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CLASS NOTES

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In 1940 the entering Class of 1944 had more than 200 members. Now, 76 years later, the alumni office sent me a list with only 20 names! I have tried to call every one. Many numbers are no longer in service. These are the ones I actually talked with.

* Harold Joseph and his wife still live in Fairfield, Maine. They did not go to Florida last winter since his wife is in a wheelchair and they thought staying in familiar surroundings would be easier. Harold has sold his very successful business in Fairfield, name and all.

* Nancy Curtis Lawrence, who lives in Sequim, Wash., is busy with three generations of her family living together. She says it’s delightful as they all head out to work in the morning and she has the house to herself; then they return at night with interesting stories about that day’s activities. She has had a hip operation and uses a cane. She does a lot of reading.

* Gertrude Szadzewicz Collison is now 95. She’s moved from Niagara Falls back to Worcester, Mass., which is where she lived when she came to Colby. She now lives in assisted living but still drives, uses a walker, does crossword puzzles, and knits. We had to terminate a delightful conversation as she had to leave to attend a cocktail party!

* Leona Plaisted Fish’s husband answered my call. Leona is now in a healthcare facility. Andy, her husband, had been taking care of her at home, but her memory had faded so badly she needed more assistance than he could give her.

* Efthim (Tim) Economu was a Waterville High School graduate. Once the war started we all took various avenues to get our degree. I did not see him again until both of us were teaching at Bangor (Maine) High School. His specialty was French. I did reach him by phone. He still lives in Bangor and is still a man of very few words!

* George Conley came to Colby from Ellsworth, Maine, where he still lives. He earned money to attend Colby driving trucks for First National Stores. He went into the service after completing his freshman year and returned to Colby later. He is confined to a wheelchair so rarely gets out of the house.

* Ralph Hilton now lives in Rochester, N.H., although he came to Colby from Damariscotta, Maine. He served three years in the Navy—a year and a half in the Pacific. Once out of the service, he returned to Damariscotta to teach math and coach basketball and track at Lincoln Academy (the town’s private high school). He was principal there for eight years. He went into education textbook sales, finally retiring in 1986.

* I, JoJo Pitts McAralay, took two more trips in 2015! The first was in October with my 42-year-old granddaughter to New Orleans. I was born there and did in fact live there the first 13 years of my life. We had a small apartment just off St. Charles Avenue on Washington Avenue. We visited the two different private schools I attended (the first one I only went to fourth grade). We even met the people that now live in the house that we owned and occupied from 1925 to 1932! Then over Christmas I joined my son and his wife and their adult children to spend the holiday at a delightful resort in Tulun, Mexico. * This may well be my last column for the Class of 1944. I have enjoyed hearing from you. Thanks so much.

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There is not really much news. I have corresponded with Howell Clement and recently spoke with Carol Stoll Baker.

* I did receive a long letter from Evelyn Helfant Malkin, who wrote that last March she was in Morocco and then went on to visit family in Paris and stopped in London to see a friend. Additionally, she has been volunteering in a fourth-grade class in Cambridge and is concerned about unequal access to education in the United States. She was just back from New York City doing her favorite things, such as visiting museums and dining with friends. Soon she will be going to Martha’s Vineyard for a week with a daughter.

* I’m in Dedham, Mass., for the summer and early fall, and then I intend to return to Jupiter, Fla., after I celebrate my 90th birthday Oct. 18. I play a little golf, not more than nine holes at a time, and somehow stay busy.

* I would appreciate any news you can provide so that our classmates can have some substantive information about your current situation and your thoughts. Please write to me at 41 Woods End Road, Dedham, MA 02026 or at c/o Colby Magazine, 4350 Mayflower Hill Drive, Waterville, ME 04901.

1949
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In my last news I told you Mary Hathaway had moved, but I failed to give you her new address: 290 Kingstown Way #316, Duxbury, MA 02332-4605. My apologies, honey.

* Carol Carpenter Bisbee reports that at 90 years young she’s still living at home and still driving her yellow Saab convertible with the top down—unless it rains or snows. Besides chatting on the telephone, she reads, plays bridge, watches “old” favorite movies, and does crossword puzzles. She has 14 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren! Although she’s given up long-distance traveling, she’s been to all seven continents.

