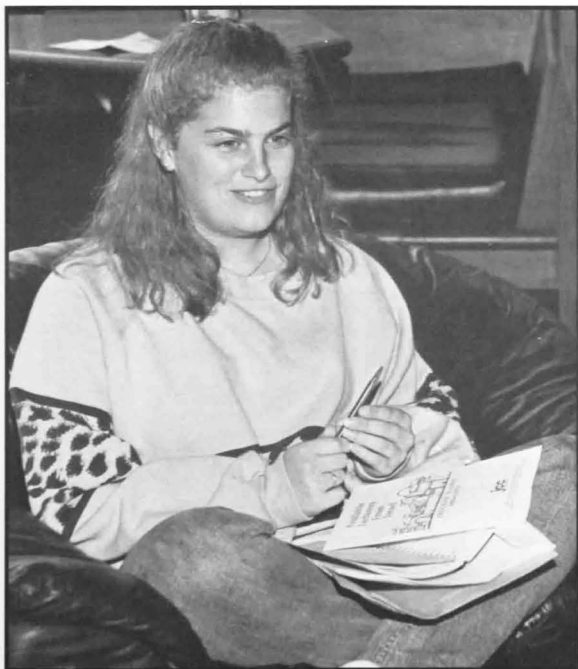
Some crises are not so public.

The day before she left home for col-

lege, Jorgensen's parents told her they were getting a divorce. The eldest of four children, Jorgensen had been going to church every weekend, by herself, since she was a young teenager. Her parents' announcement crushed her, testing her faith. She avoided religious services her entire first semester at Colby. "I wasn't sure what I believed in anymore," she said.

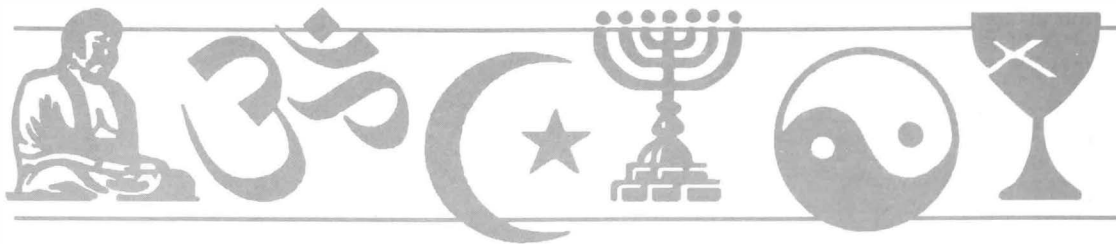
She met then-Catholic chaplain John Skehan at a fireside chat during Jan Plan and subsequently joined the Newman Club. "Once I got involved in everything second semester, everything came back together for me," she said.

Campus Christian and Jewish groups augment the work of the chaplains, who sometimes serve as advisers, but are student-



Photos by Mary Ellen Marava and Kevin Rothstein '94

Hillel president Stephanie Pulver '92; Rabbi Raymond Krinsky at the Hillel Bagel Breakfast.



driven. Newman Club leaders meet every Sunday after Mass, and some get together on Sunday night in the gym for what Jorgensen calls the club's most rewarding activity—playing basketball with mentally retarded adults from Waterville.

"There's a large degree of personal satisfaction doing it," said senior David Shumway, Newman Club vice president, who has been participating in the basketball games since his first year at Colby.

At weekly CCF meetings, students get together to sing, study the Bible and socialize. "It's a place where people can find security. On a college campus it's so easy not to be a Christian," Ereminas said. "To be with people who think the same way you do, it's refreshing." Members are encouraged to take advantage of Intersarsity Christian Fellowship retreats and other opportunities to get off campus and share their faith with other college students.

Geology Professor Donald Allen and his wife, Sharon, have been advisers to CCF for more than 15 years and attend as many meetings as they can. They also help students find churches in which to worship.

"We are Christians, and we feel that's a ministry we can have on the campus," said Allen, who often invites students to his home for Bible studies and dinner. "We sit and listen to people talk their way through issues, their goals and desires. We enjoy that. We try to be friends and listeners."

Teaching students about her religion and culture is gratifying, said Nikky-Guninder Singh, assistant professor of philosophy and religion. In fact, she said, sharing her religious beliefs is one way she practices the Sikh faith. "Rather than saying prayers with [students], I share it in an academic sense," she said.

Singh, who considers herself very spiritual, can't devote a whole room to the Sikh holy book, as others of her faith do, but she keeps it in a prominent place in her Taylor faculty apartment. "I open it in the morning and read it, and I close it at night," she said. "Every space is sacred. I don't have to go to the Golden Temple [the Sikh shrine at Amritsar, India]."

Enrollment in the religion classes at Colby has little to do with the students' spirituality, said Debra Campbell, associate

professor of philosophy and religion. "Some students who are personally interested in religion choose not to take religion courses," she said. "What they have in their personal lives is enough."

Though he wouldn't want Colby to return to its fundamentalist past, Professor Longstaff said, he believes religion should play a larger role on campus.

"We face some enormous problems at Colby in trying to provide a good climate for social-moral growth," Longstaff said. Church involvement, he maintains, does more than strengthen an individual. Historically, church people have been catalysts in social causes such as the civil rights and women's movements. "We ought to put our resources into alternatives, to gathering their commitment to other things. Churches have a strong social-moral role to play in our world, and could do so on our campus," he said.

But religion's potential as a positive force doesn't negate its dark side, which has, on occasion, surfaced at Colby as well. In general, there is cooperation and sharing among students of different faiths on campus, but misunderstandings do occur. Pulver

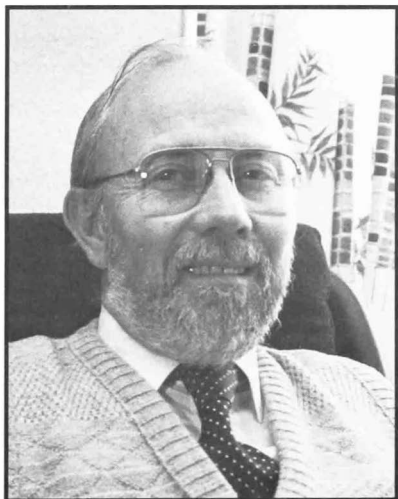


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Thomas Longstaff, an Episcopal priest, and Nikky-Guninder Singh, a practicing Sikh, are members of the faculty of the Department of Philosophy and Religion who say that separation of academic and inspirational religion on campus is the appropriate course.

Photo by Catherine Anderson



was shocked last fall when a first-year student who had attended a Catholic high school said he didn't know Jews still existed. "He stopped hearing about them in the New Testament of the Bible, after Jesus was born, so he didn't think they were around anymore."

Kuller remembers similar comments from her days on campus, but she stops short of calling it anti-Semitism. "A lot of the history of the Jewish people is not very well known by non-Jews," she said. "I sort of link anti-Semitism with ignorance."

In the spring of 1988, Catholic and Protestant student groups teamed up for Project Hero, raising money and collecting two tons of clothes for needy families in Maine. It was by far the most successful service project of the year, with hundreds of students participating.

But when Meredith Post '90 of Hillel asked to help direct Project Hero, she was turned away. The two organizers said it was a Christian undertaking, and one of the participating students told Post privately that she couldn't give to the project as others could because she "didn't have Jesus" in her heart.

This raised the ire of Jews and Christians alike, but the subject was not aired publicly until the following fall, when Kuller wrote an opinion column in the *Echo* denouncing the incident. The article generated a flood of letters to the *Echo*, both condemning and defending the Christian students' actions—including one from Morrell. According to the Protestant chaplain, when the leaders of Project Hero, Thomas Charlton '88 and William Derry '88,



Photo by Paul Matthews '94
Newman Club president Elaine Jorgensen '91 says working with mentally retarded adults is the club's most rewarding activity.

began to "talk and dream [about the project], they realized the existing student Christian groups, at least in recent history, had never worked on any project like this together."

"There was never any discussion or thought of excluding anyone from being involved in this project," Morrell wrote, "but they felt it would be a good experience for the [Christian] groups to sponsor this campus-wide drive."

In response to the stir caused by Project Hero, Colby's Interfaith Council was reactivated that fall after a 20-year hiatus.

Looking back on the Project Hero episode, Kuller says she realizes the organizers came to regret the misunderstanding. In a way, she said, it made her more determined to educate others about her religion. "I became more adamant about promoting Judaism," she said. "It will all have an effect

eventually. All you need is a few people who have commitment."

But the sentiment that contributed to the discord may not have disappeared entirely. Last fall, objections were raised by some Christian students when faculty were instructed not to schedule exams on Yom Kippur or Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish High Holy Days. The students complained that similar notices were not sent during the week prior to Easter.

And some Christian students say they, too, have felt the sting of discrimination. Jorgensen still remembers a comment made to her several years ago by someone on campus. "He said, 'The only good thing about Catholics at Colby is there aren't very many of them,'" Jorgensen recalls.

On the whole, however, Colby students say the campus climate supports religious diversity. Hindus, Moslems, Buddhists and Sikhs have also practiced their religions here, and while they can't always follow the same customs they did at home or identify with a campus chaplain, they manage to worship in their own way.

Siddhartha Choudhury, a sophomore majoring in economics and religion, was raised as a Hindu. He says he stopped believing in God for a while and now calls himself a reformed Hindu. Rather than recognizing a pantheon of gods as his mother in India does, Choudhury is a monotheist. He meditates and wears a locket representing the goddess Kali, a gift from his mother, but otherwise is an atypical Hindu, he says.

"Every religion has different ways," Choudhury said, "but they all lead to the same goals."

From The County to Colby

An Aroostook Priest Brings His Lively Style to Mayflower Hill

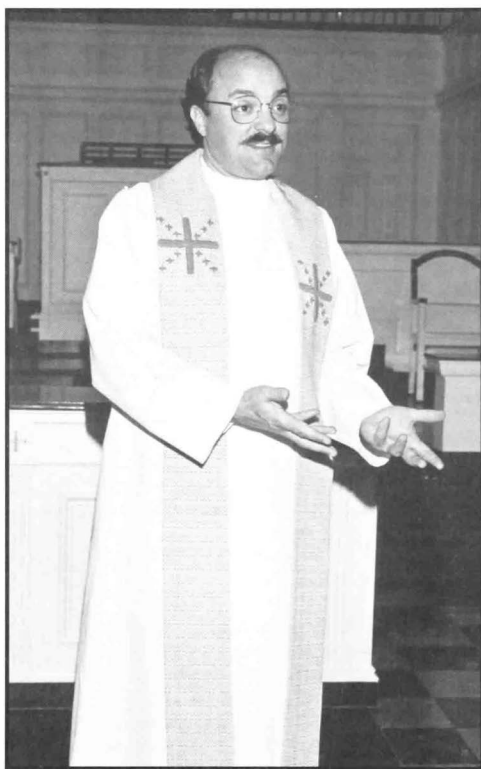
Father John Marquis doesn't fit the profile many people associate with priests. He is as comfortable on horseback as he is at the altar. On his office wall, a Blues Brothers poster hangs next to a portrait of Christ. And he loves to tell Catholic jokes at campus banquets.

Colby's Catholic chaplain considers himself a disciple of God, but at the same time, the 41-year-old Marist priest is a sensitive, down-to-earth man who counts nearly everyone he meets as a friend.

"I'm amazed at how many people he knows on campus, and not necessarily Catholics," said Cate Talbot Ashton '80, assistant director of career services. Ashton first met Marquis in the fall of 1989, when she and her husband, Don, were planning their twin sons' baptism. But she has also seen Marquis's "civilian" side—she and several other Colby staff members enjoyed his company in an outdoor hot tub at Sugarloaf during the 1989 staff retreat.

Students say Marquis is extremely friendly and is approachable, partly because he makes it a point to be visible at nearly all of their hangouts. His habit of taking meals in the dining halls, for instance, has made him a fixture on the landscape, and students don't hesitate to join him. "He's not the kind to make you feel, 'Oh I'm sitting with a priest. I have to watch what I say,'" said senior Elaine Jorgensen.

Because students feel comfortable with



Marquis, Jorgensen said, many more of them seem to be attending Sunday Mass. And that's just where he wants them to be.

"People have faith and somehow want to find an expression for it. It may not always be what's accepted by the Church, but you can't come crashing down on people," Marquis said. "If people step inside the church, I welcome them with open arms and work with them."

Marquis does not always wear his clerical garb, nor does he agree with everything the Church does. He'd like to see women and married people ordained as priests, for example. But he doesn't consider himself a renegade. He says he loves the priesthood.

"It's a unique kind of opportunity to enter into people's lives in a way that most people don't have. Single people, married couples, gay, straight, every kind of person," Marquis said. "You feel humbled because there's some stuff they tell you and you wonder, 'Why is he telling me?'"

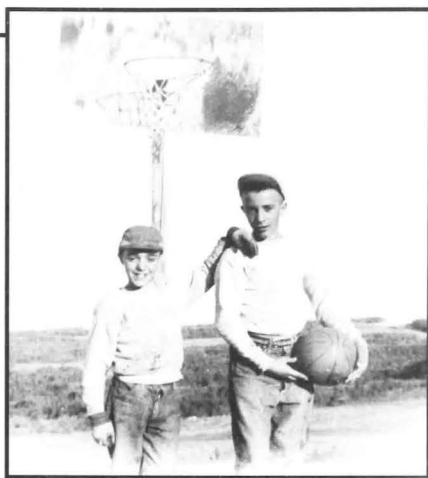
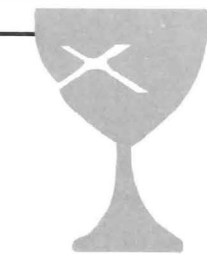
"It gives you a slice of life that not a lot of people have, and that's a gift. For that, I consider myself blessed."

Even when he was a class officer in the mid-1960s at Van Buren High School in northern Maine's Aroostook County, Marquis's fellow students confided in him regularly, and he was comfortable with their confidences.

"I thought about being a priest a little bit during those years," he said. But that didn't stop him from enjoying high school to the fullest. He had girlfriends, went steady, drank beer and studied just enough to get by.

"I had a great time in high school," he said, laughing. "A wonderful time. I made my own wine and had a lot of people over all the time. [An] explosion in the cellar kind of brought that to a stop one night. I was using too much yeast in those first few batches."

Van Buren was and is an overwhelmingly Catholic town—Marquis's teachers in



Sixth grader John Marquis and his cousins following their confirmation at St. Bruno's Catholic Church; on the Van Buren farm with brother Louis (right).

the public high school were priests and nuns. Most people in the small Franco-American community, including Marquis's late father, made their living growing potatoes.

Potato farming was not young John's calling, however. He gave some thought to joining the Navy, but ultimately the example set by the Van Buren priests tipped the scales. They were, he said, "superb, superb priests who were down-to-earth, spiritual and very real people."

The late 1960s were turbulent times, in America and in the Catholic Church. The 1965 Vatican II conference of bishops was a turning point for Catholicism. Out of that meeting came the most sweeping changes the Church had known for hundreds of years. Mass was to be said in vernacular languages instead of Latin, the altar was turned around to face the congregation and priests were directed to involve lay people in decision-making. It was difficult, Marquis says, for a young seminarian to come to grips with the metamorphosis.

"All hell was breaking loose. Priests were leaving in droves as the Church was redefining itself," he said. "They were very, very painful years—the Vietnam war, assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr. I wouldn't want to go through them again."

The years he *wouldn't* mind reliving are those he spent at the Weston School of Theology in Cambridge, Mass., doing graduate work in theology while counseling patients and families at Massachusetts General Hospital. "Things really made sense," he said. "Things came to life for me in those years."

He was ordained a deacon—one step

away from full-fledged priesthood—in 1977 and spent a year at a parish in Haverhill, Mass., where he worked with parish youth and trained people for lay ministries. At the same time, he prepared for his ordination Mass.

Almost a third of Van Buren's 3,000 people packed St. Bruno's Church on June 3, 1978, to celebrate their hometown boy's ordination into the priesthood. "The community went all out for it," he said. "Everybody cooked a turkey in their oven at home." The whirlwind of activity carried over to the next day, when the new Father Marquis baptized his little niece.

"I was happy. I was elated," he said. But he also remembered a point in the ceremony, just before he took his vows, when he laid on the floor in a display of humility and obedience to the bishop. "I was down there on the floor, and I remember saying to myself, 'Am I doing the right thing here?' It was just a final and forever type of thing," he said of his ordination.

It was a fleeting thought, but Marquis said that anecdote shows he is a realist. "No matter what you do, I don't care what anyone says, they're lying if they tell you they're absolutely sure about anything," he said.

Because he understands his own weaknesses, Marquis said he is better able to understand others when they falter. "People don't need a kick in the belly when they're down. I try to make that my own approach to people," he said. "The world is tough enough without having priests come bearing down on people. That's not what priesthood or the Church or Jesus is all about."

That's been his attitude as assistant pastor and pastor at St. John the Baptist

Church in Brunswick, Maine, as director of a retreat house in Framingham, Mass., and as Colby's Catholic chaplain.

Catholics are taught that premarital sex is wrong, Marquis said, but he tries not to take a hard line when a student comes to him with questions about whether or not to engage in sex. Rather, he says, he talks with the student about emotions and feelings. Sex becomes a recreational activity for some, Marquis tells them, and people who have sexual relationships before they are ready can end up feeling empty inside. "We are much more than sexual persons," he said.

Marquis said he leaves the student with questions, asking, "What does it mean to you to have premarital sex with a lot of different people, or even with one person? Should you be doing an act of commitment if you're not ready to commit?"

"They don't want to hear me telling them they're a sinner," Marquis said. "Ultimately, they have to make up their own minds."

Part of his obligation as a priest is to give "pastoral" care, and Marquis said that means accepting—not judging—his flock. He says, for instance, that homosexuals—many of whom feel alienated by the Church hierarchy—should be treated with love and respect. "I personally am not judgmental."

"I always ask myself what Jesus would do," Marquis said. "Jesus would hang around with homosexuals. He'd be in the gay bars. He hung around with the prostitutes, the marginal people. They're on the fringe of society because they're discriminated against, and Jesus wouldn't do that."



A Visit from "Mrs. President"

And Other Post-War Terrors

Herbert Michaels, who died in 1988, taught English at Colby for three years in the late 1940s and lived with his wife, Harriette, and their two daughters in Fairfield. After he left Colby, Michaels went on to become the city editor of the Jewish Advocate in Boston and from there to a distinguished teaching and public service career in Springfield, Mass.

Although her association with the College was brief, Mrs. Michaels's memories of those years are vivid, and she often draws on them while composing her weekly column, "I Remember Herbie," for the Springfield (Mass.) Journal.

One of Michaels's recent columns—about a fearful visit from Mrs. J. Seelye Bixler—is reprinted here, followed by some thoughts from Linda Cotter, alumni liaison in Colby's Office of Career Services, about the role of the president's wife in the 1990s.

No doubt academe has changed in recent decades. Contemporary young people are more assertive and more real than we were in our day. We were controlled by a genteel, smiling academic tyranny in our college community. Young faculty wives were scrutinized by the wives of department heads, and we were carefully guarded at all faculty wives' teas. We knew that our husbands' careers were affected by our appearance and by our manner.

When we arrived at Colby College, where Herb was to teach after finishing his graduate work at Illinois, we had an apartment, thanks to the efforts of the dean of the faculty. He sent Herb to see a beautiful second floor of a home owned by a friend and trustee of the

College. We were allowed to rent the second floor of that lovely old house. The fact that the owner lived on the first floor and shared the entrance hall with us, making us highly visible at all times, filled us with fear and trepidation.

Our landlady was a founder of the local temperance group, which was a strong social and political force in our small community. Mercifully, she was a bit hard of hearing, and we took some comfort from that. We did get the apartment with the understanding that we would be scrutinized and that all things relating to alcohol were banned from the premises. She even told us that fruit cocktail was not to be tolerated on her property.

The apartment was perfect, except that we felt her presence all the time. We knew that we were being watched and talked about. I felt like a character in "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

In this beautiful apartment that looked out on the loveliness of a Maine village, Herb, Karen and eventually Diana and I lived, always smiling graciously and speaking in moderate, well-enunciated tones, tiptoeing all the time, fearing that our ever-present landlady would see the raunchy, rollicking, robust real people that we were beneath our carefully manicured phony exteriors.

It may have been possible to disguise some things, but we could not disguise the fact that most of our furniture was orange crates. We owned more orange crates than the Valencia Orange Company of California owned. We painted them and stenciled them and covered them, and they always ended up looking like painted, stenciled, covered orange crates. We had orange crates for everything, but we seldom could afford to buy an orange.

It was in this setting that we waited and dreaded and planned for

the ultimate day when we would hear the doorbell ring, and it would be Mrs. Carl J. Weber and Mrs. Bixler, the wives of the English Department head and the president of the College. We had Weber-Bixler drills to help us prepare for that day. The arrangement was that Herb would grab both children, who, of course, would be wearing tattered undergarments with their faces besmudged with whatever. They would exit out the back door into the barn after Herb would have turned on the hot plate, which took 15 minutes to boil the water for tea. I had carefully set aside two unused tea bags and a box of English biscuits for THE day.

Meanwhile, during the drill, I would grab all unsightly objects, throw them into the next room, close the door, comb my hair on the way downstairs to open the door for my white-gloved visitors. To complete the horror of it all, I knew that our landlady would be watching the entire drama, and both women were friends of hers. That was the scenario, and it happened exactly as I had feared it would—with a few extras thrown in.

On that memorable day when the drill became reality, I glanced out the window and caught a glimpse of them as they approached the porch. In those days they did not call to tell you that they were coming. This was the accepted mode, and all the young faculty wives lived in dread of that moment. It was an accepted torment of the time.

So there they were. Herb grabbed the children; I hysterically reminded him to start the hot plate. He ran with the startled,

disheveled children to the barn. I kicked all the crayons, papers, rattles, unfolded diapers, blankets and Golden Books into the next room, closed the door and walked graciously down the stairs to welcome my unwelcome guests.

I ushered them into the orange crate room, where they sat stiffly on two card-table chairs. We probably chatted about the weather, and they probably asked about the children. No doubt I told them they were out for a walk with their Daddy, though I was sure I could hear their muffled sounds coming from the barn.

When I thought it was time for the water to have boiled, I left to get the expected cup of tea. My heart sank when I walked into a smoke-filled kitchen. Herb had turned on the hot plate and put the pot on the burner, but had neglected to fill the pot with water. I was sure that we were doomed: his career as a brilliant young English professor had gone up in smoke.

As my guests departed finally, walking gracefully down the stairs without ever having their infernal cup of tea, the door opened into the smoky hallway, and I could see my landlady as she greeted her old friends. Her eyes

rolled back a bit in a not-so-secret message to them. I wished I had served them the fruit cocktail I had stashed away in the kitchen cupboard behind the box of English biscuits.

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Newlyweds Harriette and Herbert Michaels, 1943

White Gloves Optional

The late Ethel Dyer, whose husband, Dick, was at Colby for many years, told a hilarious story about the first tea she attended at the president's house, soon after her arrival in Waterville. I remember her description of the hat she wore and the high heels and the gloves. She recounted her terror as she rang the front doorbell and was ushered into the formal living room. But unfortunately, I can't recall Ethel's punchline. It was either "at Colby we never" or "at Colby we always" use lace doilies. I forget.

Harriette Michaels is right. Academe has changed in recent decades. Were I to set out to visit the spouse of today's new young faculty member, it's likely I would find no one at home. For one thing, about half the new faculty "wives" are actually faculty husbands, who have their own professional

lives. And the new wives, except those with very small children, are usually out establishing their careers, too.

Lace doilies, hats, gloves and tea biscuits are not matters of much concern to us at Colby these days. But we still do our best to create a sense of community. Newcomers are welcomed at the annual faculty/staff lobster bake held at Great Pond on the evening before opening assembly and at an informal reception in our backyard at the end of the first week of classes. We schedule other social events during the year. But never, never, never would I think of making an unannounced call.

I'm happy to be invited, however. And I have absolutely no objections to being served fruit cocktail.

—Linda Cotter

PHILIP MARLOWE

Sleazy porno book dealers. Mobsters. The rich and dissolute. These are the denizens of *The Big Sleep*, Raymond Chandler's 1939 masterpiece of detective fiction. Chandler wrote only six more novels before he died in 1959, yet his creation—Philip Marlowe, private eye—is one of the most enduring characters in all of American fiction.

Marlowe, the gritty, no-nonsense sleuth whose beat was the seamy side of Los Angeles in that city's Golden Age, has been celebrated in a host of movies, but until two years ago his chances of showing up between the covers of a new book seemed remote. Dead men, after all, write no tales.

But that's where Robert B. Parker '54 stepped in. A lifelong admirer of Chandler's work who admits that his own early attempts at the whodunit genre were "Chandler clones," Parker got the nod from the Putnam publishing house and the Chandler estate to resurrect four chapters of a novel Chandler left behind. The result was 1989's *Poodle Springs*, for which Chandler and Parker shared credit. Many authors have had their work published posthumously, of course, but this month Putnam will take the Parker-Chandler collaboration one step further by publishing Parker's *Perchance to Dream*, a sequel to *The Big Sleep*.

Parker may be participating in the birth of a new publishing trend. Recently, *The Further Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* was welcomed by critics and bookbuyers, and a continuation of *Gone with the Wind* is in the works. But writing a sequel to someone else's book is a tricky business, and Parker says that as far as he is concerned, Philip Marlowe can rest in peace after *Perchance to Dream* is published.

"I don't want to spend my life writing some other guy's books," he says. "I was conscious every minute of what Chandler would do. It was like being in a masquerade. I had to question everything I would do naturally and intuitively—sort of like driving in England." But where another writer might have worried that the seams would show, that his own writing would suffer in

RIDES AGAIN!

comparison with Chandler's, Parker suffered no such doubts. "Chandler was one of America's best writers," he asserts. "But I've always thought I was one of the best American writers. I may not be great, but I'm confident."

Perhaps the biggest challenge Parker faced was to write first-person narrative from Philip Marlowe's point of view. Unlike Spenser, the Boston private detective Parker created nearly 20 years ago, Marlowe's edges are rough in ways unacceptable to many contemporary readers. "Marlowe makes assumptions about people on the basis of race and sex that Spenser wouldn't make," Parker notes. "He has a dark side that Spenser doesn't."

While Parker has chosen to remain faithful to Chandler's portrayal, he is impatient with any suggestion that he should harken back to Chandler's time. "He was writing about Los Angeles as he knew it, not 30 years later," Parker says. "I didn't want to make [Perchance to Dream] a period piece by researching how a Lucky Strike pack looked back then." Besides, Parker adds, "Chandler never dated his own books. He wrote right through World War II and never mentioned it. When you read this book you can perceive it as taking place when you want."

Parker refuses to speculate on whether Chandler would approve of *Perchance to Dream*. It is enough, he says, that he wanted to write it, the publishers wanted to print it and the Chandler estate was enthusiastic. And it is a happy circumstance that enough characters were left standing at the end of *The Big Sleep* to populate a sequel—never a given in a Chandler novel.

But here they are again—the wild and reckless Sternwood sisters, Vivian and Carmen, last seen atoning, Southern California style, for the murder of Vivian's husband, Rusty Regan. Eddie Mars, the gangster who holds Vivian's chits and a piece of her heart. And Norris, the faithful family retainer who somehow keeps the pieces together and the brass polished.

With the generous permission of Robert B. Parker and G.P. Putnam's Sons, we are pleased to print, here, the first chapter of *Perchance to Dream*.

The water looped out of the hose in a long lazy silver sluice as the Japanese gardener played it over the emerald lawn. The Sternwood house looked the same. The General had died. Which was too bad. And Eddie Mars hadn't died, which was also too bad. And Carmen had been put away. But Vivian was still there. And Norris the butler was still there. He had called me and asked me to come out.

The place was full of remembrance. The same low solid foothills rose behind the house. The same terraced lawn dropped the long easy drop down to the barely visible oil derricks where a few barrels a day still creaked out of the ground. The sun shone on the olive trees and vivified the birds that fluttered among the leaves. The birds sang as if the world were still young.

Which it wasn't.

Norris answered my ring. He was tall and silver haired, a vigorous sixty with the pink skin of a man whose circulation was good.

"Mr. Marlowe," he said. "Good of you to come."

The hallway was the same as it had been the first time I saw it. The portrait of the hot-eyed ancestor over the mantel. The knight and the lady forever still in the stained glass window. The knight always trying to untie her. The lady always captive. The lady was still naked. The hair still conveniently long. It had been a while since I had first stood here and Carmen Sternwood told me I was tall and pitched into my arms. Only yesterday . . .

She was twenty or so, small and delicately put together, but she looked durable. She wore pale blue slacks and they looked well on her. She walked as if she were floating. Her hair was a fine tawny wave cut much shorter than the current fashion of pageboy tresses curled in at the bottom. Her eyes were slate-grey, and had almost no expression when they looked at me. She came over near me and smiled with her mouth, and she had little sharp predatory teeth, as white as fresh orange pith and as shiny as porcelain. They glistened between her thin too taut lips. Her face lacked color and didn't look too healthy.

"Tall, aren't you?" she said.

"I didn't mean to be."

Her eyes rounded. She was puzzled. She was thinking. I could see, even on that short acquaintance, that thinking was always going to be a bother to her.

"Handsome too," she said. "And I bet you know it."

I grunted.

"What's your name?"

"Reilly," I said. "Doghouse Reilly."

"That's a funny name." She bit her lip and turned her head a little and looked at me along her eyes. Then she lowered her lashes until they almost cuddled her cheeks and slowly raised them again, like a theater curtain. I was to get to know that trick. That was supposed to make me roll over on my back with all four paws in the air.

"Are you a prizefighter?" she asked, when I didn't.

"Not exactly. I'm a sleuth."

"A—a—" She tossed her head angrily, and the rich color of it glistened in the rather dim light of the big hall. "You're making fun of me."

"Uh-uh."

"What?"

"Get on with you," I said. "You heard me."

"You didn't say anything. You're just a big tease." She put a thumb up and bit it. It was a curiously shaped thumb, thin and narrow like an extra finger, with no curve in the first joint. She bit it and sucked it slowly, turning it around in her mouth like a baby with a comforter.

"You're awfully tall," she said. Then she giggled with secret merriment. Then she turned her body slowly and lithely, without lifting her feet. Her hands dropped limp at her sides. She tilted herself towards me on her toes. She fell straight back into my arms. I had to catch her or let her crack her head on the tessellated floor. I caught her under her arms and she went rubber-legged on me instantly. I had to hold her close to hold her up. When her head was against my chest she screwed it around and giggled at me.

"You're cute," she giggled. "I'm cute too."



I didn't say anything. So the butler chose that convenient moment to come back through the French doors and see me holding her. . . .

Well, maybe not quite yesterday.

I followed Norris's straight back down the same corridor toward the French doors. The house seemed quieter now. Probably my imagination. It was too big a house and too chilled with sadness ever to have been noisy. This time, we turned under the stairs and went down some stairs to the kitchen. The horse-faced maid was there. She smiled and bobbed her head at me. Norris glanced at her and she bobbed her head again and went out of the kitchen.

The kitchen was big and opened out onto the back lawn as it dropped away from the house. Like so many hillside mansions in Los Angeles, the first floor in front was the second floor in back. The floors were polished brown Mexican tile. There was a large wooden work table in the center of the room, a big professional-looking cook stove against the far wall, two refrigerators to the right, and a long counter with two sinks and a set tub along the left wall.

"Will you have coffee, sir?" Norris said.

I said I would and Norris disappeared into a pantry off the kitchen and returned in a moment with a silver coffee service and a bone china cup and saucer. He poured the coffee into the cup in front of me. And placed an ashtray nearby.

"Please smoke if you wish to, Mr. Marlowe," Norris said.

I sipped the coffee, got out a cigarette and lit it with a kitchen match.

"How are the girls?" I said.

Norris smiled.

"The very subject I wished to discuss, sir."

Norris stood erect beside the table. I waited.

"The General used to like brandy in his coffee, sir," Norris said. "Would you care for some?"

"Join me," I said.

Norris started to shake his head.

"For the General," I said. Norris nodded, got another cup, put brandy in my cup and a splash, straight, in his cup.

He raised his cup toward me.

"To General Guy Sternwood," he said, giving Guy the French pronunciation.

I raised my cup.

"General Sternwood," I said. I had first met him in the greenhouse, at the foot of the velvet lawn. . . .

The air was thick, wet, steamy and larded with the cloying smell of tropical orchids in bloom . . . after a while we came to a clearing in the middle of the jungle, under the domed roof. Here, in a space of hexagonal flags, an old red Turkish rug was laid down and on the rug was a wheel chair, and in the wheel chair an old and obviously dying man watched us come with black eyes from which all fire had died long ago, but which still had the coal-black directness of the eyes in the portrait that hung over the mantel in the hall. The rest of his face was a leaden mask, with the bloodless lips and the sharp nose and the sunken temples and the outward-turning earlobes of approaching dissolution. His long narrow body was wrapped—in that heat—in a traveling rug and a faded red bathrobe. His thin clawlike hands were folded loosely on the rug, purple-nailed. A few locks of dry white hair cling to his scalp, like wild flowers fighting for life on a bare rock. . . .

I sipped my coffee. Norris took a discreet drink of his brandy. There was no sound in the big kitchen. The General's ghost was with us, and both of us were quiet in its presence.

"What do you know about my family?"

"I'm told you are a widower and have two young daughters, both pretty and both wild. One of them has been married three times, the last time to an ex-bootlegger who went in the trade by the name of Rusty Regan. That's all I heard, General. . . ."

"I'm afraid Miss Carmen has disappeared," Norris said.

"From where?" I said.

"After that, ah, misfortune with Rusty Regan," Norris said, "Miss Vivian placed her in a sanitarium as, I believe, you advised her to."

I nodded. The coffee was strong and too hot to drink except in small sips. The brandy lay atop the coffee and made a different kind of warmth when I sipped it. I could hear the General's voice, thin with age, taut with feeling long denied. . . .

"Vivian is spoiled, exacting, smart and quite ruthless. Carmen is a child who likes to pull wings off flies. Neither of them has any more moral sense than a cat. Neither have I. . . ."

There was another sound in the voice. Besides the tiredness and the iron self-control, there was a wistful sound, a sound of what might have been, a sound of sins revisited but irredeemable. And it was that sound which held me, as I knew it held Norris, if only in memory, long after the speaker had fallen silent. . . .

"Vivian went to good schools of the snob type and to college. Carmen went to half a dozen schools of greater and greater liberality, and ended up where she started. I presume they both had, and still have, all the usual vices. If I sound a little sinister as a parent, Mr. Marlowe, it is because my hold on life is too slight to include any Victorian hypocrisy." He leaned his head back and closed his eyes, then opened them again suddenly. "I need not add that a man who indulges in parenthood for the first time at the age of fifty-four deserves all he gets. . . ."

"She was doing very well at the sanitarium," Norris said. "I myself had the privilege of visiting her every week."

"And Vivian?" I said. The daughters' names seemed to dispel the father's ghost.

"Miss Vivian visited whenever she was, ah, able." Norris turned the cup slowly in his clean strong hands. "Her father's death was difficult for her. And she is still seeing Mr. Mars."

Norris's voice was careful when he said it, empty of any evaluation. The voice of the perfect servant, not thinking, merely recording.

"How nice for her," I said. "Did she tell you to call me?"

"No, sir. I took that liberty. Miss Vivian feels that Mr. Mars will find Miss Carmen and return her to the sanitarium."

"His price will be higher than mine," I said.

"Exactly so, sir."

"And you know what I charge?"

"Yes, sir. You'll recall that I handled the General's checkbook for him when he employed you previously."

"And you can afford me?"

"The General was very generous to me in his will, sir."

I took a lungful of smoke and let it out slowly and tilted my chair on its back legs.

"But still you're working here," I said.

"I believe the General would have wished that, sir. His daughters . . ." Norris let the rest of the sentence disappear into an eloquent servant's self-effacement.

"Yes," I said. "I'm sure he would have. When did Carmen disappear?"

"A week ago. I went on my weekly visit and found that she was gone. The staff was somewhat reticent about her disappearance, but I was able to ascertain that she had in fact been gone for at least two nights."

"And no one had reported it?"

"Apparently not, sir. I informed Miss Vivian Sternwood, of course, and took the liberty of speaking on the telephone with Captain Gregory of the Missing Persons Bureau."

"And?" I said.

"And it was, as I remember his words, 'the first he'd heard of it.'"

"And Vivian?" I said.

"Miss Vivian said that I was not to worry about it. That she had resources and that Carmen would turn up."

"And by 'resources,' you understood her to mean Eddie Mars?" I said.

"I did, sir."

"How does she feel about you calling me?" I said.

"I have not yet informed her of that, sir."

I drank the rest of the coffee laced with brandy. It had cooled enough to go down softly. I nodded more to myself than to Norris.

"What is the name of this sanitarium?"

I said.

"Resthaven, sir. It is supervised by a Dr.

Bonsentir."

"Okay," I said. "I'll take a runout there."

"Yes, sir," Norris said. "Thank you very much, sir. May I give you a retainer?"

"A dollar will do for now," I said.

"Make it official. We'll talk about the rest of it later."

"That's very kind indeed, sir," Norris said. He took a long pale leather wallet out of his inside pocket and extracted a dollar bill and gave it to me. I wrote him out a receipt, took the bill and put it in my pocket, negligently, like there were many more in there and I had no need to think about it.

"May I call you here?" I said.

"Indeed, sir. I often receive calls here.

Answering the phone is normally among my duties."

"And how is Vivian?" I said.

"She is very beautiful, sir, if I may be so bold."

"And still dating a loonigan," I said.

"If you mean Mr. Mars, sir. I'm afraid that is the case."



Publishing Is No Mystery for This Master

The publishing business is entirely talent-driven, like baseball. If you can hit a curve ball you can play," says Robert B. Parker, who should know. He has published at least a book a year since he introduced mystery readers to Boston's detective Spenser in *The Godwulf Manuscript* in 1974.

Does he ever get sick of writing the same characters—Spenser, his sidekick, Hawk, and his girlfriend, feisty Susan Silverman? "That's like asking a sculptor if he gets sick of the marble," Parker says. Readers encounter the characters "at one time, on an airplane or during a Sunday afternoon at the beach," he notes, "I see them for five pages a day, and I don't think about them much when I'm not working on them."

Parker is a journeyman, a phenomenally successful practitioner of a trade that has left many people by the wayside wondering how it is done. The key, for Parker, seems to be his "boring" life: each day he dispenses with his five pages, then he works out, cooks, and spends time with his wife, Joan Hall Parker '54, and other friends. And, perhaps most importantly, he enjoys his work and says he'll stay at it "until somebody comes along and pays me not to do it. But don't take up a collection—it probably won't work."

Parker can seem as jaded about his line of work as some of his characters are about theirs.

He claims, for instance, that book sales hardly ever hinge on quality. "If [the publisher] prints 25,000 copies, you won't sell more than 25,000 copies. But if they publish more—and the sales force gets out there and markets the book aggressively—they'll sell." And he says that the publishing business is just that—a business, not "a gentlemanly game."

"If Thomas Wolfe walked into a publishing house with his 7,000-page manuscripts now, they'd throw him out," Parker says. "They don't have time for that, and there are no Max Perkins' anymore."

He laments the fact that publishers seem less and less inclined to nurture new talent. "Stephen King turned down an advance once—I think it was a million dollars—and said 'Give it to aspiring writers.' But they won't do that. They could give \$10,000 to 100 aspiring writers, but instead, they'll give \$500,000 to two writers whose books they know will sell."

Nevertheless, Parker advises young writers not to be so discouraged that they don't try. "Keep writing and sending it in," he says. "It gets read. If you keep writing and sending it in and nobody wants it, find something else to do. It doesn't help to know somebody; it doesn't help if you have an uncle in the publishing business. And please don't send it to me. I can't get you published."

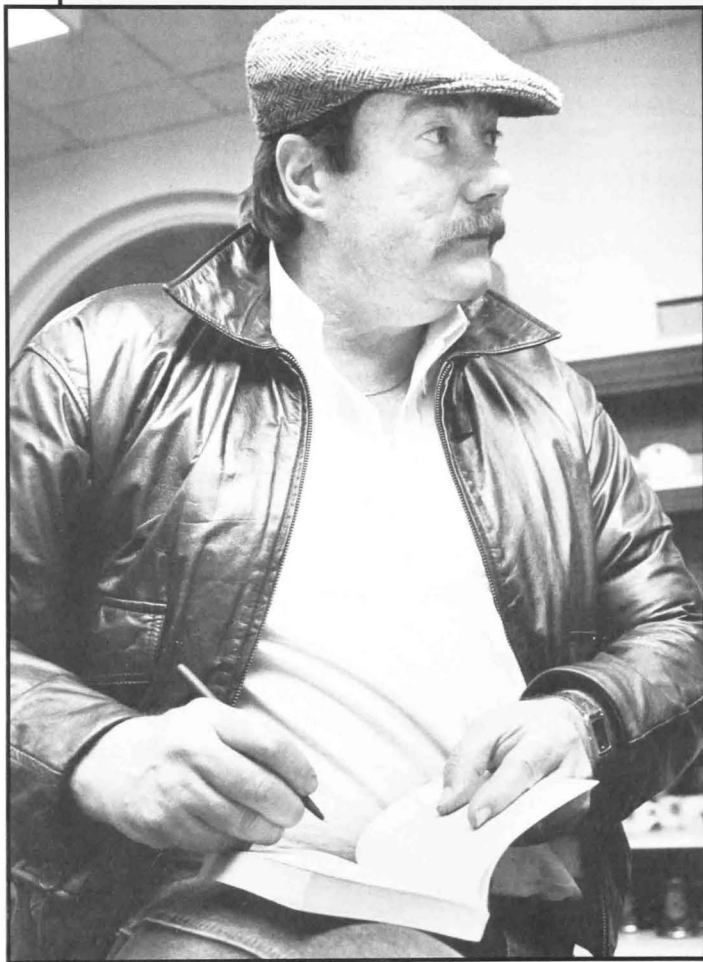


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Robert B. Parker '54 signs a copy of one of his "Spenser" novels for a fan. Parker is among the world's leading mystery writers.