* Don Nicoll lives in an apartment on the Portland waterfront, and his new address is 305 Commercial St., Apt. 208, Portland, ME 04101-4642. Don is a member of several boards of directors related to his career with the Muskie School of Public Service at USM. He’s also on the board of the Allagash Wilderness Waterway Foundation, which celebrated the 50th anniversary of its establishment this summer and is a project in which Don’s been involved since 1961. This spring Don and his daughter, Melissa, visited Japan for three weeks. This was her first opportunity to see where her mother, Hilda Farnum Nicoll, lived 1931-38. They also visited Don’s son, Hugh, who teaches at two universities in Japan. * A brief note from Lorenzo Rastelli states, “Wisely!” in answer to my question as to how he spends his time. He still lives in Orange City, Fla., but recently took a trip to North Carolina.

* Sid McKeen splits his time between Florida and Maine, so in answer to my question as to recent travels, he states, “Interstate 95!” He spends time “growing about life in general—especially politics.” He’s still writing his columns, Wry and Ginger, now in its 53rd year. From Nova Scotia comes news from Muriel Thomas Levings, who has lived in Canada since emigrating with her husband in 1974. Belonging to a monthly book club, she reads a lot and also spends time with four dogs, two cats, and two goats. Muriel has three daughters and one son, not to mention 14 grandchildren and 20 greats! She volunteers at a local nursing home and travels to Massachusetts to visit family and friends. * Having had her activities somewhat curtailed by a hip replacement last winter, Jean Sheppard Silva is back volunteering at her church’s thrift shop, Heavenly Threads, where she has worked since it opened in 1994. This is also her “favorite shopping place!” She’s still singing, mostly with her church choir at the moment, but looks forward to rejoining Down East Singers in the fall.

* After 55 years in the hotel business, Bob Sage retired in 2014. He and his wife now split their time between Florida and Massachusetts. They recently took a riverboat trip up the Danube. Bob keeps his fingers in several pies as a director or trustee of several universities or medical centers in the Boston area. * Bert writes that his wife, Anne Houston Stiller, suffers from dementia and requires almost constant supervision. They live in an assisted living facility in East Haven, Conn., with a view of Long Island Sound. Of their three children, two daughters are Colby graduates, as is one granddaughter.

* Joan Smith Rogers has recently moved to Birch Bay, a retirement community in Bar Harbor. She spends her time reading, enjoying the scenery, and adjusting to new surroundings.

* John R. Stuart lives with his daughter, an M.D., in Sandimas, Calif. He’s “still into aviation.”

* Cynthia Crook Lieck loves living in a retirement community on Maryland’s Eastern Shore. She enjoys watercolor painting, is in a memoir’s workshop, and reads a lot. She volunteers at the Methodist church and its very active thrift shop.

* Martha Jackson White is still in the home she and Conrad found in 1990 in Glenville, N.C. She’s very involved with church activities, a knitting group, reading, and singing in a chorus. “Life is full of beauty and joy.”
And so I come to the end of this column, which is full length and then some thanks to all your contributions!

1950
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Betsy “Dudie” Jennings Maley and her family had a busy spring. Bill and Dudie’s daughter, Annie, drove them to Dudie’s 70th high school reunion in Winchester, Mass., at the Winchester Country Club, where they had their wedding reception. Dudie reports, “there were about 50 at the luncheon, 20 of whom were classmates including Ellen Kenerson Gelotte, who drove from Gilford, N.H. We drove around Winchester to show our daughter where I grew up and where Bill and I were married.

It was a great day and wonderfully organized by one of our classmates. My sister Allie (Jennings Castelli) had planned to come with Bob but woke up that morning not feeling well.” Another spring event was the graduation of Dudie’s granddaughter Margot from Kenyon College in Ohio. Allie and Dudie flew to the event and had a nice weekend, except for going through security, where Dudie got the full treatment! Margot is the daughter of Andrew ’86 and Margaret Davis Maley ’85 and she has a job in Washington.