FACULTY FILE

Newcomers Cover Atoms to Zeus



Photo by Scott Davis

Lovejoy—where Colby faculty members give lessons that last lifetimes.

Colby hired 38 new faculty members for the academic year 1990–91, including nine tenure-track professors, visiting scholars from Ireland and the Soviet Union, five teaching and language assistants and five visiting artists for the performing arts program.

Visiting professors come to Mayflower Hill to replace faculty members who are temporarily off campus. As usual, this year's group of visitors is diverse and multi-talented. Six are profiled below, and on the following pages *Colby* also takes a longer look at six of the tenure-track professors.

Robert Garrett Louis Barden is dean of the faculty of arts at University College Cork, one of the schools with which Colby has an exchange program. Barden earned his bachelor of arts in English and French literature at the National University of Ireland, his B.Litt. in social anthropology from Oxford University and his doctorate in philosophy at the National University of Ireland. His most recent work has focused on political philosophy and the philosophy of law.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Physics **Robert Bluhm** ran in his sixth New York City marathon on November 4, crossing the finish line in four hours, 17 minutes and change. "It was hot," he said, explaining why he was off his personal best for the race. Bluhm is a 1978 graduate of New York University and holds advanced degrees in both English literature and physics, earned at Princeton, Columbia and Rockefeller universities.

Elizabeth A. Fisher returned to Colby from the private sector. A visiting assistant professor of administrative science, Fisher taught

on Mayflower Hill from 1985 to 1987 and since then has been director of organization development and education for the city of Portland and a private consultant. She has taught at the University of New Hampshire and at Case Western Reserve University, where she earned a Ph.D. in organizational behavior.

Visiting anthropology instructor **Constantine Hriskos** came to Colby from City University of New York, where he teaches cultural anthropology. He has taught courses on China, Japan and Korea at Columbia and Hofstra universities and has taught and done research in GuiZhou province, the poorest in China. He also worked as an anthropologist for the American Museum of Natural History.

Lloyd C. Irland, visiting assistant professor of economics, is founder and president of The Irland Group, a forestry and economics consulting firm in Augusta, Maine. Previously, he was an economist in the state planning office and served as director of the Maine Bureau of Public Lands. He received his B.S. from Michigan State University, his M.S. from the University of Arizona and his doctorate from Yale University, where he taught in the school of forestry and environmental studies. Irland's specialties are natural resource economics, forestry economics and regional economics.

Carole Martin specializes in 17th- and 18th-century French literature and feminist critical theory. She earned an M.A. in modern letters at the New Sorbonne and her Ph.D. at New York University and has taught French language and literature at NYU since 1984. Her dissertation examined women's status in pre-Revolutionary French utopias. She is also a student of the theater and cinema.

Hanna and Joseph Roisman

"It saves a lot of surprises, learning ancient history." So says Joseph Roisman, an ancient historian who, along with his wife, Hanna, a specialist in Greek and Latin literature, joined the Colby classics faculty last semester.

Joseph Roisman says he finds it difficult to read a newspaper or watch television newscasts without a "constant feeling of *déjà vu*," and he says his academic training has given him the ability to analyze news events from a broad perspective.

"A few years ago, there was a big stir in Harvard law school," he said. "A group of scholars challenged the present legal system, arguing that there is no real justice in this country, and that law and justice are manipulated, or at least dictated, by the interest of certain segments of the society that have power. This is a very old debate. And I—and everyone who learned Greek culture, Greek civilization—thought it was already over."

Hanna Roisman agrees that ancient history and literature offer many lessons for the modern world—and modern students.

"If literature is representative of life, as Aristotle thought it was, Homer is a good place to start," she said. "Very often, students would like a yes or no answer—was it right, was it not right—and it's amazing how often at the end of a discussion we realize that there's much more gray space than black and white in every issue."

"We don't teach them how to use a computer or how to send the shuttle up or whatever, but I think that dealing with issues raised by Greek tragedy or Greek epic not only sharpens the mind but gives a person more tools to consider and judge situations further on."

Hanna Roisman bristles a bit at the suggestion that, at her level of scholarship, one writes mostly for other scholars. "I am dealing now with the subject of recognition in Homer," she said. "What I am trying to do is not just to have a very small area of discussion with academics, but for my students, for myself, to figure out why did these texts live up to now? What is the beauty of this text that really lures us, even now?" She is also curious, she says, why only seven of the 90 plays written by Aeschylus have survived, and she laughs when a visitor wonders if there is a simple explanation—that we don't have the other 83 because they are lost. "No," she said, "it isn't as easy as that."

Research into specific topics enlivens one's classroom style, Joseph Roisman says. Academics "write for a narrow audience of peers," he said, "and research tends to be specific. It is on the teaching level where you can generalize and tie all these loose ends, make a connection to other times, other periods, other civilizations."

He hopes to investigate the subject of fear in ancient Greek literature and society. The idea came to him while he read a section in Thucydides's history of the Peloponnesian Wars in which a leader in Syracuse tried to rouse the citizens to defend themselves by making them fear an attack. A rival leader accused him of plotting to seize



control of the city-state and prevented the citizens from taking action by scaring them with his talk of conspiracy. Reading that, Roisman began to wonder how other authors had dealt with tales of fear and intimidation and says he will study the way fear is described in the literature and how it was used in politics, education and other arenas. He says he'll bring that perspective into the classroom.

Classicists don't do their research in an academic vacuum, Joseph Roisman notes. "We are really influenced by anthropological research and sociological research," he said. Knowing, for instance, that some African communities have included a test of bravery in their initiation rites helps classicists better understand the Spartan custom of sending young men outside the city to fend for themselves with nothing but a dagger, Roisman says.

"We are exposed to other disciplines and other fields of science," he said. "The previous emphasis on analyzing texts without relating them to broader historical, literary or linguistic questions faded away."

Both Roismans have broad academic backgrounds. Hanna began her undergraduate career at Israel's Tel Aviv University intending to study modern literature but found that "from every point I was drawn to the classics." She studied Greek and Latin languages and literature at Tel Aviv, receiving her bachelor's and master's degrees. Joseph Roisman took his bachelor's from Tel Aviv in history and sociology and his master's in ancient history. The couple came to the United States to earn their doctorates from the University of Washington. Since the early 1980s, Joseph has taught at Ben Gurion University of the Negev, and Hanna has been on the faculty of Tel Aviv University. Both have been visiting professors at Cornell University.



Guilain Denoeux

This peculiar history has generated a strong distrust of Western intentions and motives."

Arabs see "a lack of evenhandedness, particularly a pro-Israeli bias in U.S. policies" over the last 40 years and especially since 1967, he said. "They suspect the United States of having two sets of principles, one for the Israelis and one for them. 'Come on,' the Arabs say, 'Israel has occupied the West Bank for 23 years. What have you done to support U.N. resolutions with respect to these occupied territories? What a double standard. You're really hypocritical.'"

"We need to understand this to understand support for Hussein," Denoeux explained last fall. Most Arabs realize that he is "a ruthless despot," Denoeux noted, and many saw the injustice of his invasion of Kuwait, but they viewed the Iraqi invasion in the broader context of past injustices and felt sympathy for Saddam. Even in Egypt, pro-Saddam demonstrations occurred in August. "The significance of this," he said, "has been missed by the media."

Many Arabs perceive Saddam Hussein as the only person who can stand up to the West and Israel. Like Gamal Abdel Nasser, the late Egyptian leader, Saddam aspires to Pan-Arab leadership, and time works to his advantage, Denoeux said. "The main reason he'll lead is that in the long run Arabs will forget the invasion of Kuwait. They'll see a Muslim Arab country—Iraq—besieged by the U.S., a non-Arab, non-Muslim country and the main supporter of Israel. They'll see a superpower imposing hegemony over the Middle East."

Denoeux said that the Arab world watches to see whether the United States is consistent in applying the general principles—such as the inadmissibility of force in the area and the right to self-determination—that President Bush invoked to justify his actions toward Iraq. "But history shows a remarkable lack of consistency in past U.S. policies toward the Middle East," he warned, "and a limited ability to learn from past mistakes." Nevertheless, he is optimistic that the end of the Cold War will present unprecedented opportunities for stability in the Middle East.

Denoeux says that Colby was exactly the kind of place he was looking for when he began his job hunt. His wife, Eliza, who graduated from Smith and Georgetown and until recently worked as a technical recruiting manager for a paper company, was equally enthusiastic about moving to Maine. They are apprehensive about the Maine winter—they bought down coats in Freeport in September—but the Waterville area in late summer was so beautiful that even their German shepherd perked up.

"I really fell in love with the place, with the department," Denoeux says. "I like the supportive relations among the faculty. The students are friendly, they pay attention, they're interested."

A teacher shapes tomorrow's thinkers and tomorrow's thinking. "I hope," Guilain Denoeux says, "that in learning about the Middle East, my students will have learned about their own society and will be able to see other societies in comparative perspective."

"I want them to be able to ask the important questions and to be able to go beyond facts," he said.

"They probably signed up for my class thinking it would be another version of the 'MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour,'" Assistant Professor of Government Guilain Denoeux said of his students, "but I want them to go beyond the headlines. I want them to understand the forces that drive politics in the Middle East today. I want them to think about big issues, such as how culture influences politics."

In his first full-time teaching position after completing a doctorate at Princeton, Denoeux last fall taught Politics of the Middle East and United States Policy Toward the Middle East.

Denoeux brought a sidelight to Colby that was of particular interest last fall—first-hand knowledge of Iraq and its government. A native of France, he spent 1984 and 1985 working as cultural attaché to the French embassy in Baghdad, where he was in charge of training programs for Iraqi citizens studying in his country. He left Iraq with a strong dislike of the Iraqi regime, which, he says, constantly interfered in the work of the cultural service. People sent to France on internships or for doctorates were chosen on the basis of political and family affiliations, he says.

"Iraq is a very secret society," he adds. "There is a strong distrust of outside forces. Hussein has been very successful in sealing the country, literally. Iraq is the closest one gets to 1984." Few Westerners receive invitations to Iraqi homes, and Denoeux once was asked by his host if he would park his car a mile away so that Iraqi intelligence wouldn't take note of its diplomatic plates—the security forces have harassed Iraqis suspected of giving information to foreigners.

"It's a very suspicious political culture," Denoeux said.

But Iraq—and the Arab world in general—have plenty of reasons to be suspicious of the West, he contends. "Throughout its history, the Middle East has been an area that outside powers have tried to dominate and control," he said. "Especially in the last two centuries, Middle Easterners have been colonized and generally pushed around by Western powers. Land has been confiscated, promises made to them by Western countries were broken repeatedly.

Laurie Osborne

Moses didn't bring Shakespeare's First Folio down from Mount Sinai along with the Ten Commandments.

That's the message Assistant Professor of English Laurie Osborne hopes her students will imbibe as she ushers in a new era for Shakespeare studies at Colby.

Following in the wake of R. Mark Benbow, who retired last year after 40 years as Colby's "Shakespeare man," Osborne is trying to carve her own niche with courses such as Shakespeare and Sexuality and Shakespeare and Political Power. Osborne says she tries to place Shakespeare in his time, helping students understand how the social, political and cultural milieu of Renaissance England affected the playwright's work. And then she goes a step further, examining the ways in which Shakespeare's plays have been altered to fit the needs of readers through the years.

"I don't want to take Shakespeare away from [students] as a cultural fixture," Osborne says. "I want to make them realize that each generation remakes Shakespeare according to its own criteria."

Osborne hauls different editions of the plays to class. "What we see isn't the same as what the 18th century wanted to see," she says. "Those texts are as idiosyncratic as the performances. They're full of biases, editorial material and what they think a student or a scholar will need. . . . It's a great revelation to students to see what an edition has supplied and done to the texts."

She is also interested in the way performance and text interact. "Any time we produce a play we alter text," she says. Musing on a recent production of *King Lear* in which Lear was female and the children male, Osborne asks, "Was it a gimmick? It was very interesting for teaching. Students would discuss individual characterizations. And what does this do with the sexual language that Lear uses to blast his daughters? Is the accusation of 'barren' that Lear hurls at them as violent an assault on a man as it is on a woman? Would you have to change the text to blast a son?"

The knack for asking such questions no doubt contributed to Osborne's receipt of a teaching award from Michigan's Oakland University, where she spent the past four years. A graduate of Yale who earned her M.A. and Ph.D. from Syracuse University, she admits

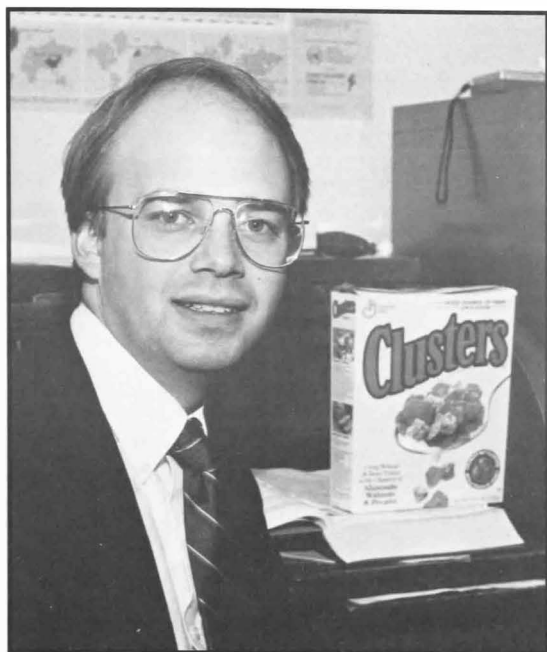


to mixed feelings about leaving Oakland. "Detroit-bashing is popular, so I didn't want to do it," she said. "But I wanted to come back to the Northeast."

Commenting on the "sharpness" of Colby students, Osborne adds that she is impressed with the access they have to computers and, through them, to resources such as a national electronic Shakespeare bulletin.

"This is a real academic institution," she says of Colby. "The College's support of scholarship is good."

Osborne says she is eager to develop new Jan Plan projects, including one on Shakespeare and film, in which students would examine plays and their film versions and discuss editing choices that were made "or how Olivier affected later performances." She says she also is interested in delving into Shakespeare as he appears in popular culture—everything from the use of famous Shakespearean lines in advertising to the way his image can be exploited in hawkling products.



Charles Conover

One day last fall, Assistant Professor of Physics Charles Conover entered his Principles of Physics class armed with a fire extinguisher and a wagon. Sitting in the wagon perched on a tabletop, Conover pointed the fire extinguisher away from himself and pressed the button. As gas whooshed from the extinguisher, Conover shot across the table. It was his way of demonstrating one of Newton's laws—the conservation of momentum.

"The momentum of the whole system stayed at zero throughout the process," Conover said. "As one thing went one way, the other thing went the other. While it's stupid and kind of entertaining and they laughed a lot, there is some fundamental principle that I hope they bring away from that."

Conover's primary concern is for the students, whether they are advanced or beginners. That interest led him to favor small colleges over research universities when he began to look for his first full-time teaching position last year. A 1985 graduate of Middlebury who earned his doctorate from the University of Virginia, Conover has seen physics from both sides.

"I enjoy teaching, and that's what a small liberal arts college does," Conover said. "At a university or a research institution, while it's part of the job description, it's low on the list. At a small liberal

arts college, they care a lot, I hope, what the students think of me and that I'm able to excite students about the subject and get them involved in doing physics."

To attract Conover, Colby doled out what he calls a "generous" sum of money for the equipment he needs to set up a laboratory. Conover's graduate work was in the study of molecular clusters—specifically, the ways in which groups of atoms and molecules behave differently from single atoms or molecules. But at Colby, he says, he wants his work to be "easily accessible to students," and clusters do not fit the bill. So he has elected to study atomic and molecular systems. Shooting laser beams through a gas, Conover and his students will look at the interaction of light and matter.

"I will do research here that is good and that will result in a furthering of science," he said, "but my job here is to educate students. My hope is two-fold. One, that I can discover some new physics, but more importantly, that I can show somebody what physicists do all day."

While he was at Middlebury, Conover did research that resulted in the later publication of two papers. He says he thinks the small college environment helped him focus his interest and hopes the same will be true for some of his students. "I think the people who get the most advantage out of coming here are people who opportunity needs to knock on a little," Conover said.

Conover's enthusiasm for physics is obvious, even though he maintains that the life of a scientist is not very glamorous. "We spend most of our time trying to figure out how to make things look right—how to get the plot to come out right on the computer, how to phrase the paper and lots of other dull things like trying to make sure the vacuum system is empty."

"The great thing about physics is that the same rule that tells you how far a baseball goes will tell you how a satellite moves and how the Earth orbits the sun and the moon orbits the Earth." But, he said, "the true, cutting edge experimental work is trying to find out, is that always true? Can I find a system where, in fact, it isn't true?"

"We're hoping to find something that we don't quite get so that we can further our knowledge. If everything conforms to our world view, we don't get much farther. We're trying to find some new phenomena that we don't understand so that we can change the rules or make the rules more general."

W. Herbert Wilson, Jr.

"It's remarkable to find two other ecologists at Colby," said the College's newest assistant professor of biology, W. Herbert Wilson, Jr. "A lot of small schools have only one or two."

With Wilson, the two—Russell Cole and David Firmage—are team teaching Biology 493, Problems in Environmental Science, helping students tackle contemporary environmental issues. For example, a gravel pit currently threatens Great Pond, and the founders of the Great Pond Protection Association, neither of them biologists, asked for help. Gravel crushers are noisy, and oil may seep into the water table. Will continued digging of the gravel esker—a glacier-made hill—open up a conduit for fertilizer and herbicide runoff and pollution? Colby students look for answers by studying land use, hydrology and water quality and by conducting wildlife inventories in search of rare or endangered species.

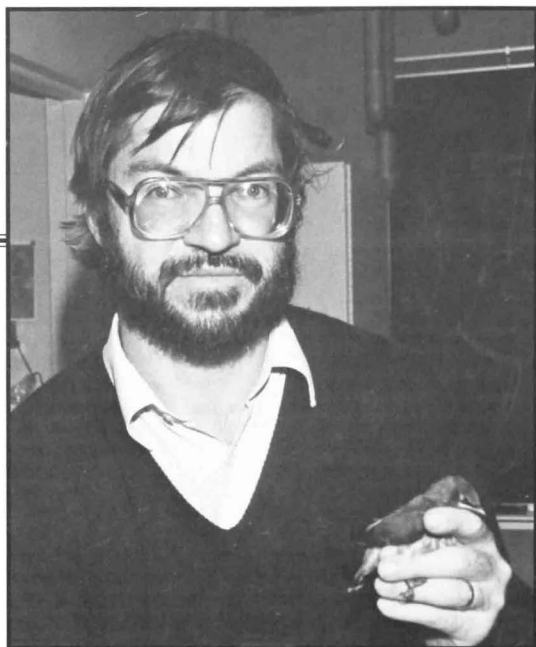
"This is real-world stuff," said Wilson. "Students have gotten jobs with resumés from Biology 493. It's real experience. It qualifies them as middle-level technicians."

Wilson is no stranger to the "real world" uses of biological research. One of the many grants he has won in recent years involved evaluating lead poisoning in black ducks. For 80 years, the lead shot from a skeet shooting club on property owned by a major corporation had gone into an intertidal zone. Ducks, which swallow pebbles and keep them in their gizzards to serve as teeth, were in effect "chewing up lead." Wilson took blood samples from 27 black ducks, attached radio transmitters to the birds and tracked them for six weeks. The frequency of poisoning in the ducks proved to be three times higher than normal. Lead shot was subsequently banned from the gun club.

"Conservation biology is an up-and-coming field," Wilson said. For Biology 393, in which the professors coach students on how to get slides and other material, organize talks and give 45-minute seminars, his topic is "the effect of habitat fragmentation on biological diversity." The reduction of habitat has a deleterious effect on "interior species," such as those living in the middle of a forest, but a positive effect on "edge species," which are considerably more adaptable. Wilson acknowledges that he is dealing with "contentious items."

"For instance, a tropical rain forest is being deforested. If you're able to protect so many hectares [a metric unit equal to 2.471 acres], how do you do it? Remember SLOSS—'single large or several small.' Do you make one big reserve or ten or a hundred smaller ones with the same total area? There are good arguments for both. It depends on the species and the organisms you're trying to protect."

Wilson came to Colby last fall after three years at the University of Washington. In 1985–86 he did postdoctoral work in eastern Canada's Bay of Fundy, studying sandpipers on mud flats and the invertebrates they eat. "My mother claimed my first word was 'bird,'" he said.



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Actually, Wilson's earliest interest was in entomology. He began collecting insects as a child growing up in North Carolina. A graduate student in botany brought a tremendous amount of enthusiasm to teaching Wilson's high-school biology class and gave him outside projects that built on his natural proclivity. In his junior year at the University of North Carolina, he studied advanced invertebrate zoology in a graduate course and "got to see what biology was about." After expanding his honors thesis into a master's at North Carolina, he went to Johns Hopkins, where he earned a doctorate in ecology and evolution.

Wilson's wife, Betsy Brown, has a Ph.D. from the University of Delaware and hopes to establish an environmental consulting company. Brown has also taken a research associate position at Colby and will teach a course in marine biology during the spring semester. Wilson's postdoctoral director, Kevin Echelbarger, who is now director of the Ira B. Darling Marine Sciences Center at the University of Maine, has promised the couple lab space.

Colby has furnished Wilson with the resources he needs for his research—mist nets to capture birds without harming them, spotting scopes, a video camera to record behavior, a field computer and high-quality microscopes for his work on mud flats. "My set-up money was generous," he says. Further tipping the scales in Colby's favor, Wilson says, was the "wonderful news" that the Portland String Quartet was affiliated with the College. Wilson and Brown are classical music buffs.

"There were very few other places I would consider leaving the University of Washington for," Wilson said. "Almost all of my answers during my interview fell on the side of 'You should go to Colby,' and that's what my wife and I decided to do."

STUDENT LIFE

Bixler Scholar Is "A People Person"

Cherlyn Neely '91 has come a long way—from Los Altos, Calif. to Waterville—and from a business school to a place of academic distinction at one of America's top-ranked liberal arts colleges.

Neely, a 1990 Julius Seelye Bixler Scholar, spent one year studying at Menlo Business College near her hometown but wanted a liberal arts education as well as a New England experience. After browsing through the College viewbook, Neely was taken with the beauty of Mayflower Hill and transferred as a sophomore. Once she got to Colby, she discovered how down-to-earth the people seemed in this part of the country. "It is one of the best decisions I ever made," she said. "I really am a people person."

Besides keeping up with the demands of a double major in psychology and Spanish, Neely presides over the Spanish Honors Society and is an officer in the Psychology Honors Society. Her favorite part of both jobs is tutoring other students.

Neely particularly enjoys the time she devotes to community service. For three hours every week, she participates in "Adults Reading to Children," a program that matches volunteers with

children whose parents don't or can't read to them. Sometimes, she says, she gets personally involved with the children, who don't always have it easy at home. "But the kids are so receptive to what we teach them," she said. "And you get so much out of it, knowing that you are making a difference in their lives."

For a while, it looked as if Neely's interest in helping children would lead to a career as a child psychologist. But a stint working in a mental health center proved too emotionally taxing, and she says she has decided instead to pursue a law degree and assist others that way.

Neely plays both varsity and club sports at Colby and says she likes the mix. For two years, she competed on the swim team; she now devotes her time to playing volleyball, a sport she's enjoyed for more than four years. The game requires teamwork, and Neely gives it all she's got. "I just get very involved in anything I do," she said.

—Rebekah Mitchell '91

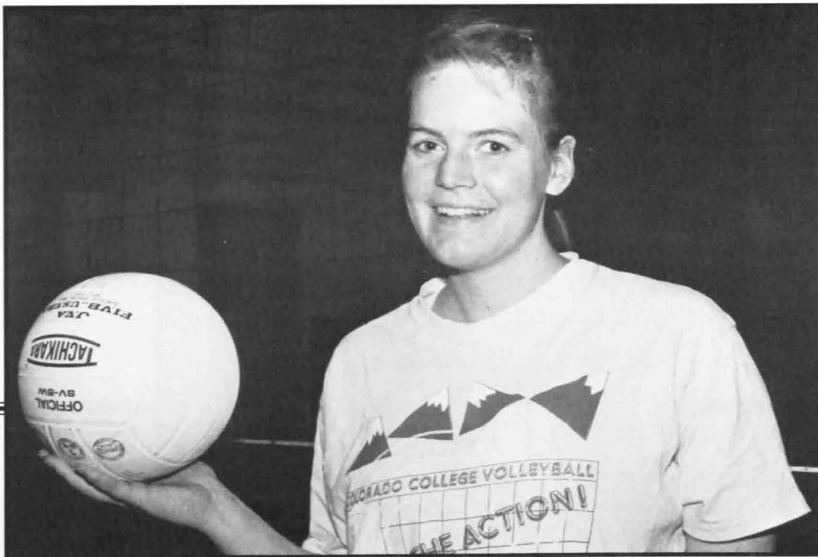


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Cherlyn Neely '91

Kearney Keeps It All in Balance

“Russian is going to be my life,” says first-year student Trezene “Treze” Kearney. “Well, not my *entire* life,” the 1990 Ralph J. Bunche Scholar adds quickly, displaying the humor and balance she brings to every pursuit.

Kearney came to Colby with three years of Russian language study and plans to continue with the language, though she hasn’t yet declared a major. One day, Kearney says, she hopes to teach Russian to elementary-school students.

A lifelong resident of tiny Macon, N.C. (“Don’t even try to say it’s a town or city,” she warns), Kearney graduated from the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, a boarding school for gifted high-school juniors and seniors located in Durham. Though she had never been to Maine before visiting Colby last February, she says she is happy with Colby and undaunted by the prospect of winter in Maine. “I’m ready for the cold,” she said.

Kearney, who is African-American, was the object of a racial slur during her first week on Mayflower Hill, and though she doesn’t know whether it was a Colby student or a Waterville resident who

spoke to her from a passing car, she discusses the incident to underscore her interest in eliminating racism on college campuses. She is active in two groups that promote improved race relations at Colby, the Student Organization for Black and Hispanic Unity and Students Organized Against Racism. As part of Colby’s delegation to SOAR’s autumn conference at Brown University, Kearney attended workshops designed to help college students eradicate racism.

One of the highlights of Kearney’s first semester on campus was the September appearance by civil rights leader James Farmer. Kearney says she enjoyed watching people in the audience nearly as much as the speech. She noticed that when Farmer discussed “touchy” subjects—such as the persistence of racism in the United States—“people got antsy,” and she saw them “squirming and coughing.”

“I don’t know if I can make a big difference,” Kearney said of her commitment to push for understanding among people from different ethnic groups, “but if I can do something small, I’ll do it.”

—John Cook '92



Photo by Mary Ellen Matava

Trezene Kearney '94

Appelbaum Is Enjoying the Options

Craig Appelbaum '92 remembers vividly the day, three years ago, when he had to put some money down to secure a place at the college of his choice. The problem, he says, was that he couldn't make the choice. He held an acceptance from Colby in one hand and one from Colgate in the other. Then he agonized.

"I knew all along that I wanted a small liberal arts college. I also knew I wanted to come out East. But I just couldn't make up my mind," said Appelbaum, a 1990 Charles A. Dana scholar. "Finally, it was like Huck Finn. I just said, 'Damn it, then, I'll go to Colby.'"

Looking back on it, Appelbaum admits that his decision may not have been entirely random. His older sister knew and spoke highly of Colby, and Appelbaum admired Colby for abolishing fraternities.

A graduate of Beachwood High School in a small suburb of Cleveland, Ohio, Appelbaum was involved in the drama club and student government and played on the tennis team in high school, but in college he's developed some new interests.

In his sophomore year at Colby, Appelbaum was asked by a friend to write theater reviews for the *Echo*. He now serves as the features editor of the Colby student newspaper, and he said that, while it takes up a lot of time, "I'll probably write for the *Echo* up until the day I graduate. Literally."

Appelbaum has also pre-

sent a classical music show on WMHB, the student radio station, performs with the Colby Broadway Musical Review and is co-editor of the Colby yearbook, the *Oracle*.

An interest in learning German took him to Lubeck in his first year as a Colby student. "I didn't know if I would have the time to do it my junior year," he said. "And I was really eager to learn the language." Appelbaum—a German and English major—says he is happy he went when he did.

"We were there almost a year before the Wall came down, and there was so much tension there that none of us, in our wildest imaginations, would ever have believed that it could happen," he remembered. "I'm glad, though, that I was there when I was. It was a time that's kind of a bygone era now."

What with juggling all of his activities and maintaining an impressive 3.7 grade point average, Appelbaum has had little time to ponder his future.

"I'm not sure what I want to do, there are so many things that I'm interested in. I'd like to maybe teach someday at the university level or go to grad school for playwriting or even go back to Germany," he said. "There's so much more that I want to do at Colby that I haven't done, it's hard to think about life beyond."

—Jennifer Scott '91

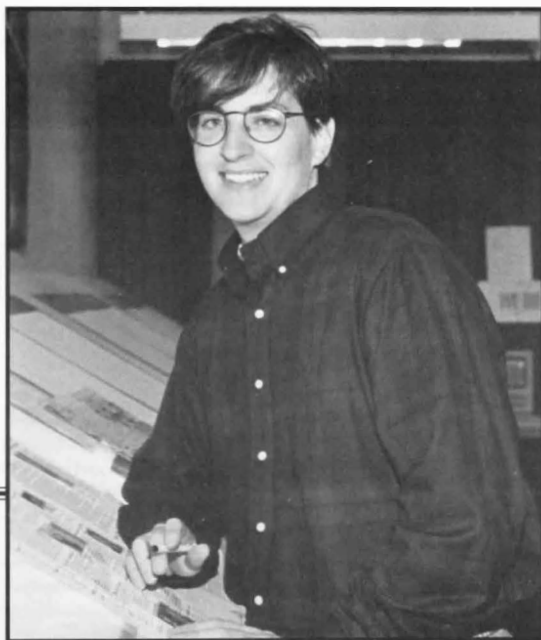


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Craig Appelbaum '92

Autumn Fun Draws

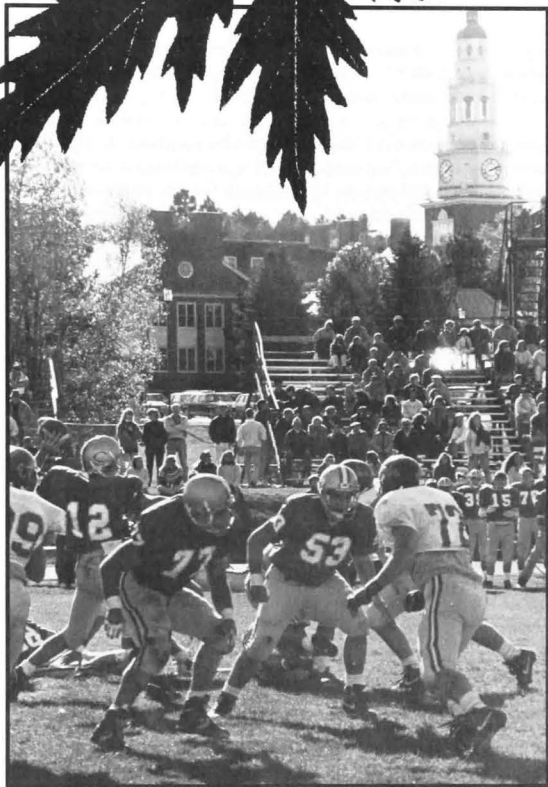


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Clockwise from top: Among Bunche Scholars honored on Parents Weekend are Aliza Hernandez '93 (left), Ho Wa Leung '94 and Lizette Vazquez '92, all high-school graduates of the Manhattan Center for Science and Math; Government Professor L. Sandy Maisel meets with parents at the President's Reception; and Stephanie Vore '91 and her parents, Jon '64 and Estelle Vore, join other multi-generational Colby families at a special dinner. At the Homecoming football contest, Brian O'Sullivan (53) and Carmine Colarusso (77) block Williams defensesmen while quarterback Rob Ward (12) throws a pass. Williams triumphs, 28-6.

Parents and Alumni



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Clockwise from top right: The Colby pep band helps drum up support for the football team during the Homecoming game against Williams; members of the classes of 1986-1990 enjoy a mini-reunion catered by an old favorite, Big G's Deli; Thai and Chinese finger foods and other unusual fare prepared by faculty and their spouses is offered at the Taste of the World party sponsored by the Alumni Office, Stu-A, the Student Organization for Black and Hispanic Unity and the International Club; and alumni take advantage of a beautiful Maine afternoon by doing some traditional Colby tailgating before the football game.

PAGING PARENTS

Raymont Scolds U.S. Over Columbus Fête

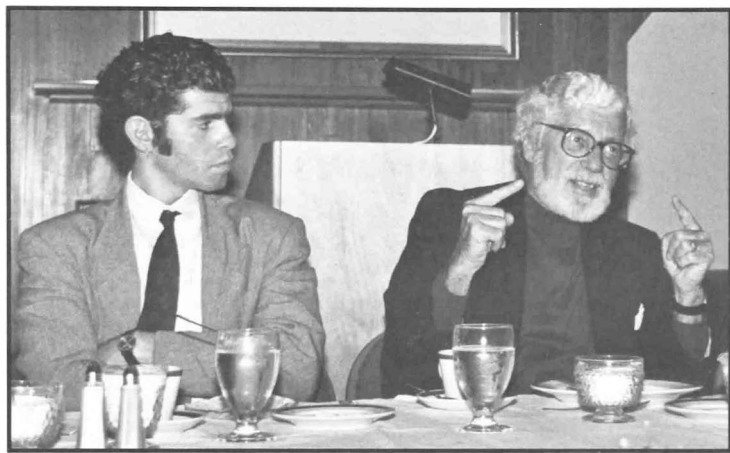


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Henry Ramont (right), flanked by son Daniel '91.

Over the years, Colby parents have been more than willing to contribute to the campus dialogue, a tradition that continued on Columbus Day with the visit of Henry Raymont, father of Daniel '91.

The elder Raymont, a former *New York Times* correspondent who is now a fellow at Harvard's Shorenstein Center, is cultural chair of the President's Commission on the Columbian Quincentennial. At a lunch for interested students in the Philson Lounge, he said the 1992 commemoration of Columbus's voyage should help Americans understand and appreciate Latin culture and its impact on the New World.

But Raymont expressed frustration over what he characterized as poor planning and lack of commitment to the quincentennial commemoration in the United States. Although such institutions as Columbia University and the Smithsonian Institution will mark the anniversary with exhibitions and conferences, Raymont said, there has been little coordination by scholars and virtually no governmental support or enthusiasm for a celebration.

"What we have seen instead," Raymont

told the students, "is that Spain has seized the initiative with a series of events that will draw hundreds of thousands of visitors, including many Americans. Thus, we have the ultimate irony—the Old World capitalizing on the 500th anniversary of the opening up of the New World. It has been very frustrating."

Raymont ascribed much of the U. S. government's lack of initiative, coordination and funding of Columbian Quincentennial projects to political concerns in Congress. These include apprehensions, he said, that sponsorship of specific programs would bring the government down on one side or the other of the long-standing rivalry between the Italian-American and Hispanic-American communities over which group is entitled to claim Columbus as its own.

As if to underscore for Raymont the notion that emotional and political concerns are never far from the surface in such endeavors, he had the chance to engage in a polite yet pointed dialogue with two faculty members who attended the lunch. He and Jorge Olivares of the Modern Foreign Languages Department agreed to disagree on the

propriety of involving Cuba's President Fidel Castro in the anniversary celebration. Later, he and Adam Weisberger of the Sociology Department exchanged views (as the diplomats usually put it) on the importance of marking another, concurrent, quincentenary—that of the Spanish Inquisition.

These discourses only added to the fascination for the students attending, including Raymont's son, a leader of the Colby community's effort to preserve Brazilian rain forests.

'91 Parents Back Teachers' Fund

A group of involved parents of this year's seniors have established the Class of 1991 Parents Fellowship for Distinguished Teachers.

David and Barbara Preston, former chairs of the Colby Parents Association, will chair the 34-member project committee. They are parents of Chris '89 and Liz '91. The object, David Preston explained, "is to set in place a tradition that will both enhance the college from which our children will graduate and benefit generations of Colby students to come."

The committee met over Parents Weekend to consider a variety of potential projects and decided that a faculty support fund would benefit the broadest number of future Colby students. Parents of 1991 graduates also said they hope the project will lay a foundation for similar efforts in the future.

Preston said the parents chose the fellowship with the idea of enhancing Colby's ability to recognize and reward good teaching with grants for sabbatical support and summer research. The grants may also help Colby recruit new teachers and maintain the standard of academic excellence from which all students benefit, he added.

Making A Difference

When a student enrolls, his or her parents automatically become part of a group designed to help them through *their* four years at Colby.

The Colby Parents Association gives parents a chance to get involved with College activities and, through the association's executive committee, to communicate effectively with administrators, trustees and others in leadership positions on campus.

The association can also foster lateral communication. "Lots of times parents will feel more comfortable talking with another parent about a problem or concern," said Pamela Alexander, Colby's director of annual giving and a Colby parent herself. "That's part of what members of the executive committee are for. They're accessible."

Lee and Ellen Metzendorf, parents of Emily '91, are chairing the commission this year. "It's a nice way to get to focus on the campus," Ellen Metzendorf said. While many parents hear from the association during its solicitation for the Parents Annual Fund, there are no dues and no such contribution is required.

"We look for a broad group of people with a broad geographic distribution," Metzendorf said. "We are not just looking for people who can give a gift but for those who can contribute a viewpoint."

Each spring, when incoming students receive acceptance letters, their parents get a letter from the association chairs explaining the group's work and listing all executive committee members. "If there's a family from the Midwest," Alexander said, "they can call an executive committee parent and ask, 'How do you get your son back and forth to college?' Questions like that are best answered by another parent."

The association helps the admissions effort by holding receptions for admitted students and also aids in specific recruiting projects, such as one designed to increase

campus diversity by promoting the College to minority students.

And, thank to those who can afford to contribute, the Parents Annual Fund augments the College's general fund each year. Though individual parents have contributed up to \$25,000, Metzendorf says a \$5 contribution can be appreciated just as much.

"The main target," she said, "is to have 100 percent participation."

Why are many parents who already foot much or all of a \$20,000 annual bill ready to contribute more money to Colby?

In a word, Alexander says, the answer is "value."

"While their kids are here, we talk to them about the value of the degree," she said. "If Colby remains strong, it enhances the value of their child's degree."

Aid Concerns Addressed

When Director of Financial Aid Lucia Whittelsey Smyth '73 conducted an information session during Parents Weekend, she was ready to answer two important questions: "What if my income has dropped and I can't pay as much as I have in the past?" and "If we have not applied for financial aid until now, is it too late to apply for my child's remaining years at Colby?"

"Such questions invariably accompany an economic recession," Smyth said. "Colby is committed to helping students and parents whose ability to contribute to the cost of education has been reduced dramatically by the current condition of the country's economy."

"If your income has dropped substan-



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Lee and Ellen Metzendorf

tially in 1990 and you are not able to pay the bill for your son or daughter, please contact the Financial Aid Office for information about College grants, federal student loans, campus employment and parent loan programs. If you anticipate a problem paying for the second semester this year, please call the aid office immediately.

"If you owe a balance on the first semester bill, please talk with the Business Office staff, who will work with you and the Financial Aid Office to help you obtain the funds you need as quickly as possible," Smyth said. "Pay as much as you can on the bill now, because you could incur late fees on unpaid balances. If you later receive Colby aid or a Stafford loan, you will receive a refund for any overpayment on the bill."

"Parents of sophomores, juniors and seniors who have never before applied for aid should be aware that financial aid applications for the 1991-92 academic year are due at Colby by April 15, 1991, and the Financial Aid Form must be filed with the College Scholarship Service during March (earlier to qualify for some state scholarship programs). New applications should include an explanation of changes in family finances that have necessitated the aid application."

Smyth adds that under Colby's formula, aid packages for new applicants will often include a higher loan component than those for students who are renewing their applications. Students can get applications and information in Room 207 in the Eustis Building on campus.

GIFTS & GRANTS

"Dear Young Alumni: Please Give . . ."



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Professors G. Calvin Mackenzie, L. Sandy Maisel and Charles Bassett discuss Colby's Alumni Fund appeal.

Government Professor G. Calvin Mackenzie says that one of the highest points in his teaching career came on election night in 1988. A former student, watching the returns at his home in California, called to thank Mackenzie for teaching him the ins and outs of American politics. "He said he really understood what was happening, and it was all because of me," Mackenzie recalled.

So it was "disappointing," Mackenzie says, to see the man's name on a list of younger Colby graduates who have never contributed to the College's Alumni Fund. "I know he had a wonderful Colby experience," Mackenzie said. "Some people need to be reminded about what Colby has meant to them."

A few hundred former students have been reminded recently. Three of Colby's most popular teachers—Mackenzie, Gov-

ernment Professor L. Sandy Maisel and Charles Bassett of the English Department—have written letters to selected young graduates asking them to support the College.

The idea for the appeal was hatched three years ago, when Mackenzie, who served as vice president for development from 1985 to 1988, sent such a letter to almost 80 former students. "I got a 50 percent response," Mackenzie said, "and many came with letters saying that they wouldn't have thought of giving if I hadn't asked."

Last summer, Mackenzie, along with Director of Annual Giving Pamela Alexander, invited Maisel and Bassett to help launch a similar effort on a wider scale. Alexander provided a list of nongivers who graduated from Colby in the last dozen years, and recently the three professors wrote to those they knew, enclosing an Alumni Fund envelope.

One faculty member who was asked to participate in the appeal refused. "I think he felt it would be counterproductive," Bassett said, "that faculty don't do that. Faculty teach and money-raisers raise money and we mix the two at our peril."

But, Mackenzie said, "an alum's recollection is built around a faculty member or a coach—*somebody* was important to them, not a tree or a building."