Their other daughter, Ginger, graduated from high school and will go to Mt. Holyoke in the fall. Duncan, their youngest, is in high school. Granddaughter Sarah, daughter of Janet and Bill Maley ’81, graduated from the school of nursing at UConn as an RN and has a job. Their son David works in Oregon and Matthew got married in Virginia where they had their wedding reception. We had our 65th class reunion in June. classnews1951@colby.edu

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We had our 65th class reunion in June. Cass Lightner attended and so did a few other survivors. Fred Boyle says it was a letdown as only seven members attended. He states that Walt Russell and Sumner Fox were listed but he missed seeing them. Harland Eastman and Debbie Meigs rode in the parade with Cass and Jane Perry Lindquist, who received a Colby Brick Award for outstanding work as an alumna. Fred is working on writing a new book about the early families of Lyman, Maine, and hopes to finish it later this year. He’s conducting a lot of research about the 120 families that settled the town during the revolutionary years. He also sings in a choir, does some acting in the local theater, and attends Rotary meetings. He can be reached at his summer cottage on Mousam Lake, about six miles north of his home in Springvale. Have fun Fred! Dick Birch missed reunion because he was on a trip to Oregon and Denver. Nancy and Dick have downsized and are now in an assisted living facility in Nashua, N.H. Good luck and good health to them. They still plan to be in Estero, Fla., in the winter months. Sound like a good plan, Dick.

Lorraine (Arcese ’54) and George Wales are still in the Denison College area and enjoying the challenging years.

Jane and I are still in Villanova and have no plans to travel in these unsettled times. Thanks for your correspondence and accept my best wishes for good health and fun wherever you are.

1952
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Greetings everyone! Let’s begin this column with Art White, who tells us, “Lots happened the last few weeks. I have my house under contract and when it sells I will be heading to Exeter, N.H., to begin condo living. I’ll stay in Bath until mid September and then move a few miles south. I plan to take the family to Montana in August for a fishing and fun trip. Maybe we can visit the daughter of Danny Hall ’51 for some climbing tips. I see Bob Kline on occasion and talk with Lum Leberherz once or twice. Lum makes certain I keep my sense of humor intact.”

Russ Wallace wrote with news about a trip he and Anne took to see the home turf of his alma mater. He says he found his way around Maine and New Hampshire with ease as he said he was pleased to see sidewalk cafés well patronized with some levity in the air. Our next stop was

Dijon, where we boarded a canal barge and enjoyed well-planned day trips for a week, including a visit to the Patriarche winery in Beaune, a Bourgogne highlight. After the barge we headed for Lyon then returned to Paris by train and lunched at The Bastille, across from the new opera house. Loved everything on this visit except the Picasso Museum. Our first trip in 2016 was New Yorks in Rio, as seen from the Copacabana Beach. The underlying purpose was to sense post-election sentiments of locals in Argentina and Brazil, and we enjoyed all the first-hand comments from locals. There may be corruption, inflation, and the Zika virus but these countries have a lot of energy in their young population. They were good to us.”

A phone call from Barbara Bone Leavitt, who is “happily living at Linden Ponds in Hingham, Mass.,” revealed that she’s very busy and recently participated in a musical there, with excerpts from Fiddler On The Roof. Don Hailer reports that he and Sheila “had lunch recently with George Leberherz and Herb Nagle and their two ladies. It was fun to see them again.”

And finally from yours truly. I have put in a rather harrowing six months, from January through June, with a very serious heart situation. Finally went to Boston for surgery and am very glad to report that I am now on the mend. So I guess you’ll have to continue putting up with my column three times a year!

1953
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As I write, summer has started with nice weather north of Boston. The nice days keep me walking about one mile a day with my five-month-old Golden Retriever puppy.

* Back in February John Lee emailed an invitation to anyone visiting the Washington, D.C., area to use his personal guide service. His daughter, Wendy, is in the U.S. embassy in Morocco for the next two years. He’s therefore hoping that she and her husband will be back in the States to accompany him to our 65th reunion in 2018. He recently visited Wendy’s daughter in New York City, where she works for the film industry. John just turned 87 and wonders if he is the oldest in our class.

* Loretta (Tommi) Thompson Staples and Carolyn English Caci will take a fall cruise from Amsterdam to Basel. They will be back sharing a room after 67 years. They’re just one example of the Colby lifetime connections.

* Joyce Maguire Demers keeps in touch with Ken Castonguay and says that he’s doing great and looks terrific. She brings us up to date since she was widowed in 1969 at 38.

She now has quite a family surrounding her as her four kids, who were 4, 6, 11, and 13 at that time, multiplied to seven grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. She’s pretty sure she has all our classmates beat in that department. Joyce welcomes anyone to get in touch on Facebook at JoyceMaguireDemers. She would love to hear from old friends.

* Nelson Beveridge called to say that Chuck Spencer’s widow, Joyce Witham, informed him about Chuck’s memorial service in Concord, Mass. Nelson was sorry to be unable to attend because they were good friends at Colby and from there on. I think Nelson said they had been freshman roommates in 1949-50. You probably know that Chuck went on to graduate school in geology and made a career as a geologist.

* Chase and Nan Murray Lasbury attended Reunion 2016 on campus, which was their 63th. Nan reports that there were only a few from our class. President David Greene spoke about all the new initiatives and the new athletic complex to replace the old one in 2020. Nan shares that Sue Cook ’75, who worked in planned giving, has retired and that the College has plans to improve the City of Waterville, which ought to raise the eyebrows of Ted Lallier. Did he not bring up that idea at one of our reunions? Nan says that the only thing that seems to remain the same during reunions is the “unforgiving mattresses” in the dorm rooms! Keep your news coming, I welcome every piece.

1954
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George and Diane Chamberlin Starcher celebrated their 60th anniversary this summer, and are settling into life in the states following 50 years residing in France. Diane reports that Sarasota, Fla., has outstanding opera, orchestra, and ballet. Lifelong-learning classes, volunteering at a children’s afterschool homework program, and continuous involvement with the local and regional community of the Bahá’í faith keeps her busy. Diane’s email address is diane.starcher@yahoo.com and she would love to hear from Colby friends.

* Arthur “Bob” Cummings reports that winter 2015 was the first they stayed in Maine in “many a year” and “it wasn’t too bad.” Bob had a nice visit from Vic Scalise, does a lot of Sudoku, and looks forward to four-wheeling with his son.

* Nancy Moyer Conover now lives in Storrs, Conn., (close to daughter Joanne and family) goes to the gym five days a week to ride a stationary bike, plays bridge every Thursday,
and visits her younger brother who is in a nearby nursing home. She still questions her move from PA where her friends are but concludes, “Life is a gamble—I am so lucky.” • Al Packard runs an art and drama program for children in Florida. Last year they did productions of Snow White, Frozen, and Alice In Wonderland. This year they will do Aladdin and Inside-Outside. I have contacted Al for more details about his work so that I’ll be able to give you more details in the next column. • Judy Thompson Lowe had kind of a kinky (sic) winter, during which she had a stroke, but all is better now. She was in Minneapolis for a Red Sox-Twins baseball game and also spent time visiting friends in Boston. Judy keeps busy with the League of Women Voters, the Museum of Natural History, and as a member of the “coffee team” at two venues at the Village in Gainsville, Ga. Go Gators! • Judy Jenkins Totman passed on word from Colby that, once again, the Class of 1954 has led the pack with 65% participation rate for the Giving Day drive in February. • As your class correspondent, I have made a conscious decision to not include the passing of classmates in my column. I would, however, be remiss if I did not note the passing of professor Richard Gilman Jan. 15, 2016, at 92. It was such a treat to have him at our 60th reunion.

1955

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I’ve received no news for this column, only a few hellos from regular contributors John Reisman, Johnnny Dutton, and Betty Harris Smith. I have moved from Maine to be closer to my daughter and am settled in a small apartment in Stamford, N.Y. After five years in this role as correspondent, I am passing the pen onto a new volunteer—Betty Harris Smith. Thank you, Betty! Classmates, you can send your news to her at classnews1955@colby.edu and help her in this new role. I’ve loved being your correspondent and thank you all for the news you’ve sent over the years. Take care!