Bassett and Maisel say they agreed to write letters because they think former students should help Colby stay competitive. "We're in a fight to get good faculty, particularly good young faculty. It is increasingly difficult to attract the best," Bassett said.

"One of the things that you try to do at a place like this is build up the sense of loyalty that is involved in giving money, so that the place can continue," Maisel said. "We are in a time of belt-tightening, when it

is very essential—for us to be able to do the job that we do—that the people who think we do a good job support us.” At universities, Maisel says, faculty members raise money for research, so why shouldn’t teachers solicit funds to undergird their efforts?

“I have no doubt that a few alumni will be angry that we appear to be playing on a special relationship,” Mackenzie said. “It is a special bond. But if they don’t want to give they should say that. If they are offended that I asked they should say that. I’ll respond to those letters.”

Some former students decide not to give to Colby because they are unhappy with administration policies—past and present—or they feel their checks will provide “a mandate for new decisions,” according to Maisel. But, he says in his letter, the Alumni Fund “is not a referendum about the administration. . . It is a referendum on the future of Colby students.”

“I won’t ask you to forget the things you didn’t like,” Maisel writes. “But I do hope you will remember what you did like.”

As someone who has been involved in many deliberations over granting tenure and promotions to faculty members, Mackenzie has read dozens of letters from graduates who are asked to assess professors’ performances. “I have been struck,” he said, “by the number of responses from people who say, ‘I’m unhappy with Colby about this or that, but Professor X was terrific.’”

Mackenzie says he thinks similar motivations may be driving those who haven’t given to the fund. “It makes me angry,” he said. “Here are people who have withdrawn their support, despite acknowledging that they appreciate what we’re here to do. When they withdraw their support from Colby, they withdraw support from what we do here.”

But like Maisel and Bassett, Mackenzie says he is optimistic that his letter, sent to about 50 former students, will have positive results. “If 50 percent give, that will be a significant step,” he said. “Once you get them started they get into the habit.”



Carl Nelson

Alfonds Pledge \$200,000 for Training Facility to Honor Carl Nelson

When Carl Nelson went to dinner one Sunday night in November, he had visions of learning that a long-held dream might be fulfilled. But Colby’s head trainer and director of medical services wasn’t ready for what he was about to hear.

When he joined President Bill Cotter, Dr. Kershaw Powell ’51, Athletic Director Dick Whitmore, Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Randy Helm and several others at dinner with Harold Alfond L.H.D. ’80, Nelson hoped the Waterville philanthropist and sportsman was about to announce a major contribution to Colby’s planned new physical therapy center.

It was Cotter who made that announcement, after recalling all the past benefactions that Alfond and his wife, Dorothy “Bibby” Levine Alfond ’38, had made to Colby and other worthy institutions throughout Maine. This time, the president said, the Alfonds had committed \$200,000 in the form of a challenge grant, matching dollar for dollar an additional \$200,000 the College is to raise from other sources to erect the new facility.

Then it was Alfond’s turn. The founder of the Dexter Shoe Company and part owner of the Boston Red Sox recalled Nelson’s 32 years on Mayflower Hill and the reputation he has built among athletes and trainers throughout the country. “They all ask about Carl,” Alfond said, “and in all the years I have never met anyone who had a negative word to say about this man, not one.” That, Alfond said, was why he and Mrs. Alfond had decided to ask Colby to name its new training center the “Carl Nelson Physical Therapy Facility.”

Nelson, who is a member of the National Trainers Hall of Fame, seemed floored by the honor, pausing several times during his brief response to regain his composure.

The campaign to raise the matching funds for the facility is continuing. Colby alumni can participate by sending contributions in Nelson’s honor to *David Roberts, Director of Planned Giving, Colby College, Waterville, ME 04901* or by phoning Roberts at (207) 872-3212. The current timetable calls for construction to begin this spring and for the facility to open in time for the 1991-92 academic year.

MULES ON THE MOVE

Unlikely Heroes Enjoy A Shining Season

Years from now, someone scanning the Colby football log will see an ordinary 3-5 record, but anyone associated with the 1990 varsity will remember it forever as a team that transcended the commonplace of sport, turning blocks, tackles and touchdowns into metaphors for resilience, determination and attainment.

This was a team that sent 14 players home for a semester to ponder the impropriety of illicit social behavior, watched two others quit and discovered just before the start of practice that its quarterback had broken his jaw. That left but five of 22 starters from the 1989 squad and only eight juniors and seniors on a roster that was nearly 20 names shorter than normal. For coach Tom Austin, necessity would become the mother of invention.

His first move was to assign the more able and experienced hands both offensive and defensive positions. All-NESCAC linebacker Len Baker would also play fullback. Offensive linemen Tom Griffin and Carmine Colarusso would play the defensive line on key downs. Tight ends Greg Burns and Paul Baisley would become guards in an offense featuring one running back, four wide receivers and an untried quarterback recovering from knee reconstruction.

Students and faculty rallied behind the team. There were cheerleaders, a Pep band and a large crowd for the opening game. But few among the well wishers believed Austin or his players, who said they planned to win several games.

"Everyone was so sure we were going to be terrible," junior defensive back Rob DeLello recalled a few weeks into the season. "I think we began to wonder about it ourselves."

The defense made progress early in the season. First-year linemen Mark Gallagher, Sean Devine, Shawn Jenkins, Rich Wagenknecht and Jon Granoff held their own and occasionally made big plays. Sophomore linebackers Gregg Suffredini and Eric DeCosta performed so capably that Baker could devote more and more time to his fullback chores. And the secondary of DeLello, John Conaty, Paul Froio, Mike Regan and Peter Sandblom played solidly.

Early losses to Trinity, Hamilton and Tufts highlighted the White Mules' weak spots, but their play proved they weren't incapacitated. For three soggy quarters in Connecticut they seemed destined for an upset of undefeated Wesleyan, only to lose, 14-8, on an 85-yard pass play in the opening minutes of the fourth period.

When Williams came to town at Homecoming and extended the nation's longest win streak at Colby's expense, the White Mules had nothing but an 0-5 record to show for their work and enthusiasm. Injury was added to insult when the center, Griffin, and Gallagher, the bulwark of the new defensive line, limped off with knee injuries, departing for the rest of the season.

Austin had been there before, however. He replaced Griffin with first-year student Brian O'Sullivan and told Baisley he could be a tight end again—provided he would also play defensive tackle.

As Colby prepared for the Parents Weekend game against Bates, the Mules were down to three seniors but had added a fifth junior. Jim Dionizio, the quarterback with the



Photo by Scott Davis

Len Baker '92, in his fullback mode, heads for the end zone with a block from Dan Tegus '91.

broken jaw, had slurped enough liquid nutrients and spent enough hours lifting weights to maintain his weight and muscle tone during a surprisingly rapid recovery. After an injury to starter Rob Ward, Dionizio was inserted late in the Wesleyan game and he played a half against Williams.

Colby beat Bates, 9-3, when David McCarthy picked up a bouncing punt and made television viewers think they were watching an old Red Grange movie, as he sprinted, wove, vaulted and barrelled for a 73-yard touchdown. The defense held Bates inside the 10 twice to preserve the lead, the second time when its newest recruit, Baisley, sacked the Bobcat quarterback on fourth down. Baisley batted down a pass on the final play of the game and was voted NESCAC Defensive Player of the Week for his performance—an improbable honor for a senior who hadn't played defense since high school.

At Middlebury the following Saturday, the White Mules raised the level of improbability a notch. Middlebury had upset Hamilton and threatened to end Williams's 20-game winning streak before giving way in the final quarter. On paper, it seemed that the Panthers could count on an easy win, especially playing an emotional farewell game on old Porter Field, which is to be replaced in 1991. But it was Colby's Baker and Dionizio who gave Porter Field its final memories.

After trailing most of the game, Middlebury captured the lead in the final period and then hemmed White Mules in at third and 17 on the Colby 20. But Dionizio connected with senior Dan Teguis on a 39-yard pass play, hit McCarthy for 11 more and then handed the ball to Baker, who rumbled in for a touchdown. After Middlebury received Colby's kickoff, Baker remained on the field at linebacker and was in on three of the final four tackles to preserve a startling 20-17 victory.

That left Bowdoin as the only obstacle to a first in Colby football history—a third straight CBB title.

Playing in a cold rain in Brunswick, Colby led 3-0 at the half, thanks to a 29-yard field goal by Sandblom and three muffed Bowdoin attempts to match it. Early in the second half, Dionizio retired with a concussion, and that set the stage for Ward, the 1990 season's final unlikely hero. He connected with Steve Hatch on a 70-yard scoring pass and then, after a Bowdoin touchdown, hit Teguis in the end zone from 28 yards out. That score, set up when Burns separated a Bowdoin punt returner from the ball, put Colby ahead by 17-6 with 10 minutes to play.

Bowdoin made it 17-14 on its next possession, but when Colby stopped the Polar Bears at the Colby 37 with three minutes remaining, Colby's lead seemed secure. It wasn't. Ward was stripped of the



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Junior Jim Dionizio rallied from a preseason injury to share quarterback duties.

ball on the next play and Bowdoin drove 25 yards to take a 20-17 lead with 50 seconds left in the game. The Polar Bear offense had started its postgame celebration on the sidelines by the time McCarthy fielded the kickoff and ran to the Colby 33 with 44 ticks remaining.

Ward hit Hatch on a 20-yard turn-around pattern at the Bowdoin 47 and the White Mules rushed to the scrimmage line in time to snap the ball when the clock restarted. This time Ward found McCarthy at the 26 and Colby called time out with 19 seconds to go. On the next play, Ward seemed about to go down but eluded a Bowdoin sacker and rifled the ball to Hatch at the 10. Ward rushed his team into formation and fired the ball into the ground to stop the clock at 0:07.

A field goal would have tied the game and given Colby an outright CBB title. But that wasn't enough for this team. "Did we talk about going for the tie?" Austin said after the game. "We didn't even think about it. At Colby, we play to win."

Ward took the snap and surveyed the end zone, looking left. Again there was pressure from the pass rush, and one of the Polar Bears had reached him when he looked the other way and saw a muddled figure standing alone near the right sideline.

On the final play of his college career, Paul Baisley lined up on the left side. With O'Sullivan's snap, the other receivers embarked on pass routes that took them from right to left. Baisley went the other way, and no Bowdoin defenders followed. When Ward spotted him, Baisley was near the 5-yard line, about a dozen yards from the nearest player on either squad.

He caught the pass, turned and jogged across the goal line. By the time the pessimists finished scanning the turf in a vain search for penalty flags, Baisley had been tackled—by a swarm of Colby players. Nobody bothered to try for the extra point. The game was over and Colby won, 23-20, concluding the most memorable 3-5 season imaginable.

Soccer Team Earns Trip to ECAC Semis

After years of battling on Loeb's Field, the men's soccer team moved "up the hill" to the new playing surface this season, and Coach Mark Serdjenian '73 and his squad never looked back.

It was a record-breaking season. The team posted 13 wins—a single-season high—and was ranked number one in New England and sixth in the nation on the way to its first appearance in the ECAC championship tournament since 1978 and a 13-1-2 record.

A preseason trip to England honed the team's skills, according to Serdjenian. "We learned confidence and teamwork from our matches overseas," he said. "It was a key to our success."

The White Mules notched three wins—against Middlebury, Norwich and Farmington—to open the season, then earned a hard-fought 1-1 tie with Babson, a perennial New England power. A 2-1 win over Thomas, a scoreless tie with Tufts and three more wins set the stage for the Homecoming game against arch rival Bowdoin. The team needed little extra incentive to perform well against the Polar Bears, but the incentive was there—a win would give Colby a 13-game unbeaten streak, the longest in team history.

Junior stopper Doug Oppenheimer scored just one minute and 22 seconds into the game, but Bowdoin answered in the first half and the two teams took the 1-1 tie to the end of regulation. In the overtime period, junior Chris Flint made it 2-1 Colby on a penalty kick, and after Bowdoin scored again, Oppenheimer scored his second goal of the day with only 22 seconds left in the overtime period to clinch a 3-2 win.

Colby ended its regular season with a 3-2 win over Bates and entered the ECAC Division III tournament seeded first—only to meet number eight seed Bowdoin in the opening round.

The rivals met on an unseasonably warm Sunday afternoon in November. Each team was stymied through most of the first half, with Colby breaking the drought at the 29:20 mark as Eric Russman fed Oppenheimer in front of the Bowdoin goal for a score. The first half ended in a 1-1 tie. The first 30 minutes of the second half were scoreless and another overtime period loomed, but senior back Pat



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Senior co-captain Eric Russman maneuvers downfield past two Bates defenders.

Reed stepped up and blasted a 25-yard shot past the Polar Bear keeper for his first college goal. Bowdoin regrouped near the end of the game but couldn't pull even. The game ended with Colby up 2-1 and headed into the tournament's second round.

Colby met three-time ECAC champion Williams College four days later, and the passage of time brought with it a sharp change in the weather—and in the team's fortunes.

Williams scored twice with the wind at their backs in the first half and played high-pressure defense, shutting out the White Mules. Although Colby put on a better showing in the second half, a goal by rookie Pat Skulley was not enough, and the Ephemen held on to win. Williams went on to win the tournament, beating Wesleyan 2-0.

"It was an amazing season," Serdjenian told the *Waterville Sentinel* after the game. "It would have been nice to cap it off by winning the tournament, but the undefeated regular season is something the guys will always remember."

Although the White Mules will lose seven players to graduation, five starters should return next season, including leading scorer Flint, who racked up 16 goals and 10 assists in 1990. Colby's goalkeepers, Jim Condron and Jason Eslick, who combined for 102 saves and recorded six shutouts, are also among those expected to return.

Harriers Take Divisional, National Laurels

The men's cross-country team completed its best season since 1984, and the women's team welcomed one of the most exciting competitors in memory to traverse the Mayflower Hill trails.

The men captured both the New England Division III championship and the NESCAC title, taking to an innovative training program installed by Coach Jim Wescott.

"It was something I always wanted to try, but I had been very apprehensive," Wescott said of the new regimen, which involved extensive off-season conditioning and lighter in-season workouts. "The team seemed to respond to it very well."

Seniors Kent Thompson, David Donnelly and Marc Gilbertson sparked the team with consistently strong performances.

"The three are so closely matched," said Wescott, "that any of them could be our top finisher on any given day."

Thompson emerged as the top runner. He placed second in the NESCAC meet and won the ECAC championship at Tufts in a time of 26:16. Thompson's ninth-place finish at the New England's was the key to Colby's team victory, but it was a source of personal disappointment for him,

since he came in one second over the national qualifying time. Donnelly won the Maine State championship at Bates in October, and he came in 14th at the New England meet. Gilbertson was one of two White Mules in the top 25 finishers at the ECAC championship, and he trailed Donnelly by 14 seconds for a 21st-place finish at the New England's.

Wescott called Colby's first-ever victory at the New England Division III championships "a real tribute to the entire team."

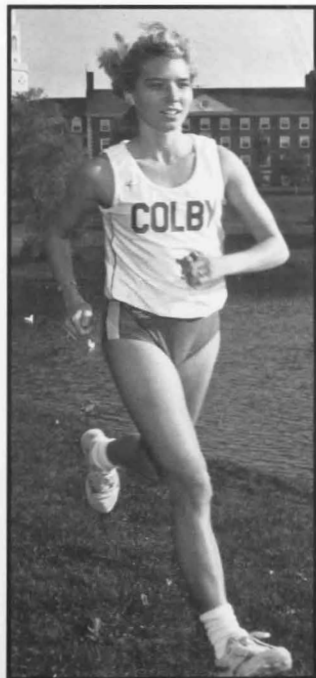
Colby defeated second-place Southeastern Massachusetts by nine points, with sophomore Ben Trevor (12th, 26:00) and junior Greg Rideout (33rd, 26:40) joining the three seniors in the scoring column.

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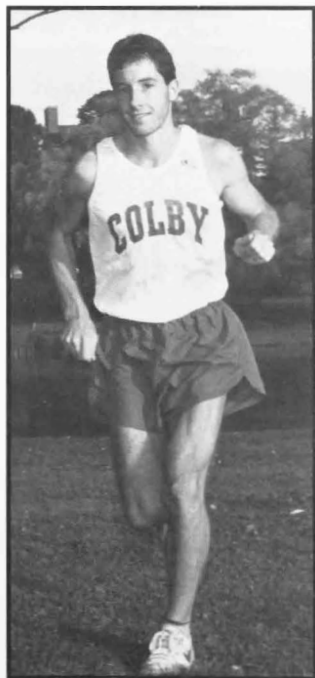
"We knew coming in it would be a rebuilding year," Coach Deb Aitken said of the women's cross-country team. "But we ran well and fairly consistently."

One runner, first-year student Michelle Severance, did considerably better than that. A Maine Class C state champion from Topsfield, she shattered the University of Southern Maine course record by nearly 30 seconds in her first intercollegiate race, then outsprinted a veteran from Smith College in the final 100 yards to win her Mayflower Hill home debut two weeks later. She won the Maine state title and was the first Colby woman to be crowned NESCAC champion. Her fifth-place finish at the Division III New England championships qualified her for national competition at Grinnell College in Iowa, where she earned All-American honors—a distinction matched by no other first-year student in Colby history. Severance finished in 17th place in a time of 18:17.

Seniors Lesley Eysenberg, Theresa Sullivan and Colleen Halleck provided leadership for the younger runners. Jennifer Hartshorn and Christine Messier, two first-year students, had strong seasons, and junior Polly Sheridan made steady improvement all year.



Photos by Scott Davis



Michelle Severance '94 earned All-American honors for the White Mules, and David Donnelly '91 helped the men's team win its first-ever New England Division III crown.

Women's Tennis Plays to Perfect Record

The women's tennis team enjoyed its best season in almost 20 years, compiling an 8-0 dual match record, winning a third straight CBB title and sending four players to the New England Division III tournament.

The team's top seed, sophomore Maria Kim, developed tendinitis in her forearm and missed the season's first three matches, and senior Maryann Hutchinson was sidelined for the entire season with an Achilles tendon injury suffered last spring. But the deep Colby squad easily defeated three Division I university teams, Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, by scores of 9-0, 7-2 and 8-1.

In fact, Bowdoin would give the team its only real scare. Colby posted a 5-4 early-season defeat of the Polar Bears in Brunswick, but in the Mayflower Hill rematch, Bowdoin led 4-2 after the singles competition and seemed on the verge of evening the score in meets. The White Mules needed victories in all three doubles matches to top Bowdoin.

Victories by the top two tandems, Kim and senior Harriet "Twisty" Gogolak and junior Lisa Black and Ann Bonniwell, a rookie from Minnetonka, Minn., left the Mules' fate up to senior Grace Liang and sophomore Tina Buffum. Liang and Buffum were playing

at the number three spot in place of Reena Chandra and Patricia O'Sullivan because O'Sullivan was home for her father's funeral. The duo rose to the occasion, winning in a tie-breaker to give Colby its second 5-4 victory of the season against Bowdoin.

Two West Coast natives shared the team's number one singles spot. Kim, from Glendale, Calif., played the top position during part of the season and earned an invitation to the New England tournament. Black, from Seattle, played at number one for the balance of the schedule, going 8-0 in singles and doubles and earning a seed at the New England's.

Gogolak finished her final season at 6-2 in singles and paired with Kim to reach the New England semifinals in doubles. Chandra played to 8-0 and 5-0 records and reached the semifinals in both singles and doubles in the New England's. O'Sullivan, a senior, also went undefeated (4-0/5-0), preserving an unbeaten Colby career.

Fields, Links See Successes

In an autumn of success and excitement, teams competing in field hockey, women's soccer and golf also had moments to savor.

"Although we had a difficult season, there were plenty of individual successes to make up for team losses," said Coach Deb Pluck. The 4-6-2 field hockey season left Pluck to ponder a curious statistic: although Colby outshot its opponents 191-102, the White Mules were outscored 16-15 and fell four times by a single goal.

Senior tri-captains Amy Gillis, Erin Kelly and Andrea Solomita provided leadership and excitement. In the third game of the season, Gillis and Kelly lined up against their twin sisters in the Bates game, and their "seeing double" story appeared around the country in *Sports Illustrated* and around the world in the *International Herald Tribune*. Two-time All-State and regional all-star Solomita concluded an outstanding career, leading the team in scoring with five goals and three assists.

Three seniors broke individual records: Liz Frado set a new record for offensive interceptions/tackles with 101 for the season, and Gillis and junior attacker Michele Rowell each had 20 offensive interceptions/tackles in a game. Team MVP Rowell, an All-State selection and a 1990 Division III Academic All-American, was the second leading scorer on the team with four goals and two assists. Other contributions came from junior goalie Deb Stinchfield, the team's Most Improved Player, with 78 saves in her first season, Kelly, who led the defense with 156 interceptions/tackles and senior Abby Cook, who returned from a year abroad to weigh in with 102 tackles.

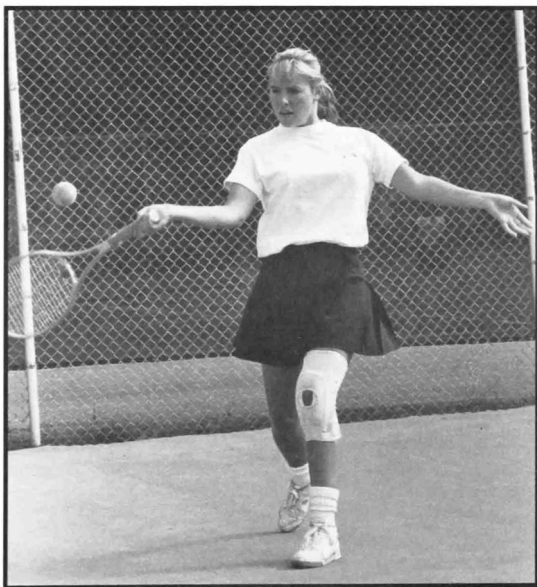


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Lisa Black '92



Photo by Jason Oberfest '94

Michele Rowell '92 and Michelle Satterlee '94 helped the field hockey team to a 4-6-2 season.

Bobcats during the regular season. The late-season showing, however, was what Laliberty savored most. "It would have been so easy for the players to quit emotionally after those four losses," he said. "But we regrouped and came back to get a big 2-1 win over Wesleyan and a fine performance in the final against a strong Plymouth State team."

Senior Julie Collard led the team in scoring with four goals and two assists. Senior Charlotte Reece earned All-NEWISA honors and became Colby's third-leading career scorer. First-year starter Heather Hamilton recorded three shutouts in goal.

The golf team won the CBB title and defeated Merrimack to win the Bowdoin Invitational in a sudden-death playoff. Senior captain Jeff Hartwell, playing at number one, and junior Derek Bettencourt were the top finishers in the Bowdoin Invitational, and junior Todd Alexander and sophomore Rob Carbone each had par puts on the playoff hole. Sophomore Jack Higgins, who played in the number two position for the White Mules, was the CBB medalist. Bettencourt placed first for the White Mules at the Middlebury Tournament, finishing 25th of 129. Coach Sid Farr '55 is already looking forward to spring. "We have some good underclassmen," Farr said, "and there has been more interest in the team than in past years."

Junior striker Adria Lowell (three goals) also earned All-State honors with her aggressive style of play.

The women's soccer team, coached by Dave Laliberty '79, jumped off to a 5-0 start despite returning just five starters. Alas, the odds caught up. The squad lost its next four and ended the season at 7-7. But included in that season-opening string was a 1-0 victory over Bates, making Colby the only team in New England to defeat the

Sports Shorts

Basketball coaches Dick Whitmore and Gene DeLorenzo '75 find the toughest Division III opponents they can to battle-test their varsities for later CBB and postseason competition. The men's team began its current season in the Great Lakes Shootout at John Carroll University in Ohio and the women's varsity played in the Brand Rex tournament at Eastern Connecticut State University. Colby was at some disadvantage in both events, since NESCAC colleges do not begin practice until November 1, two weeks later than other NCAA teams.

"We weren't ready," Whitmore concluded after his squad lost to Albion of Michigan and Wooster of Ohio. Number six in the nation at 26-1 in 1990, the White Mules had lost twice within the first 18 hours of the new season to finish number seven in Cleveland. The good news came with the final game, a 119-79 rout of Adrian of Michigan, and the naming of senior Kevin Whitmore, who scored 26 points per game, to the all-tournament team.

There was better news from Connecticut. After losing a tough 63-58 decision to the host team, Colby upset the nation's sixth-ranked squad, Scranton, 62-60 in overtime, to take third place. Senior Kim Derrington made the all-tournament team

with 39 points in two games, including the deciding basket against Scranton.

Three-time All-American swimmer Sally White '91 is on the cover of the 64-page Colby winter sports guide, which has been mailed to all "C" Club members . . . The College's new director of sports information, Carol Ann Beach '88, is a familiar figure at Wadsworth Gymnasium. She was a varsity basketball captain in her undergraduate days and the editor of a newsletter for women athletes . . . When the compressor at Bowdoin's hockey rink collapsed in November, Colby came to the rescue, allowing the Polar Bears to hold their tournament at Alford Arena. Bowdoin apparently did not enjoy its home away from home, suffering a shocking 3-2 loss to Williams in the opening game. Charlie Corey's Colby men's varsity won its own opener at Alford, defeating Tufts, 3-0 . . . Matt Hancock '90 is continuing his fabled basketball career as a member of High Five, a California-based aggregation of former college stars that delivers an anti-drug message at halftime of the games it plays against Division I teams.

Winter Sports Schedule

For the latest sports results, call (207) UP-2-DATE

7:00	Jan. 4 Men's Basketball at Ramapo	12:00	Men's Indoor Track vs UNH. Bowdoin		Feb. 1 6:00 Women's Basketball at Middlebury	4:00	Women's Squash at Bowdoin
2:00	Jan. 5 Women's Ice Hockey at Brown	12:00	Men's Squash—Amherst at Bowdoin	7:00	Men's Ice Hockey at Middlebury	7:00	Women's Basketball vs. Gordon
4:00	Men's Ice Hockey at Middlebury Tourney Women's Basketball—Marymount Invitational; Colby, Buffalo St., Franklin & Marshall, Marymount (Va.)	2:00	Men's and Women's Swimming at Norwich	7:15	Women's Ice Hockey at UNB, Fredericton	7:00	Men's Ice Hockey vs. Amherst Men's and Women's Alpine Skiing—Division II Championship at Cundin, Maine
10:00	Jan. 6 Women's Ice Hockey at Providence	5:30	Women's Basketball vs. UMass, Boston	8:00	Men's Basketball at Middlebury Men's and Women's Alpine Skiing—Johnson State Meet at Sugarbush, Vt. Men's and Women's Nordic Skiing—St. Michael's Meet at Craftsboro Common, Vt.	Men's and Women's Nordic Skiing—Division II Championship at Troll Valley, Maine	
4:00	Jan. 9 Women's Squash at Bates	7:30	Men's Basketball vs. UMass, Boston				Feb. 15 11:00 Men's Indoor Track—N.E. Div. III Championships at Bowdoin
5:30	Women's Basketball vs. USM	7:30	Men's Ice Hockey at UMass, Boston				12:00 Men's Squash—Babson, West Point at Bowdoin
7:00	Men's Ice Hockey vs. USM		Women's Indoor Track—Bowdoin Invitational				1:00 Men's and Women's Swimming vs. Bates
7:30	Men's Basketball vs. USM						1:00 Women's Basketball vs. Conn. College
	Jan. 11 5:30 Women's Basketball vs. Wheaton 7:30 Men's Basketball vs. Wheaton		Jan. 20 7:00 Women's Ice Hockey at Boston College Women's Indoor Track—TAC Meet at Harvard		Feb. 2 11:00 Women's Swimming at Bowdoin 1:00 Men's Swimming at Bowdoin 2:00 Men's Ice Hockey at Norwich 2:30 Women's Ice Hockey at UNB, St. John 3:00 Men's Basketball at Norwich 4:00 Women's Basketball at WPI 5:00 Men's Indoor Track—Maine State Meet at Bowdoin Women's Indoor Track—Colby, Bates, Smith at Bates		3:00 Men's Basketball vs. Conn. College
	Jan. 12 12:00 Women's Indoor Track—Colby Relays 1:00 Women's Basketball vs. Clark 1:00 Men's Indoor Track at MIT 3:00 Men's Basketball vs. Clark 3:00 Women's Ice Hockey at Northeastern 3:30 Men's Ice Hockey vs. Holy Cross 4:30 Men's and Women's Swimming at U. New Brunswick Men's and Women's Alpine Skiing—Champlain College Meet		Jan. 22 2:00 Men's Squash—MIT at Tufts 5:30 Women's Basketball vs. Bowdoin 7:30 Men's Basketball vs. Bowdoin 7:30 Men's Ice Hockey vs. New England College				3:30 Men's Ice Hockey vs. Babson Women's Indoor Track—N.E. Div. III Championships at Bates Women's Ice Hockey—Bowdoin Invitational; Colby, RIT, Bowdoin, Boston College
	Jan. 13 2:00 Women's Ice Hockey at Dartmouth		Jan. 23 4:00 Women's Ice Hockey vs. Bowdoin		Feb. 3 1:00 Women's Ice Hockey at UNB, Fredericton		Feb. 19 3:30 Men's Squash at Bowdoin
	Jan. 15 3:30 Women's Squash vs. Haverford 4:00 Men's Squash vs. Haverford 7:00 Men's Ice Hockey vs. St. Anselm		Jan. 24 5:30 Women's Basketball at U. Maine, Farmington		Feb. 5 7:30 Men's Ice Hockey at St. Anselm		Feb. 20 5:30 Women's Basketball at Bowdoin 7:00 Men's Ice Hockey vs. Bowdoin 7:30 Men's Basketball at Bowdoin
	Jan. 16 4:00 Men's Squash vs. Bates 5:30 Women's Basketball vs. Thomas 7:30 Men's Basketball vs. Thomas		Jan. 25 8:00 Women's Squash—Williams Tourney 7:00 Men's Ice Hockey at Holy Cross 7:00 Women's Ice Hockey vs. Middlebury 8:00 Men's Basketball at Amherst Men's Squash at Wesleyan—Wesleyan Round Robin		Feb. 6 4:00 Men's Squash at Bates 5:00 Women's Squash vs. Bates 7:00 Women's Basketball at St. Joseph's		
	Jan. 18 4:00 Men's and Women's Swimming at Middlebury 4:00 Women's Squash at Wellesley 7:00 Women's Ice Hockey vs. Yale Men's and Women's Alpine Skiing—Colby-Sawyer Meet at Kings Ridge or Sunapee, N.H. Men's and Women's Nordic Skiing—Colby-Sawyer meet at Norsk Ski Center, New London, N.H.		Jan. 26 1:00 Women's Swimming at Clark 2:00 Men's Swimming at Clark 2:00 Men's Ice Hockey at Williams 3:00 Men's Basketball at Williams 4:00 Women's Ice Hockey vs. St. Lawrence Women's Indoor Track at Bates—Bates Invitational Men's and Women's Alpine Skiing—Bowdoin Meet at Shawnee Peak, Maine Men's and Women's Nordic Skiing—UNH meet at Jackson Ski Center, N.H.		Feb. 7 4:00 Men's Swimming vs. U. Maine 6:00 Women's Swimming vs. U. Maine		
	Jan. 19 9:00 Women's Squash at Amherst—Amherst Round Robin		Jan. 30 6:00 Women's Basketball at Bates 8:00 Men's Basketball at Bates		Feb. 8 5:30 Women's Basketball vs. Wesleyan 6:00 Women's Indoor Track—MAIAW States 7:00 Men's Ice Hockey vs. Hamilton 7:30 Men's Basketball vs. Wesleyan Women's Squash—Howe Cup at Yale Men's and Women's Alpine Skiing—New England College Meet at Pats Peak and Crocheted Mt., N.H. Men's and Women's Nordic Skiing—New England College Meet at Henniker, N.H.		
					Feb. 9 11:00 Men's Indoor Track vs. Tufts, Bates at Bates 1:00 Women's Basketball vs. Trinity 2:00 Men's Ice Hockey vs. Union 3:00 Men's Basketball vs. Trinity		
					Feb. 10 2:00 Women's Ice Hockey at UNH		

ALUMNI AT LARGE

FIFTY-PLUS

Correspondent Marjorie Gould Murphy '37 congratulates the new 50-Plus officers, President Wilson C. Piper '39 of Wellesley Hills, Mass., Vice President Howard A. Miller '40 of Waterville and Secretary-Treasurer Joseph Ciechon '38 of Ridgefield, Conn., and offers special thanks to Willetta Herrick Hall '38 of Rangeley, Maine, for reporting on the 50-Plus activities at reunion. And again she welcomes the group's newest members.

Pre-20 Crary Brownell '13 celebrated his 101st birthday in Moodus, Conn., December 18. . . . Harold E. Hall '17, now a resident of the Home for Creative Living in Norway, Maine, has been studying Brazilian Portuguese in his spare time. Also, he enjoyed the recent PBS series on the Civil War and recommends William Safire's book, *Freedom*. . . . Mildred Greene Wilbur '17 of North Chatham, Mass., enjoys hearing from her Colby friends, although she depends on her daughter for help with replies. . . . Raymond C. Whitney, Sr. '18 of Dexter, Maine, celebrated his 95th birthday on September 15. . . . Robert E. Sullivan '19 of Trenton, N.J., advises young people to "stay away from drugs, have faith in the future and fight for what is right." . . . Trustee Emerita Mira Dolley '19 has been convalescing at the Seaside Nursing Home in Portland. . . . Mary Jordan Allen '18 moved from Phelps, N.Y., to the Fairport Baptist Home in Fairport, N.Y., where she keeps up a lively interest in world affairs. . . . Phyllis Sturdivant Sweetser '19 of Cumberland Center, Maine, has been working on her family journal, using her own diaries, and so far has reached 1964. There are 30 in her family, ranging from the

youngest, 4-month-old Eben Sweetser, to herself, only 92. She is already looking forward to a big celebration of her 93rd birthday, next February.

20s Wayne W. McNally '21 of Ludlow, Vt., now retired, enjoys the senior center programs, Rotary International, the Retired Teachers' Association, the Student Center, the Scout Program and church activities. While employed by the American Export Company as a purser, he went around the world. . . . Pauline W. Abbott '21 of Portland is glad that several of her colleagues from Westbrook, where she taught for 38 years, are neighbors, including Nellie Simonds Galliston '30. . . . Nellie Pottle Hankins '25 and her husband, John, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in August in Oxford, Maine. She does church work, volunteers at the local historical society and is her Colby class agent. . . . Gabriel R. Guedj '26 of Joshua Tree, Calif., sends his greetings to the members of Fifty-Plus. . . . Irma Davis McKechnie '26 of North Fort Meyers, Fla., has worked as a librarian at the Lee County Nature Center since 1982, has clocked 7,000 hours working as a Pink Lady at the local hospital and still plays golf with her 92-year-old husband. They are looking forward to their 63rd wedding anniversary. . . . Esther E. Wood '26 of Blue Hill, Maine, continues her weekly column, writes letters and papers, walks regularly, takes care of her garden and enjoys having callers. . . . Helen Robinson Johnston '27 of Daly City, Calif., serves as hostess at the Retirement Inn, walks a mile each day and enjoys ballroom dancing every week. Her son and his wife have taken her on trips to see the

San Francisco area and some of the national parks. . . . Norton Rhoades '27 has announced the birth of his first great-grandchild, who is also the great-grandchild of Joseph Campbell '29 of Augusta. Norton recently sold several diagramless crossword puzzles to *The New York Times*, and he and his wife, Anne, entertained at lunch his cousin Donald Rhoades '33 of Claremont, Calif., along with Dorothy Gould Rhoades '36 and sister Marjorie Gould Murphy '37, of West Oneonta, N.Y., in September, when the Californians were touring the Northeast.

Ruth M. McEvoy '28 of Batavia, N.Y., is researching the history of her city and doing a good deal of volunteer work. Fortunately, she still drives. . . . Charlotte Clary Nevin '28 of Shaker Heights, Ohio, has just received a national award from the Paralyzed Veterans of America. It has a picture of President Bush shaking hands with the national chair of the organization. Also, she is president of her church book circle and represents the state of Ohio for Colonial Dames of XVII for Wade Park Veterans Hospital. . . . Frank J. Twadelle '29, a retired physician, took a trip recently to Bar Harbor with friends and remembers with pleasure his reunion with classmate Phil Higgins '29 of Springfield, Mass. . . . Ernie Miller '29 of New Milford, Conn., made a trip to England, Scotland and Wales in July with his son. "Our impressions of the British were all good," he writes, "The cities were clean and the flowers profuse. Roses were everywhere and magnificent. Of course we visited the usual tourist attractions from London to Aberdeen. Being a history buff, I found much of interest from that standpoint. English cuisine is only fair." . . . Alice Paul Allen '29 of East

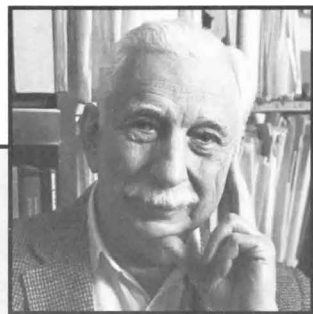
Providence, R.I., is coordinator of an annual charity bazaar, attends Life-Time Learning, goes to exercise classes twice a week and goes out to lunch with friends often. . . . Ruth Bartlett Rogers '29 of Oxford, Miss., plays bridge, knits and does church work. She has two adorable great-grandchildren and with a cane walks her sweet toy poodle nearly every day. . . . Jean Watson '29 of Fort Myers, Fla., reports that she and her two sisters, Mary Watson Flanders '24 and Elizabeth Watson Gerry '27, both of Fort Myers, made four trips to Houlton, Maine, and Woodstock, New Brunswick, last summer. Jean was entertained by Ethel Henderson Ferguson '29 and Mary Vose McGillicuddy '29, while Mary and Elizabeth were entertained by Jean Collett, who is the mother of Lisa '88 (more news about this "formidable triumverate" in the next newsletter).

30s Wallace W. Meyer '30 Brimfield, Mass., says that he is still going strong at 81 and plans to drive to Florida for the winter in November. He hopes to visit Colby next summer and to ride the trains again. . . . Charles W. Weaver '30 of Cape Elizabeth, Maine, has put together some World War II recollections of active duty with the Navy, titled "Reminiscences of the Pacific War." They have gone to the Nimitz Museum at the U.S. Naval Academy and the town's historical preservation society. He likes to walk and says that he is "a year older and no wiser." . . . John A. Chadwick '30 of Cromwell, Conn., has our sympathy on the loss of his wife on September 12. He continues to run the Pilgrim Manor Store and gives lectures on current events twice a week. On Tuesday evenings, he holds

"listening to music" sessions with cassettes. Also, he visits patients in the skilled nursing facility and does shopping for the household. As for other changes, "the wasteline has an expansive way of meeting each new day," he says. . . . **Helen Chase Pardey '30** of Middleboro, Mass., has been finding it hard to adjust to the loss of her sister, **Ardelle Chase '27** (who died on May 29 and whom she visited every day for two years) but keeps busy with caring for the large area grounds and doing needlework for her church Christmas Fair as well as reading and seeing her grandchildren. . . . **Verna Green Taylor '30** of Saco, Maine, is proud of the church library that she established with many worthwhile books. She exercises regularly, does limited gardening, reads and tries new recipes. . . . **Frances Page Taylor '31** writes that her permanent move to Tavares, Fla., makes her feel older, but she bikes 6.5 miles daily, is a church visitor to shut-ins, reads and does crossword puzzles. . . . In the next class report, learn how to publish a book from **Ruby Bickmore Wiggin '31** of Benton, Maine. . . . According to classmate **Alice Linscott Roberts '31** of South Portland, **Isabel Clark '31**, of Sunset, continues as treasurer of her garden club and had been treasurer of the Church Aid Society since 1966. She likes to knit while watching TV, and she had a flower and vegetable garden last summer. Her longest job has been as trustee of the local medical center. . . . **Howard L. Ferguson '31** of Newtonville, Mass., enjoys reading newspapers and magazines, walking and watching sports on TV. Since his wife of 61 years died a year ago, he has had a graduate student couple from Harvard living with him. . . . **Bernard H. Porter '32** of Belfast, Maine, conducted his Institute of

Advanced Thinking again this past summer. He invites all Colby friends and graduates to stop in, stay over for days or weeks, but to bring sleeping bags. There are 4,000 items of the Bern Porter collections at Miller Library at Colby. . . . **Gwen Mardin Haynes '32** of Bradenton, Fla., spent nine weeks this summer in Massachusetts and Maine visiting family and friends, including a week's visit with **Gene Garran Waterhouse '32** in Mattapoisett, Mass. She continues to travel and hopes to go on a tour to Costa Rica during Christmas week. . . . **Maxwell D. Ward '32** keeps fit by gardening, riding the lawn mower, sawing cordwood with an electric chain saw, splitting stove wood with an electric splitter and traveling. He went to London a year ago to visit his Colby granddaughter and went to Hawaii in April.

Rebecca Chester Wyman '33 has moved from Maine to Laguna Hills, Calif., to take up residence in Leisure World, where she is trying to get acquainted with her new surroundings, does volunteer work in the library and tries to keep limber. Her daughter and family have also moved recently to California. . . . **Charlotte Blomfield Auger '33** of Norwich, Conn., is learning many new recipes for a salt-free diet to help her husband's heart condition, and she tries to walk every day. . . . **Alma Fones Eschenfelder '33** of New London, Conn., agrees with Phyllis Diller's reputed comment, "I enjoy a brisk sit." However, Alma has traveled extensively and this past year has been to London, Paris, Switzerland, Egypt, Scotland and, in the U.S., to New York and Florida. "In 1991 I will have completed 29 years of broadcasting, on radio, my very own program, "Travel Time," a 5-minute, uninterrupted narration, written and presented



Lewis Herman Kleinholz '30

Headliners

Lewis Herman Kleinholz '30, trailblazer in the field of crustacean endocrinology and neuropeptides, won the Howard Vollum Award for Distinguished Accomplishment in Science and Technology from Reed College, which called him "the quintessential teacher/scholar, proving by example that one can be a better teacher by being an active scholar."

Newsmakers

Ida Phoebe Keen '05, Colby's most senior graduate, marked her 106th birthday in March with a celebration at her retirement complex in Pomona, Calif. . . . **Crary Brownell '13** received an award on his 100th birthday in East Haddam, Conn., and shared this advice with a reporter from the *Middletown Press*: "The main thing is moderation. Don't overeat, don't drink too much and enjoy life." . . . Those fabulous **Levines**, **haberdasher extraordinaire Ludy '21** and **Pacy '27** of Waterville, received honorary degrees from Thomas College. . . . **Portia Pendleton Rideout '34** was the subject of a feature article in the *Augusta, Maine, Kennebec Journal* on her volunteer activities. At 77, she's still making regular rounds at a local elementary school and a home for senior shut-ins. . . . **Dr. Edmund N. Ervin '36** and his wife, **Hilary**, who live on Mayflower Hill Drive, jointly chaired the 30th anniversary appeal of the Kennebec Valley Mental Health Center. . . . **Ralph Delano '40** is publisher of the *Benson (N.C.) Review*.

Mileposts

Deaths: **Josephine Rice Newman '19** in Melrose, Mass., at 91. . . . **Carolyn Hodgdon Libbey '24** in Branford, Conn., at 87. . . . **J. Ardelle Chase '27** in Lakeville, Mass., at 83. . . . **Erna Wolfe Fullerton '27** in Portsmouth, N.H., at 84. . . . **Robert W. Scott '29** in Unity, Maine, at 84. . . . The Reverend **Lemuel K. Lord '29** in Concord, Mass., at 83. . . . **John E. Rogers '29** in Northboro, Mass., at 84. . . . **Gertrude Snowden Giles '31** in Salem, Mass., at 81. . . . **Norman "Cy" Perkins '32** in Bangor, at 84. . . . **Maurice Pearson '32** in Exeter, N.H., at 82. . . . **Theron R. Stinchfield '33** of Phillips, Maine, and Lakeland, Fla., at 78. . . . **John B. Ward '35** in Clearwater, Fla., at 78. . . . **Alton "Bob" Blake '36** in Bryn Mawr, Pa., at 75. . . . **Laura Tolman Brown '36** in Scotia, N.Y., at 76. . . . **Clark H. Carter '40** in Stuart, Fla., at 71. . . . **Helen Brown Gilfooy '40** in Lincoln, Mass., at 72. . . . **Louis A. St. John '40** in Fort Kent, Maine, at 73.

by me," she notes . . . **Perry G. Wortman '33** of Greenville, Maine, doesn't know what spare time is. He says that he can't keep up with housework because of Kiwanis, Senior Citizen Club, Eastern Area on Aging directorship, being church treasurer, etc. Also, he went on an 18-day AARP trip to Europe with 40 people and visited seven countries. In September he took a trip to New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia with three family members, and in October he planned to spend 10 days in Portland, Oreg., with his son and daughter-in-law . . . **John J. Leno '34** of San Diego, enjoys good health and old age, plays golf, swims, watches baseball, football, etc., and belongs to the Turf Club. Last year he traveled to Europe, and this past year he has made short trips to Lake Tahoe and Las Vegas as well as longer ones to New England and Florida to visit relatives . . . **Frances M. Palmer '34** of Pittsfield, Mass., continues her hobby of bird and squirrel watching as well as gardening despite the limitations from arthritis . . . **Annie Tuck Russell '34** of South Orlando, Fla., has attended a mini Colby reunion every summer when she and her husband come north. Now they are anticipating their 50th wedding anniversary . . . **Betty Weeks '34** of Claremont, Calif., and **Hannawa Falls, N.Y.**, spent the summer in her little cabin in upstate New York, not far from her brother, **Lewis '42**, of Potsdam. She enjoyed senior citizen groups and even went cranberrying in the Adirondacks with her brother and his wife.

Avis Merritt Churchill '35 of Southington, Conn., walks regularly, reads, visits her housebound friends and travels as much as possible to Maine, Michigan and even Hawaii . . . **Robert F. Estes '35** keeps fit by working up

a woodpile (six cords) and painting in his house. He misses his wife of 53 years . . . **Beth Pendleton Clark '35** of Selinsgrove, Pa., has just accepted her 21st interim ministry assignment, only nine miles from home. As a result of such ministry training at the Alban Institute, Washington, D.C., she now does book reviews for them. In August, she returned from a trip to Australia and New Zealand . . . **Mary Small Copithorne '35** of Exeter, N.H., continues her private practice as a clinical social worker, keeps in touch with her children and grandchildren and keeps fit by doing yoga and vigorous walking . . . **June Wight Mason '35** of Vero Beach, Fla., complains that she has no spare time. She walks, swims, plays golf and looks forward to short trips to visit family members, to Duke University and to Durham, N.H. (summer trip to Cape Cod) . . . **Sidney Schiffman '35** of Maitland, Fla., missed his 55th reunion because he went on a cruise of the Baltic Sea in July with his wife, Beulah. They visited Leningrad, Helsinki, Gdansk, Stockholm, Copenhagen, Oslo, Amsterdam and London . . . **Kay Laughton Briggs '36** of Somers, Conn., is lucky enough to have one of her seven grandchildren living with her. She also gardens, plays the piano, does genealogical research and volunteers at the local school. She and her husband, Arthur, return each year to her high-school reunion in Harmony, where her family lived for generations . . . Traveling **John Dolan '36** hoped to attend Homecoming in October and had the sad news to impart of the death in September of **Michael Gerald "Jerry" Ryan '37** in Omaha from a heart attack. Jerry always wanted to return to Colby and never did, but he kept in touch with his many Colby friends

and followed Colby's progress faithfully. Jerry passed the bar at age 50 and practiced law until he had a stroke a few years ago. Our sympathies to his wife, Jean. Classmates also regret the passing of **Joseph B. "Joe" O'Toole '36** in Honolulu last spring. He would have been proud of his son Steve's campaign for public office.

Nancy Libby '36 of Fredonia, N.Y., emeritus professor of English, is active in the Shakespeare Club, the AAUW and the League of Women Voters. She plays bridge, does some volunteer work, travels and keeps up with the latest scholarship in her field . . . **Jeanne Peyrot Hoffman '36** of Kendall Square, Pa., has just returned from her annual trip to France and will soon be giving slide shows on important aspects of her native country. Earlier in the summer she entertained a young couple from eastern Germany and gave them a guided tour of Philadelphia, Washington, New York, Boston and Niagara Falls, traveling by Amtrak, which was a luxury to them . . . **Val Duff '37** of Hingham, Mass., reads history and cusses Reagan, Bush and the Red Sox but hopes to grow old with a bit of class . . . **Fred Demers '37** of Rockland, Maine, conducts a mail order company for stamp collectors and hopes to go to Florida again this winter. He and his wife, Muriel, had lunch recently with classmate **Willard D. and Rebecca Libby** of Pemaquid, Maine, and **Rochester N.Y.** Willard reports on entertaining family this summer, particularly those from California, and on successful sailing and racing . . . **Betty Wilkinson Ryan '37** of New York City continues some freelance writing, writes the newsletter for her cooperative's social work program and tutors foreign students in English con-

versation. Her summer vacation was spent canoeing and hiking in the Adirondacks, and she hopes to join the Nature Conservancy for canoeing on the Upper Delaware River . . . **J. Marble "Jim" '38** and **Hazel Wepfer Thayer '37** of Orr's Island, Maine, both volunteer at the Brunswick hospital regularly. Hazel is still an ardent bridge player, and Jim has been making necessary repairs on the Orr's Island Library building . . . **Louise G. Tracey '37** of China, Maine, traveled to Oberammergau to attend the Passion Play this past summer . . . **Gordon "Steve" Young '37**, of Bar Harbor, was proud of his daughter when she organized and set in motion the annual Fourth of July parade. Dad was drafted to direct traffic and parking!

Al Beerbaum '38 of Pacific Grove, Calif., thanks us for reconnecting him with some Colby friends, particularly his two roommates, whom he hadn't seen for 52 years, **Ed Shuman '38**, "the redoubtable Lord Mayor of Penny Farms, Fla.," and **Archie Follett '38**, at home in Lakeland, Fla. Incredibly, the Folletts returned the visit recently in California . . . **Ernest "Bud" Frost '38** of North Myrtle Beach, S.C., retired physician, reports that he and his wife, **Ruth Fuller Frost '36**, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this past summer with their children, grandchild and daughter-in-law. His sister, **Elsie Frost Rapp '26** of Bethel, Conn., is "still going strong." Bud and Ruth play golf whenever . . . **Martha Bessom Gorman '38** of Marblehead, Mass., is involved with committees for four organizations but does take time to watch the Red Sox while knitting for her church Christmas Fair . . . **Bill Littlefield '38** of Sanford, Maine, a retired building contractor, now dotes on his 10 grandchildren and

his six great-grandchildren, but he also takes care of his wife, who has Alzheimer's disease. When free, he likes to play golf. . . **Edwin H. Shuman '38** of Penny Farms, Fla., writes of recent trips to Georgia, Virginia and California to visit his children and then of a trip to Maui with one son. He plays tennis three days a week. . . **Maynard C. Waltz '38** of Basking Ridge, N.J., a retired physi-

'39 of Thousand Oaks, Calif., plans to go to Jakarta and Malaysia in January, on a fly-cruise called "Bali and Beyond." **Estelle Rogers MacDonald '39** of Braintree, Mass., is happy to report that her granddaughter, Megan MacDonald '94, is at Colby. Estelle has nine children, 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A record!! She works part time as a receptionist at a local nursing home and belongs to the League of Women Voters and to her church Sodalitas Club. . . **Jean Burr Smith '39** of Wayne, Maine, tells of the difficulties of moving from a 200-year-old farmhouse in Connecticut, where she and her husband had lived for 27 years, to their vacation farm in Wayne. Turmoil now, but contentment

later. Jean, incidentally, received Colby's Distinguished Educator Award in January 1990. A year ago, she and her husband were camping in Australia!

40 "The Class of 1940 has been energetic and capable, beginning 54 years ago when they were the largest class to enter Colby," Marjorie writes. "While in college they proved to be one of the most accomplished, according to the reunion class book, researched and assembled by **Ernie Marriner** of North Monmouth, Maine, for their 50th reunion in June. Although World War II affected all of their lives, the Class of 1940 achieved much in their subsequent careers and life work. For example, **Ruth Levansalor Crowley** of Clearwater, Fla., was permitted to enter law school early, without completing her four years at

Colby, earned her law degree from Boston University in 1941, practiced law for many years and served as Assistant Attorney General for the state of Maine from 1966 to 78. She was one of 13 Colby alumni to receive their A.B. degrees from the College in June of 1990. A quick survey of the class book reveals that more than 30 continued their education after leaving Colby, 25 receiving graduate degrees. Twenty-two became teachers or professors, 12 went into business and 10 at least were "domestic engineers" who raised families and worked outside the home. Another 10 went into medicine, as doctors, dentists, nurses, medical technicians, therapists or hospital executives. Four worked for the government, two were editors or journalists, six were librarians, four were lawyers, one a city manager, one a policewoman and one an artist.

"There were others who did not respond in time for the printing of the class book, such as **David Hunter Cotton** of Houlton, Maine, who is presently the executive director of the Ricker College Endowment and Scholarship Funds, a Cary Library trustee and a director of an organization for retarded citizens. . . **Alice Weston Huff** of Homestead, Fla., had been decorating her home with handwoven materials but took time out to come to Maine to attend her granddaughter's graduation from Freeport High School (en route, she and her husband, Charles, visited **Ruth Stebbins Caldwell '41** in New Hope, Pa.) . . . **Gardner 'Chubby' Oakes** of Potsdam, N.Y., served in World War II, then worked as an insurance broker, as a bank manager and as the purchasing agent for the City of Glen Cove, N.Y. He and his wife have five grandchildren, but now in retirement he is the 'well

caregiver' for his wife, who has MS. He remembers eating in the Railroad 'boarding house' before he joined KDR and ate in the fraternity kitchen. Although the reunion was a success, members were saddened at the news of the death of **Helen Brown Gilfooy** of Lincoln Centre, Mass. Then in September came news of the death of **Clark Carter**, Stuart, Fla., from a brain tumor.

"**Jean Congdon Deneke** of San Antonio, Texas, writes that she was sorry to miss the reunion, but hopes to see her classmates at the next one. In recalling these friends, she feels that she has gained insight into herself as a student. . . **Philip M. Grant** of McMinnville, Ore., planned to spend six weeks in New Zealand this fall and four weeks in Hawaii next March. . . **Frances C. Gray** of Seal Cove, Maine, a retired teacher, now enjoys gardening, reading, knitting, church work and writing poetry. Recently, a Colby friend, **Sara Cowan '37** of Portland, visited her on that beautiful shore of Mount Desert Island. . . **Frank L. Jewell** of Interlachen, Fla., likes to spend his summers in Maine with his wife in their travel trailer. He is treasurer of his church. . . **Margaret Johnson Kenoyer** of Boynton Lakes, North Lantana, Fla., enjoyed her 50th reunion and is happy to be a member of Fifty-Plus. She has been to China and hopes to do more traveling. . . **Priscilla B. Mailey** of Clovis, Calif., enjoyed her trip east to the reunion and managed also to visit her niece in Maryland. Besides being active in her church, Pris is a docent at the Fresno Zoo and has two lively kittens to help her keep house. A heart warning required some pacing of activity, but she still is characteristically cheerful. . . **Carl McGraw** of Rochester, N.Y., enjoyed his 50th reunion and also was glad to see

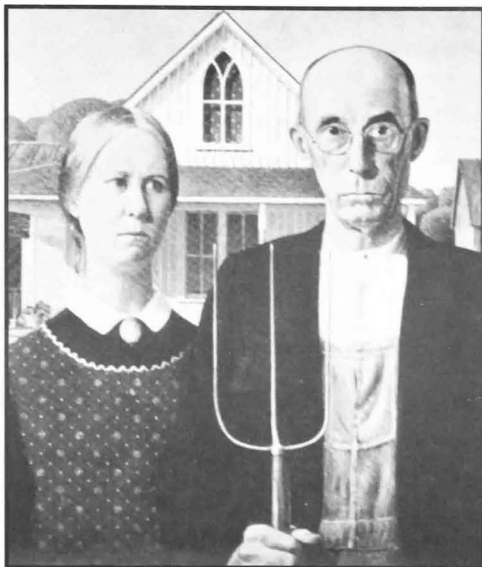
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cist, complains of having too many hobbies: gardening, photography, travel, model railroad, genealogy and study of pre-history and ancient history. Maynard and his wife, **Lubov (Leonovich) '41**, went to the Soviet Union, East Germany and Czechoslovakia in June and found that the people wanted to talk to Americans and dress like them, and to criticize their government.

Nathanael M. Guptill '39 of Newton, N.C., spent the summer convalescing from surgery, but with his wife of 53 years, **Helen (Carter) '39**, he expected to go to Florida after Thanksgiving for their regular months with Maine friends who winter in Sarasota. . . **Elizabeth "Ippy" Solie Howard '39** of Acton, Mass., and her husband, Dick, went on a chorus trip to Europe in July. She sang in three concerts with a young college-age Czech chorus from Brno, in Prague and Vienna. Then they did sightseeing in Budapest. . . **Leila Ross Hyman**

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friends from adjacent classes. Summering on Irondequoit Bay, Lake Ontario, is pleasure enough for him, but in the fall and spring he likes sun-trips for golf. In the winter, he skis, both downhill and cross-country . . . Olive Pullen Palmer of Bath, Maine, seems to have an ideal arrangement of spending summers there near her son and family and winters in Boston in an apartment of her daughter's home . . . M. Elizabeth Perkins Stanley of Gathersburg, Md., was looking forward to visiting relatives in New Hampshire and, of course, enjoying the fall foliage. Besides gardening, birdwatching and walking, she enjoys volunteer teaching of English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) . . . Howard Miller has very little spare time but loves to travel, as does his wife, Gisèle. They have three daughters and four grandchildren . . . Since retirement, Roger M. Stebbins of Sequim, Wash., has taken up oil painting seriously and has many paintings displayed on the walls of homes of family and friends. His wife, Ruth Gould Stebbins, is still the perfect hostess but now can enjoy golf, since it's right in their backyard. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary November 9 in San Marino, Calif., with their family and friends . . . Ruth Blake Thomson of Montpelier, Vt., is glad to volunteer for the mentally and physically handicapped, but she enjoys entertaining friends and traveling. In April she went to the Dominican Republic with her oldest son and family. In May and June, she went to Germany, Switzerland and Austria with her sister. They saw the passion play at Oberammergau and attended the opera in Vienna. That's it for now. Season's Greetings to all."

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THE FORTIES

41 Correspondent Ruth "Bonnie" Roberts Hathaway reports from her listening post in New Ipswich, N.H., that by early autumn 34 classmates had announced plans to attend June's big 50th reunion, 10 with spouses. The event seems to be spurring interest, she adds, because the questionnaires elicited responses from some classmates who hadn't communicated with Bonnie in her decade on the job.

"Before you read about them, you will surely want to know we have had two classmates pass on," she notes. "George Young died in May and Barbara Kaighn Warner in July. Surely several of us have fond memories of them.

"Katherine Glazier Stevens, who lives in Oakdale, Maine, campaigned for the re-election of her son-in-law, Charles M. Webster, who is minority leader in the Maine Senate. Katherine has been twice widowed. She and her husband, Maynard, are grateful for each day as it dawns. Last summer while in Florida, she visited **Rowena Buzzell Funston**

... With **Jardine Rowe** and her husband, Erwin, have retired in Lake Worth, Fla. They are traveling 'full time' with a 35-foot trailer and enjoying their change from a 'settled' life... Also retired in Florida is **Mildred Van Valkenburg Demartini**. She and husband Felix thoroughly enjoy life there. She is keeping up with tournament bridge. They have one son who is principal of a private day school, another who is a vascular surgeon and one daughter who is an attorney.

"It was good to hear from **Richard McDonald** in Hilton Head Island, S.C. His wife is Virginia (Farrand) '43. Richard devotes time to the Retired Officers Association, the Sons of the American Revolution, St. Luke's Episcopal Church and, for

recreation, the Sea Pines Racquet and Golf Club... **Lubov Leonovich Waltz**, in Basking Ridge, N.J., has retired from teaching piano but still subs as organist. She and her husband, Maynard, enjoy working as volunteers at their community library and take 'Leisure Learning'—a self-sustaining program for those 60 years and older. They go to Florida for three months each year now. Also from Jersey is **Ruth Peterson Stanley** and her husband, Kenneth '39. Ruth collects in her neighborhood for various fund drives and volunteers in her local church office.

"And now for a few more New England folk: Maj. **John Hawes** is, as he puts it, a retiree in Smithfield, Maine, who has 'it into cruise and is just trying to stay awake.' He claims he keeps a low profile, but he plays golf at Lakewood and with the Central Maine Seniors... **William Hughes**, in Gorham, Maine, has been retired for 17 years. He was a prison superintendent... The Rev. **Keith Thompson**, in Concord, N.H., has been retired since 1985, but he still works with seniors from the church he pastored. However, he and his wife, Marie, are seriously thinking of moving to Central Maine to be near their daughter and her family. Incidentally, Keith sees **Ward Webber** when he visits his daughter in Dover-Foxcroft... **Stanley Gruber** claims Boston as his primary residence, for he still serves as president at Chestnut Hill Bank and Trust Co. His second home is in Woodstock, Vt., where he serves as chair of the board for the Bank of Woodstock... Do plan on coming to Colby for our 50th, June 6-9! See YOU there!"



42 "This time I am putting my plea for more news from you at the top of the column," writes correspondent Chris Merrill Wyszor. "I am deeply grateful for the response to my last 'S.O.S.' However, after this issue I need more impact. Thus far in my term as your correspondent I have not had to leave our space blank, and I don't want to break our record. Please, for those who have not sent any news at all, do let us hear from you. For those who have, surely you have some fresh news for us now.

"**Harry Cohen** writes that he and his wife, Sybelle, visited the Colby campus last summer for the first time since he graduated from the old campus. He said, 'What a magnificent campus, clearly one of the finest in New England, if not in the U.S.A.' After graduating from Boston University law school he entered the Army O.C.S. and became a lieutenant in Patton's 3rd Army. After the war he started in the practice of law in his hometown of New Milford, Conn., and is still practicing under the firm name of Cohen and Kessler. He has three sons: one a musician, another an accountant and a third who is an engineer and realtor. He also reports that over the years, he has been very involved in community and cultural activities, especially theater, music and photography. He wishes to say hello to all his classmates through this column. We are already beginning to plan for our 50th in '92, Harry, and hope to see you there.

"A letter from **Walter Emery** brought news of his retirement in 1986 as research director of the Community Research Bureau. Since then he and his wife, Vi, have moved from Montclair, N.J., to Sea Girt, N.J. They travel extensively in Europe and this

country. When at home, they enjoy hiking, swimming and biking as well as gardening and photography. This past summer they went to Fairbanks, Alaska, to visit their son, Scott, who is a neurologist and chief of staff at a hospital there. They also take advantage of Elderhostel. Walter says he hasn't been in touch with Colby people other than exchanging Christmas cards with **Clarence 'Doodie' Reid**, who was his roommate at the Zeta Psi house on Old South College campus. Do hope to see you at our 50th, Walter, when you can look forward to being in touch with many of us again.

"Early in September your correspondent received news from **Marion Thomas Whipple**. She and her husband, Warren, a photographer, recently published a book. They have put together a study of their town (Middleboro, Mass.) from the Ice Ages to the start of a community after King Phillip's Indian War. Marion says that without the inspiration of Dr. Longee and Dr. Wilkinson ('Wilkie'), this would never have happened.

"A letter from Germany in late June brought welcome news from **Dorris Heaney Batt**. She and her husband, George, were visiting his cousins in Heidelberg, then going on to northwest Germany to join friends from Kauai, Hawaii, where the Batts also live in the winter. In Backhorn, they were all part of an exchange visit of an organization called 'Friendship Force.' From there they were going on to Denmark to attend a family wedding. We certainly hope your future travel plans will include our 50th reunion in 1992.

"In a recent letter, **Cliff Came** reported that he had been the main speaker at a meeting of the organization called The Hartford Civil War Round Table. He chose as his topic 'General



Living for the Word

Sidney J. Rauch '43 has spent his professional life on the front lines of one of the most important battles in education. For 43 years—starting in New York City schools and joining the Hofstra University faculty 40 years ago—Rauch has focused on one thing: getting kids to read.

Phonics, the method by which most of today's grownups first labored through Dick and Jane, holds "little appeal," Rauch says. Similarly, he fears for preschoolers force-fed word recognition even before they darken the doors of the local kindergarten. Children should read, he says, not because teachers or parents compel them to, but because they are surrounded by books so inviting that they "can't wait to get at them." When children fail to read, he says, it is probably because no one has introduced them to the right books. What works, Rauch has argued in more than 100 textbooks, workbooks and journal articles, is good stories.

An English major at Colby, the North Bergen, N.J., native graduated with the first class to receive its diplomas on Mayflower Hill, followed many of his classmates into World War II, then took a job he says was "tougher than the army": teaching English at East New York Vocational High School. There, and subsequently at a junior high school in the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn, Rauch was shocked to find teenagers reading no better than fifth graders. He had, he says, "assumed everyone loved good books and good literature.

"I wasn't prepared to teach those kids," he admits. "There were times during the first year—and even later—when I wasn't sure if this was for me. But I needed a job, I had to eat. And a few very gentle, tender supervisors helped. Somebody has to show you they care, or you'll quit."

Eventually, Rauch—who last fall was honored by the Colby Alumni Association as its Outstanding Educator of the Year—found his niche teaching others to teach reading. Some 6,000 graduate students have studied under him at Hofstra, he has served as a consultant or evaluator for more than 30 school districts in New York, Connecticut, Florida, the Carolinas and the Virgin Islands and he has been a visiting professor at campuses throughout the East. Now the senior member of Hofstra's reading department, Rauch was the first clinician hired for the university's reading clinic and taught the graduate school's first course in reading instruction.

In 1989, Rauch gave birth to a five-volume series of books for preschoolers relating the adventures of young Barnaby Brown and his twin from a distant planet. The boys learn how to be friends, how to cooperate and how to balance work and play. Rauch's goal with the Barnaby books is to give children the kind of literature he believes creates lifelong readers.

"Kids are more motivated when they read kids' stories than when they read standardized materials and basal readers," he explains. The more good books they read, or have read to them, he insists, the better. And children are never too young to start.

—Devon Phillips

Joshua L. Chamberlain and the 70th Maine.' A timely subject in view of the recent documentary on the Civil War seen on public television. He also wrote that he delivered the sermon on Deacons' Sunday at his church."

43 "Once again parental health has provided an extended Maine stay for me, and your very welcome replies to my plea were forwarded," correspondent Eleanor Smart Braunmuller notes. "Some new names this time around—such as Lawrence Gurney. Since retiring from Getty, Larry has been working as a translator (from German and Spanish) and is finding it enjoyable. He seems to be enthralled with the West and Southwest, although he admits that he'd like to experience the seasons of the Northeast again—to visit, no doubt, but not to stay. Larry took his eyes off the mesas and vistas long enough to spot this auto bumper sticker he passes along: 'It's never too late to have a happy childhood.'

"Perley 'Bill' Leighton wrote that he has seen the fruition of 10 years' work with the publication of the genealogy of the Leighton family, *A Leighton Genealogy: Descendants of Thomas Leighton of Dover, N.H.*, in two volumes by the New England Genealogical Society. He reports that reviews have been good. Bill met Kaye Monaghan Corey and Isabel Harriman at their 50th reunion at Gardiner High School . . . Sidney Rauch's latest honor is a well-deserved reward for years of teaching. Sid has been selected by the Colby Alumni Association to receive the Outstanding Educator Award for 1990. This presentation was made in conjunction with the joint celebration of the 40th anniversary of the

reading department at Hofstra University and Sid's 40 years of teaching. I also received copies of the latest additions to Sid's children's literature series, the Barnaby Brown books . . . Another new voice—Lou Volpe from Budapest. Lou and his wife were on a month's tour of Western and Eastern Europe: West and East Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Rumania. Lou comments that 'they are old and beautiful but encountering problems with their new freedom but determined to make it.'

"Elizabeth Beale Clancy's *communicate* comes complete with a photo—Elizabeth with a group of Navy nurses at a convention of the American Academy of Ambulatory Nursing Administration. Her profession is photography, but her interests are wide. In addition to being available for 'convention' photography, she is involved in weight lifting for seniors, volunteering at a day-care center, political 'walking' for a candidate for the Nevada senate, etc. More later! . . . Charlotte Arey Hoppe is now retired as a physical therapist after serving 42 years with the U.S. government, beginning with the WAVES in WW II and ending with retirement from the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Newington, Conn. She fills her spare time with the Newington Old Time Fiddling Club and Avon Senior Citizens activities."

44 Correspondent Louis M. Deraney thanks all those who have communicated and urges his classmates to keep those cards and letters coming. Here is his report:

"Dick Reid '47, living in Montgomery, Ala., wrote that he is retired from community development work. He was a Chamber of Commerce executive for over 30 years. He takes pride in the accomplishments of his seven grandchildren. His son and wife are graduates of the University of Alabama, so Dick shares his loyalties no doubt . . . Nancy Curtis Lawrence has relocated from Menlo Park, Calif., to Sequim, Wash. She has returned to Colby, she says, but 'unfortunately not at reunion times—but I do plan on the 50th.' My daughter Jean, who is in Japan, will be visiting Bremerton, Wash., in February, so we might get to see Nancy before the 50th . . . Lorraine Carson has been a business journalist for all but the first two years since leaving Colby. She worked for 10 years at *Dun's Review*, then hopped over to *Fortune*, where she's been ever since, and traveled all over the U.S. and Europe. In spring of '88 she tried to retire to Maine, but the 'Big Apple' drew her back. She is back on the *Fortune* staff . . . Gertrude Szadzewicz Collision writes from Niagara Falls, N.Y., that she hasn't climbed any mountains lately but will keep us informed when a little spice is added to her life. She met a woman in her nineties in a nursing home and believes that the woman, a Colby graduate, is a relative of Evelyn Gates Moriarty. Gertrude had lunch with Virginia Howard Atherton, whom she had not seen in 40 years. 'We had no trouble recognizing each other,' she adds . . . James Springer drove to Waterville last spring for one of the most exciting days he had academically and socially. He was proud to receive his A.B. degree on May 27, 1990, along with Dr. Phil Boyne '46. Phil ran cross-country with Jim's former roommate, Frank Quincy '43, in the



Helen Henry Merritt '42

Headliners

Helen Henry Merritt '42 won an Excellence in Teaching award from Northern Illinois University, where she has taught art since 1962. Merritt, whose ceramic sculpture is displayed throughout the campus, is about to have two books on Japanese ceramics published by the University of Hawaii Press.

Dr. Burton A. Krumholz '48 of Roslyn Heights, N.Y., associate chair of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at Long Island Jewish Medical Center, has been appointed a full professor in his specialty at the Long Island campus of Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

Newsmakers

Beniah Harding '42 won the Weymouth Grange's community service award in recognition of more than three decades of dedicated community work in and around Thomaston, Maine. Among many roles he has played, Harding served on the school committee for 21 years and successfully led a drive to honor Revolutionary War Gen. Henry Knox with a U.S. postage stamp. A retired sales manager, he is now president of the State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, a member of the legislative committee of the Maine chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons and a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Mileposts

Marriages: Dorothy Cleaves Rodgers '47 to Clay Corson Jordan in Las Vegas, Nev. . . . Emily Gardell '47 to Bob Hueston in Westfield, N.J.

Deaths: Paul D. Burnham '41 in Waterville, Maine, at 72 . . . Barbara Kaighn Warner '41 in Quechee, Vt., at 72 . . . George W. Young '41 in Mount Horeb, Wis., at 71 . . . Laurie L. Harris '42 in Hollis, N.H., at 70 . . . Walter M. Pejko '42 in Nantucket, Mass., at 69 . . . John W. McCallum '44 in Bath, Maine, at 68 . . . Ernest Bailey '45 in Claremont, N.H., at 67 . . . Richard R. Wason '46 in Empire, Mich., at 65.

Alumni Trustees Nominated

Three alumni trustees, currently serving three-year terms that expire at Commencement 1991, were nominated for reelection by the Nominating Committee of the Alumni Council at the fall meeting of the council during Homecoming Weekend.

William D. Wooldredge '61 is the principal of The Carleton Group, Inc., in Cleveland and is a resident of Hudson, Ohio. He is a member of the Friends of Art, a Career Services volunteer for the College and is currently serving on the Special Gifts Committee for his 30th reunion.

Barbara Howard Traister '65, professor of English at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., lives in North Hills and volunteers as an admissions interviewer for Colby.

Jerome F. Goldberg '60 works and resides in Portland, Maine. He is an attorney and president of Bramlie Associates. He is a past chair of the Alumni Council and a member of Friends of Art, is a former class president and served as 25th reunion chair and as a member of the 30th Reunion Gift Committee.

In accordance with the by-laws of the Alumni Association, other nominations may be made by petition to the Executive Secretary of the Alumni Council with the signatures of 1 percent of the members of the association on or before February 1, 1991. In the event of no nominations by petition, the above candidates will be declared elected by the chair of the Alumni Council.

good old days . . . Nancy Pattison McCarthy writes from Carlisle, Pa., that she and her spouse are still active as brokers in real estate. She received a call from Anne Foster Murphy, with whom she'd lost contact since graduation. Anne was interested in relocating but decided instead to be near her daughter in Lewisburg, Pa. Nancy has three children and five grandchildren and travels to Europe frequently . . . Evelyn Gates Moriarty and Jim recently returned from London, Wales and England. She attended her high school 50th in Granville, Ohio . . . Sad note—John McCallum, a retired Army major and recently retired insurance claims manager in Portland, Maine, has died. He had five children, one of whom graduated from Colby in 1971. John wrote in February that he attended our 40th and that he was looking forward to our 50th, that he met Remo Verengia in Europe during World War II, that he recently flew to Great Bend, Kans., in order to attend his former jeep driver's 50th anniversary party and that he was gaining weight and losing hair and enjoying life. May his blessed soul rest in peace . . . Former classmates keep on saying that they expect to be at our 50th in 1994. Be sure you are one of them! Since ours was the class disrupted most by the war, it is suggested that if you matriculated in September, 1940, regardless of what year you received your degree, you are a member of 1944. Opinions solicited."

45 The Class of '45 had a pleasant 45th reunion. A dozen members of the class were present with spouses and friends, and

among other things, they chose Dee Sanford McCunn as the class correspondent. "We had a good time and are aiming for a much larger turnout at our 50th reunion," she notes. "We were a small graduation class, so each one is important to a successful reunion. Those present were: Chuck Dudley, Evelyn Sterry Belanger, Doris Taylor Huber, Douglas Smith, Hazel Brewer Warren, Frances Dow Wells, Maurice Whitten, Mary Fraser Woods, Roslyn Kramer, Marilyn Bryant, Helen Strauss and me.

"Doris Taylor Huber keeps busy with five daughters and eight grandchildren. She has been a high-school librarian, and she is currently working in an independent bookstore. Her daughter is Jean Huber Edmondson '80 . . . Roslyn Kramer lives in Boston and is a chemist at the U.S. Army Research and Development and Engineering Center. The results of her tests help guide companies

in processing their products. Roslyn's hobbies include attending the ballet, theater and concerts. She has attended nearly all our class reunions. We want to thank her for her attention to class matters as a representative for all of us . . . Mary Fraser Woods attended with her daughter Katherine Woods Fawcett '71. Mary is the mother of seven children (three boys and four girls). When she was asked which were the easiest to raise, she responded that girls talk more and explode about their problems, while boys are apt to keep their worries to themselves. Do we all agree?

"Douglas Smith is a retired company president. He has attended five Colby reunions . . . Helen Strauss has been retired for 1-1/2 years from an advertising agency where she was a media director. She feels it was the best job going. All her customers were book publishers, and she advised them about the best

way to budget their money for the best results. She lives in New York City, studies French and attends art lectures at the Metropolitan Museum. She travels to Europe at least once a year. She enjoys retirement and is leisurely catching up on all the things she was unable to do when working. She deserves a reward for attending all class reunions since 1945 . . . Hazel Brewer Warren, a retired high-school librarian, is now living in Centerville on Cape Cod. She has two sons and two grandchildren. She is active in AAUW and also plays bridge and tennis . . . Maurice Whitten, in 1985, traveled around the world by plane in 86 days. He spent two months in Australia and looked up his father's boyhood home. He has just published a book titled *Gunpowder Mills of Maine*, the result of 22 years of research. He also inherited seven adult stepchildren and says he feels that is the best way to acquire a large family.

"Marilyn Bryan has retired after 26 years at Boston University School of Nursing. She is currently living in Lakeport, N.H. She occasionally helps her brother in his business and is the treasurer of the Baptist church in her community . . . Evelyn Sterry Belanger has lived in several locations in Maine and has been a French teacher and also a librarian. She has one daughter and one granddaughter . . . Naomi Collett Paganelli spends her free time enjoying the pleasures of New York City. She attends concerts, ballet, theater and museums. For exercise, Naomi swims all year 'round, and she is actively involved in Friends of Jackson Square, a lovely little park in front of her apartment building. We all thank Naomi for handling the alumni news for so long . . . Betty Chamberlain Ficker responds that she is ac-

tively involved with her church, and she is also giving sailing lessons to women at the local yacht club. Sounds like a great summer activity. . . . **Laura Tapia Aitken** is president of the New Jersey Affiliate of the National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators. She keeps in touch with urban problems and people's needs. . . . I have a suggestion to anyone who is able to visit the Colby campus: Try to visit the Chapel while the organ is being played. It has a truly magnificent sound and is very impressive. You would also enjoy the College art museum."

46 "This is a continuation of the wonderful responses I received from many of you in an-

swer to the questionnaire asking what you expected to do when you left Colby and what activities you engaged in that you never anticipated," correspondent Hannah Karp Laipson writes. "I think we all reflect occasionally now on what our goals and ambitions were in our 'salad days,' and how many surprises and twists we've experienced along the way.

"**Elizabeth Scalise Kilham** writes: 'I expected to perform in some way, and I didn't know if it would be on the stage or where. It turned out to be broadcasting, and I did it for 40 happy years. Dr. Libby's forceful training gave me a clear manner of speech. Dr. Marshall's personal efforts gave me two scholarships to study drama at Connecticut College for Women, where her father had been president. That training helped put me behind a mike,

and I've always credited her in my mind.' What Betty didn't expect was that she would work in the field of dying, death and bereavement. She says that after two widowhoods, she transferred the knowledge gained from her personal experiences and spent 10 years teaching funeral directors how to communicate effectively with the bereaved. . . .

Emily Holbrook Pelessier fulfilled her ambition to be a teacher, and although she formally retired after 37 years, she still manages to serve as a substitute teacher. . . . **Cloyd G. Aarseth** says that he never anticipated that in his media work he would find himself 'standing in a field in a Tibetan resettlement village in Bylekuppe, India, directing coverage for a film documentary for the United States Information Agency.'

"**Benjamin C. Bubar** knew

he wanted to make more of an impact in Maine politics, but he certainly didn't expect to become presidential candidate for the 'oldest third party' in the nation—the Prohibition Party! . . . **Shirley Martin Dudley** wanted to marry, have children and teach when she graduated from Colby. She did all three but also went on to earn her M.A. in education. She now lives half of each year in Florida. . . . **Faye O'Leary Hartford**, who left Colby in the middle of her junior year, later completed her education on a part-time basis and received her B.A. in education. She retired after teaching for 25 years and then working for 16 more on the Allagash Wilderness Waterway. What she never anticipated was that she would write, publish and sell two books: *Waterway Wanderings*, a story of the people on the Allagash, and *Call Me a Moosetowner*, a candid story of the people in the village of Allagash.

"**Frederick H. Sontag**, who is a public affairs and research consultant and works as a special aide at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, writes about the many important developments that have taken place since we left the protected environment of Colby and says that he appreciates having survived in a country and world where 'it is increasingly hard to be gutsy, wrong and courageous.'

Fred LeShane says he expected to be a liberal minister, and he firmly adds, 'I am still an unrepentant liberal!' What he didn't expect, he says, is that he would be a minister in Unitarian churches across the country including Florida, where he now lives. . . . 'I'll share the rest of these responses with you next time. I would really love to hear from those of you who didn't respond to this last questionnaire.'

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Are You UP-2-DATE?

For up-to-date Colby sports scores, information about upcoming alumni events, details of weekly campus activities or to make a donation to the College, call 1-207-UP-2-DATE.

47 "I have two weddings to report," correspondent June Chipman Coalson writes. "In March, Dorothy Cleaves Rodgers was married to Clay Jordan. They flew to Colorado Springs for a visit with his son and then drove to Las Vegas and were married at the Little Brown Church of the West. Many famous movie stars have been married in this church. While there they visited Monument Valley, Grand Canyon and Zion National Park. In May they made a grand tour, stopping in Atlantic City, Virginia Beach, Murfreesboro, Atlanta, Orlando, St. Simons Island, Raleigh and Williamsburg. But there is sad news too. Dottie's son, Scott, was killed in an automobile accident near Cocoa Beach, Fla., on May 23. It happened while he was towing a boat back from the Florida Keys for Outward Bound, where he was an official. . . . Emily Gardell was married in March to Bob Hueston in Westfield, N.J., with just family present. Well, maybe 'just' family is an inapt phrase. It included four daughters and their spouses, eight grandchildren and her 86-year-old mother. She and Bob have known each other for 60 years. So you see that 'it's never too late' for any of us.

"Annette Hall Carpenter is still very active. She is welfare director for the city of Plainfield, N.J. She is also president of the Union County Municipal Welfare Association and belongs to one of two state welfare organizations. Annette has three daughters, a son and two granddaughters. . . . Betty Richmond Anthony writes from Texas that she and her husband, David, have recently taken a long-awaited trip to New Zealand. They flew to Christchurch, rented a car and explored South Island, going to

Queenstown, Milford Sound and Dunedin. Then they flew to North Island, stopping at Rotorua, Auckland, before heading and up to the Bay of Islands. Betty is very involved in supporting her local hospital—from knitting baby blankets to working in the gift shop as well as making jellies and bean soup mix. She also works in her church and on the library board and keeps fit at the local health club. Betty reports that the last good book she read was *Confessions of the Last Living Confederate Widow*. It was a good background for the ensuing Civil War series on PBS. . . . As for me, I took a trip to Austria and Switzerland last summer. We stayed in small towns and visited an interesting place every day. The highlight of the trip was seeing the passion play at Oberammergau. Next time I'll report on plans for our upcoming 45th reunion in 1992. Hope all of you will plan to come."

48 Correspondent Katharine Weisman Jaffe beseeches her classmates to keep her posted. She concedes that some of the material in this report is old news, but here goes:

"Hazel Huckens Merrill owns Merrill Cottages on Newfoundland Lake (Did you find it, Hazel?), where she and husband John are busy with their five acres and 500 feet of lake-front. She also uses the property in her role as an observer for 'Loon Watch' when not listening to music, reading, gardening, appreciating art and enjoying her three grandsons. . . . Another working retiree, Gene Hunter, is executive director for the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. He ran a bingo game to benefit scholar-athletes and coaches golf and basketball. It

almost goes without saying that he enjoys golf, tennis and other sports as well as playing cards and reading. His two grandchildren have been checked out as being smarter and more beautiful than any. . . . Burt Krumholz, M.D. is professor of obstetrics and gynecology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine and frequently presents papers and participates in national and international forums and seminars. Actually, last year he was proudest of his 'most improved golfer' award at the Engineers' Country Club. (How did you engineer your way into that one, Burt?)