1956

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Hope Palmer Bramhall and Kathy McCoaughy Zambello, co-chairs of our 60th reunion, report that reunion was fantastic! There were 56 attendees including Tess and Jube Jubsinsky from Hawaii, Brian Stompe from California, Micky McLeod O’Brien (her first) from Montana, Joan Kyratz O’Rourke from Florida, and the old stand-byes. The signature event was a private tour and talk of the Lunder Collection by Paula and Peter Lunder. Their gifts include $100 million worth of art three years ago and more recently, 100 signed Picasso etchings. A private dinner at the museum followed the tour, with President Greene and his wife and many faculty in attendance. Congratulations to Hope, who won the Ernest C. Marioner Distinguished Award, and to Dick Abedon, who won the Distinguished Alumnus Award. Our class again donated the most in the fiscal year as well as in reunion years. David SORTY and Larry Pugh and others were remembered with candles at the Boardman Service on Sunday. There was talk of our next affair—our 65th reunion! • Reverend Frank Huntress described reunion thus: “fun, frolics, companionship, food, memories: a wonderful moment when time stopped for us all briefly to revel in friendships everlasting and joy!” • Katie Coon Dunlop also wrote of reunion and how impressive and stimulating President Greene was. She’s still an active realtor in the Hudson Valley area of Millbrook, N.Y. It keeps her moving and young when she’s not cheering for two grandsons at their ballgames. She, too, hopes for a “65th Diamond Jubilee” at our next reunion. • Brian Stompe enjoyed seeing friends on campus. He’s an avid fisherman, and upon his return home his fly-fishing group held its annual boat camping trip on the Sacramento River. Good fishing, and afterwards fried shad roe as well as smoked shad. For a couple of days this summer, he’ll teach Scouts fly fishing at their summer camp. Then more fishing along the Marin coast! • Janet Nordgren Meryweather was also a reunion attendee. Her 20 or so gardens will be part of the State Garden Club Convention tour in Bar Harbor this summer. She was busy reading her place for the event. Then she’s back to Massachusetts for the summer beach season. Later she’ll take a trip to several “magificent National Parks” (Glacier, Great Falls Portage of Lewis [Meryweather Lewis, her husband’s relative] and Clark fame, Yellowstone, Grand Teton, Arches, Monument Valley, Grand Canyon, Zion). She’ll end in Is- saquah, Wash., and visit daughter Alison and her family. • Bob and Barbara (BJ) Davis Howard—about to celebrate their 61st anniversary—have a busy life in West Hartford, Conn. After a trip to the Tampa Bay area, they look forward to spending family time at their Vermont cabin with views of fields and mountains. Their oldest daughter, a teacher in the Tanzania school system, will be visiting. BJ keeps in touch with Nancy Eggleston Kibens ’57, a Missouri resident. • Sara Dunbar Lam- onica has resigned her position as worship chair at Aldergate, but remains on the committee. The choir, replaced by a praise band, receives standing O’s whenever Ray (93 years old) sings, and once a month there’s a free-for-all breakfast. Sara’s part of the Tuesday Bridge group, the North Reading Senior Echoes, and volunteers not only at the Little School library to assist preschoolers, but also at the North Reading Town Hall. She’s kept busy with the activities and jobs and schooling (high, college) of her immediate family, their spouses, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. • I (Charlene Roberts Riordan) spent a lovely evening at a local outdoor performance of Hamlet with Rosemary Crouthamel Sortor, who was in Darien (Conn.) for the graduation of her grandson from Darien High School, from which I retired a year ago. It was great having time to chat and to appreciate the Bard on a summer’s evening.