"Phyllis McKiel Bedig, another reading, gardening, card-playing '48er, also enjoys shopping and cooking (the first to admit it). She occasionally sees Anne Fraser Baer, who lives year round in Punta Gorda, Fla., where Phyllis winters. Summering in New England, she and husband Bob Bedig '49 visit their children and their smarter and more beautiful grandchildren. They attended a Colby luncheon in Fort Myers last year. More about that later. . . . Ruth Rogers Doering writes hoping to get in touch with Janet De Witt after seeing her mentioned in this column previously. A widow now, Ruth works only part time. With her children scattered around the country, she enjoys using some of her spare time visiting old friends. . . . Norice Mahoney Smith does some freelance writing, studies conversational Spanish, reads, swims and is also interested in meeting with Colby colleagues who are in the Fort Lauderdale area. . . . F. W. 'Cy' Perkins does volunteer work at Wells Estuarial Research Reserve and Insight Seminars in Boston. He was the second to check off enjoying shopping and cooking and the first to note enjoying cleaning house and many other more novel

pastimes. His five grandchildren range from about 16 years to about a year and are, you guessed it, smarter and more beautiful than any. He and all of us will be pleased that this magazine, *Colby*, plans a shorter lead time for these class notes. . . . Speaking of Colby activists, the '48 super special is Dave Marson, who was cited again during June '90 reunion week as Ernest C. Marriner Distinguished Service Awardee. He had answered the pink questionnaire with a two-page letter describing sailing with Dottie (a Colby Bricker) and the Marvyn Joslows, weekending in Canada with Bob '49 and Phyllis Sage and Lenny '49 and Elaine Warshaver and meeting with Bob '49 and Phyllis McKiel Bedig and Anne Fraser Baer at that Fort Myers lunch meeting. Dave's daughter, Debby '75, is another active Colby graduate who has presented Dave and Dottie with two bright and beautiful future Colbians."

49 "Colby's greatly reduced lead time for class columns—from six months to two months!—allows me to write in October for publication in December," notes correspondent Anne Hagar Eustis. "I am sure you will all agree this is a welcome improvement. Unfortunately, I am still reporting news gleaned with your answers to the questionnaire sent out a year ago. Perhaps with this impetus for timeliness, we can get more up-to-date with our news!"

"Although Charles M. Cotton is a retired school teacher living in Presque Isle, Maine, he does not consider himself retired. And with good reason, as he is involved with coaching high-school tennis, working in the pro

shop at the local country club, truck farming and taking care of his property. Enough said! Since he included his winter address of Palm Harbor, Fla., I would guess that is where he 'practices' for retirement . . . **Cynthia Crook Lieck** writes from Annapolis, Md., that she and her husband, Charles, 'are quite content in our placid rut' enjoying living on the water, boating on the Chesapeake Bay in the trawler and traveling in the U.S.A. and Mexico. Cynthia does not really feel retired, as she is doing more volunteer work with a local art gallery, the Heart Fund and the elections board . . . My predecessor, **Mary Hathaway 'Honey' Cherry**, is filling the void by being active in retired teachers' organizations at the county and the state level. Also her 'meetings for library trustees have taken on a new importance as we're working for a new library building in town.' I hope you were successful, Honey, before the fiscal crunch hit Massachusetts and its municipalities. Honey is proud of what she has been able to do 'to help in the preservation of open lands in Kingston, which already have been exploited by gravel firms and malls.'

"**Nellie MacDougall Parks** moved back to Bingham, Maine, after 15 years in the Philadelphia area. Now within 40 miles from Colby, she and her husband, Warren, enjoy concerts there. Nellie comments on the 'big changes in small-town Maine as real estate costs and taxes escalate . . . State and federal mandates tell towns what must be done, and local government costs soar. Farm land being changed to house lots. Clearcutting changing forests. No stopping spread north of population and land inflation.' It all sounds so familiar, and where will it all end? . . . **Edward A. Waller**,

semi-retired from marketing for engineering and construction firms, works with young people. He also encourages senior golfers. Ed boasts of getting four children through college and still treasures his 15-year communication with Dr. Julius Seelye Bixler. They exchanged reading lists and comments. Ed reports Dr. Bixler's letters are 'classics' and offers excerpts on request. He further comments: 'I suggested, and he enjoyed, Woody

Allen's *Without Feathers*. He recommended *The Conversations Between Mozart and Franz Liszt* (five vol.) in German. I saw it in the library. Certainly well bound. Settled for a little Beethoven.' . . . **Jean Sheppard Silva** reports that one of the big activities in her life has been the Surry Opera Company in Surry, Maine. 'It's a tiny grass roots concert opera company made up of a vast conglomeration of people, only a few of whom are professional singers,'

she writes. 'We have been to the Soviet Union three times (I've been twice) and sung in Leningrad, Moscow and Thelisé. [In 1989] 72 Soviets were here for the month of August. It was exciting, exhilarating, moving and exhausting!' Children, grandchildren, garden club, Owls Head Transportation Museum Volunteers, blood drives, etc. keep retirement 'a very busy life!'

Alumni Awards Nomination Form

The Alumni Council Awards Committee seeks nominations for four awards on a continual basis. The *Colby Brick* is awarded each Reunion Weekend to a few individuals who have served Colby in a variety of volunteer roles, and the *Marriner Distinguished Service Award* is given to alumni or friends of Colby who have demonstrated exceptional commitment to the College. The *Distinguished Alumni Award* annually recognizes one Colby graduate for outstanding professional achievement. The *Outstanding Educator Award* is presented to an alumnus/a for outstanding teaching in the classroom, at any level.

I nominate _____, Class of 19 _____,
for the _____ Award.

My recommendation is based on the nominee's volunteer activities or professional achievements listed below:

Nominated by _____ Date _____

Please complete and mail to: Alumni Council Awards Committee, c/o Office of Alumni Relations, Colby College, Waterville, ME 04901.

Thank you!

THE FIFTIES

50 Correspondent Nancy Ricker Sears thanks her 24 classmates who sent news for this issue. "I felt the thrill of remembrances I opened all your letters," she adds. "It was heartwarming and nostalgic to recall your once-familiar names and faces and to learn what you are all doing.

"Almost everyone who responded is retired—are you the only ones who have time to write letters? Not really. Many report they are busier (and happier) than ever, responding to new interests, traveling, studying, pursuing hobbies and meeting the challenge of aging.

"**Richard Lyon, Jr.**, teaches high-school math in Hubbardston, Mass. He was re-elected selectman last February in a recall election that swept out the entire former board. This is the first time that an entire board has been recalled in Massachusetts history. Dick's wife, Marion, is town clerk and a self-employed potter. . . **Jim Doughty** is retired and living in Scarborough, Maine, with his wife, Florence. The Doughtys are celebrating 41 years of marriage this year. Their oldest grandchild entered Colby this fall. Jim says that he occasionally plays golf with **Russ Washburn**, sees **Bill Mitchell** occasionally and gets together with **Foster Bruckheimer** regularly. . . **Mary Ellen 'Susi' Goldey Morrison** reports her occupation as a 'minister's wife,' and we agree that more than qualifies as an occupation. She and Kermit are acquiring in-law children and grandchildren. They have been enjoying trips to Europe in recent years and are planning an opera tour for 1991 and hope to visit Alaska in 1992. Susi says, 'Life is Good! Always gaining in everything! I like having white hair—the respect is wonderful.'

"**Bill '51 and Ellen Kenner-**

son Gelotte are retired and spending most of their time in Guilford, N.H. Ellen is president of the New Hampshire Spinners and Dyers Guild and owns and operates a small store that carries yarns and spinning equipment. She and Bill also travel frequently and will go to Alaska next year. Ellen says she had meant to go to the reunion and didn't but will make sure she makes our 45th. So echo many of us, I expect. . . You all will be saddened to learn of the death from lung cancer of **Martha Apollonio Hillman** on May 24. Her husband writes: 'Apple was always proud of her association with Colby. In fact when we were in New England in August, 1989, she asked especially that we make a visit to the Colby campus. I knew that she would want me to send her greetings to all her old classmates.' Bill wrote from 462 Hickory Lane, San Rafael, CA 94903.

"**Margaret Rodgers Jones** and her husband, Walter, are also retired in New Hampshire. They live in Peterborough, where they are 'active, well and happy.' After some years in Ohio they are thrilled to be back in New England. 'Ohio was so short of mountains,' writes Margaret, who is a library trustee and on the board of a local retirement home, but she says grandchildren are her greatest joy. Her daughter, Ann, is working in the Development Office at Colby. . . **Nelson 'Bud' Everts**, who served us so long and so well as class president, writes that he and Elinor live in New London, N.H., but maintain an apartment in Needham, Mass., to be near children, grandchildren and his office. After spending February in Sarasota, they will return to Massachusetts to await the births of two grandchildren."

51 "Mayflower Hill is doing its Arctic number," correspondent Warren Finegan observes, "but in a short six months it should be warmly embracing classmates who so wisely decided to attend our 40th reunion. Last June some of us met to plan this triumphant return, and we've made a good start. If any of you have ideas as to what you'd like to see or do over that weekend, let me know.

"**Bob Cannell** already has volunteered to give lambda lessons. . . **Ed Laverly** is still living in Gorham, Maine, and enjoying the grand old life—fishing, hunting and leisure time. For the second year in a row, he was successful in the moose lottery. . . **Ernie Fortin** retired from the phone company but is back handling a special project. Next fall, 1,500 senior employees, the Telephone Pioneers of America, will convene in Boston to plan programs for community service work. Ernie is co-manager of the event. . . **Bob and Nancy Nilson Archibald** live in Scituate, Mass., a few minutes from the harbor. Bob runs a small business, Seacoast Scribe, involving technical writing, and Nancy is in the legal department of a realty firm. . . **John Pettengill** sends greetings from Indianapolis, where he is a national accounts manager for Union Camp. I hope you will tell us more next June at Colby, John. This goes for all of you! Start thinking about the reunion now! Many happy returns."

52 "I hope you have had a wonderful summer and fall," writes correspondent Barbara Bone Leavitt. "My husband, Bob, and I had great visits with **Caroline Wilkins McDonough**

and her family in Greenwich, Conn. We were also happy to see Chuck '53 and Janice Pearson Anderson in their new home in Harwich, Mass. They have a lovely place there, and we certainly enjoyed their hospitality and the beaches, warm water!

"**Mimi Russell Aldrich** writes from West Simsbury, Conn. Her husband and our classmate, Paul, is first senior vice president and corporate secretary, Society for Savings. They have three children and seven grandchildren. They are hoping to retire to Bristol, Maine, and are gradually shutting down their antique business. Paul is active in Rotary (was just made a Paul Harris Fellow), Scouts and Salvation Army and has just donated his 13th gallon of blood! Mimi belongs to the Musical Club of Hartford. She sends news of Bob '50 and **Nancy Weare Merriman** from New Hampshire. They have bought a house on the water in Rye. **Barbara Scott** was re-elected alderman of Calgary, Alberta, by an 80 percent margin. She was at the Berlin Wall before the great changes. **Diane Sargent Larsen** is living in Florida. Thanks for the news, Mimi. . . **John Baum** is in Lawhaden, Dyfed, U.K. He and his wife, Ingrid, have three children. John went to Stanford and received an Ed.D. and worked six years as a consultant with Teachers College, Columbia. He was able to retire 22 years ago and became a potter and beekeeper. He has had exhibitions of his works at major art galleries and in June '90 at the Cathedral in St. David's, Dyfed, Wales. In September he started a 10-month stay in Gomera (in the Canary Islands), and although he says he won't be opening a Colby Alumni Club, visitors are welcome. . . **Arthur White** has retired as headmaster of Hotchkiss School. He and his wife, Cynthia,



have moved to Bath, Maine. They have two new grandchildren. Arthur is teaching at a school in Bath.

"Caroline, Jesse, Ben and I want to remind you of our 40th reunion coming up in June 1992. Time flies, so please do find a calendar and put a star on June 1992. My first reunion was the 35th and it was great!"

55 For those who were not able to catch up with all the news at the reunion and those unable to attend, Ann Dillingham Ingraham offers this synopsis, gleaned largely from the questionnaires:

"Louise 'Pinkie' Fall Achor is a text processor for Sovran Bank in Clifton, Va. She is clerk for the Clifton town council and pianist for a Gainsville church. She and her husband, Robert, have four children and were expecting their 10th grandchild when they wrote . . . **Arlie Porath** has retired and spends his time collecting art and antiques. He is the father of two, including Stacy '91 . . . **Lou Zambello**, our past president, is vice president of sales and operations at Avia International and is living in Wilsonville, Oreg. He and Kathy spend their free time skiing, hiking, golfing and playing tennis . . . **Carol MacIver Murphy** lives in Northampton, Mass., where she is a circulation librarian and keeps busy with school committee, city council and church activities . . .

Tony Leone works for the Massachusetts state government and reports talking with **Mark Sawyer**, who is looking for workers for a meat-packing company newly located in Lexington, Neb. Anyone interested in going west?

"Jane Millett Dornish enjoyed doing some admissions work for Colby, but she is presently



Richard L. Abedon '56

Headliners

George H. Leberherz '52 of Falmouth was nominated as a circuit judge of the Massachusetts District Court.

Musical conductor Fred Petra '55, chosen as a fellow of the National Endowment for the Arts, spent a busy autumn immersed in seminars and meetings in Washington.

Richard L. Abedon '56, a Colby trustee, was elected chair and chief operating officer of the Mutual Benefit Pension Corporation.

Edward Goldberg '59, a vice president at Donaldson, Lufkin, Jenrette in Boston, received an honorary degree from Israel's Technion Institute.

Newsmakers

The Rev. J. Allyn Bradford '50, retired minister and consultant, was interviewed by the Sunday *Eagle-Tribune* in Lawrence, Mass., where he leads workshops on goal-setting . . . Two Colbians, **Maurice F. Ronayne '51** and **Kevin Connolly '55**, are members of the Alexandria (Va.) Civil War Roundtable. Good thing, too, Maury notes, elsewise that Southern-dominated group would never have a nice thing to say about their fellow alumnus, Gen. Ben Butler of the Class of 1838, the Yankee commander who earned the moniker "Beast of New Orleans" . . . Carolyn Wilkins McDonough '52, executive producer of the Cameo Theatre in Greenwich, Conn., spotted new talent as a judge of the annual Shakespeare competition for area high-school students . . . **Madelyn Wechsler Pressman '53**, a schoolteacher in Oceanside, N.Y., won a \$2,000 fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities to attend a four-week seminar, "Mozart: The Man, His Music and His Vienna," in Vienna . . . **David Harvey '53** signed on as a consultant with Flath & Associates in New London, Conn., after retiring as dean of the faculty of Mitchell College . . . **Barbara Restall Horne '55** was honored by the Newport Harbor Panhellenic as "Athena Woman of the Year" in Newport Beach, Calif. She donates more than 200 volunteer hours annually to the local library, which nominated Barbara for the award. She has also been active in Girl Scouting, the Newport Hills Garden Club, the Assistance League of Newport Beach, the PTA, American Friends Service, a summer camp for disabled youngsters, the American Cancer Society and the AIDS Service Foundation of Orange County. Not all of these efforts are behind the scenes. Barbara sings with a 10-member chorale that raises funds for the Corona del Mar High PTA and plays the Easter Bunny, Ms. Santa and Witchy Poo at a local hospital . . . The memory of Donald P. Lake '55 is alive in Milton, Mass., where a youth club awards a scholarship in honor of the former football captain killed in an Air Force plane crash in 1957 . . . Terry D. Mayo '57 delivered seminars on estate planning in Oswego, N.Y., and Waldo County, Maine . . . Judith Levine Brody '58, associate dean of admissions at Colby, joined relatives and friends in toasting the appointment of her husband, Morton, a member of the Colby adjunct faculty, to the Maine Supreme Court. . . . Patricia Orr Frost '59, principal of the Henry West Laboratory School in Coral Gables, Fla., was named a director of BankUnited Savings in Miami.

Mileposts

Deaths: Lee R. Prescott '51 in Lebanon, Conn., at 60 . . . Edward M. "Pete" Guild '52 in Nantucket, Mass., at 60 . . . F. Allen Thompson '52 in Amherst, Mass., at 61 . . . Richard A. Jones '54 in Hyannis, Mass., at 57 . . . David S. O'Neil '54 in Burlington, Vt., at 60 . . . Theodore L. Brown '55 in Rockport, Maine, at 59 . . . Roger H. Carlson '56 in Duxbury, Mass., at 57 . . . Julie Orth Beach '59 in Plymouth, Mass., at 52 . . . Paul Neri '59 in Columbia, Md., at 52 . . . Frederick Field '59 in Hyannis, Mass., at 52.

spending her time working with the Waterville Boys and Girls Club and the Colby Club and as an advisory committee member concerning handicapped and rehabilitation programs. Karl '54 and Jane have three children and two grandchildren . . . **Bob Johnson**, one of four more prolific class members, has five children and 10 grandchildren. He is president of the R. Johnson and Sons lumber company in Canaan, Maine . . . **Judy Orne Shorey** now lives in Rockland, Maine, where she is director of volunteer services at Penobscot Bay Medical Center. She keeps busy in church, Red Cross and political activities . . . **Nancy Coning McGinley** is a busy homemaker who keeps occupied knitting and selling sweaters. Outside activities are Girl Scouts, Red Cross, YMCA and YWCA and traveling with her husband, who is retired . . . **Harriet Sears Fraser** taught special education at Brookline High School, then part time at Northeastern. She is presently teaching at Westford Academy. She says, 'Maine has continued to be an important part of my life—20 years of association and time spent at Pemaquid Point.' Herson, Jonathan, is Class of '82.

'**James Tyson** is working in real estate in Rowell, Ga. . . **Judi Holtz Levow** is an interior designer and keeps busy with the Weston (Mass.) Community League, temple groups, golf, swimming and bridge. . . **Joanne Bailey Anderson** has a married daughter and a son who graduated in June from MIT with a master's degree. . . **Harriette Glass Siegel** is a secretary for the Marblehead (Mass.) Department of Recreation and Park Development. She and Nancy Perron Ives returned from 16 days in Spain just in time to attend the reunion festivities . . . **Taffy**

Mahoney Beckman and husband Jim are treasurer and president of a small manufacturing company that they started three years ago. She is involved with the Lake Sunapee (N.H.) Protective Association in water monitoring. . . **John Dutton** is employed as a tax auditor for the state of California and is active in Disabled AMVETS. His activities include camping, racquetball and wildlife and outdoor photography . . . **Allan Landau**, a partner in a Boston law firm and a Colby overseer, spends his leisure time fishing, boating, playing tennis and enjoying his grandchildren . . . **John Philbrook** is a captain with American Airlines and has six children and two grandchildren . . . **Germaine Michaud Orloff** writes that she was sorry to have missed the reunion as she was in Europe visiting her daughter and son-in-law. This was the first reunion she had missed in 35 years. She works as an assistant professor at Thomas College in Waterville and is a city councilor and a member of the library board of trustees. She has five children and two grandchildren.

'**Patricia Levine Levy** has worked for the past 15 years for the New York State Department of Labor. She and her husband, Sevy '53, had just returned from a trip to Europe to attend the 35th . . . **Dot Dunn Northcott's** community activities include Literacy Volunteers, and she finds time for tennis, bridge, skiing, gardening and travel. She has three children, including Evan Jones '82 . . . **Dick Bartlett**, who works for Jordan Marsh in Boston in retail credit, enjoys running and community theater in his spare time . . . **Reginald 'Dick' and Jean Hawes Anderson** are in real estate as brokers/owners with three offices. Jean adds that they would love to hear from anyone

visiting the Boston area, as they are only 50 miles from Boston and always have an extra room. They keep active in the Grafton Historical Society, garden club, forest association and Massachusetts Audubon Society . . . **Mary Dundas Runser** is an assistant reading teacher in Waterville . . . **Minot Greene**, who works in banking and financial planning, is active in the Colby Club of Washington and was the class rep to the Colby Planned Giving Council. He deserves a round of applause for the success of the 35th. His daughter, Amy, is Class of '89 . . . **Jane Whipple Codrington's** master's degree in library science has enabled her to organize small libraries for non-profit organizations. She is vice president of Family Service Association and her activities include skiing, swimming, scuba diving, boating and traveling.

'**Margaret Grant Ludwig** is completing her second term in the Maine State Senate and is running for a third. Her community activities include hospital auxiliary, chamber of commerce and fish, game and garden clubs . . . **Sid Farr** says he continues to love working for Colby and following children's and grandchildren's activities. He serves on the hospital board of overseers and enjoys golf, reading and music . . . **Barbara Burg King** says she is a home coordinator as a housewife, mother and grandmother. Her spare time is spent as a hospital volunteer, on church boards and committees and at golf and bridge. She and her husband, Frank, have four children and six grandchildren . . . **Jack and Ann Burnham Deering** have three children (two Colby grads) and three granddaughters. Ann is a real estate broker, and Jack is a salesman . . . **Elinor Small Hudson** is a manager at L. L. Bean. She keeps busy with church

activities and the Yarmouth (Maine) Historical Society as well as the Colby Alumnae Association of Southwestern Maine . . . **Barbara 'Sistie' Restall Horne** is involved in numerous activities, including a puppet troop, sports support group, garden club, AIDS service foundation, American Field Service, Tri Delt Alumni Association and more.

'**Jean Hahlbohm Hampton**, who has taught school for 24 years (and counting), deserves a huge hooray for all of the work she has done for Colby, logging thousands of miles for the Alumni Council, rearing two students, attending countless reunions and basketball and hockey games, chairing the 35th reunion and working as a Colby interviewer and college fair representative . . . **Peter and Susanne Capen Stutts** have gone into partnership to own and lease multi-family housing following Peter's retirement from the corporate world. He says starting a new enterprise after 35 years of structured corporate life is exciting—and scary, energizing and thrilling. They are looking forward to the next 30 years. Susie enjoys gardening and Literacy Volunteers, while Peter spends his time with golf and woodworking, making furniture and toys for the two grandchildren . . . **Ken Van Praag** is the only responding classmate who is retired. He spends his time with the Kiwanis Club and his spare time alpine skiing, bowling, traveling and camping . . . **David McKeith**, an Ithaca College faculty member, wrote 'no 35th as I need to stay on campus,' and added that he may make a reunion as he has a son who lives in Bridgton, where he works as a freelance writer/photographer/producer working for college admissions offices, including West Point. David's other son is midway through a gourmet chef program. David has finished

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25 years in the history department, teaching the Colonies and the Revolution, women on the plains frontier, post-Civil War and the history of environmental thought. 'Being mainly the history of ideas, this latter course makes some use of my Colby philosophy major,' he notes. 'I direct a multi-disciplinary minor in environmental studies and am trying to finish a historical novel.'

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"Plans for a great 35th are escalating, as is enthusiasm," exults correspondent Hope Palmer Bramhall. "So far, we have 39 people who have committed to our extended package. The following have signed up for our reunion, which begins at the Samoset on the beautiful rockbound coast of Maine: **Andersons, Adels, (Palmer) Bramhalls, Browns, Greenes, (Miller) Hunts, Huntress, Haggets, Jubinskys, (Nordgren) Merryweathers, (Pratt) Moodys, Pughs, (Slavin) Reath, Rices, Sandborgs, (Walker) Shermans, Sorters, Volmers, Weys, Zambellos and Zullingers.** Having read these names, I know you'll all want to join us—just mail those orange cards to me!

"**Bill Wyman**, headmaster of the Thacher School, points with pride to an article in the June 11, 1990, issue of *Time*. It features the 'make teenagers feel good about themselves' attitude, which he credits with the success of his nearly century-old school. Although Thacher began as a prep school for boys, it has evolved into a modern co-ed school combining academic and equestrian studies. Bill has spent the past 30 years leading pack trips in the Sierras... After three-and-a-half years in Oregon, Lou '55 and Kathy McConaughy Zam-

bello are glad to be back in Massachusetts. Son Lou, senior manager of product development for L. L. Bean, was quoted recently in a Portland newspaper feature article headlined 'Customers Come First'... **Barbara 'Bobby' Barnes Brown** writes that she is continuing cello lessons and has recently gone back to working with emotionally disturbed children on a limited basis. Fred, Bobby's husband, has received two awards recently for his work with the Massachusetts Department of Youth Services... **Larry and Diane Schnauffer Zullinger '57** have tested their fitness each of the past four years by biking throughout Europe. Last August they were in Switzerland. Sounds challenging but fun! Having spent the past 30 years in the steel industry, Larry is currently vice president of Bushar Corp., an industrial and commercial real estate firm.

"**Liz Walker Sherman** and has been one very busy woman. In addition to selling her own oil paintings, Liz also gives private art lessons. Having supported her husband through 11 cardiac arrests ('By the way, he's fantastic,' she writes), Liz has a deep religious faith, one she shares with others through the 'outreach' Bible class she teaches. Four times a grandmother, she has also taught at the high-school level in the Dallas public schools and has worked with the elderly as social activities director of a nursing home... **Joan Kyrizt O'Rourke**, retired a year ago after 21 years of teaching,

earned her captain's license one month later and singlehandedly piloted her Catalina 27 sailboat down the Intercoastal Waterway to Florida. She spent this past summer touring Europe and sailing around the Mediterranean. Although reunion plans sound enticing, Joan says, 'I may be off on my planned circumnavigation.'

"Don't forget to send photos, newspapers, videos and film for our reunion video scrapbook. A SASE will ensure their return. I have more questionnaires for next time, but for those of you who haven't responded, please, please do. Reunion is going to be great—for those 'on the fence' get off and join us! As always, thanks to those of you who continue to make my job interesting."

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"If you haven't done so, make sure you read 'Iran's Mastermind of World Terrorism' in the September issue of *Reader's Digest*," correspondent Andria Peacock Kime advises. "**Nathan M. Adams**, a senior editor, wrote an incredibly frightening article after three months' research. His specialty is investigation of world terrorism.

"**Captain Marietta Pane** is professor of naval science and commanding officer of the NROTC unit at the University of Illinois. She has set an example for her plebes by rappelling a wall (for the first time). Imagine—at her age!... **Ann Wieland Spaeth**

sees a lot of **Kate Knight Hall**. Both are working together as fund raisers for their high school. Ann summers at Squirrel Harbor, near Boothbay Harbor, so she hasn't lost the Maine attraction. She still skis and plays tennis and paddle tennis and started rowing a few years ago... **Charlie '57 and Julie 'Lia' Belzer Twigg** are in Welleley, Mass., where Lia works part time for a travel agency and part time for Charlie, who owns his company as a real estate developer. They had a chance to visit Great Britain when their daughter spent a semester at Bath University... **Dan and Ann Wilcox Loftin** have been busy putting their house in order after Hurricane Hugo. They live on Sullivan Island off Charleston Harbor, S.C. She describes the past year as a 'Big Adventure,' saying she is very thankful that they had insurance. After two years at Colby, Ann went on to finish her degree at Guilford... The Reverend **Linda Corcoran Smith-Criddle**, Episcopal priest, is hospital chaplain and pastoral care director at Riverside Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. She's co-author of 'Sharing Access to Hospital Ethics Committees' in the *Hospitals Ethics Committee Journal*. She and Arthur Hawthorne Criddle, Jr., will celebrate their third wedding anniversary on Christmas Day!... **Joshua A. Nickerson, Jr.**, hasn't seen a soul from Colby since his college days. (Lots of Colby folk on Cape Cod. You guys ought to get together for a mini-reunion.) He lost his ap-



An Advocate for Teachers

When Eleanor Duckworth '57 won a Rotary scholarship after graduating from Colby, she intended to study psychology for a year at the Sorbonne. But as it happened, the renowned child psychologist Jean Piaget was lecturing in Paris. He convinced Duckworth to continue her studies at the University of Geneva, and thus began a professional relationship that lasted more than 20 years until his death in 1980.

Duckworth, a native of Montreal who says she came to Colby for "an adventure in international living," earned her undergraduate degree in philosophy, *magna cum laude*, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. But the most memorable part of her Colby experience, she says, was studying John Dewey's theories of education with Professor Peter Coffin.

Recently, Duckworth was promoted to professor of education at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, whose faculty she joined in 1981 after receiving her doctorate in educational sciences from the University of Geneva. Over the years, her professional activities have been rich and varied and have included a year as a third-grade teacher in Quebec, another as a program evaluator for the African Primary Science Program in six African nations, consultancies to more than 35 organizations in this country and abroad and a full schedule of lecture and workshop appearances throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Her theories were influenced strongly by her association with Piaget as his teaching assistant and then as his translator for lectures in the U.S. In one of her classroom exercises, Duckworth asks her students—themselves professional educators—to keep a journal in which they record the time, position and appearance of the moon each time they see it. Duckworth asks them to try to figure out how they learn. "Learners come to recognize knowledge as a human construction," she said, "since they have constructed their own knowledge and know that they have."

Duckworth is committed to including the voices of teachers in debates about education. She helped found the Harvard Teachers' Network for Boston-area teachers to share their experiences with each other. The organization also helps teachers find ways to publish their thoughts, give papers at conferences and identify other outlets through which to share their perspectives.

This school year, Duckworth has returned to Canada as a visiting professor of education at the University of Ottawa. She says she is intrigued by the different ways in which teachers are treated in the U.S. and Canada but adds that she hasn't drawn any definite conclusions. Still, she says, it is revealing to note that there were a whopping 6,000 applicants for 250 places in a University of Ottawa teachers' training program.

Duckworth plans to return to Cambridge in the fall, and in the meantime, she is keeping up with her 18 Harvard advisees—a commitment that offers a challenge in commuting as well as much satisfaction, she says.

—Charlotte Agell

pendix at the young age of 53. What eats up his spare time? My wife, tennis, golf, boating.' It's his order . . . C. Flint and Helen Roberts Moger live in Merrick, N.Y., where Flint is an educator. Helen runs her own music studio, teaches, plays the organ and is choir director. They became very involved in Eastern Star. They went the 'full circuit . . . fun but exhausting' . . . Dale Stephen Patchell relocated from Chicago to Bridgewater, N.J., to assume the position of marketing director for AT&T. It's been a big adjustment, to say the least, for Steve and Nancy."

59 "Picking up where we left off last time," writes Susan Fetherston Frazer, "I now have more news of Hal Estabrook. You may recall that he retired last year after a long stint as chair of the board of trustees of the Brockton Hospital. He says his real job is (and has been for some 27 years) that of president of his own insurance agency, a growing business into which he puts most of his energy these days. Hal and his wife, Debbie, have four children, all college graduates, who have now flown from the nest. This permits the Estabrooks to do more traveling and spend a good part of the summer on Nantucket. Hal asked for John Metzger's address, which was duly furnished. The deal was that Hal would encourage John to write, but I have yet to hear from him. How about it, John?"

"I had some very pleasant chats with classmates while in California on the way home from Japan. Margaret 'Peggy' Lippincott Brezel of Santa Cruz lives in a lovely house overlooking Monterey Bay. She says she feels as though she has lived several lives. My own impression is that

she's still living them. She has made a major commitment to volunteerism, is currently an active member of the League of Women Voters and of Planned Parenthood and is on the board of the Santa Cruz Housing Corporation, whose major concern is low-cost housing. She is active in education circles at the secondary and university levels. She keeps up with her French by attending what she describes as a social club at which papers and conversation are in French. Peggy's husband is an optometrist. Their youngest daughter will soon be college-bound. They are looking at a location on the east coast—in Connecticut, as a matter of fact . . . Ours is one of the classes in which **John Martin** of Carmel can claim membership. He is an oceanographer and the director of a small lab at San Jose State University. His work is on the greenhouse effect, which he assures me is very real and not to be dismissed out of hand. John and his wife, an English teacher, have two sons, one in Carmel High School and the other at UC Davis. John's mother is still in Old Lyme, Conn., and John gets back east now and then. He saw **Bill** and **Dottie Reynolds Gay** last year . . . The Californians are good talkers, but **Gladys Frank Bernyk** of Saratoga is the best of them all. Maybe she was always that way; maybe that's what 25 years in California does to you. She is an alumni interviewer for Colby and says we need to interview more prospective students out there. Gladys has taught school in the Army and is an instructional assistant in special education, working specifically on testing and job counseling. Gladys and her husband, Alex, a pediatrician, have traveled extensively, making many visits to Latin and South America and most recently to Southeast Asia . . . I also

caught up with **Ann 'Marty' Worster Conception** of Berkeley. When I talked to her the most important thing in her life was the upcoming August wedding of her daughter and her own role as mother of the bride. I know that will strike a resounding chord! Marty has remained close to her college interest in American history. She has been an archivist at the Library of Congress and has worked for the

San Francisco Maritime Historical Park. Her major interests are the decorative arts and historic preservation. Of all the places she has visited she says that Maine is still the best. Anybody want to second that? . . . **Steve Levine** of Concord, having chaired the 15th and 20th reunions and having been awarded a Colby Brick in 1981, is a famous and active member of our class. He is a lighting engineering sales repre-

sentative for a major lighting concern working in a large area in northern California. He has many Colby contacts; his most exotic report was of a mini-reunion in Hong Kong three years ago with Emily and Dennis Ting '60, Frank Stephenson '62 and Ted '57 and **Susan Record Harriman**. Steve keeps in touch with Nancy and **Dave Bloom**. He's a pretty good talker, too, and I'm not doing justice to all he said. If you want to hear more, he welcomes us all and offers 'rides in the country.'

"**Bob Cockburn** (pronounced like **Janice Coburn Ananian**) wrote from the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton, where he teaches English and was department chair from 1977 to 1987. He received a faculty merit award in 1986 and has written extensively on the subject of far northern travels and explorations. He has been coaching the UNB Rugby Football Club since 1968. As his favorite recreation, he chooses wilderness canoe trips. He has one daughter, Sara, now 17 . . . **John 'Jay' Church** is president of the Cincinnati Cordage and Paper Company and is a member of many boards, associations and clubs related to the paper business and to Cincinnati. As the current chair of the National Association of Wholesalers/Distributors, Jay spends a good deal of time in Washington. He and his wife, Kitty, have traveled a lot, especially recently. Kenya and South Africa were two of their most interesting destinations. Jay is still doing the things he used to, except no more hockey. Jay and Kitty have four children and five grandchildren.

"Space limitations prevent me from making yet another impassioned plea for news, but I would appreciate some volunteers."

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THE SIXTIES

60 Correspondent Kay White has added a third means of conveying class notes to her—fax them to (313) 647-6079.

"Many congratulations and thanks to our class president for the past five years, Wendy McWilliam Denneen, for organizing a 30th reunion weekend that was both fun and enlightening," Kay writes. "Wendy was ably assisted at the dinner by Bev Johnson Arnett, who should be an emcee full time. Wendy reports that she and husband George saw Deb Wilson Albee, Liz Boccasile Mavis, Carole Richardson Merson and Charlotte Wood MacPhetres at their annual 'mini-reunion,' which was held at the home of Doug '58 and Judy Ingram Hatfield. Judy has a new activity—English handbell ringing—and will be ringing with 900–1,000 other ringers in the National Handbell Festival. Charlotte is the therapy floor supervisor in a small day-program for severely brain-injured children and writes sensory-motor and developmental daily programs for these kids. Liz is still the guidance department chair at Suffield (Conn.) High School and is traveling a lot, since her husband is now with United Airlines.

"Admiral Ted and Carolyn Webster Lockhart have moved four times since the 1985 reunion and are now in the Washington, D.C., area while Ted is at the Pentagon. . . . Ann Impey Reed has a son who is a junior at Colby, along with the son of Jane Holden Huerta. Jane teaches computer information systems at Bentley College. . . . Chet Lewis also has a son at Colby and was editor of a corporate law quarterly for the state bar of Michigan. . . . Sally Walker Simpson came from Tallahassee, Fla., and went off on a windjammer cruise after the

reunion. . . . Both Bob and Ron Littlefield are using Colby physics training. Bob teaches physics and calculus in high school, and Ron works for Bendix on the Earth Observing System Data and Information System for NASA.

"Marion Porter Potter is a realtor in Westport, Conn. . . . Carol York Fortier teaches third grade in Auburn, Maine, gardens, seals her own driveway and has a daughter who just graduated from medical school and a son at Tufts. . . . The eight gardens Ralph Nelson built with his wife must be beautiful, and he deserves his vacation trip to Alaska. . . . Ron Webersays that after 28 years on Wall Street, the life of leisure is looking good. . . . Ann Dudley DeWitt sent husband Charlie '61 to the reunion, since she was in New Orleans at a convention for the Social Security Administration. . . . J. P. Pierce did a good job of reporting for the alumni news. . . . All of us were surprised to see Peg Barnes Dyer's daughter (whom we used to babysit) all grown up. Peg is a supervisor in the department of social services in Terre Haute, Ind. . . . Many thanks also go to Bev Jackson Glockler for her past five years of hard work doing this column. Please send me your information or I will be forced to make up some news."

61 "Sue Walker Seifer has been developing an art career since 1979," class correspondent Edwin (Ned) Gow reports. "She started by designing furniture and accessories for craft shows and boutiques in the tri-state area around her home in Hartsdale, N.Y. Three years ago, she began freelance textile designing for Cranston Print Works. Now she does six or so major coordinates a

year that are printed by the company's 'VIP' home sewing division. This year she designed a complete nursery layout featured by another company at the Juvenile/Infant Market Show in Dallas in October. She and Norman have three sons. Their youngest, Cliff, entered Colby this fall. . . . Ann Marie Eisentrager Birky has become a media specialist and finds the work both exciting and challenging. Daughter Erica is spending her junior year studying at the University of Niamey, Niger. . . . Judith 'Scotty' MacLeod Folger is a resource teacher for grades 9–12. Scotty and Brud get together two or three times a year with Norman '58 and Cici Clifton Lee, Sandy and Nancy Cunnen Boardman, Mary and Denny Dionne and Candy Castle Marsellus at the Lee's camp on Kezar Lake, Maine.

"Sadly, several of our classmates reported the death or serious illness of spouses: Carolyn Evans Consolino, living in New Canaan, Conn., noted that her life has changed dramatically in the last two years after Joe '58 died in April 1988. She started working full time in town at The Whitney Shop (china, crystal, silver, antique furniture, etc.). Of three sons and a daughter, only David, a high-school sophomore, remains at home. Bill is a sophomore at Hobart College, Jeff is an electrical engineer at Xerox in Rochester and Sarah lives in New Canaan and works for *The New York Times*. . . . From Bethlehem, Pa., Betsy Harper Hopler wrote, 'I hesitate to answer because what I'm doing isn't really noteworthy—I just take what life dishes out and survive!' Widowed with all four children in college, she says, 'We're making it!' A freelance writer, Betsy also has a retail sales job. Daughter Amy attends Moravian College

in Bethlehem, Derek is at Muhlenberg College in Allentown. Douglas is at the University of Delaware and David went north to Unity College in Maine. That gets Betsy back to Maine. She has seen Sally Peabody Pendleton (her old roommate), who lives and teaches piano in Bangor. . . . Stephen Dellaquila lost his wife in June 1988. As president and CEO of his own construction firm, he keeps busy. His two daughters are in college. Susan is a graduate student at NYU, and Stephanie attends the University of Hartford. He remarried in September. . . . Sandy Nolet Eielson is a caterer and lives in Lunenburg, Mass. Her husband, John, a thoracic and general surgeon, has been disabled by an inoperable brain tumor.

"Arthur and Lee Holcomb Milliken spent three weeks last March traveling in China with son Peter (Williams '91), who spent a year in Beijing. 'It was an incredible experience absorbing the complexities of the country,' she wrote. 'Eager, happy children, insidious governmental oppression, the beauty of the landscapes, the Great Wall, the Summer Palace and the masses of people and bicycles.' . . . Professor Gordon Cummings, department of physical therapy at Georgia State University, does his share of traveling—and gets paid for it, giving workshops. In August he went to Brazil to start a research project on low back pain. He calls Atlanta home. . . . Diane Scrafton Ferreira and John exchanged homes with a Swedish couple this summer while she attended sessions on literacy at the World Congress on Reading in Stockholm. Diane is the student literacy tutor coordinator on the faculty of Leeward Community College, which is part of the University of Hawaii. John is chief of the Honolulu Fire De-

Classmates Fulfill Colby Dreams

"I like the directness of painting," says Jane Melanson Dahmen '63 of Concord, Mass. "The feelings evoked by a subject and the paint itself are as important to me as the actual subject of a painting, and the space, color, design and surface tension evolve as I work."

Dahmen has been painting and drawing all her life, and about 10 years after graduating from Colby with a B.A. in art history, she decided to make art her life's work. When she sold her first print in 1974, her children, Emily, now 20, and Joe, 16, were very young, and Dahmen says she preferred working around their schedules at home. "The children often painted along with me," she said.

Since that first sale, Dahmen's stature in the art world has steadily increased. In 1984 the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund published her serigraph, *Daffodils*, as a greeting card, and the organization's Boston branch later spon-



Boston City Hall, the Kennedy Library and the World Trade Center as well as at galleries in Massachusetts, Maine and Connecticut.

Perhaps the most prestigious locale to sport a Dahmen painting is the White House. Last summer, Nancy Bush Ellis of Lincoln, Mass.—who has encouraged Dahmen in her work through the years—bought one of Dahmen's paintings as a gift for her brother, President George Bush. The painting, *Teel Island III*, is an oil on paper depiction of a Maine coastal scene.

Dahmen says she took the painting to Kennebunkport to see if the president liked it, "but he was very busy with President Mitterand, so Nancy decided not to disturb him." Instead, Dahmen had it sent from Powers Gallery in Acton, Mass., directly to Washington. The president liked it so much that it now hangs in his private study.

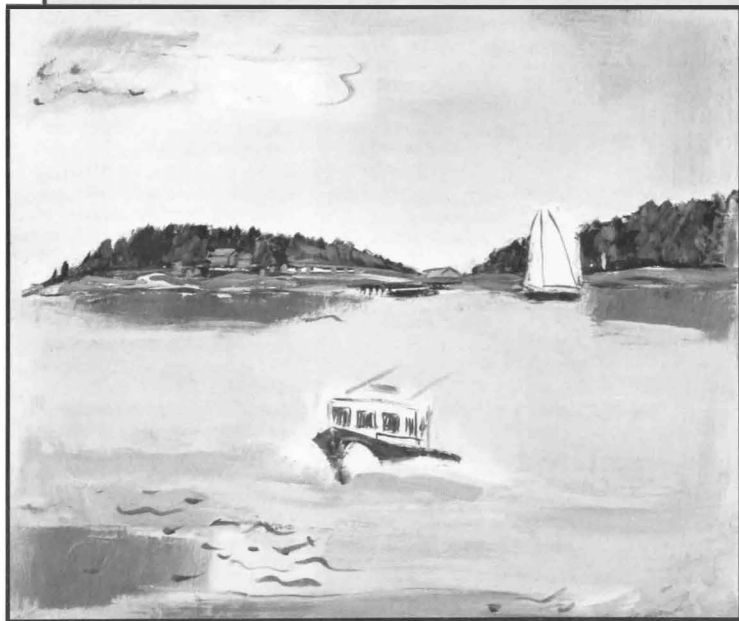
Megan Davis of the Greenhut Gallery in Portland, where Dahmen's work has been shown and sold for three years, describes her as "a magical kind of artist . . . so colorful, so full of life and so fun. All types of people respond to her work—women, men, young, old, hospitals and businesses. Her work is Matisse-like, yet gentle and soft at times. She is an emerging name in the Maine art world."

The ocean, sailing and "bright Maine days" are the inspiration for much of Dahmen's work, and she takes her sketch book with her when she and her husband, Joseph, who tests cruising gear that he designs, sail Down East in the summer. Another influence on her art is Damariscotta Pottery, designed by Rhonda Friedman, whose work in clay sometimes appears in Dahmen's paintings. The two friends recently had a joint showing of their painting and pottery at the Greenhut Gallery.

Reflecting on her life and painting, Dahmen said, "I began the process of learning to listen to my inner voice while at school, and much later I found out what was important for me to do with my life. I appreciate the four years that I had at Colby, the friendships that I formed there and my association with professors [James] Carpenter and [Abbott] Meader."

Dahmen says that in the future, she hopes to work more with pottery but adds, "I don't have any plans. I just know that when I wake up I want to go to my studio and create a good painting—through experimentation I learn."

—Lisa Twomey '91



Teel Island III

sored a one-person show of her work. Last year two of her paintings were bought and published as posters by Graphique de France—they are now being sold worldwide. Her work has been shown at

With Palettes and Photographs

Peter J. Ketchum '63 didn't set out to follow in his father's footsteps. And at first glance, it seems that this artist son of an Episcopal clergyman has indeed strayed from his roots. But in a way, the younger Ketchum also redeems lost souls—not from the pulpit, but with a palette.

To a cramped studio across the road from his Norfolk, Conn., farmhouse, Ketchum brings treasures reclaimed from yard sales and flea markets: old photographs, the fading portraits of the ordinary people who wove the fabric of an America gone by. On canvas, Ketchum aims to bring these people, long dead, back to life.

Ketchum sees each of his "painted pictures" as "collaborations with unknown photographers and subjects." First, he has a professional photographer enlarge the photograph to a workable size. Ketchum then adds to, deletes from or paints on the photograph, and the image is cut and glued to a bright painted background.

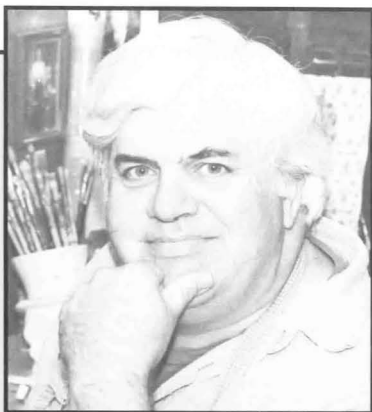
"The settings I paint represent, and at the same time mask, reality, such as a seashore where there was none nearby or the trappings of wealth for a backdrop that is betrayed by a cloth coat," he said. "But the true story is in the face. I give them backgrounds, and, though I play with the original picture a little, I never touch the face."

The pictures "are about a loss of innocence, nationally and individually," Ketchum notes in what he calls his "long-winded" publicity release. "I refer to the photographs as 'lost souls' because the pictures were just being thrown away, with no one to care enough about them to hold onto them. No one was left to lug around the visual evidence of a life lived, no one to say, 'This is a picture of your Great Aunt Nettie as a young girl.'"

The ties that once united us have slackened, Ketchum suggests, and he says that in their place we seek solace in material things. "I would like us to stop and consider where we are as a nation," Ketchum said. "Once our heart and soul came from a very small plot of land. What are our values now? We've become a very acquisitive nation."

Although he pursued a different career path for many years, Ketchum's own heart, it seems, has always been in painting. He majored in art at Colby, and after graduation he joined Harcourt Brace Jovanovich in New York, first in their book division, later as editor-in-chief of HBJ's film branch. He went on to establish his own film company, whose clients included *The New York Times*, Random House, Prentice-Hall and Disney.

His films addressed tough issues such as teen fatherhood, suicide, homosexuality and child abuse. A favorite project, a film series dealing with families in crisis, won praise from several family and mental health organizations, including an award from the National Mental Health Association.



"There is a power in film, and I felt I could expose some of the ills in the world and perhaps change them for the better," Ketchum recalls. But the strain of film work wore on him. For years an off-hours painter, Ketchum gave himself a year-long holiday to concentrate on art. Nine years later, the hiatus continues.

Ketchum's publishing credits include some 500 written works for educational use, and he is currently working on a project with a tautological twist: a children's book about children's books.

Painting remains Ketchum's first love. Recent work has freed him from an earlier devotion to detail, allowing him to dwell on each picture's overall effect. Painting, he maintains, "is a way to show visually what I feel."

—Devon Phillips



Three Generations on the Backsteps in Waterville, Maine. 1989

partment. They boast six grandchildren . . . David and Patricia Houghton Marr both own businesses. Dave has Marr Law Offices, and Pat started her own consulting business, Professional Tax Services. Dave's golf handicap has slipped to 14—he's too busy to play often enough. Or maybe he spends too much time driving his turbo Fiat Spyder convertible? Pat saw Christel Bachmann Krahulik in 1989 and reports she 'looks great and works in management for H&R Block in New Jersey.

"Bruce and Martha Raymond Scherpenisse live in Grand Rapids, Mich., where both are property managers. They have a daughter and three sons. Oldest son Peter and daughter Jennifer are both married and live in Grand Rapids. Jennifer made Martha a grandma for the first time this year with a baby boy. Second son is a junior in college while third son entered first grade this fall . . . Marna Hanson MacLean and Robert '60 live in Waccabuc, N.Y. Son Christopher got married in July . . . Bev Lapham left banking after 28 years and bought Village Canvas in Meredith, N.H. He makes boat and truck covers, awnings, etc. Bev says he has a new appreciation for what it means to own your own business—great to be in control and different levels of stress. Liz Rowe Lapham '63 is still in the basket business. Their son, Skip, and wife Joanne became new parents this summer . . . Joseph and Carol Rancourt Ahern live in Orlando, Fla., where she's a teacher's assistant in architectural design and computer-aided drafting at Mid-Florida Technical Institute . . . From Scarsdale, N.Y., Henry Wingate writes that he has retired from the Ardsley public school system after 21 years. Now an educational consultant, Hank

admits to becoming slower on the tennis courts. He and Margo have two sons. Peter is a sophomore at Colby, Robert a reporter with the *Philadelphia Inquirer*."

62 "The scads of responses that I received to the last questionnaire are all going to be published in this newsletter so that no one feels that their response was slighted," Linda Nicholson Goodman reports. "I must say that although our class has not broken any records in our financial giving (stable but modest), few of us are reticent about sharing our ongoing life changes and hard-earned lessons about happiness.

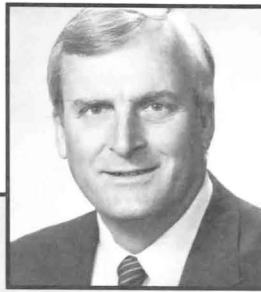
"Jean Young Lawrence has received a master's in computers from Northeastern University and become a technical writer of computer manuals after a career as a teacher of the deaf. Children are Cal, 23, and college students Lara, 21, and Ken, 19 . . . Rick Levesque is a manufacturer's rep in Ohio and is playing tennis, running daily and enjoying his and Nancy's wine cellar now that Kim is a senior at Hillsdale College and Mark a sophomore at Denison University . . . Pris Gwynn Maulsby describes herself as an 'equine sanitary engineer.' She and retired husband Dick spend time with their horses in Southbury, Conn. Pris highly recommends Ann Tracy's book about Higgins Classical Institute, *Higher Ground*. Ann's first novel, *Winter Hunger*, was published in October by Goose Lane Editions of New Brunswick, Canada . . . Anne Ticknor McNeece is in special education at the junior-high level in Acton, Mass. Husband Rob is a systems analyst, and their combined families are either in college or at various

stages in the job market field. I'll know more after we stop there on our way to Homecoming this year . . . Artie Pickman, president of CAP Industries in Hollywood, Fla., has stopped making tuition payments and started winnowing his golf handicap in preparation for the 'Senior Tau Delt tour.'

"After receiving her B.A. from Trinity in 1987 with Phi Beta Kappa honors, Ency Schick Richardson is continuing in the field of environmental studies. Full-time partner Neville is a British sailor with a penchant for sailing the Maine seacoast in their boat, *Cimbria* . . . Ida Mae Gore Raooof owns a Ben Franklin store in Chatham, Mass. She finished her B.S. in accounting in 1976 and worked for 10 years at Marine Midland Bank in Buffalo. After what she describes as a friendly divorce, she came to Cape Cod, where she can take it easy 'working 100 hours a week.' Son Ali, 26, is in banking in Boston while daughter Anisa, 23, is in psychological research and earring design . . . Linda Laughlin Seeley sent news of how our children become our ears and eyes on the world: son Chris reported how the October 17 earthquake felt from a Stanford tennis court and son Scott, studying as a Stanford student abroad, reported from atop the Berlin Wall on November 9 and 10 as it began to fall. I can certainly relate. Our son, Jim, a second-year law student at the University of San Francisco, called as the first of the tremors were subsiding and before we were even aware of the enormity of the quake striking as the World Series began. And my niece was in Hungary during the fall of the Wall and subsequent political events. We now have a small piece of concrete as a souvenir . . . Anne Cross Toole sent news of her remarriage to William Toole,

city planner for Centerville, Mass. Anne is a French and Spanish teacher and travels extensively, conducting tours to Mexico, Europe and Canada. Her daughters, Britt, 25, and Andrea, 17, have remained close friends of Elizabeth Weigle, daughter of Eleanor Hicks Weigle.

"Jimmy Johnson reports he is currently conducting polygraph exams on inmates in prisons throughout the New England states for attorneys who are preparing defense cases. Although all confessions are confidential, Jim says he hasn't heard anything like it since some of his Tau Delt fraternity brothers' blubberings following downtown excursions in the sixties . . . Gail Smith Gerrish and husband Allan have taken advantage of an enhanced pension offer from Bell Labs and plan to take a year and travel before making plans for their new free lifestyle. Gail intimated that Boulder, Colo., would probably be their new address . . . Another voice from the Colorado Rockies is that of Henderson Colley, longtime resident of Denver, where he is in marketing and sales. (What else? Skis!) Envious of this comment? 'I've taken my second trip on the Orient Express with the love of my life.' No names—Mr. Colley remains an unnumbered bachelor . . . Dirk Leiser reports that after graduation he returned to São Paulo, Brazil, where he worked for 20 years for Avon and Giannini. In 1985, unfavorable economic conditions convinced him to move to Durham, N.C., where he entered the travel industry. His children are Dirk, 23, and Jessica, 21, students at the University of São Paulo; Christina and Wilson, students in high school in Brazil, and Daniel, 7, a first grader in Durham. Dirk asked if I had any news about Bill Waldeyer, and guess whose ques-



Gordon W. St. John '60

tionnaire was immediately under his? Bill directs Asbury Park Middle School's guidance department near Manasquan, N.J., and owns, with his wife, Barbara, B&B Trophy and Award Engraving Company. Daughter Lisa is a graduate of Susquehanna University and son Robert is a junior at Wake Forest . . . Mary Balantyne Gentle, a long-time first grade teacher, wrote that after living through two sons and umpteen years of finger painting and temper tantrums at school and grateful that her marriage to Stephen is still intact, she is going to take a leave of absence and plan for a second career. Mary, you deserve it! Mary's and Stephen's son Rob is a 23-year-old sophomore in college after four years in the Marine Corps, while son Steve, 21, is a senior at Northeastern."

63 "I think we are all living such busy lives that we just don't take the time to sit down and write letters anymore," correspondent Jo-Ann Wincze French laments. "Dee Dee Wilson Perry thought the same thing and has started a round robin letter to pass among some of the 'old gang.' She included a Colby 8 tape to make us all nostalgic, and it will be interesting to see how long it takes the chain to circulate and what news comes out of it (some of it probably not printable). In northeast Ohio, we had an alumni gathering (along with some Bates alumni) and spent a very pleasant evening at the beautiful outdoor Blossom Music Center, the summer home of the Cleveland Symphony. I was the only representative from our class, but those representing classes close to ours were Mary 'Weezie' Lippschutz Silliman '64 and Bill

Headliners

Gordon W. St. John '60 was elevated to chief executive officer and treasurer of Bosquet and Company, a 36-employee Detroit property/casualty insurance agency. He still heads the life/health insurance firm that bears his name and coaches Central Catholic High's hockey team.

Jerome Goldberg '60, a Colby trustee, was elected to a three-year term on the board of the Portland Symphony Orchestra.

Pauline Ryder Kezer '63 was elected secretary of state by the voters of Connecticut. A Republican, she had been a Harvard Fellow last spring, lecturing on "Volunteerism in the Nineties: Reviving the Call to Public Service."

Charles W. Carey '63 was named vice chair and executive vice president of the Fleet Norstar Financial Group in Providence, R.I.

Robert Furek '64, president and chief executive officer at Heublein, Inc., and James Crawford '64, chair and chief executive officer of the James River Coal Company in Richmond, Va., are new Colby trustees.

Alex Lloyd '64, who chairs the management committee at Shipman & Goodwin, was featured in a fascinating *Hartford Courant* profile of the city's hot law firms.

Stanley Garnett '65 was elevated to chief financial officer by Allegheny Power Systems, Inc., a New York-based utility holding company.

Jeff Lathrop '68 was named president of the Mount Attitash Lift Corporation in Bartlett, N.H.

Rocco Landesman '69, the theater owner/producer, was profiled by *The New York Times* in a piece headlined, "How a High Roller Bets on Broadway."

Newsmakers

Marilynn Sandra Mayer Zimman '60 toured Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Austria with the Westchester Chorale Society and the Oratorio Society of New York—and encountered two other alumnae—Elizabeth "Ippy" Solie Howard '39 and Beth Gilroy '87 . . . The artistry of Norman Macartney '61, who runs Dalijen Landscaping and Design company in Katonah, N.Y., was the subject of a Sunday color feature in the *Yonkers Herald-Statesman* . . . Paul Pineo '63 is executive vice president and general manager of Home Leasing, real estate developers and managers in Rochester, N.Y. . . . Wayne Fillback '64 is the track coach at Stoneham (Mass.) High . . . Lynn Seidenstuecker Gall '66 of Augusta, Maine, was honored for her service to the Kennebec Valley Mental Health Center . . . Linda Hall Lord '66, librarian at Mount View High in Thorndike, was named co-winner of the Maine Educational Media Association's annual award . . . French horn player John Wheeler '66 has joined the Blue Hill (Maine) Brass Quintet . . . Frank Finizio '66 is chief financial officer for Leamar Industries in Marlboro, Mass. . . . Thomas Easton '66 lives in Belfast, Maine, writes science fiction (*Sparrowhawk* is his latest) and teaches biology at Waterville's Thomas College . . . Derek Schuster '67 was named vice president of corporate development by Alexander Wolf & Sons, general contractors, in New York . . . Judith Gerrie Heine '67 was honored as Canton (Mass.) teacher of the year and Norfolk County educator of the year . . . Alan McWhirter '69 is president of the Connecticut Junior Soccer Association . . . Nancy Jean Money '69 was promoted to president of Tygate Motel Corp. in Burlington, Vt.

Mileposts

Births: A daughter, Karin Leigh, to Clifford and Bonnie Zimmermann Henrickson '66 . . . A daughter, Magdelaine "Mimi" Harris to Ann and Robert Anthony '69.

Marriages: Stephen Dellaquila '61 to Donna Marie Lord in Saybrook, Conn. . . . Anthony Patrick Carnevale '68 to Ellen Segalla in Rockford, Ill. . . . Dorothy Weathers '64 to Bruce M. Maston in Garden City, N.Y.

Deaths: W. Pierce Burgess '60 in Franklin, N.H., at 54 . . . Ovila J. LaPlante '62 in Waterville, Maine, at 73.

Wooldredge '61. Next year will be a busy one for me as my youngest child will graduate from high school, my older daughter will be getting married and I will be making the move to a condo. So, unless you want to be bored with my own family stuff, please send me your news!"

64 "Since the 1990 Class Opinionnaire was mailed, a whole new play has begun on the world stage and many more timely questions could now be asked," Sara Shaw Rhoades notes. "However, the 31 replies I've received to date have brightened my world this summer and fall. Two classmates are of special interest because they haven't been heard from in years. One is **Gardner Gray**, who writes from New Hampshire that he hasn't been back to Colby since a Colby 8 reunion long ago. His career was established early when he chose military service as a duty and flying as an option and has continued with commercial aviation. He also writes thoughtfully about the woes of the American way of life: 'Individual rights . . . are being cast aside and diluted by the system's definition of morality and public good. . . Presidents should be impeached if, for example, they lie. Polluters should pay for their pollution. We should seek alternative energy. Our cars should all get at least 40 mpg. The IRS should be a service, not a Gestapo. We should have a balanced budget. . . But alas, too many want too much for nothing.' Gardner and others express the opinion that the press needs to be intrusive politically but not personally . . . **Suzy Noyes Mague** says the press should limit its coverage 'to those aspects of life that affect

Matchmaker, Matchmaker

So, do you have Colby Wedgewood plates, cups or saucers that you can no longer use or have no room to store? Or do you need some pieces to complete your own set?

We have received requests from several alumni for additional pieces of the Wedgewood plates, cups and saucers with Colby buildings on them. Though we aren't able at this time to commission a reprint of the dishes, the Alumni Office would be happy to provide a match-making service for alumni with Wedgewood to buy or sell.

Write us if Colby plates are on your mind.
We'll see if we can find a perfect match.

the performance of public duties—currently a lot of people won't take the risk of participation in public life.' **Betsy Crockett Smith** says 'yes, it's necessary on government issues, but they could back off personal tragedies and give people more respect and privacy.' The opinions are sharply divided on this one. Nine people say flatly, 'yes, intrusion of the press is the price of liberty,' and five say outright, 'No! It's not necessary!' Some decry the sensationalism and tabloid mentality, which is so prevalent.

"The other long-lost classmate is **Skip Thayer**, head trainer for the Pittsburgh Penguins. Working for good ole Carl Nelson got him started. He transferred to UMaine and earned his M.S. at Indiana University. He taught for two years at Nichols College in Dudley, Mass., then went to the Chicago Black Hawks for 18 years, spent a year in Hart-

ford at a physical therapy clinic and then moved to the Penguins two years ago. He is twice divorced, has six sons and two granddaughters and has recently married for a third time. No grass growing under your feet, Skip! . . . Notice that **Betsy Crockett** has a new last name? She married David Fielding Smith, a writer and private school admissions officer, on July 28. Best wishes! . . . **Dottie Thompson** writes that she is too pooped to have any opinions, having just moved back to New England to a tiny, beautiful town in Vermont . . . **Jean Brennon Call** and **Gail Koch Cooper** both said they listen to NPR a lot and did that count as talk radio? No, I meant those call-in-and-blow-off-steam shows. As it turns out, they are more popular than I expected. Twelve of the 31 said they listen. But NPR's **Click** and **Click** lost out in this group. Only five (six counting me) tune in to this automotive circus of advice

and comedy. . . . It is reassuring to find that at least 23 of the respondents would still choose Colby and thus would have made our acquaintance. **Jim Simon** says he would party more! Much more to come from your questionnaires. It's not too late to send them back."

65 "Thanks to **Candy Wilson Haynes**'s husband, **John '64**, our glorious 25th reunion lives on in a two-hour color and sound VHS videotape," correspondent **Dick Bankart** reports. "The tape features the class parade, the class photo gathering on the Miller Library steps and the entire evening program at Camp Caribou! **Tom Hill**'s 'first date' sketch alone is worth a replay! Lots of good close-ups of our 87 returning classmates including class guests—the Joseph family, **Dean Nickerson**, **Bill Bryan '48** and **Professor Benbow**. You may order a copy for \$12 from **Pamela Plumb Carey**, 6 Lantern Lane, Cumberland, RI 02864.

"The reunion committee had such a good time in June, they had a mini-reunion in September. Gathering at **Sunny Coady**'s were **Rick** and **Nancy Winslow Harwood**, **Jan Buffington Browning** and **Bruce, Marcia Harding Anderson**, **Margo Beach Long** and **Dick, Chris Brown, Ginger Goddard Barnes** and **Howie, Nick Locsin** and **Sue** and our newly elected class president, **Rick Davis**, and **Gail** . . . **Sunny** put together an international sausagefest buffet that the gang munched while reviewing each other's reunion photos and the reunion videotape. Photos of this group in **Sunny's** hot tub have yet to reach this correspondent.

"Marcia Harding Anderson and Sunny Coady report visiting with Rhoda Goldstein Freeman and Leah Aranovitch in Portland. Rhoda and husband Bob own and operate Mail Boxes, Etc., a postal business and communications franchise in Brunswick, Maine. Rhoda, in addition to her activities as a real estate broker in the Saco, Maine, area is a professional personal trainer specializing in body building. Lee is an active competitor in women's body building competitions... Your correspondent recently returned from an 18-day, 2,700-mile self-drive tour of Scotland to find a new deadline for this

column. Improvements in Colby office procedures have reduced the class notes column lead time from six months to two. I welcome your news, by letter, phone or visit."

66 "Twenty-five years ago now we were realizing that senior year was 'serious business' as we studied for comps and began to make plans for Life After Colby," correspondent Margaret Fallon Wheeler remembers. "Some of us are once again burning the midnight oil for Colby as we make

time in our busy lives to plan for what promises to be a really special 25th reunion on Mayflower Hill June 6-9, 1991. Hats off to class officers Rick Zimmerman, Kay McGee Wilson and Stu Wantman for rallying the troops and spurring all the planning committee members onward. Final arrangements are taking shape, and phones are ringing. The call is out to all '66ers to participate in the survey, the class book, the class gift and especially in the Reunion Weekend itself.

"Two classmates who are working hard on the reunion plans are Stan and Martha Walker Marchut of Glastonbury,

Conn. Stan handles ocean marine claims and environmental litigation for General Reinsurance. Marty is personal consultant with J.R. Vaughan & Associates (Jim Vaughan, Colby '67)... Ron Nock enjoys biking, skiing, home carpentry and HO trains when he's not globe-trotting on his job as vice president of Bank of New York. Ron, his wife and their three daughters live in Summit, N.J.... And what's new in Merchantville, N.J.? Karin Leigh, born to Cliff and Bonnie Zimmerman Henricksen on May 31, 1990. The Henricksens now have four daughters and five sons. Says Bonnie, 'We are indeed blessed.'

"Robert Sears, do you have your ticket home from Manila for reunion yet? Bob is president of Merrill Lynch Philippines Inc.... In addition to her work as operations accounting manager at Branson Ultrasonics Corporation, Diane Leach Wilbur has embarked on an ambitious Executive M.B.A. program at the University of New Haven. Diane lives in Ridgefield, Conn. Her son Christopher is a freshman at the University of Rhode Island... Nice to see Gerri Davies DeGeorge at the September reunion meeting in Cambridge. Gerri works in real estate and lives in Winchester, Mass.... Toni Russell Merrick is a school volunteer in her hometown of Freeport, Maine, and is also a trustee at North Yarmouth Academy... Other '66ers involved with education are Sue Turner of Charleston, S.C., who teaches Spanish as well as English as a second language; Jan Jolicoeur Cote, a kindergarten teacher from Cherry Hill, N.J.; Susan Rumsey Strong, a dean of the New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University; and John Perkins, teacher and coach at the Kent School in Kent,



Class of '66 Reunion Meeting, September 1990—Row 1: Natalie Bowerman Zaremba, Virginia Grelotti Connolly, Katherine McGee Wilson, Stanley Marchut, Francis Finizio, Lynn Seidenstuecker Gall; Row 2: Gretchen Wollam O'Connor, Jan Atherton Hoffman, Linda Mitchell Potter, Elinor Caito Thompson, Martha Walker Marchut, Geraldine Davies De George; Row 3: Deborah Anglim Higgins, Barbara Ackerson McClure, Stuart Wantman, Terry Saunders Lane; Row 4: Linda Buchheim Wagner, Barbara Wise Lynch, Margaret Fallon Wheeler; and Row 5: Carol Lordi.

Conn. . . **Barbara Wise Lynch** will be making frequent trips to Mayflower Hill now that her daughter, Christy, is a member of the Class of 1990 at Colby. Barbie is working hard on our 25th reunion . . . As you ring in the New Year, remember to make your Number One Resolution a trip to Waterville in June."

68 "Dr. Debbie Nutter Miner was a guest on WBZ radio in Boston last winter, speaking on the radio station's 'First Day' program on events in Eastern Europe and changes in the Soviet Union," correspondent Barbara Bixby reports. "Dr. Miner is chair of the government department at Simmons College and an associate with Harvard University International Affairs Department . . . **Frank Dunton** and Patricia Swanson were married recently and have settled in Frank's own Rockport, Mass. . . . The Reverend **Ken Brookes** continues all his fine work as pastor of the Congregational Church of Christ, Newington, Conn. Many of us are aware that Ken is a third generation pastor . . . I neglected to mention previously, but will now do so, that Judge **John Leopold**, who last year married summertime pal from days of yore, Terry Mood, had as his best man our classmate **Pete Rouse**.

"**Sandra High Walters** enjoys an academic life with her family at Wayne State University in Michigan, where her husband, Kenneth, is chair of the Greek and Latin department . . . **George Rideout's** evangelical work continues. His wife and four children share his enthusiasm for spreading the Gospel.

"Meanwhile, worthy of

plaudit is attorney **Peter Roy**, who, when not engaged in disentangling legal knots within the confines of his esteemed law offices in Ellsworth, the Gateway to Acadia, has been spotted maneuvering his noble and sturdy yacht, *Dixie Chicken*, through the straits and shoals of Frenchman's Bay. Ray, not to be mistaken for one of the morally dubious yet always loyal northern redneck

good old boys with whom he sometimes rides the wild turf (when anchored in port), has by all reports managed to maintain that practiced wit and well-honed nonchalance for which he was known in his erstwhile administrative career as president of the now-dormant Alpha Tau Omega brotherhood of gentleman scholars and otherwise righteous dudes. May we all be as immune to the

slings and arrows of outrageous age, and our demeanors as sunny."

69 Anna Thompson Bragg says she seems to do her best classmate-tracking by phone, "and I really hit the jackpot when I called **Sharon Timberlake**, who is living in Portland. Sharon is the deputy director of the Job Service in Maine and has a penchant for traveling. She found herself in Argentina, England and Puerto Rico just last year. Plans for this year? She said not really, but then amended it to say that she was thinking of visiting Nicaragua . . . Sharon was able to report on three other classmates . . . **Connie Tingle Grabowy** lives in Concord, Mass., and has been very active in sports since she left Colby. Her favorites are basketball, soccer and golf . . . **Diane Kindler** also lives in Portland and has a 3-year-old son. Needless to say, she is busy . . . **Alden Wilson** is living in North Edgcomb, Maine. He is executive director of the Arts and Humanities Commission and has been actively involved in the anti-censorship movement to prevent censorship in art . . . Another 'Maine-iac' is **Warren Turner**, a lawyer specializing in real estate. Warren is surrounded by females—his wife and three daughters (13, 8 and 5). He has just completed several years in political activities and is now finding more time for his family. They especially enjoy hiking and outdoor activities. Warren scuba dives off the coast of Maine . . . Warren sees **Tom McBrierty**, with whom he serves on the board of United Way. Tom is vice president of New England Telephone in charge of Maine and lives in Cape Elizabeth."

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THE SEVENTIES

70 "Our 20th reunion has come and gone," correspondent Robin Armitage Cote reports. "We had approximately 75 class members along with their spouses, friends and unnumbered children enjoy the campus on a slightly damp Maine weekend. We were housed in Mary Low and Foss, where the rooms seem to have gotten smaller and the halls much noisier than I remember from living in Foss freshman year. How do the kids get all of their stuff in those rooms?"

"Some of the highlights of the weekend included the traditional first night back get together, which was held in the Student Center rather than the alumni house, the parade of classes from the Student Center to the fieldhouse for class pictures, a sit-in led by Sari Abul-Jubein '69, the lobster/BBQ lunch and, of course, our class dinner in Roberts Union."

"Speaking of Sari, *The Boston Globe* reports news of Sari's Casablanca bar (which was forced to close last spring due to urban renewal) as 'almost certain to reopen at the new Brattle Theater in Harvard Square.' Along with this news, the article toasts Sari and his establishment and notes that the revival of the Casablanca will be most welcome in Harvard Square. Good luck Sari. . . . We also have news from Chris Crandall explaining why she missed the reunion, 'too far and too pregnant.' Chris married Christopher Hams in 1988 and moved to Redmond, Wash., in 1989 after living in Boston for nine years. Her first baby, Samuel, was born in October. She says, 'Hey, I'm 41, why put it off any longer?' Current plans include six months off from her job as a technical writer for Microsoft and trying to get enough sleep. Chris notes that she is still involved

with issues of feminism and gay rights but that activism will have to wait until little Sam gets bigger. . . . As you read this, the holiday season is upon us. How about one more card or a copy of your holiday newsletter to update your classmates on the latest in your life? Hope to hear from all of you. Till then. . . ."

71 "Does this sound familiar?" asks class correspondent Linda Chester. "I have grown older, slightly fatter, a tad wiser and take extreme delight in my family.' Then plan to join us at our 20th reunion this June!"

"Besides providing this whimsical reminder about the passage of time, James Markos also writes that he is an attorney in Ellsworth, Maine, and his family includes his wife, Elizabeth, and children, Melina and Jake. . . . **Mary 'Kel' Kennedy Steffins** has been putting her computer programming expertise to use in Rutherford, N.J., where she works with husband Bob in the family manufacturing business. Their work has taken them all over the world, and Kel takes special pride in the role she played in bringing their 102-year-old company into the Computer Age. . . . **Alan Moss** has been experiencing 'double trouble' in Guilford, Conn., where he is a market planning manager for Saab-Scandia of America. Alan and his wife, Eileen, have had the pleasure of son Aaron getting a driver's license at the same time that daughter Alyssa hit the terrible two. . . . **Patricia Skillings** and **Ronald Sills '73** are living in East Wilton, Maine, with sons Dennis and Dana. Ron is the principal of Mt. Blue Junior High School in Farmington, and Patricia is a speech and hearing specialist for the Wilton elementary schools. . . . **Andrea Marie**

Solomon is working in the New York City school system as an English (Special Education) high-school teacher and resides in Jackson Heights, N.Y. . . . And just to whet reunion appetites, **Linda Wallace** wrote in with a few Colby memories: 'the smell of wet fall leaves, steak on Saturday lunch, math with Dr. Small, all-night bridge games, one inch of beer on the fraternity floor at a 'frat party,' standing room only for 'George of the Jungle' on Saturday morning at Zeta Psi.' When she's not providing great nostalgic material, Linda is working at a new job. She's switched from international support to market and product planning her FileNet and is enjoying life in Fountain Valley, Calif., without jet lag. She also reports meeting **Larrie Trippet** after 18 years.

"**Steve Mansfield** has taken on the 'never-ending' task of renovating a 200-year-old Cape in Warren, Maine, with his wife, Deborah '70, and daughters Jennifer and Kate (both state-level gymnasts). Steve is also kept busy by his position as vice president for planning and marketing for Northeast Health, and Deborah is a teacher. . . . **King William Lambert** reports a career change. He has left the ministry to become an applications engineer in Oxnard, Calif., where he has settled with his wife, Adele, and children David, Rhoda and Miriam. . . . **Grace Cappannari Elliott** of Branford, Conn., sent in a clipping from the *Hartford Courant* of a feature article on **Richard 'Ken' Kenworthy's** cooking tips on barbequeing/smoking. Ken and his wife, Beth, who celebrated the birth of their son Albert this summer in Glastonbury, Conn., are planning to open a restaurant in Hartford featuring barbeque cuisine. . . . And **Alexandra 'Alex' Merton**

was seen reminiscing with the cast of Colby alumni and alumnae thousands at the Nancy Neckes-Bruce Dumart '72 nuptials this summer in Dedham, Mass. Alex recently received her M.A. in the management of human services from the Heller School at Brandeis University."

72 "Happy Holidays to you all" from Janet Holm Gerlver, who notes that this column includes final responses to her Fall '89 questionnaire and joins other correspondents in welcoming the new *Colby* procedures designed to reduce "lag time" by about two-thirds. "Now," she adds, "it looks like news can be a few months—not years—old!"

"**Larry Linnell** is a physician in Dover-Foxcroft, Maine. In addition to a family practice which includes obstetrics, he is a chair of the surgical committee of the Mayo Regional Hospital. And, inspired by a trip to Brazil a year ago, he is chair of a committee for Maine/Brazil health exchanges. He spends his leisure time camping, boating and fishing for landlocked salmon in Maine. Small town life is pretty good after all. . . . **Cathie Joslin** writes from Clarion, Pa., that she's enjoying a slower pace, with husband Tim Roschke, during her Fall '90 sabbatical at Clarion University. Typically she teaches art, exhibits her own textile work and serves on endless committees. . . . **Sibyl Sanford** is also a professional artist now after years of teaching Indian children. Her artwork has always been important to her, but now she's making it her livelihood. She and her son Philip continue to live in Bellingham, Wash. . . . **Russell Cleary** is managing money for the firm of Kanon, Bloch, Carre in Boston. In addition to some

thoughtful reflections on today's world, he shared a treasured quote: 'Success is never permanent; failure is not fatal; but courage is what counts.' Take heed all of us.

"Jim Colburn relocated to Fort Collins, Colo., from Denver about a year ago to pursue a new job. A couple of recent 'treasures' he's proud of are completion of a 12,485-foot mountain climb and purchase of his first home. Jim writes about home ownership. 'What a joy! It's fun.' . . . And April Nelson McKay says of her recent Venice, Calif., house purchase, 'I am learning a lot more than I ever wanted to know about plumbing, landscaping and electricity.' She bought a 'cute Spanish-style house' near the beach that was built in the 1920s. 'I love L.A.—in spite of its earthquakes and smog,' she says. 'The climate is wonderful, and the people are friendly and fair. The arts are really exciting here— theater, music, movies, art—it's great. I only miss those nippy, clear fall days that you get in Maine.'

"My big news to you all is that our class officers met to begin plans for our next reunion—June of '92. Make a note now. We're gearing up for a huge turnout and a whole lot of fun. We need your input. You'll be hearing from us, but write to me anytime with your ideas."

73 Correspondent Anne Huff Jordan says she learned recently that Joe Small died last January, and she offers belated sympathy to his family and friends on behalf of the class . . . She offers these postscripts to the follow-up from the last column: "Linda Kagels Johnson's address is—123 Gleckler Road, Portland, ME 04103. Ann Rubenstein Wood was married to John Wood, Jr., last year in Wilton, N.H. They



On the Fast Track

When April J. Nelson McKay '72 graduated from Colby as an art major 18 years ago, she probably couldn't have told you where to find a corporate ladder, much less how to climb one. Now, recently named vice president of corporate planning and development for a \$3.5 billion international conglomerate, she's perched solidly on the top rungs of a pretty tall one.

McKay's educational and career paths to the top of Greyhound Dial Corporation in Phoenix, Ariz., have been neither straight nor narrow. Her primary interest when she graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Colby was sculpture. "Now," she said, "the only sculptures I have time to work on are in my mind."

After college she moved to Hawaii, where she worked in a real estate office and for a state senator. Concerned about keeping track of what seemed like huge amounts of money, she went to the library for a book on accounting. That led to courses, which led to an M.B.A. from Stanford and a career in business consulting and planning in Boston and California.

McKay now lives in Phoenix (though she still maintains a beach house in Venice, Calif.), and her energy and drive are most apparent when the conversation turns to leveraged buyouts, debt restructuring, mergers and acquisitions and corporate portfolios. It's enough to make a non-M.B.A.'s head spin.

At Greyhound Dial ("Dial" for the soap, "Greyhound" a holdover from the bus lines the firm sold two years ago), McKay is in charge of corporate strategy, which she describes as deciding how to "grow" companies and which ones to grow. She also plans the conglomerate's long-term portfolio management through mergers, acquisitions and divestment of subsidiary companies.

She said her job could be described as a consultancy for Greyhound Dial's 20 subsidiaries. She works with 20 different presidents and a wide array of products, services and markets all over the world. "If variety is the spice of life, my taste buds will be challenged," she said.

McKay sees her new job as an exercise in problem-solving. "Business can actually be fun," she said. "It's a kick."

—Steve Collins '74

are presently living in Manchester, N.H., although Ann works for Digital Equipment in Massachusetts. Ann is hoping to come to the 20th reunion in 1993 to see everyone she missed at the 15th . . . Now for the new stuff:

Andy Koss is now in Alexandria, Va., working as a foreign service officer for the U.S. Information Agency. He's married and has two children, Cait, 9, and Laxie, 5-1/2. Andy served as press attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing during the Tiananmen Square massacre of June 1989. Although Andy likes the city of Washington, he feels the suburbs are congested and the cost of living is high . . . **Jonathan Fink**, a professor of geology at Arizona State University, is married to Nina DeLange. He spent seven months on sabbatical leave in Canberra, Australia, where he enjoyed commuting by bicycle past kangaroos, lakes covered by black swans and eucalyptus forests with cockatoos and kookaburras. Jon also lived in Israel for an extended period of time. His list of successes includes marathons, active participation in wildlife conservation programs, travel, marriage and a lecture at Colby. Jon and Nina collect African finches. Jon's definition of success is 'supportive and upbeat family life, stimulating job with a lot of autonomy and financial security.

. . . **Peter Gerken** adds, 'being satisfied with what you've got,' and **Susie Yovic Hoeller** stretches that to mean a person 'who contributes to the community, family and business and whose focus is the needs of others.' Peter, still a teacher in western Germany, gives remedial help to disadvantaged youth. He's also still writing short stories. He's collecting 'moments in time' and getting rid of 'illusions.' He wonders if anyone at Colby has suggestions on action to save America from

moral disintegration.

Margaret McPartland Bean is married and has two children, Christopher, 9, and Julia, 6. She is the director of special projects in the Aroostook County Action Program, a fairly new, still part-time job for her. The variety of projects within the program gives her stimulation and satisfaction. Like so many of us, she juggles part-time work with team sports, swim lessons, ballet and other youth-related activities. She has no complaints, though. I could even visualize her great smile through all of the hecticness . . . **Susan Rennau** is a married labor and delivery R.N. with 3-year-old twins, Mercedes and Hillary. She appreciates Colby for sparking her initial interest in women's health care and the ability to think, learn and write. Like so many others, Susan remembers Colby with fondness for the good friends she made there. Other memories from your classmates include: snow, cold, the beautiful fall, the good education, playing frisbee, music, jocks v. freaks, dope and beer (ugh!), 'gimme a break!', moratorium, 'right on!', freedom, outdoor life, damp, cloudy, autumn days, small classes, hitchhiking on I-95, working at WMHB and the academic striving. Mostly a positive list, right? . . . **Judy McDivitt** is a research assistant professor at the University of Pennsylvania. She works on a project evaluating health communication programs in developing countries. Like a number of other classmates, Judy chooses folk dancing, specifically Polish and Hungarian, as an artistic and physical outlet. She also loves to cook. She went to Indonesia last February and to Jordan last June, both trips work-related.

"Some of us from the classes of '72 and '73 got together for a dinner party in September at Larry '72 and Jan Perethian Bigelow's

home. John and Janet Shreve Martland '72, Bob Juliano '72 and Dan and I were the lucky guests. This gathering seems to be taking on an annual nature, with more added each time . . . **George Welmann** was recently married to Deborah Jayne Kroll. He is presently director of marketing in marine shipping for U.S. West. George and Deborah now live in Ryebrook, N.Y. . . . Enjoy the winter season and take time to read, exercise, relax and listen to each other. I love to hear from all of you—and so do your classmates. Just to pull a few names out of a hat, how about a few lines from **Keith Aronson**, **Glen Armbruster**, **Dr. Jean Beckman**, **Brian Cone**, **Rick England**, **Peter Garrity**, **Janet Gillies Foley** and **Anne Garner**? Thanks for your efforts to keep in touch with your classmates."

75 "Being new on the job," correspondent Susan Gearhart Wuest writes, "there wasn't much time for gathering news, but I did receive a few responses to some of the postcards that I mailed out. My next step is (yes!) a survey, which will be sent to a section of the class at a time. So watch your mailbox and please respond. BUT you don't have to wait for a survey. Just write.

Flo Gutowski Harlor, husband Dave and their three children (Steven, 5, Carol, 2, Tom, 7 months) are enjoying life in their (at last!) renovated/renodeled 80-year-old home in Denver, Colo. Flo is working for Digital Equipment Corp. as a sales account manager in a New Business Development Group . . . **Sarah Ellis**, Brimfield, Mass., completed her M.S. two years ago and has been working in a small community hospital as a dietician and head of the clinical diabetics

department. Her job is 'quite a challenge.' She's responsible for all inpatient assessment, outpatient counseling, community programs and speaking, managing the clinical quality assurance program, as well as trying to raise revenue for the hospital . . . **Barb Miller Deutschle** and family have adjusted well to the slower pace of life along with a new climate in Sarasota, Fla., having moved there a year ago. They are very involved in their church and were eagerly anticipating becoming foster parents this fall.