1957

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Where is everyone? It’s hard to believe that so many of you are off on an exotic adventure and too busy to stay in touch. But we shall persevere! • Bob Pettigrew is still “cranking full time,” as he puts it, most of the time devoting his business skills to professional fundraising with nonprofit boards such as running their capital campaigns. Bob is always ready to enjoy life and performs three or four piano gigs a month. • Mikki Chomicz Mano will soon be off to Italy and Greece with her family—nine kids and grands in all. Back home again, Mikki will have a summer filled with music, including the 62nd Ocean Grove Choir Festival featuring choirs from the entire state of New Jersey. • From Cape Elizabeth, Maine, Peter Merrill emails that in late June he had attended a memorial service for his dear friend Dr. David Adams ’58 at the Cousins Island chapel in Yarmouth, where he and eight of the members of the Colby Eight alumni from our era were included in the program. At a restaurant following the service, Dave’s family hosted a wonderful celebration party to honor his well-lived and very full life. Guy and I were in attendance and enjoyed conversations with Bo Olsen, Tom Brackin, Ed Tomy ’59, Keet Arnett ’59, and Bob Marier ’60. It was a treat for us to see and hear the Eight perform at the Muddy Rudder and to catch up with many good friends, including Skeeter ’59 and Karen Begnann Megathlin ’62. Pete still plays jazz piano often with Pete Collins ’59. • William Winslow sent word that indicated he has been nostalgically reminiscing about his ski team days at Colby, perhaps due to the fact that our 60th reunion looms large. Anyway, he is forever grateful to Buddy Bates for wisely steering him away from that rickety old ski jump at the Colby hill and to terra firma of the cross-country trails. That advice served well WW very well, for he still hits the trails to this day, even in Central Park in New York City. • As we close, please remember that any news sent after our deadline will be included in our following column.

50s NEWSMAKERS

Ballroom dancer Russ Longley ’59 won Top Silver Amateur Gentleman on the Dancer’s Cup Tour 2015 and has continued winning in 2016, taking home top prizes in competitions in Nashville, St. Louis, and Wisconsin. Longley and his teacher/partner, Shalene Archer, dance 30 different styles.
1958
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Owen Haley is “still alive and kicking up here in northern Maine,” enjoying his retirement with his books and golf clubs. A milestone event was witnessing his granddaughter Elizabeth Paige Allen graduate from Colby in 2015. Her parents, Jay ’86 and Laurie Haley Allen ’87, as well as her uncle and aunt William ‘98 and Kristen Haley Chamberlain ’99, were all in attendance. It was a very exciting and pride-filled occasion!  

Near the end of June, Bill (“Ding”) and Betty Cooper Cochran moved to Rockingham, Va., a suburb of Harrisonburg, where they’ll be closer to two daughters. In March Merle and Barry Ginsburg hosted Secretary Hillary Clinton for a major fundraising event at their home in Connecticut. It was a successful event attended by hundreds of supporters as well as the governor, lieutenant governor, both U.S. Senators, and their local Congresswoman. See the “Short Forms” section in the front of the magazine for a photo of the couple showing Secretary Clinton part of their manuscript collection of historic presidential documents. “It was an honor and a privilege to host this event.”

John Edes sends news of the birth of a fourth great-grandchild, Mason Edes. Another great-grandson, Jordan Edes, is receiving recruiting letters for football and basketball, including one from Colby, even though he will be only a junior this fall. Lots of news from Al Dean. The ’55 VW bug that was a star at our last reunion had a tune-up recently and is running well. “Guess that was a star at our last reunion had a tune-up recently and is running well. “Guess that was a star at our last reunion had a tune-up recently and is running well. “Guess that was a star at our last reunion had a tune-up recently and is running well.