"I had a great phone conversation with **Sandra McGowan** recently . . . another Rochester, N.Y. area resident like myself. Sandy is a homeowner—the family homestead, her great-grandfather's home built in 1890, is in the town of Penfield. When not working for Gannett Newspapers as a classified accounting rep in the advertising department, Sandy can be found working around horses. At one time she owned her own thoroughbred mare but is presently leasing a horse. Sandy does mostly hunter jumping and occasionally competes in a local show . . . As for this writer, my life seems to revolve around my kids (Karen, 10, and Eric, 8). I am doing some figure skating these days along with volunteering in the school libraries. Now get busy and write."

76 "This news is so old," Pamela M. Came admits, "that I've had to increase the ages of people's children by almost a year. Please help me out by completing the new questionnaire when you receive it.

"My only recent news is from **Kate Cone Theberge**, who writes from Harpswell, Maine. She and her husband, Bob '74, just had a little girl, Megan . . . **Andrew**

Gleeman reported from Westport, Conn., where he works as a marketing manager at Pepperidge Farm . . . **Joy Sawyer Mulligan** is director of admissions and financial aid for a small boarding school in California. She and husband Michael have a daughter, Annie Sawyer, who was born last January . . . **Susan Hoitt Stone** is a clinical director at a Mental Health Community Center in North L.A. County. She provides graduate training programs for students from area universities. Susan also helps low-income families receive needed health services. She and husband Norm have two children . . . **Roy Meyers** is a political scientist and budget analyst for the U.S. Congressional Budget Office. He and wife Harnet have a 4-year-old and twins who are almost 2 . . . **Jeanne O'Brien McCarthy** is a foreign language teacher and mother of two. She finds both jobs thrilling and satisfying. Jeanne, husband Tom and family live in Scarborough, Maine . . . **Mary Tuttle Lemonick** and husband Dave are back in New York after spending two years in Vermont. Dave is a heart surgeon. Mary left her job as associate publicity director at Simon and Schuster to raise their two children Sam and Sally, which she says is 'much more demanding.' . . . **Robin Sherwood Zolkowski** and husband Andrew live with their two daughters, Sonja and Emily, in Norwalk, Conn. Robin has started her own financial planning/consulting business. **David Arseneault** is men's basketball coach at Grinnell College in Iowa. He and his wife, Ellie, have two children, David, 4, and Jennifer, 2 . . . **Dan Dittman** is an advertising executive with Brems Eastman Glade, which was created a year ago by a merger that included the firm that employed his talents, Glade Advertising.

Dan and his wife, Marsha, are living in Seattle. He writes that he misses hearing from his good friends **Walter Gorman** and **Bill Campbell**. He's not the only one, I'm sure. How about it, men?"

78 "So sorry it has been so long since you last heard from me," correspondent James Scott

writes, "but I've heard from almost no one. Pleas send mesome news.

"From Quito, Ecuador, **Abigail Rome** writes that she is working with the Peace Corps gathering information on biodiversity for conservation purposes. She says Ecuador is a beautiful and varied country and 'If anyone wants to visit, I'd love to act as host and tour guide.' Call the Alumni Office if you're

headed south . . . **Sally Pearce** recently published her third book, titled *A Guide to Historic Aspen and the Roaring Fork Valley*. Sally works for the Colorado Department of Highways, where she stops them from paving historic sites. She also, as president of an historic preservation group, helped pass one of the few state income tax credit acts for rehabilitation of historic buildings in the country. Good job."

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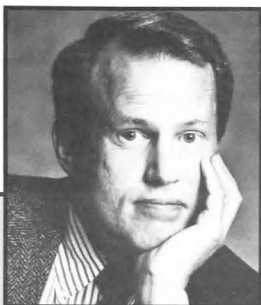
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79 "There's not a lot of news to report," says correspondent Emily Grout Sprague, "but what there is, is good. Some of the good news arrived in the form of a letter from **David Ashcraft**, who was happy to tell us that after 33 years of the single life, he married Teri Halpin on June 17, 1990. They were married in the oldest church in Chicago, with **Dave Allen** and **Bruce Schine** '78 in attendance. No shows **Steve Singer** and **John Smedley** had good excuses: Steve was a member of his father's wedding party, and John was busy becoming a father himself. John, if you're reading this, you should realize that we still don't know the vital stats on the new arrival—please drop me a line or two so that I can share the news. As for David and Teri, they are living in Chicago, where Dave's still managing the National Account Department for Hartford Specialty and Teri is a social worker who's helping hearing-impaired children. When they are not working or traveling to various vacation spots around the U.S., David plays vibes in a seven-piece jazz band that makes its rounds in the local clubs.

"In the baby file: our class president, **Betsy Bucklin Gray**, her husband, Peter, and their daughter, Emily, welcomed baby **Margaret Paton**, otherwise known



Gregory White Smith '73

Headliners

Paul Speiss '71 was elected chair of the board and CEO at Colonial Mortgage, Inc. in Amherst, Mass.

Deborah Shallcross '71 was named district judge in Oklahoma by Gov. Henry Bellmon.

Howard I. Mosher '71, president and CEO of Rolls-Royce Motor Cars, Inc., was elected president of the British Automobile Manufacturers Association.

Gregory White Smith '73 was nominated for the National Book Award for *Jackson Pollock: An American Saga*.

Elizabeth Krupnick '73 was named vice president by Aetna Life & Casualty.

Michael Cantara '75 was elected York County (Maine) District Attorney.

Edson Mitchell '75, senior managing director for Merrill Lynch in New York City, was elected a trustee of the College.

Dr. Leslie Morgan '76, his wife, Dr. Cindy Morgan, and their three children have begun a three-year tour as public health consultants in Bangladesh.

Newsmakers

Charles H. Ritch '71 was promoted to division executive by the Bank of Boston . . . Anthony Maramarco '71 was promoted to second vice president/senior officer at Massachusetts Mutual Life . . . John Zacamy '71, managing director for corporate restructuring for Morgan Stanley, is a new Colby overseer . . . Richard Abramson '71 is executive director of the Kennebec Valley YMCA . . . The Rev. Richard Fournier '72 has become the 22nd pastor in the 354 years of the First Church of Christ in Springfield, Mass. . . Gary Petzold '72 left the classroom at Minnechaug High in Wilbraham, Mass., to become an assistant administrator . . . Ruth-Marie Griswold Fincher '72 was promoted to associate professor of medicine and granted tenure at the Medical College of Georgia . . . Alice Hanson Freeman '73 has returned to the Pennington School in New Jersey to teach biology . . . Kenneth Melvin '74 is a member of the Virginia House of Delegates . . . Flutist Peter Schultz '74 returned to his alma mater to perform in a midday concert . . . Thomas Huebner '75 was named vice president at Comprehensive Health Resources, Inc., with responsibility for the firm's subsidiary in Rutland, Vt., where he, Jean Crowley Heubner '75 and family now reside . . . Sculptor Chris Duncan '75 had an exhibit in Troy, N.Y. . . Steve Tait '75 is vice president for strategic planning at Thomas Cook, Inc. . . Bruce Robinson '75 was designated Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter by the American Institute for Property and Liability Underwriters . . . Laura Hyer '76 was elected to the board of the Greater Boston Diabetes Society . . . Kenneth Johnson '76 is a merchandising director for Hannaford Bros. . . Sue Taurer-Año '76 was honored by the Association of International Schools in Africa for her work in the Ivory Coast . . . Dr. Ronald Paret '77 was named a fellow of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons . . . Thomas L. Jacobs & Associates has promoted J. Philip Bruen '77 to national director of new business development . . . Lawrence Blanchard '77 was elevated to assistant vice president by the State Mutual Life Assurance Company of America . . . Karen Couture Baker '78 has joined the faculty of Notre Dame College in Manchester, N.H. . . Glenn Connell '79, who owns his own firm in Wilton, N.H., is teaching math at Daniel Webster College . . . David W. Allen '79 joined The New England, a financial services firm, as vice president for product development . . . Attorney Robert Lizza '79 has become a partner at Sherburne, Powers and Needham.

Mileposts

Births: A son, Thomas Andrew, to Susan and Gary Petzold '72 . . . A son, John Turnure Higgins, to Robert and Terri Ashburn-Higgins '73 . . . A daughter, Megan Maria, to Robert '74 and Kathleen Cone Theberge '76 . . . A daughter, Megan Lois, to Lee and Cal Crouch '75 . . . A daughter, Katherine, to Scott '76 and Janet Santry Houser '78 . . . A daughter, Annie Sawyer, to Michael and Joy Sawyer Mulligan '76 . . . A son, Benjamin Prestwood, to David and Barbara Trippel Simmons '76 . . . A son, Stanley Kenyon, to Susan Kenyon '78 and Richard Abrams '78 . . . A daughter, Emma Madeline, to Kris and Jean Hanna McCrum Henderson '78 . . . A daughter, Mary Trefethen, to Phil '77 and Janet Deering Bruen '79 . . . A son, Matthew David, to David and Mary Zukowski Hurd '79.

Marriages: The Rev. James Martin '70 to Sheila Murphy in South Hadley, Mass. . . Nancy Ellen Neckes '71 to Bruce Dumart '72 in Needham, Mass. . . George Weltman '73 to Deborah Jayne Kroll in Ryebrook, N.Y. . . Joseph "Mick" Chapuk '74 to Sandra E. Del Cueto in Los Angeles . . . Margaret Nena '74 to Dr. Gerald Foster in Suffolk, Va. . . Alan D. MacEwan '78 to Holly Eastburn in Yarmouth, Maine . . . Richard H. Horton '77 to Melissa Hopmeier in Saco, Maine . . . Carol Samaras '77 to John Makrides in Lowell, Mass. . . Nancy Garnett '77 to Donald Thomas in Wakefield, R.I. . . Alan D. MacEwan '78 to Holly H. Eastburn in Yarmouth, Maine . . . Thomas Palmer '78 to Belinda Brown in Bangor, Maine.

Deaths: David E. Boucher '73, in Boston, Mass., at 40 . . . Arthur J. Gerrier, Jr. '77, in Portsmouth, N.H. at 35 . . . David A. Deslauriers '78, in Sherman Oaks, Calif., at 33 . . . Marc A. Garcia '79, in Brooklyn, N.Y., at 31.

Alumni Council Executive Committee members meet with College officials at a two-day retreat at Colby in August to discuss the College's future and the ways in which alumni can get involved in the planning process.



as Maggie, into the world on August 28. All are doing well, and Betsy will be back at work in her position as director of development at the Agnes Irwin School (a private girls' day school in the Philadelphia suburbs) by the time you read this. Peter is in his sec-

ond year of a four-year residency in oral surgery at Hahnemann College Hospital in downtown Philadelphia. . . . Stacey Cox Slowinski and her husband, Joe, welcomed second son Matthew Peter on September 29, 1990. The family business, JS Woodcraft

Designs, is thriving; business and baby are keeping everyone busy. . . . After maternity leave, I am back teaching seventh-grade English while working on my master's degree in English education as well. I would welcome the diversion of some 'real mail,' so

please write or fill out the questionnaires you will receive shortly, and the news you send should be in print much sooner than the turn of the century, or more than likely, within a few months."

COLBY CLUBBERS

Colby's alumni clubs continued to conduct an array of cultural, recreational and social events.

- In August, traditional first-year student send-off parties—where students and their parents get the chance to ask alums about Colby—were organized in Boston and Hartford. The Boston club welcomed parents and students to a picnic organized by Mary Beth McIntyre '82 and Nina Colhoun '88 with reinforcements from Mayflower Hill in the form of two student interns, David Unruh '91 and Kent Thompson '91, and a recent alumnus, Dan Spurgin '90. In Hartford, Bob and Susan Fairchild Bean '57 again opened their home for the event, which Linda Hadley '81 helped organize.

- In August, the Waldo County Club celebrated summer with a family picnic organized by Carol Bisbee '49 and Jennifer Curtis '93. Alumni Director Sue Cook '75 joined the fun.

- Two clubs were treated to melodious sounds under the stars. On July 15, the Cleveland Colby Club enjoyed the music of violinist Itzhak Perlman and the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra at the Blossom Music Center. The Colby and Bates clubs joined forces. The event was planned by Weezie Lippschutz Silliman '64 and Bill Wooldredge '61. The Washington, D.C. Colby Club gathered for a National Symphony Orchestra concert and picnic at Wolftrap in an event organized by James and Laura Littlefield Bourne '81.

- The Boston Colby Club organized a special event at the Museum of Science in October. Club members watched "Race with the Wind," a movie about ocean-going sailors. In July, the club had cheered the Boston Red Sox to victory over the Minnesota Twins. Ruth Bender '89 was able to sell all 100 reserved tickets, and she said she could have sold many more.

- In August, the Seacoast Colby Club of New Hampshire set out for a day of whale watching. The event was organized by Nancy Howe Erdmann '71.

- Still more watching took place with the New York Club's annual outing to the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament in Flushing Meadow. Bob Anthony '69 again arranged for 75 tickets. All sold quickly, and everyone enjoyed fine tennis action.

- Colby faculty and staff remain in demand as featured speakers at club events. Guilain Denoeux, a member of the Government Department with a specialty in Iraqi and Middle Eastern affairs, shared his insights with the Waterville Area Colby Club at a potluck dinner November 9, thanks to Jane Millett Dornish '55 and Jeanne Lorey Sears '75. . . . On the same evening, Professor Lee Feigon traveled to Boston to speak on "The Chinese Student Revolution" to a Boston Colby Club group gathered by Thomas Dailey '80. . . . The Boston Colby Club's Lunch Group kicked off its 1990-91 season by welcoming Colby's new vice president for administration, W. Arnold Yasinski, who spoke about the College's long-range planning process. The event was organized by Mitchell Kaplan '72.

- Twenty-one Colby alumni joined the Williams Club in New York as resident affiliate members. Now the new club's facilities are being made available to nonresident affiliate members—Colby alumni who live and work more than 100 miles away. If you can use a reasonably priced New York base for business trips or weekend visits, call the club at (212) 697-5300 for an illustrated brochure and information about dues.

THE EIGHTIES

80 Correspondent Patricia Valvanis Smith sends along these notes:

"Anne Morgenstern Curtin is a registered nurse in the neonatal intensive care unit of the 97th General Hospital in Frankfurt, Germany. She and her husband, both Army captains, have a year-old son and enjoy 'traveling in Europe with the baby in tow' . . . Bill Beck is a banker and is living in Cross River, N.Y. . . . Liz Shackford married Michael Reinhardt in September in her hometown of Acton, Mass. . . . Liz and Mike met at Northeastern University Law School and have been working together in a Boston law firm since 1988 . . . My husband, Mark Smith, and I joined in the celebration along with Eliza Dorsey '81 (now an occupational therapist at New England Rehab Hospital in Portland, Maine) and Jane Sullivan Allison.

"Geoff Becker, an academic adviser/writer at the University of Iowa, won the 1989 Nelson Award for short fiction from the *Chicago Tribune*. He has also continued his musical inclinations as host of the weekly Blue Tunas Blues Jam at the Iowa City Yacht Club . . . John Carpenter recently became a partner in the Portland, Maine, law firm of Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer and Nelson . . . Aimee Lamorte has emerged from 'six years of laid-back self-employment' to work full time as an aide to a Denver city councilman. She'd like to know if anyone has an address for Andy Frenkiel '81 . . . Robert Motley, a commercial real estate broker in South Windsor, Conn., would like to hear from other classmates in the Hartford/New Haven area . . . Ellsworth, Maine, medical secretary Dottie Foster Vachon and husband Nick are expecting their first child in early

January. She'd like to know the whereabouts of Annette Goodro, Martha Muskie and Jennifer March . . . Alice Domar, a psychologist, and husband David just returned from their honeymoon in Greece and Turkey and are enjoying their new house in Sudbury, Mass. . . . The July birth of their first child kept Tamara and Glenn Rieger from attending our reunion. Glenn lives in Wayne, Pa., and is president of Atlantic Financial Savings Bank . . . Two other new members of the baby brigade are Deborah Clark Nelson and Penny Janzen. Deborah is working in finance for an insurance company and trying to find time to garden and to sing with the Greenwich Choral Society. Penny is the editorial director of International Data Group's news service in Boston . . . Caroline Weeks Diprospero and her husband own their own golf business in Connecticut and recently acted as brokers in the sale of a 1,400-piece antique golf collection, which will be housed in a Japanese museum . . . I'm looking forward to corresponding with all of you. News items of any magnitude will be warmly received."

81 "News is skinny this time," Paula Hinckley concedes. "I have not been getting many letters lately. Janet Blau Cobb and her husband, Daniel, have a new baby daughter, Lindsey Pierson Cobb, born July 19. Christopher Morrill was married to Susanne Dowden in October 1989. His best man, Jeffrey Monhart, is attending law school in Missoula, Mont. Chris is working as assistant bureau chief at the *Hartford Courant*. Susanne is studying chemistry. They live in West Hartford, Conn. . . .

Paula notes that she would like to retire her pen and give someone else a chance to write the class column. Anyone who is interested can contact her at (603) 666-0508 or call the College Alumni Office at (207) 872-3190. The pay isn't great, but you get to hear from a lot of wonderful people!

84 "The response to the questionnaire has been overwhelming," secretary-treasurer Amy E. Carlson reports. "I'll try to fit in as much news as I can in this column. If you don't see your name in this issue, keep looking. It may take me a while, but I promise to include all responses (eventually)."

"Paul Arthur is studying ethics at Colorado University, Boulder. He returned recently from the Soviet Union, where he spent a month as a counselor for a pioneer camp on the Black Sea . . . Colin Cook lives in New Hampshire and works at the New England Deaconess Hospital as an MRI/NMR engineer. MRI, for those of us unfamiliar with the term, means magnetic resonance imaging. Colin says he likes the versatility of his work and participates in anywhere from six to 10 research projects at a time . . . Monique Lapointe is a law student at Fordham University. During the summer, while working for a U.S. District Court judge, she saw the Marcos trial and was disappointed to discover that Imelda had taken to wearing plain black pumps. Monique has just celebrated her first anniversary with husband Bill Kavalier . . . Cheryl Synder Hogan writes that she, Ann Brachman, Michelle Wolpert, Tanya Thompson and Jenny Dorr Dolbashian attended a bridal shower for Betsy Rose.

Betsy married John Fitch in September. Cheryl is an international marketing manager for FAG Bearings and is studying mechanical engineering.

"Andrew Christy wins the award for the response that traveled the longest distance. Andrew is a sales and promotion manager for Clinique in Hong Kong. He writes that he and Wong Mei-Ling are planning to marry in April . . . Runner-up for longest distance response goes to Cecil Holstein. Cecil is living in Brazil and loves his job as treasurer for Ciba-Geigy. He travels every three months to Europe or the U.S. Cecil married Baroness Elisabeth von Wagner Wehrborn in May . . . Laurellie Jacobs is working as an adjunct professor/teacher for New York University and the New York City Board of Education and is working on her dissertation at NYU in educational theater. She says her job is excellent but she does find working in the city 'super stressful. The kids are great, but it's hard not burning out on all of their social, family, educational problems, et al.' . . . Elizabeth Kidder-Keuffel is also working as a teacher—at the White Mountain School in New Hampshire—and is studying for her master's in English at the Bread Loaf School . . . Sharon Kehoe lives in Estes Park, Colo., and works as a park ranger for Rocky Mountain National Park. In response to my question about how to avoid the accumulation of stuff, Sharon said she has moved eight times in the last two years. She doesn't keep what she can't fit into her pickup truck.

"Roy Dow is working at Wheaton College as its first men's varsity basketball coach. (Wheaton was a women's college until a few years ago). Prior to his appointment at Wheaton, Roy spent two years at Colby as an

assistant to Coach Dick Whitmore. He feels he has obviously been well prepared for his current position. Roy also had the latest scoop on several other classmates including Jim Gaudette and Lou Halle. Jim and his wife, Christine (Marshall) '83, are expecting their first child in February. Jim is a sales manager with Digital Equipment Corp. in Providence. Lou, after spending much time in Europe, has settled in Boston. He is the president of Boston Apparel Imports, Inc. . . . Melanie Fahim was married on September 15. Ann Brachman was her maid of honor. Lia Lundgren was a bridesmaid and Cynthia Villareal made the dresses for the wedding. Mel works for a computer software manufacturer, McCracken Computer, Inc. in Burlington, Mass. . . . Todd Halloran wrote that he had just returned from a journey to the Far East after earning his M.B.A. at Harvard. Todd is now living in New York and working for Goldman Sachs. Last spring he ran the Boston Marathon wearing a Colby tee shirt and said the cheers for Colby really encouraged him.

85 "Our fifth reunion at Colby was fun, but it wasn't the same without everyone there," class correspondent Mary Alice Weller-Mayan writes. "We had a good turnout, though, with more than 125. The planned outdoor lobster bake turned out just like Commencement—we sat in the gymnasium. The dance at the 'new' Student Center was a great success, though a group of '85ers ended up dancing in Foss dining room for old time's sake. Let's all try to make it back in 1995.

"We hadn't heard from Vera Hoffman since graduation. From 1985 to 1988 she was a foreign



Bill '87 and John Girard '89

A Case of Missing Immunities

Scientists across the country are working to solve the mysteries of the human immune system, but few have more of a stake in the outcome than Bill '87 and John Girard '89.

The brothers carry a genetic defect that results in the absence of B-lymphocytes, a type of white blood cell, leaving them prone to certain infections—Bill Girard has had pneumonia eight times. "So there's an underlying reason for our interest in immunology," Bill said.

John Girard joined his brother at Colby when Bill was a junior, then succeeded him as president of the Colby Eight. "We keep in touch, we're the best of friends," Bill Girard said. John opted for a Harvard Medical School program after leaving Colby. Bill, a biology-biochemistry major, says Colby Assistant Professor of Chemistry Dan Libby '68 recommended the Midwest and encouraged him to enter an M.D.-Ph.D. program at Washington University in St. Louis.

At the university's Emil R. Unanue Laboratory, people who work with acids, radioactive materials or infectious agents really do wear rubber gloves and white coats—"But most of the day-to-day work in the lab is fairly casual," Girard said. He is part of a 12-member team researching the immune system's response to antigens—proteins and other molecules from viruses or bacteria that are foreign to the body.

Every school child learns that the immune system depends on white blood cells. The B-lymphocyte (B cell) and T-lymphocyte (T cell) are involved in recognizing and binding antigens, which attack cells. The prototype cell in the process is the macrophage—Girard calls it "a big eating cell." Antigens from "eaten" microbes or particles are shuttled to the surface of the macrophage, and the T cells and B cells respond by producing antibodies that render the antigens harmless. Girard hopes to discover how a macrophage makes antigens, where in the macrophage this happens and how the macrophage then presents the antigen to the T cell. "If this process were to be worked out completely," Girard said, "we would then have a much better way of attacking the AIDS virus."

Even though the AIDS virus invades only the T cell and the macrophage, it devastates the immune system. "The beauty of the AIDS virus is that it has learned to infect the exact cells that deal with infection," Girard said with respect for the adversary. The virus doesn't kill, he explains, it just makes the immune system helpless to fight infection. Understanding antigen-processing may help researchers discover why the immune system is unable to respond to certain pathogens like the AIDS virus. "Ultimately," Girard said, "understanding the process is central to the treatment of AIDS and other diseases."

Immunology is an ever-expanding field, in large part because attention focused on AIDS has dramatically increased funding for research. "To the nonscientist, including congressmen, AIDS seems to be the distillation of anything involved in immunology," Girard said. "I want to understand and better treat or prevent the entirety of infectious diseases, including AIDS," he said.

fishing vessel observer (fisheries biologist for the National Marine Fisheries Service) in Alaska and worked on Soviet, Korean, Polish and Japanese fishing vessels in the Bering Sea. After one-and-a-half years of school in Bellingham, Wash. (Huxley College of Environmental Science), she returned to Alaska as a domestic fishing vessel observer. She is now working in Dutch Harbor as field coordinator for Alaska Observers, Inc. and is writing a book on the Bering Sea . . . **Faith Delaney** writes from Billerica, Mass., that she is a systems analyst for Harte-Hanks Data Technologies . . . **Wendell Perkins** recently accepted the position of vice president of financial services for a large Chicago bank. He and his wife, Dawn, traveled back to England, where they met . . . **Ryan and Shireen Shahawy Stinneford** have purchased a home in Portland, Maine . . . **Beth Towle** is very busy in Newport, R.I., doing renovations on a new home and selling advertising for two national publications. She plans to take a major sailing trip in the near future . . . **John O. Robinson** is also busy renovating a 160-year-old house in Sandwich, Mass. He is a social studies teacher at Plymouth South High School . . . **Sarah Wood** is an actuarial assistant with Aetna Life and Casualty. In January she spent a week camping on St. John in the U.S. Virgin Islands with Linda Kindblom '86 and Amy Scott '86 (who used to work in the Student Activities Office). Sarah has taken her fifth actuarial exam.

"**Peter Viele** was the first paramedic to enter the University of Connecticut Graduate School of Allied Health. He attended the wedding of **Stuart Krusell** in February. **Stuart** honeymooned in Switzerland with his wife, **Sue Geraghty** . . . **Suzanne Krumm**

Yerdon was promoted to manager of business systems for product marketing at Pacific Telesis in Lafayette, Calif. **Sue, Janet Lamoreau Cyr, Marita Stapleton** and **Chris Rona Alban** went back to Colby for a mini-reunion and decided that the pizza at the new pub has not significantly improved . . . **Joseph Weinberger** is an attorney with an insurance firm in Los Angeles. While in law school, he was taught by the now Supreme Court Justice **Anthony Kennedy** . . . Congratulations to **Catherine Stehman Breen**, who was married on May 12, 1990, to **Kevin Breen**. They honeymooned in the south of France. **Catherine** graduated from medical school in June and is doing her residency in internal medicine at the University of Washington . . . **Hathy MacMahon Simpson** plans to attend graduate school for a master's degree in public health at UConn . . . **Glenn Wilson** has been promoted to director of employee benefits for Baystate Financial Services . . . **Gregory Shefrin** graduated in May 1989 from Cornell's Johnson School of Management and is employed by the Bank of New York.

"Writing from the western Atlantic Ocean, **Joel Paine**, a naval flight officer, has joined his operational squadron—the Zappers—flying EA-6B's off the USS **John F. Kennedy**. He invites classmates to look for him in local airshows as he travels all over the world. When not flying, he returns to Oak Harbor, Wash., where he bought a home . . . **Barbara Knox** is a graduate student of literature at the University of Paris III and is teaching English to adults. She returned home to New Hampshire and Maine this past summer . . . **Christine Petersen** spent the summer of 1989 traveling through Southeast Asia. She graduated from Columbia University with

an M.B.A. and has started with American Express as a marketing manager . . . **Thomas Sturtevant, Jr.**, is an attorney and is living in Yarmouth, Maine . . . Talk about a different job, **Paul Marleau** is a Royal Canadian Mounted Police Officer. He was posted to Osoyoos, British Columbia, right on the border of Washington state. He is to be married December 29 to **Cheryl Giles** in Dorval, Quebec . . . **Suzanne Orcutt** married **Daniel Kelly** on September 9, 1989, and honeymooned in Bermuda. They are living in Worcester, Mass., and are restoring an 80-year-old home. **Suzanne** is a representative for Lucas Aerospace . . . **Carla Thompson** has found success in Boston as a full-time editorial freelancer. She plans to spend a month in England next year . . . **Susan James** finished graduate school in January and received a master's degree in corporate communication. She is a senior employee communication specialist for American Express. **Sue** traveled through Europe and chipped a piece off of the Berlin Wall in January . . . **Michelle Linder** is an M.B.A. student at Wake Forest University in North Carolina . . . Last January **Marita Stapleton** was promoted to print production manager for an advertising firm in Providence. She is now in charge of production on the Keds shoe account . . . Drop me a line and tell me what you have been doing. Has anyone seen **Julie Copeland** or **Beth Ann Tutunjian** lately? It is so much fun to turn to this column and see a lot of news. Please keep me posted."

86 "Mark your calendars now!" **Gretchen Bean Lurie** commands. "Reunion Weekend

is June 7-9, 1991, and I guarantee you won't want to miss any of the fun. **Tim Kastrinelis** and the Reunion Committee have been organizing the big event since June, and reports indicate that it will be a wonderful three days. Until we meet 'up on the Hill," keep your newsy letters coming. Best wishes to everyone for a happy and healthy holiday season."

88 "Surely we will always think of ourselves as eighties kids, but nineties adults?" correspondent **Emily Isaacs** muses. "After only a fraction of existence in the nineties I can't help but wonder, how can that be? Nonetheless, reading your letters of news it seems that others are, at least, feigning adult existence. Many of our classmates are pursuing careers in the social services, giving back to the world some of what has been given to them. **Kate Walker** writes that she is getting her master's in school counseling from Fairfield University in Connecticut while she coaches women's tennis at Wilton High School . . . **Kim Ellis** has finished her master's in elementary education at Lesley College and is finding employment in the Boston Public Schools—surely a plus for that exceedingly complicated and problematic system. One master's is not enough for **Kim**, who is now pursuing a degree in special education. She lives in the Boston area with **Beth Kellogg** and **Stephanie Pierce**, and they, **Heidi Irving** tells me, 'are doing fine.' More about Heidi in a minute.

"**Ayme Allison**, who used to live with **Beth, Stephanie** and **Kim**, is now in the University of Connecticut's education program . . . **Dave Scannell**, our beloved

class speaker (do you remember that hot May 31?), is teaching seventh grade social studies somewhere near Gary, Ind. (we hope Dave is more geographically specific in teaching than he is in writing to his class secretary). Dave is also, believe it or not (and it seems he cannot quite), teaching introductory French. What Dave may lack in expertise surely he will make up for in enthusiasm. Dave also visited the United Kingdom, specifically Cambridge and Oxford, and dropped in on Mary Jane Carty in Edinburgh. He reports: 'Everything went perfectly (even the weather) until I attempted to leave. An egregious travel agent error forced me to spend a night at Heathrow. However, that same error was also responsible for me being able to shake hands, for a split second, with Nelson Mandela.' Last summer Dave spent a few days with Tom Jester (a historical archivist now in graduate school at Penn) in Portland, where Tom was working for the state. From there, Tom was 'off to Italy to look at old buildings.' Surely Tom did more than that; we await a more complete report from the source. . . . Jeff Packman left D.C. for Babson in Wellesley, Mass., where he will, I am sure, get his M.B.A. Through Dave, Jeff informs me that John Davie is not at Penn's law school but at Temple's. Sorry for that error and any others I have made—let me know, and I will correct them.

"Heidi Irving has a job as an admissions counselor at the University of Rochester, where she will also be working with the marketing director on all the publications (the English major in her, no doubt, will not die) and traveling in the New England area to recruit prospective students. In a distinctively Mac-produced letter, she reports: 'I am swim-

Headliners

Violinist Linda Hurwitz '82 was appointed to the New Orleans Symphony.
 Michael Bruno '85 was awarded a fellowship in maxillofacial prosthetics from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Hospital in New York City.
 Peter B. Coley '86 was promoted to vice president at Smith Barney Harris & Upjohn in Boston.
 Cori Brackett '89 is a full-time resident actress for the 1990-91 season with the acclaimed Penobscot Theater Company in Bangor, Maine.
 Tina Clifford '89 is on world tour with "Up With People."
 Brett Rankin '89, now in his second year at the University of Vermont College of Medicine, won the New Hampshire-based Seacoast Foundation's highest academic scholarship.

Newsmakers

Iain '82 and Ann "Amy" Albee Hoefle '80 toured the nation as volunteers at eight sites, including Heifer Project International in Arkansas and Habitat for Humanity in New Mexico. . . . Joanne O'Donnell '80 was appointed vice president and commercial loan officer at Fleet Bank in New Haven. . . . Stephen J. Fogg '80 was promoted to branch manager of the Dunlap Corp. in Auburn, Maine. . . . Californians Michael '84 and Dawne Ogden Page '84, on a vacation odyssey in the Blue Mountains of Australia, spotted a Colby sweatshirt worn by a recent grad. . . . Elliott Pratt '80 was named vice president in charge of the Natick (Mass.) office of the COMFED Mortgage Company. . . . Grace Koppelman Drown '80 won a Presidential award for excellence in science teaching in Farmington, Maine. . . . Dr. Tracey Wiles '80 was appointed to the staff of Winsted (Conn.) Memorial Hospital. . . . All-time White Mule great David Harvey '80 stepped down in style as varsity basketball coach at Portsmouth (N.H.) High, finishing with a 15-3 record. . . . The Albion (Maine) Grange named Bob Wallace '81 citizen of the year. . . . Jay Polimeno '81 was named director of sales and marketing at the Tremont House in downtown Boston. . . . Gary Smith '81, a rock music producer, was profiled by the *Boston Globe*. . . . Todd Marble '81, a history teacher, won the Swain award as outstanding young teacher at Kingswood-Oxford, where he also coaches football. . . . Glenn Currier '81 earned his M.D. degree from the University of Pittsburgh. . . . Michael Beland '82 was promoted to district manager at Central Maine Power. . . . Robert "Bongo Bob" Noyes is featured drummer on the latest album by the Blue Flames. . . . Mary Radhammer '82 earned a master's degree in teaching from Simmons College. . . . John Gagne '84 graduated from the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery. . . . Drew Fitch '84 joined Applied Economic Research in Laconia, N.H. . . . Catherine Walsh '84 wrote an article on Catholic feminism for the *St. Anthony Messenger*, where she is assistant editor. . . . Jim Schweizer '84 was appointed sales and marketing manager for Oxford Homes, Inc. of New Hampshire. . . . Dana Hanley '84 was easily elected to his third term in the Maine House. . . . Hannah Blake '85 was named assistant project manager at Bennett Contracting, Inc. in Albany, N.Y. . . . DEAN Technology, Inc. of Hanover, N.H., promoted Kimberly Lyford '85 to research associate. . . . All-America sprinter Terrie Hanna '85 heard cheers again at Boston University's Walter Brown Arena—this time when she picked up her law degree. . . . Kevin F. Bruen '85 got his law degree, graduating *cum laude* from Suffolk University. . . . Barbara Falcone Smith '86 earned her master's degree in physical therapy at Boston University. . . . Heather Anderson '87 is on the staff of the Ware River (Mass.) *News*. . . . Ernie Perry '87 was named varsity basketball coach at Malden (Mass.) Catholic High. . . . Martin Long '87 graduated from the New England School of Law. . . . Caroline Clapp '87 is teaching and coaching at Berwick Academy in South Berwick, Maine. . . . Lori Otten '87 has joined IDS in Albany, N.Y., as a personal financial planner. . . . James Sullivan '87 is in the University of Iowa Writers' Workshop. . . . Jon Jorgensen '88 is a proprietor of Jorgensen's Gourmet Goods on Main Street in Waterville. . . . Melissa Brown '88 teaches Spanish, coaches field hockey and lacrosse and supervises a dorm at St. Andrew's School in Middletown, Del. . . . Christine Burke '89 left after a single term in the Maine Legislature to enter law school. . . . Susan Scott '89 is a manager with the New Jersey Symphony. . . . Leslie Dougherty '89 is a fiscal and budget coordinator at American University, where she is pursuing a master's degree in international development. . . . Michelle Kuchta '89 is wardrobe supervisor for Syracuse (N.Y.) Stage. . . . Linda Rensink '89 received an M.S. in accounting from the University of Hartford.



Cori Brackett '89

Mileposts

Births: A son, Benjamin Richard, to Richard and Terry Weber Ewing '80 . . . a son, Benjamin Robert, to Mark and Lisa Paskalides Grimmig '80 . . . a daughter, Elizabeth Nancy, to Raymond and Ellen Mercer Papera '80 . . . a daughter, Lindsey Piersol, to Daniel and Janet Blau Cobb '81 . . . a daughter, Allie Gossling, to Lori and Michael Federle '81 . . . a daughter, Julie Marie, to Jim and Dani Nemece Micsan '81 . . . a son, Benjamin Henry Procter, to Bruce and Ellen Freedman Rayner '81 . . . a son, Joshua William, to Richard '83 and Susan Sheehan Schwermer '83 . . . a son, Jeffrey Douglas, to Jeffrey and Maureen Betro Barrett '84 . . . a daughter, Meghan Elizabeth, to Bob and Elizabeth Stillings Brooks '84 . . . a daughter, Anna Louise, to Nils '84 and Janet Kelley Gjestey '86 . . . a son, Hunter Fletcher, to Rod and Gretchen Bean Lurie '86 . . . a daughter, Taylor Ann, to Paul and Tricia King Rowe '88.

Marriages: John Colwell III '80 to Jeanine Wright in Morris Township, N.J. . . . Diana Small '80 to Richard Snow in Martha's Vineyard, Mass. . . . Louise Swift '80 to Peter Price II in Glastonbury, Conn. . . . Pamela Woods '81 to Thomas Mosdale in Wethersfield, Conn. . . . Margaret Farr Torrey '82 to Andrew Crain in Weston, Mass. . . . Andrew B. Hanson '83 to Barbara Bernhard in Flemington, N.J. . . . Bruce D. Stewart '83 to Cheryl P. Grasso in Plum Island, Mass. . . . Paul Baker '84 to Caren Lee Delahunt in Weymouth, Mass. . . . Ann Leary '84 to Philip DeSimone in Dedham, Mass. . . . George S. Moses II '84 to Linda Jordan in Weston, Mass. . . . Pamela Littlefield '84 to John Gasner on Block Island, R.I. . . . Jennifer Swanson '84 to Andrew Niemann in Cincinnati, Ohio . . . Christine Cheney '84 to Stephen Putur, Jr., in Manchester, Conn. . . . Nancy Silverman '84 to Kenneth Levinsky in Auburn, Maine . . . Victoria J. Whited '85 to David A. Blakney in South Portland, Maine . . . Susan Roberts '86 to Evan Dangel in Waterville, Maine . . . Kristen Walsh '86 to Gregory Prell in Millis, Mass. . . . M. Birgit Uehling '87 to Paul M. Caliendo in Manchester, Mass. . . . Allyson Goodwin '87 to Mark Short in Mount Hermon, Mass. . . . Carolyn Knowles '89 to William Clapp '87 in Providence R.I. . . . Sven Dubie '87 to Victoria Brown in Jacksonville, Fla. . . . Jeffrey Thaxter '87 to Maria Westerlund in Leksand, Sweden . . . Paul Gallant '87 to Cindy Munroe in Cambridge, Md. . . . Michael Donohue '87 to Nadene Worth in Midland Park, N.J. . . . Stewart MacLehose '87 to Kathleen Hayden in Greenland, N.H. . . . Jeanne M. Morrison '87 to Mitchell W. Cook '87 in Wayzata, Minn. . . . Mary A. Federle '88 to Jeffrey W. Porter in Waterville, Maine . . . Stephen L. Goldman '88 to Heidi Klein in Waltham, Mass. . . . Charles McHugo '89 to Erin Conklin in Geneva, Switzerland.

ming, biking and going to aerobics but otherwise our social life is zero as this is a hard place to meet other people in our age and social bracket.' She is also getting her master's in education at Rochester . . . **Betsy Lockhart** is working for a pharmaceutical company on Boston's South Shore after a busy but enjoyable trip to Hong Kong . . . Heidi also ran into **Rick Evans**, who is 'working for some investment firm on State Street (Boston).' Rick told Heidi (who told me—and, yes, this may be why some of my information is not absolutely accurate) that **Pat and Patty Haffey Clendenan** had a baby (not named Pat!) As far as I know, this is the first '88 baby. Is this true? Write me and tell me I'm wrong!

Martha Mason writes that she has lived in Aspen since October 1988 and loves it. Doing a variety of jobs around the mountain, she has acquired an 80-pound golden retriever. Recently at a bluegrass festival, she encountered **Jonathon Selkowitz**, who was on his way from Oregon to Jackson Hole . . . **Sue Allison**, also westward bound, left Massachusetts, by car, for San Francisco . . . **Marion Robbins**, whom I saw last summer, reports that she and my croquet set moved to Marshfield. . . . **Meredith Magie**, after two years in Maryland teaching, is now off to teach history and coach field hockey and/or lacrosse at Tilton in New Hampshire . . . **Carol Anne Beach** has taken a job at Colby and is living in Runnals and working as the sports information director . . . **Mary Federle** Porter, at the Office of Alumni Relations, continues doing a fine job. She and Carol Anne are the voices on the Colby UP-2-DATE campus hotline. Mary married Jeff Porter in Lorimer Chapel last summer. **Sue Jacobson** and **Hansi Hals** were both bridesmaids.

Others from the Class of '88 in attendance were **Mary McHugh** and **Tricia King Rowe**. She reports that **Tom Snow** was recently engaged and that he is planning for a September '91 wedding.

Paul LaFontaine is at Dartmouth's medical school . . . **Michael Bukowski** writes, 'I currently reside in Ithaca, N.Y., where, besides enduring weeks upon weeks of unrelenting overcast and rainy days, I have completed my second year of vet school at Cornell. My first year was basically spent in an anatomy lab where I dissected every imaginable domestic animal you can think of, with some histology, physiology, immunology, embryology and neurology thrown in for kicks. Second year entailed studying every possible virus, bacteria, protozoa and worm that can invade your beloved pets and that your beloved pets can pass on to you . . . For fun, and to relieve postexam tension, I have joined a veterinary 'fraternity,' Omega Tau Sigma (OATs), which isn't a fraternity in the Colby sense of the word. For one, since the majority of vet students since the early eighties have been female [hurrah for women], OATs has been persuaded to admit women. Every spring OATs puts on a talent show, which has allowed me to start up a vet school version of Tuxedo Junction known as the Ultrasound. We sound pretty good for a bunch of diehard study geeks. Overall, I've been having a great time learning the greatest profession that I can think of while getting deeper and deeper into debt. Long live the days at Colby when your parents paid for everything. Hail! Colby Hail!' . . . I am still here at UMass grasping at that seemingly unattainable Ph.D. The ivory tower at this university is often sullied with discolor, and so I have be-

Correspondents

come involved with a union campaign for graduate employees. All of you in graduate school are familiar with the uniquely exploitative position of graduate TA's and RA's; essentially unionization is a means to rectify this. Change, it seems, is little and great simultaneously."

89 "There is nothing a whole lot better than sitting down with a bunch of peanuts and watching sumo wrestling." That, correspondent Deborah Greene writes, was her first indication that **Jeff Koch** had adjusted to Japan, where she has joined him and a number of other classmates. "I've been here for about a month traveling and will hopefully be teaching here soon," Deborah writes. "In the meantime, I'm being introduced to the real Japan: sake, sushi, sashimi, subways, sentos, Sapporo and, of course, sumo! I spent the past summer in Alaska, working as a backcountry ranger in Denali National Park and putting my COOT skills to good use. My job was literally to 'take a hike' in a wilderness that is closer than I care to admit to the Arctic Circle. Folks there like to boast that the park itself is roughly the same size as my home state of Massachusetts. I have yet to figure out why Massachusetts keeps getting picked on. Certainly there are other states that qualify for this bit of cocktail party trivia. Alaska to Japan was quite a change: the land of the Midnight Sun to the land of the Rising Sun—pristine wilderness to urban jungle.

"Jeff is on his second year in the Japan Exchange and Teaching Program (JET). He is one of many Colby grads teaching over here. **Alan Adler** is entering his second year in Gifu, as well as

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Shaun Dakin in Shimane . . . **Maria Vallis** spent the year following graduation up in the northern island of Hokkaido, as did **Lyle Muir** down in Okinawa, the southernmost island, but both have since returned home . . . Newly arrived here are **Zeke Wing**, down on the southern coast, and **Paul Beach**, who worked in Boston and traveled in Nepal before settling down in Gunma . . . Over in Hong Kong is **Daniel Rudick**, working as a marriage broker for IBMA, which handles the production of some of my favorite designer clothing. However, he's planning on returning to the states in early 1991 to start a joint venture trading company . . . On my way to

Alaska I spent some time in Seattle catching up with some Colby folks there: **Mark Cosdon**, my favorite neighbor from Woodman, was working for the Seattle Repertory Theater and traveling cross-country before getting engaged to girlfriend Hana—congratulations! I spent an evening at the Blue Moon (of Jack Kerouac fame) with **Kirk Koenigsbauer**, who is with Arthur Andersen, and I also partied with **Kate Roosevelt** and **Kelly Doyle** before heading up to the frozen North . . . **Tim Fisher**, who originally sold me on Alaska ('It's like a huge zoo without bars!'), worked in the city while doing his best to avoid getting a ticket for jaywalking. He lived with Mark Cosdon

in the 'Stoopid Boy House' but is now in Washington, D.C., pursuing a degree in creative writing at American University and sharing an apartment with Mike Misher '87 and Leslie Dougherty . . . Also in D.C. is **Rob Hoopes**, who is working for Senator Joe Biden and the Judiciary Committee . . . **Eric Hanson** is with an environmental protection group, ICP, and had many words of wisdom for me about avoiding 'close encounters' with the grizzly bears in Alaska, having been up there the previous summer. Although he misses living in a tent on Runnals Hill, he and roommates **Andy Simons** and **Jake Ulick** hope to maintain a 'rustic-exposed feeling' in their apartment in northern Virginia . . . **Dave McCauley** wrote to say he spent last summer in prison. It's not as bad as it sounds. He taught Spanish GED classes to Hispanic inmates and is now back in Madrid teaching and translating for multinational businesses . . . **Scott Kessel '90** proposed to high-school sweetheart **Marianne Hoffman** while lying in the emergency room, and you can bet they won't be serving peanuts at their June 1991 wedding . . . After five months of driving, hiking and biking on the dusty roads of America, **Dana Hollinshead** is content to put her backpack in the closet for a bit. Currently living on Martha's Vineyard, she's been working on Peace Corps applications and volunteering with local women's support groups on the island . . . **Brian Axel** finally settled down in Madison, Wis., in an apartment big enough to hold his ever-expanding collection of musical instruments. He continues to delight me with samples of his poetry. Lastly, I heard that **Tim Barnard** found his destiny for \$500 in the want ads! That's all for now, please keep those letters coming."

OBITUARIES

Cy Perkins, Beloved Figure in Colby Athletics

Norman "Cy" Perkins '32, October 1, 1990, in Bangor, Maine, at age 84. He attended Kennebunk High School and Kents Hill School. At Colby he served as president of his class, the student council, the athletic



Cy Perkins '32

council, and was awarded the Condon Medal. He lettered in football but was better known as a track man (his Colby record in the hammer throw stood for 37 years). In 1932 he went to California to compete in the Olympic trials and placed fifth in the hammer event. In 1934 he returned to the College, where he was an athletic trainer, a physical education instructor and a track coach for 10 years. He received a master's in education from the University of Michigan in 1940. During World War II, he was a physical education instructor for the 21st College Training Detachment of the Army Air Force, which was stationed at Colby. In 1944 he joined the Bangor school system as athletic director and supervisor of physical education, serving until his retirement in

1972. During those years he also coached football, basketball, baseball and track. One of the founders of the Maine High School Coaches Association, he became its president in 1952. In 1964 he was named Maine Track Coach of the Year. He was instrumental in the founding of the Maine Special Olympics Program for Eastern Maine and became head of the Maine Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation in 1970. In 1971 he received a Colby Brick for his service and devotion to the College, and in 1983 he was named Colby "C" Club Man of the Year for his outstanding work in athletics. A Colby award established by his son, John Perkins '66, is given in Norman Perkins's name to the most improved track man of the year. In 1985 he was inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame for his contributions as coach and athlete. As a longtime member of All Souls Congregational Church in Bangor, he served as deacon, trustee and moderator. He is survived by his wife, Grace, his son, a daughter and several grandchildren.

Preservationist

Arthur J. Gerrier, Jr. '77, October 15, 1990, in Portsmouth, N.H., at age 35. He was born in Rumford, Maine, and graduated from Mexico High School. At Colby he was a *summa cum laude* graduate. He earned his master's degree in historical preservation at the University of Vermont and later enrolled in a doctoral program of American and New England studies at Boston University. He had been employed at the Maine Historical Society,

Greater Portland Landmarks, Strawberry Banke Museum and Adams and Roy Consultants in Portsmouth, and was a member of the board of trustees of the Portsmouth Advocates, a group interested in the preservation of historical landmarks. In the course of his work, he devoted much time to essays on Federal-period architects, an inventory of Munjoy Hill, a history of the Wadsworth-Longfellow House and the restoration of the Victoria Mansion in Portland. Director of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission Earle G. Shettleworth, Jr. '70 said Gerrier performed work of inestimable value by documenting the architectural history of Portland. Shettleworth said Gerrier "fluently and sincerely spoke our languages of architectural history, building conversation and historic preservation. He was very talented in the field of New England architectural history, and his loss is tragic." He is survived by his mother, Barbara.

Colby Brick Recipient

Clark H. Carter '40, August 31, 1990, in Stuart, Fla., at age 71. Born in Waterville, Maine, he was the son of Benjamin Carter, professor of mathematics from 1910 until his death in 1926 and Mary Caswell Carter, a member of the Class of 1904. He was a math and business administration major at the College and played football and intramural sports. After Colby he attended the Harvard Graduate School of Business. During World War II he served as a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy at the Boston Navy Yard and in Sierra

Leone, West Africa and was an instructor at the Supply Corps School at Harvard. For 36 years he was an executive with Richardson-Merrell, Inc., a pharmaceutical corporation. He retired in 1981. He joined the Colby Board of Trustees in 1965 and received an honorary M.A., and in 1980, the College awarded him an honorary L.H.D. A trustee until 1989, he worked on several major board committees. He also served on the Alumni Council, was a member of the "C" Club and was an organizer of his class's 25th reunion gift of the Millett Alumni House. In 1973 he was awarded a Colby Brick for his service and generosity to the College. In 1986 he established the Carter Professorship in Mathematics with his brother, William '38. Predeceased by his first wife, Raye Winslow Carter '40, he is survived by his wife, Barbara, a stepson, a stepdaughter, his brother and his cousin, Kathryn Caswell MacDonald '36.

Community Volunteer

Helen Brown Gilfoy '40, May 28, 1990, in Concord, Mass., at age 72. She was born in Providence, R.I. At Colby she was senior class president. She and her late husband, Donald A. Gilfoy '40, were active in the Colby Alumni Association, initiating the purchase of the Millett Alumni House in 1965 and helping plan their class's 25th and 50th reunions. The couple was awarded a Colby Brick in 1982. A resident of Lincoln and Nantucket, Mass., she served on the school committee for the town of Lincoln and was active in the Lincoln Old Town Hall, the

Women's Exchange and the New England Genealogical Society. She is survived by a son, Peter G. Gilfoy '70, two daughters, Faye B. Gilfoy and Nancy B. Gilfoy, a daughter-in-law, Peggy Wiehl Gilfoy '71 and two grandsons.

Patent Attorney

Theodore L. Brown '55, September 11, 1990, in Rockport, Maine, at age 59. He was born in Arlington Va., and attended high schools in Maine. He served in the National Guard, then interrupted his Colby career for Army service during the Korean conflict. At Colby he majored in physics, wrote for the *Echo* and was president of the Powder and Wig Dramatic Society and the physics honor society. After graduating from Colby he attended the University of Maryland, where he studied physics. Later he received a law degree from George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and became a patent attorney in Washington and in Camden, Maine. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Clair Weller Brown '54, five sons and three daughters, including Laurie Brown Crowell '86, a son-in-law, David A. Crowell '88 and four grandchildren.

Distinguished Geologist

Joseph M. Trefethen '31, July 3, 1990, in Friendship, Maine, at age 84. He was born in Kents Hill, Maine, and attended Kents Hill Seminary and Coburn Classical Institute. His father taught mathematics and astronomy at the College from 1911 to 1931. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, he followed his interest in geology after Colby and completed his master's at the University of Illinois and his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin. He taught ge-

ology at the University of Maine at Orono and at Portland for 33 years, served as Maine State Geologist, and published a book and numerous papers on Maine geology. He was a fellow of the Geological Society of America and the Sigma Xi scientific society. Predeceased by his sisters, A. Ruth Trefethen '15 and Frances E. Trefethen '16, he is survived by his wife, Helen Brigham Trefethen '30, two sons, a daughter and several grandchildren.

Noted Sailor

Leslie Lyman Black '19, May 1, 1990, in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, at age 96. Born in South Brooksville, Maine, and a graduate of Maine Central Institute, he was a veteran of the Army Ambulance Corps in World War I and a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary in World War II. He was a food manufacturer and processor in Quincy, Mass., before he returned to Maine, where he spent his winters as captain of a private yacht service along the East Coast from Canada to Key West, Fla. He had been grand marshal of the Windjammer Days parade and participated in Maine Maritime Academy's Retired Skippers Race for 24 consecutive years. He is survived by four daughters, 12 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and a great-great grandson.

Teacher of French

J. Ardelle Chase '27, May 29, 1990, in Lakeville, Mass., at age 83. Born in Washburn, Maine, she was the daughter of the Rev. William B. Chase, Class of 1899, and granddaughter of Simeon L.B. Chase, Class of 1863. She was active in drama and in many Colby clubs and athletic teams. She was a French teacher for many

years, eventually heading the French department at Mohawk Trail Regional High School in Shelburne Falls, Mass. She also studied at Middlebury, and in 1963 she received a master's degree in education from the University of Massachusetts. She is survived by a sister, Helen Chase Pardey '30, two brothers, Lovell C. Chase and Harold F. Chase '33, a stepmother, a half-sister, and several nieces and nephews, including William V. Chase '62.

Outstanding Coach

Charles W. Hedderic '31, March 9, 1990, in Brewer, Maine, at age 84. He was born in Whitman, Mass., and attended Maine Central Institute before entering Colby, where he played football and hockey and was catcher and captain of the 1931 baseball team. He played minor league and semipro baseball and later served as an unofficial scout for the Boston Red Sox. He received a master's in education from Bridgewater State Teachers College. After teaching and coaching at Coburn Classical Institute and Stearns High School in Millinocket, he taught and coached football and baseball at Brewer High School for almost 30 years. He was named to the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame and the Roll of Honor for the Maine High School Coaches Association. The Maine House of Representatives named him Outstanding Schoolboy Coach of the Year, and in 1988 Brewer High School's baseball field was named after him. He is survived by his wife, Irene, a nephew, two nieces and a stepson.

Textile Executive

Deane R. Quinton '30, April 20, 1990, in Auburn, Maine, at

age 81. He was born in Woonsocket, R.I., and graduated from Waterville High School. He was the plant manager of Bates Manufacturing Co. before starting his own textile company, Quinco Fabrics, Inc., from which he retired in 1980. During World War II he was a member of a textile group that developed the nylon parachute. He was a member and past president of the Kiwanis Club, a member of the High Street Congregational Church and on the board of directors at Casco Northern Bank. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Haycock Quinton '31, a son, Robert E. Quinton '62, a sister and two granddaughters.

Teacher, Musician

Gertrude Sykes Elwell '31, April 9, 1990, in Hollis Center, Maine, at age 79. She attended Coburn Classical Institute and graduated from North Berwick High School. At Colby she won numerals in several sports. For 30 years she taught Latin, French and U.S. history and coached basketball at Buxton High School in Buxton, Maine. She later became school librarian at Bonny Eagle High School. She was an accomplished pianist, accompanist and singer with chorus groups in high schools and community churches and was choir director and organist at the West Buxton Baptist Church. She is survived by her husband of 56 years, George, three daughters, including Elizabeth Elwell '57, and four grandchildren.

Internist

Alton D. "Bob" Blake '36, September 17, 1990, in Bryn Mawr, Pa., at age 75. A native of Waterville, Maine, he majored in chemistry at the College, then

entered the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, where he received his M.D. He completed his internship and his residency at Bryn Mawr Hospital before beginning a 40-year career at the hospital in the private practice of internal medicine. He was involved with the John S. Sharpe Research Foundation for many years, was a board member of the community health association for 18 years and was a member of several medical societies. His father, Alton D. Blake, Sr., graduated from Colby in 1910 and his uncle, Albion W. Blake, in 1911. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, a son, David, and two grandchildren.

High School Principal

Theron R. Stinchfield '33, June 28, 1990, in Bangor, Maine, at age 78. He was born in Phillips, Maine, and graduated from Strong High School. Captain of the 1933 Colby track team, he finished fifth in the 1932 Olympic javelin trials. He earned an M.A. from Columbia University in 1939, then served during World War II in Europe as a staff sergeant in the U.S. Army. After the war he began a 38-year career in education, coaching and serving as principal at Gorham, Cape Elizabeth and Piscataquis high schools in Maine and at Brattleboro Union High School in Vermont. He was a member of several education associations. He was predeceased by his brothers, Raymond D. Stinchfield '39 and Philip A. Stinchfield '40. Survivors include his wife, Virginia, two sons, including Richard Stinchfield '69, a daughter-in-law, Lynne McKendry Stinchfield '70, a sister, Lillian Stinchfield Salmon '37, a nephew, Peter Salmon '53 and four grandchildren.

Founded Anglers' Club

Edward M. "Pete" Guild '52, June 20, 1990, in Nantucket, Mass., at age 60. Born in Boston, he attended Governor Dummer Academy. He was on active duty with the U.S. Coast Guard and later was a member of the Coast Guard Reserve. After working for the Second National Bank of Boston and serving as managing director of Music Theaters, Inc., he moved to Nantucket, where he ran a sport-fishing boat for inshore and offshore charter parties. Later he owned and managed the Nantucket Ships Chandlery. He was a member of several local associations and noted as the founder of the Nantucket Anglers' Club and as 22-year head of the Nantucket Billfish Tournament, which became one of the best-known fishing tournaments on the East Coast. The tournament was later named after him. He is survived by his daughter, Corina Shand, a granddaughter and three sisters.

Football Hero

Robert W. Scott '29, July 25, 1990, in Mount Desert, Maine, at age 84. He was born in Montreal. At Colby he was a star in track and hockey. In 1928 he captained the football team, and as a fearsome halfback—he was known as "Bounding Bobby"—was named to the 1927 and 1928 All-Maine teams. After Colby, he received his master's degree from the University of New Hampshire and went on to teach and coach football for many years at Bar Harbor and Norway high schools, Hebron Academy and Gould Academy, and he also taught at Unity College. He was a member of the Maine Teachers Association. His brother was Albert H. Scott '24. He is survived by his wife of 57 years,

Marguerite, a brother, a sister, three nephews and three nieces, including Mary Scott Jahn '53.

Pastor, Author

Ernest B. Bailey '45, February 17, 1990, in Claremont, N.H., at age 67. Born in Claremont, he graduated from Stevens High School. After one year at Colby, he pursued his religious studies at the Andover-Newton Theological Seminary and the Harvard Divinity School, where he received his doctorate in psychology. In addition to serving as pastor of the Rockport Baptist Church, he was the author of several books and delivered many lectures on psychology. He was also a biochemist. Predeceased by his wife, he is survived by his mother, Ida Bailey, a sister and several nieces and nephews.

Reading Educator

Marguerite de Rochemont '33, August 15, 1990, in Rockland, Maine, at age 79. Born in Rockland, she was an education major at the College. In 1943 she earned a master's degree in education from Bates College. An early teacher of remedial reading, she taught at schools in New York, Connecticut and Rhode Island and was active in educational organizations all her life, serving as president of a chapter of the American Association of University Women. She was a member of several local and state historical societies. She was also a life member of Pratt Memorial United Methodist Church and was serving as a trustee at the time of her death. Predeceased by her sister, Donna de Rochemont Wetzel '39, she is survived by her sister, Helen de Rochemont Cole '36, her brother, Clarence de Rochemont, and several nieces and nephews.

Company Administrator

George W. Young '41, May 13, 1990, in Mount Horeb, Wis., at age 71. Born in Chelsea, Mass., he served with U.S. Naval Intelligence for a year, then as an economist for the Petroleum Administration for War in Washington. He received his law degree from the University of Detroit in 1949 and completed the Columbia University executive program in business administration in 1955. For 11 years he worked for Parke, Davis & Company in Detroit as an attorney and accountant. In 1956 he joined Mead Johnson International and served as financial manager, administrative director and Pacific area director until he became president of Abbott Laboratories, International Division, in Chicago. He is survived by his wife, Wilda, two sons, three grandchildren and a brother.

Social Worker

Joyce Perry Goss '38, April 23, 1990, in North Tarrytown, N.Y., at age 72. Born in Raleigh, England, she graduated from Bellows High School in Rye, N.Y. A sociology major at Colby, she went on to study social work at Boston University. During World War II she was a social worker for the city of White Plains, N.Y., then moved to office management. She lived in Elmsford, N.Y. for 50 years. She is survived by her husband, Frederick, a daughter, a son, a brother and one granddaughter.

Civic Leader

Barbara Kaighn Warner '41, July 11, 1990, in Quechee, Vt., at age 72. Born in Abington, Pa., she graduated from Westtown School in Westchester, Pa. A

psychology and sociology major, she also earned her pilot's license while at Colby. With her husband, the late John B. Warner '42, she was a member of the Sportsman Pilots Association and traveled extensively. She was involved in numerous civic and volunteer activities, including the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, PTA, and League of Women Voters. She was president of the Service League and for several years was a member of the board of directors of the Boston Museum of Science. She also volunteered her services for local libraries and recycling efforts. She is survived by two sons, Mark and Christopher, two daughters, Sandra W. Verger and Pamela Warner Champagne '70, four grandchildren and three sisters.

Noted Lawyer

M. Gerald Ryan '37, August 8, 1990, in Omaha, Neb., at age 74. Born in Auburn, Maine, he was the son of Mike Ryan, a marathon runner on two U.S. Olympic teams, winner of the 1912 Boston Marathon, and Colby's athletic director and track coach from 1919 to 1934. A history and government major at Colby, he was also a varsity football and hockey player and holder of several class offices. He worked on the *Oracle*, was managing editor of the *Echo* his senior year, and was a correspondent for several New England newspapers. After Colby, he was a high-school coach and journalist in Maine, Idaho and Alaska. He received a master's degree in history and government from the University of Idaho in 1939. In World War II he was a Navy communications officer in the Marianas, Okinawa and China. After the war he was a community-center and recreation superintendent for

the city of Palo Alto. In 1951 he received his J.D. from the University of Denver. He was an assistant executive for Santa Clara County from 1953 to 1957 and later became a management analyst for Los Angeles County. He served as Santa Clara County Law Librarian from 1961 to 1968, as a juvenile-court clerk in Denver and as a court-system efficiency expert in Omaha. He worked at the University of Nebraska, then in the public defender's office and as a deputy county attorney in Omaha until his retirement in 1984. Predeceased by a sister, Roberta Ryan '36, he is survived by his wife, Jean, a daughter, a son, four brothers and one grandchild.

Chemist

Paul D. Burnham '41, August 12, 1990, in Waterville, Maine, at age 72. Born in Brattleboro, Vt., he attended Brattleboro High School. At Colby he was a chemistry major and was on the football and track teams. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. A textile chemist for Maine companies, he was a project manager in the research division of Keyes Fibre when he retired in 1983. He was a volunteer at the Mid-Maine Medical Center and was on the board of directors at the YMCA. He is survived by his wife, Marion McArdle Burnham '41, one son, one daughter, his mother, one brother, two sisters, a daughter-in-law, Nancy Newell Burnham '65, and four grandchildren, including Kimberly Burnham Nashed '86.

Loved Art, Travel

Elizabeth Darling Bates '39, May 28, 1990, in Bangor, Maine, at age 71. She was born in East

Orange, N.J., and graduated from George Stevens Academy. After Colby, she was a trip leader and administrator with the American Youth Hostels Organization. During World War II she held positions as a nurse's aide and as assistant to the curator of the Fogg Museum of Art at Harvard. She also worked for DeWolfe and Fiske Bookstore in Boston. In 1971 she moved to Blue Hill, Maine, and was employed as a travel agent. She died as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. She is survived by a daughter, Mary Jane Bates '82, and a son, John Bates '85.

Faculty and Staff

English Professor

Richard Cary, June 27, 1990, in Waterville, Maine, at age 80. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa at New York University, where he also earned his master's degree. He became a professor of English at Colby after receiving his Ph.D. from Cornell University. An authority on the work of Sarah Orne Jewett and other Maine authors, he was also curator of rare books and manuscripts, editor of the *Colby Library Quarterly* and director of the Colby Library Press. His wife, Frances, died in October 1990. He is survived by two sisters, two brothers and several nieces and nephews.

Secretary to Registrar

Frances P. Cary, October 9, 1990, in Waterville, Maine, at age 77. She was employed as a secretary to the registrar at Colby for many years, and for over 25 years she was a volunteer at Mid-Maine Medical Center. In 1955 she married Professor Richard

Cary, who died in June 1990. Survivors include her brother, Roger W. Perkins, and her sister, Priscilla McLaughlin.

Professor of Biology

Robert L. Terry, July 6, 1989, in Waterville, Maine, at age 70. He was born in Mount Holly, N.J., and received his B.A. from Earlham College in 1939 and his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1948. From 1941 to 1945 he served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. Before coming to Colby, he taught at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, the University of Pennsylvania, Union College and Iowa State College. He was professor of biology at the College for 30 years until his retirement in 1983. He is survived by his wife, Wilhemina, a son, a daughter and three grandchildren.

Phys. Ed. Instructor

Margaret Mann, September 16, 1990, in Auburn, Maine. She was an instructor in physical education at the College from 1942-44. Survivors include her husband, Parker Mann, two daughters, Meredith Mann Shore '68 and Millicent Mann, a son, Parker Mann, Jr., and grandchildren.

Honorary

Renowned Behaviorist

B.F. Skinner, Sc. D. '84, August 18, 1990, in Cambridge, Mass., at age 86. Considered the grandfather of behavioral psychology, he was professor emeritus at Harvard University. Survivors include his wife, Yvonne, two daughters and a granddaughter, Kristina Vargas '88.

LETTERS

Pulling for Pam

Pamela Haury Cunningham '80 learned last spring that she has chronic myelogenous leukemia. She is undergoing chemotherapy, but a cure can only be effected with a bone marrow transplant, and time is of the essence. A simple blood test can determine bone marrow compatibility, and the more people who are tested, the better Pam's chances of finding a match. If you would like to help, call the National Marrow Donor Program at 1-800-654-1247 for an information package or call the American Red Cross in your area for information about donating blood platelets through pheresis. You can also defray the costs of a bone marrow testing drive in Pam's home town. Send checks made out to the National Marrow Donor Program to: Bill Limbacher, c/o New England Telephone, 350 Cochituate Rd., Room 201, Framingham, MA 01701.

I feel compelled to contact Colby immediately on a matter that I believe you will agree is quite urgent. So I sit in my office at work after hours to quickly compose a letter.

You may already be aware of Pam Cunningham's search for a bone marrow donor. A friend of mine from Braintree brought her story to my attention, since Pam is a Colby alum. I don't know Pam but I think Colby could help her. Should try to help her.

Perhaps through your contacts across the country and the current student body, you could spread the word to get as many people as possible to take the blood test with the hope of becoming bone marrow donors for Pam or for someone just like her.

If you know of Pam's plight and are already on the move, I'm sure she's thankful and a little more hopeful. I applaud you. If not, I strongly support any efforts made by the Colby community around the world to not only become active in the search for a donor for Pam, but also to become proponents of the National Donor Program.

Tracy Don Williams '82
Plymouth, Mass.

Junk Mail?

On two of three successive mail deliveries, I received your reports [Colby and Colby: The Report of Contributions]. I was incredulous at their lavishness. By the look of these two—fat, color photo-covered, oversize (the Report) and perfect-bound (Colby)—I'd say Colby is trying to impress the alumni, parents and friends with a few "pretty faces."

Next time, don't bother spending what must be the equivalent of one student's full tuition and board and room on such frivolous extras. At the least, you could use recycled paper for your publications. Surely your printers could get it for you; and if they cannot (or will not) I can offer some suggestions. (I assume they are not printed on recycled because I expect you would say so somewhere.)

Resources are getting scarcer these days, we are told. Perhaps Colby could better allocate its financial resources.

Disgusted once again.

Kip Penney '74
Brooks, Maine

Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Randy Helm responds:

The Annual Report of Contributions is an important publication for us. We feel it's appropriate and important to thank more than 6,400 friends and alumni who support the College so generously each year, not to mention the volunteers who raise alumni contributions for the College.

We have gone to considerable lengths to keep production costs down. Giving records are automatically downloaded from the computer to provide the data for class lists; page layout is done at Colby by desktop publishing so that camera-ready copy can be delivered to the printer. The glossy four-color cover is our one concession to luxury. We share your concern about the environment and waste of paper. In fact, we did order recycled paper for this year's Report of

Contributions. However, because the demand for recycled paper had outstripped the supply, our printer was unable to deliver sufficient quantities of recycled paper for this publication. We did, of course, choose to print the Report (except for the cover) on uncoated stock, which makes the paper much easier to recycle.

Regular readers of Colby already know that the College has an extensive paper recycling program on campus, started a year or two ago by a student who has worked with the administration to provide recycling containers for waste paper in virtually every administrative and athletic department throughout Colby. The College has also made a commitment to purchasing recycled paper for all its copying machines. In the Development and Alumni Relations Office in particular, we have found that by using electronic mail to circulate memoranda, reports and meeting notices, we have cut down on the use of paper and on xeroxing costs substantially. The one thing that we overlooked this year (and we appreciate the suggestion from several alumni who pointed it out to us) is a "Please recycle" notice at the end of the Report to encourage people to join in our recycling efforts.

Letter of Thanks

I want to thank Barbara Holden, Colby '42, for the kind words about me and two of my dear friends and colleagues on the Colby faculty of long ago, Mary Marshall and Alice Compartmentti, in her letter in the Summer 1990 issue of Colby. It is good to be remembered after all these years. I want to assure her and other former Colby students that I am still well and active, and am continuing to roam the world and to widen my horizons. To cite some recent evidence, I have just returned from a most unusual 3 1/2-week visit to China.

I was especially interested in the special feature on Bob William in the Summer 1990 issue of Colby. I remember Bob very well

from his Colby days. Through him I met his wonderful father, Dr. Maurice William, who certainly deserves a special place in the history of the Chinese nationalist movement.

Norman D. Palmer '30
Member Colby Faculty, 1933-1947

More on Frats

Concerning "the fraternity issue" at Colby, I find the position of President Cotter, his supporters and *Currents* demagogic in the extreme.

First, printing a full-page article in your Summer 1990 issue, without identifying the author of such a one-sided report, casts the entire piece under the pall of purely administrative propaganda.

Second, presenting two full pages of "selected" excerpts from unidentified letters-to-the-President, and from unnamed faculty members, smacks of cover-up and further administrative hypocrisy/propaganda.

Third, at least Dean Earl Smith had the courage to clearly voice his opinions in the "Periscope" section. Under "Helping Neighbors," he prejudicially editorializes, "... site of the infamous gatherings of members of the so-called LCA fraternity in March ..."; and under "Mooscellaneous," he is quick to point out that "... Colby's legal fees for 1990-91 were \$150,000 over budget." One should wonder how the dean defines "infamous" and what other Colby administrative departments exceed their budgets, and why these departments aren't singled out for exposure.

Fourth, I am offended, and find it a very sad day indeed, that students attend Colby primarily because it doesn't have fraternities/sororities rather than because it has the finest academic reputation and facilities to meet the student's educational aspirations. Perhaps Colby would attract a different kind of student if it promised to enroll only white,

Anglo-Saxon, Protestant, American citizens whose parents' combined annual income exceeded \$100,000. The point is that when any institution of higher education concerns itself with brainwashing students about which social or political organizations they should or should not join/support, rather than teaching how to reason intelligently and thoroughly, that institution is no longer one of higher education. It is merely one more tool in someone's socio-political power agenda.

Fifth, the headlines on pages six and seven, urging the College to take a strong stand against fraternities/sororities, reflect only the opinions of those individuals who still believe that Colby's leadership is unbiased, and that they have an equal opportunity to be heard. I, for one, believe that equal opportunity ended at Colby at least ten years ago. (Colby's *U.S. News and World Report* rating below Bates would seem to support my contention.)

In conclusion, it should be noted that the Rotary International has opened its membership to women, "private" golf clubs are opening their doors to racial and religious minorities, and our U.S. Constitution even protects the rights of organization and free speech from such despicable groups as the American Nazi Party and KKK. However, the current Colby leadership seems all too anxious to support only socialist, communist or totalitarian regimes and goals at the expense of the very constitution which allows Colby to exist. Perhaps that is why so many fraternity/sorority people rush to hide behind the claim of a "private" educational institution. Just such a claim made it easy to ignore the overwhelming student vote in favor of fraternities and sororities in 1984. Now that Colby only hires, enrolls or caters to those who are for the suppression of certain organizations with which they disagree, it makes it much easier to manipulate the Colby family and institute socio-political aims of the power elite who spend "over budget" to further their own agenda.

Would the students who took over the administrative offices during the Vietnam

Era, in direct violation of Colby regulations, have received the identical condemnation of staff and faculty, instead of encouragement and support? Perhaps those students changed Colby far more than the alumni realize. Colby has gone from an outstanding academic institution to one concerned more with socio-political change. After three generations of my family seeking an education, second-to-none, at Colby, I did not encourage my children to apply. I wished them to receive an education, not an indoctrination.

Glen P. Goffin '58
Fruitland Park, Florida

The letters excerpted in Currents represented the range of opinions received in its correct proportion. The most recent U.S. News and World Report rankings place Colby above Bates.

Being in the far west, we are sometimes out of touch with events at the College. Earlier this month a brochure from the athletic department disclosed the impact of the suspension of the core of the football team for being involved in an underground fraternity. On a recent trip to Maine, I learned of the suspension last spring of several baseball players for the same reason. It seems to me that this form of discipline is an overreaction to a natural fallout from the elimination of Colby fraternities and sororities. Was probation followed by suspension for any further infractions ever seriously considered? I sympathize with the football players who must now practice daily just to keep the score down. We do get football scores here and it is a bitter pill to see the team get drubbed each week because of the administration's heartlessness. These actions do no credit to Colby and are sorry means of keeping the College in the news.

John A. Dutton '55
Citrus Heights, Calif.

Innocents Abroad

Your latest issue of *Colby* with its emphasis on Colby's opportunities to study abroad was very enjoyable and brought back wonderful memories of my own year in Japan. Like most Colby grads who spent time abroad, I trace many of my personal strengths back to the lessons I learned about myself, my culture and human nature in general, while in Japan.

However, your description of the Colby in Cuernavaca program as enabling students to "broaden their linguistic and cultural horizons" brought back a not-so-pleasant memory. By chance several years ago I was studying at the same language school as the Colby group. In my observation, many of the Colby students were far busier broadening their horizons in the field of drug and alcohol use. Many seemed to think that a minute sober was a minute wasted.

Excessive partying is a typical response to the first rush of freedom from parental restraint; many on-campus first-year students go through the same stage. The Cuernavaca program provides a particularly heady combination of no drinking age, cheap and readily available drugs/alcohol, and limited supervision. To this Colby sends first semester "Colby students"—who are in fact post-high school students who have yet to set foot in a Colby classroom.

After this experience I question the wisdom of sending first-semester students off to foreign countries. Most college students do a lot of growing up during their first year—learning self discipline, moderation of lifestyle, self motivation, developing goals for themselves, etc. These are the very skills that make an international experience valuable. Lack of these skills was painfully evident in the Colby students I studied with (and cringed around) in Cuernavaca.

I wonder if the Cuernavaca program, geared as it is for first-semester freshman, is anything more than a very convenient "holding tank" for extra students who will

then be available, come January, to replace non-returning first semester students?

If Colby wants this program to be more than a convenience for the College and an exotic way to fulfill a language requirement, offer it to older students capable of experiencing Mexico as an international living/learning opportunity instead of an optimal party opportunity. The program as I witnessed it was an embarrassment and far from an endorsement of Colby's academic standards.

*Elizabeth Eustis '81
Mt. Vernon, Maine*

ROTC Wasn't Killed

A letter from Robert Rice '42 in the fall issue of *Colby* reflects a misconception that over quite a number of years several of us have tried to dispel. Evidently, we have been unsuccessful, at least to some of our Colby constituency, so let me try again.

The Colby administration and trustees did not succumb to pressure in the late sixties and early seventies to abolish the AFROTC unit on our campus. Indeed, in spite of (perhaps because of) one attempted bombing of the offices of AFROTC and a subsequent occupation of them (in 1972, the last of several building occupations between 1969 and that year), there was no sentiment on the part of anyone at Colby except certain students and faculty members for the elimination of ROTC. This view was, of course, their privilege, as was the opposite view.

My own reasoning on the matter ran along these lines: (1) Whether we particularly like it or not, the military will be with us the rest of our lives, and far beyond them into the next century. (2) Our involvement in the war in Vietnam, tragic as it seemed

then and still in retrospect seems to many of us, was not due to our having a military force; it came about because our civilian government, under the constitution, had implicated us, rightly or wrongly, in this struggle. (3) It seemed important from the military standpoint of higher education that in all our military branches at least some of the officers should come from liberal arts colleges, for reasons too obvious to require elaboration here.

The ironic twist was that when the Vietnam War was virtually over, it was the Pentagon itself that brought AFROTC at Colby to an end. The quality of the officers educated at Colby was never questioned. The quantity was. So small a unit was determined to be economically unfeasible.

*Robert E.L. Strider
President Emeritus*

McCoy Cheered

Clayt La Verdere's tribute to Al "Mudge" McCoy in the Summer 1990 issue hits home in more ways than one. Not only did he bring to Colby an undefeated All-Maine championship team, he also was responsible for giving Colby its football fight song, "All Up and Cheer For Dear Old Colby." I recall "Mudge" relating how the song developed—he was a classmate of Fred Waring, the band leader of "The Pennsylvanians" (a popular radio show in that era). He and Waring were partying at the University of Pennsylvania. When Waring learned that McCoy was coaching football at Colby he asked a few questions about school colors, etc. Within a few weeks after the reunion ended and McCoy was back in Waterville, he received a letter in the mail. Fred Waring had composed the song and lyrics and sent them to the coach. Al promptly gave it to the band

master of the White Mules. The Colby band played it often and well each time the team scored a touchdown. I also recall how he was the catalyst that prompted me to become the assistant manager of that great team and later manager of varsity hockey and football.

When candidates were solicited for varsity football in 1940 I volunteered. Al took one look at me—5'2" and less than 125 lbs.—and suggested that I carry the bucket, which I promptly did. That experience qualified me to become manager of the Fleet Recreation All-Star Baseball team in the South Pacific during World War II. Notable players on that team were major league stars, one of whom was Dom DiMaggio of the Boston Red Sox.

Lou "Judge" Deraney '44
Roslindale, Mass.

A Remembrance

No doubt there will be a full obituary in the Colby magazine of the death of Mary Thayer Bixler on June 3, 1990 in her 96th year [the obituary appeared in the Summer 1990 issue of *Currents*—Ed.] However, because she was such a supportive and outstanding wife to Colby's former president, J. Seelye Bixler, I wanted to share with her many Colby friends my experience in attending her memorial service, Sunday, July 15 in the First Church in Jaffrey, N. H.

The setting of the service was so appropriate as she, her husband and family had attended that church for so many years and Dr. Bixler had been a guest preacher there so many times. The church was filled with old friends and relatives. The front pews held Mrs. Bixler's four daughters, Harriet, Elizabeth, Martha, Nancy, their spouses, and eight grandchildren and two little great-grandchildren. In her last Christmas card of

1989, there was a picture of her and her large devoted family.

After readings by the minister and hymns by the congregation, the choir sang "How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place" by Brahms, a hymn also sung a Dr. Bixler's memorial service. I recognized Herb Bixler in the choir as he looks much like his older brother. Mary Bixler's daughters were also asked to join the choir for this beautiful piece.

The family had called the service a "service of remembrance" and this is what it was! Harriet spoke of her mother's talents as a mother and grandmother but also told charming stories about her as a plumber, electrician, musician, philosopher, hostess and "jack of all trades." Nancy spoke of Mary Bixler's prolific letter-writing and shared delightful, tender and humorous parts of her letters to Dr. Bixler between their engagement and marriage. Martha shared with us information regarding Mary Bixler's love of music, which was also shared by all the children and her husband. Martha played a piece, "The Lark," on the alto recorder in memory of her mother. Alexander Naughton, Harriet's son, shared with great humor some of his cherished memories of his grandmother. The last speaker was Emily Isaacs, Colby '88, Nancy's daughter. She also spoke of her many memories of her beloved grandmother and shared that even though her grandparents had attended different colleges and been on several college faculties, she felt their most cherished place was Colby.

Mary Bixler's "service of remembrance" in her beloved Jaffrey was a tribute of love from her family and many friends. She was buried in the family plot in Jaffrey next to her husband. Her contribution to Colby College is recognized and we thank this remarkable woman who touched the lives of so many of us.

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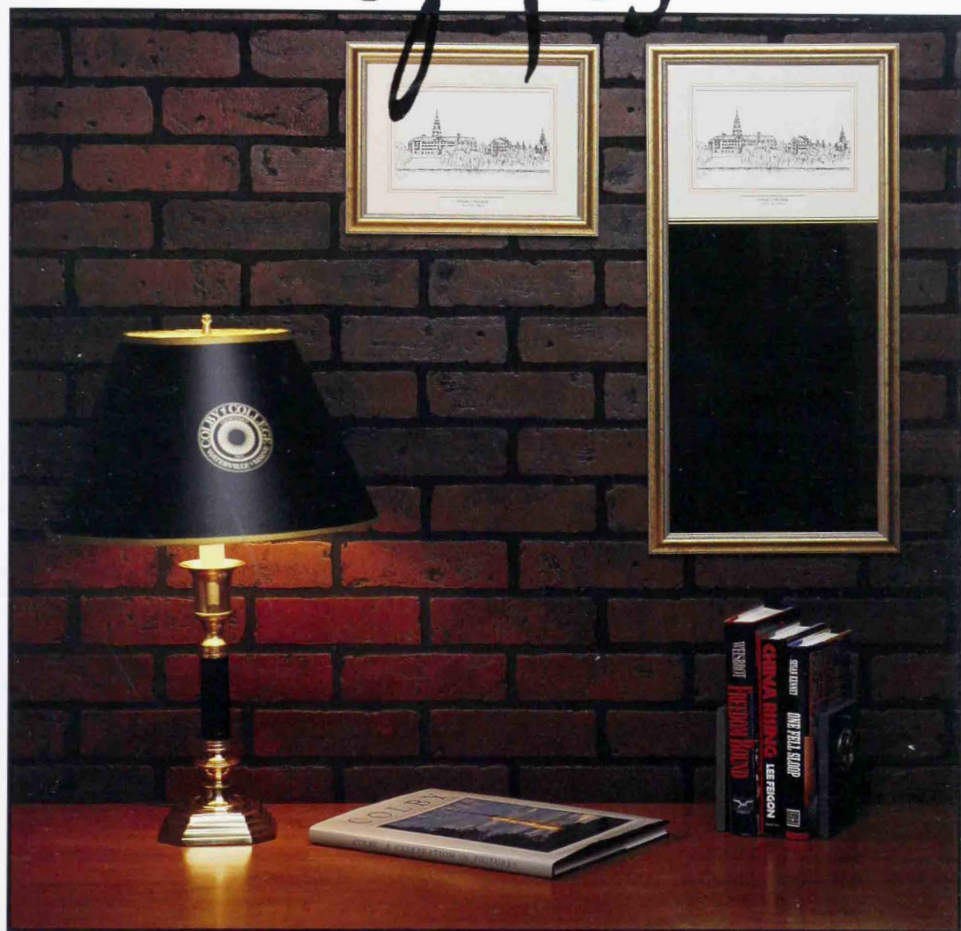
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