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Peter Henderson spends all his time between a part-time job in fundraising for K-12 Christian schools, visiting his grandkids in Tennessee and Florida, and recovering at their lake house on Lake Martin in Alabama, where he keeps up his waterskiing, canoeing, and kayaking skills. This summer he joined a Colby Eight reunion in Yarmouth, Maine, where they sang at a memorial service for David Adams ’58, who died earlier this year. He and wife Jane (W.Va. alumna) were also in Waterville celebrating the 70th anniversary of the New England Music Camp, which is where they first met and later, between their junior and senior years at college, got engaged under the trees of Johnson Pond. Their grandkids never tire of asking about how they met “way up there in Maine.” Bette and Richard Peterson spent two weeks in the UK in June, the first week walking 80 miles on the Cornwall coast and the second playing croquet in two English clubs. They’ve traded in their downhill skis for croquet mallets. Dick likes hearing all the good news from Colby. With a 17.5-percent acceptance rate, he would not be overly confident about getting into Colby now! He’s also glad to see Colby’s partnership with the City of Waterville, which benefits both, and hopes to see a new hotel downtown. Ron Weber has a visit from Gale and Mike Silverberg in March and they met Jerry Goldberg at Boca West for lunch. Ron’s son Jeffrey (born at Colby) moved from Connecticut to Palm Beach Gardens with his wife and Ron’s three granddaughters. His second son, Kurt, and wife Patty moved to and built a house in Costa Rica, and son RT and wife Katie are still in Colorado with a great job. Ralph Galante has always said “life changes every 10 years,” and it certainly did for him and Jane when she was diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease two years ago. At their daughter’s suggestion they built onto her house in Centennial, Colo. Now they’re truly snowbirds. He thought he’d never shovel snow again—wrong! They still summer on Lake Merrymeeting in N.H. and love it there with visits from their kids and grandkids. Art ’59 and Louise Robb Goldschmidt have lived at Foxdale Village in State College, Pa., for five years and are in good health. She’s on the local program committee of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, which offers non-credit courses for older adults. They’re active in the Unitarian church, the Torch Club, and the Democratic Party and keep up with events in the Middle East. Tony ’57 and Bev Jackson Glueckler have had many recent changes. They’ve moved into CCRC, where they’re known as the “fast walkers.” They both retired as volunteers with Montgomery EMS, but Tony continues training new drivers. As an EMT for almost 29 years, Bev had about 4,800 calls with several CPR saves and delivered three baby boys! Bev’s Colby roommate and dear friend Eunice Bucholz Spooner died in April. Bev spoke to her about their usual get-togethers in Maine in July three days before she died. Jock Knowles writes that on May 1 their great hockey coach, Jack Kelley, was inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. Seven loyal supporters—Peter Leofanti ’62, Phil “Cub” Shea, Steve Curley, Jay Webster ’62, John “Spud” McHale ’62, and Doug Mulcathy ’62—met at his house in Free maine, Maine, on Saturday, spent the night, and attended the ceremony the following day, where Sid Farr ’55 joined their table. Michael Silverberg sees Dick Fields ’61 and Hank Silverman ’61 frequently and speaks with Steve Curley often. Mike just completed a merger of his firm; his goal is to continue working. Jane Holden Huerta continues to work as a bridge director at the local bridge club, one of the three largest in the country. She finds time to play bridge and visit her three granddaughters, Victoria, 4, Juliet, 18 months, and Alexandra, 1. She also goes to the gym so she can enjoy them!  

1961
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The Class of 1961 Celebrates 55th Reunion in Style! Special thanks to the reunion committee who made everyone’s return to campus special. To Bob Burke, elected president and leader for “life,” for organizing the committee and keeping us all on track; Judy Hoffman Hakola for superb decorations, being our onsite coordinator, and managing the details for the Mary Low Lounge headquarters; Tom and Marilyn Blom Evans for providing endless, priceless entertainment with fine wines and champagne; and David Ziskind for representing the class as a campus-wide alumnae lecturer with his talk “Architecture and Social Responsibility—Changing the World through Design” and as a speaker for our dinner in Foss. Special thanks to all for
superb contributions! Your correspondent’s reunion highlights were dancing in the big tent with David McKay Wilson ’76—a writer, choreographer, and superb West Coast swing advocate—and discovering Tree Spirits Winery and Distillery in Oakland with Claire Lyons. Owners Bruce Olson ’76 and Karen Heck ’74 offered a tour and tasting just five minutes from campus. Dee Ann and Sandy Arens suggested we plan a mini-reunion in Hawaii i before our 60th in 2021. We can get a group together on the Big Island in 2018-19. Donna and Bob Burke are on the island in January for possible pre-planning, and Dean and Sandy Nolet Quinlan are game, as are Tom and Marilyn Blom Evans and Mary Sawyer Bartlett. At Sunday morning’s champagne jazz breakfast, past and future travels were enthusiastically discussed. Candy and Dave Bergquist have recently enjoyed the wonders of Scandinavia; Dean and Sandy Nolet Quinlan will take a Danube river cruise this year. Other world travelers intermittently savor the pleasures of home, like Ki and Bill Clough, Claire Lyons, Scotty MacLeod Folger, Anne Lehman Lysaght (who travels internationally with her singing group), Liz (Rowe ’63) and Bev Lapham, Candy Castle Marsellus, Sandy and Nancy Unneen Boardman, Ned Gow, Dave Tournangeau, and Tom Kirkendall. We have numerous golf enthusiasts in our class, including Mary Sawyer Bartlett, Bob Burke, Frank D’Ercole, Gene Rainville, and Quimby “Q” Robinson. It was great to be back in the dorm again sharing laughs with Jane Bowman, Sue Fourcade Erskine, CC Clifton Lee, Dotty John Christmas, Carol Trigg Friedley, and Martha Raymond Sohrennisse, who had the right idea to bring three siblings to celebrate with her en route to a post-reunion Maine vacation. Carole Ann Pope saw you briefly at the photo session. To those ’61 Mules unable to return—we missed you all! For a quick review of our spectacular 1961 class, please return to the 50th reunion book and re-read those bios. * Doug Riis sent a brief summary of his last 55 years: “I’ve been happily married to Mercer (MacNutt ’60) for almost 54 years, with one daughter in Portland, Ore., with our two granddaughters, and a son in Spain—both great places to visit. I’m a retired BU School of Dental Medicine professor, enjoying my “free time,” packed with mostly gardening and travel. My Colby years were mostly defined by the Colby Eight. The singing and friendship continues on with many reunions and visits: a wonderfully supportive group. This spring we attended our first Colby Club of Boston event, a hard cider tour and tasting. It was a terrific event hosted by Dave Epstein ’86. Not surprising, we were the oldest grads, but we enjoyed swapping Colby tales with many recent grads there. We certainly plan to attend the next event.” Note to classmatess:

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1962

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Pete Duggan had knee replacement and then got gout in the knee. A slow recovery for Pete, who is an avid golfer and tennis player. He and Ceylon Barclay were sorry to have missed the KDR reunion. Pete spends a month in Maine each summer. * Harry and Judy Hoagland Bristol planned to attend Alumni College and then travel to Campobello Island. She recently had lunch with Vera and Sam McCleery and has been in touch with Roey Carbino. Both the McCleery’s and Roey plan to attend our 55th in 2017. * Bob and Brenda Phillips Gibbons have moved back to Stuart, Fla., which is nearer to family. * Peter and Brenda Wrobleski Ewell recently spent a week hiking in Yosemite National Park and Lake Tahoe and visiting the Sonoma wine country. They’ll also be traveling to Uzbekistan and will escort a group to Chile. Connie Fournier joined the Ewells for Thanksgiving last November. * A Colby group of folks who graduated about our time meets for lunch during the winter. Among those joining us are Judy Hoffman Hakola ’61, Judy Thompson Chandler ’63, Marylee Grant McIntosh ’63, Sally Peabody Pendleton ’61, Pam Taylor, Cassandra (Cousins ’65) and Joe Wright, Colleen (Jo) Littlefield Jones, and Linda Steams ’65. Always a fun time reminiscing. * Pam Taylor spends six months in Bangor and six months in Forest City, Maine, on East Grand Lake. Lots of Colby people summer in that area including Forrest ’56 and Ann Jefferson Barnes ’57, Jean Ferguson Cole ’65, and Barbara McGillicuddy Bolton ’65. Pam and Connie Fournier met at the Colby art museum for a visit and lunch. * Ann Tracy has started her East Grand/Aroostook novel. * Jean Koullack-Young is teaching ESL to immigrants and tutoring children of homeless families. * Cassandra (Cousins ’65) and Joe Wright enjoyed a trip to Hawaii. * We are on a countdown for our 55th reunion June 1-4, 2017. Mark the date now. If you don’t do your part.

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This is the first time I’ve been able to include everyone’s news nearly in its entirety! I usually have to cut the column in half before I submit it, which means the humor and warmth, not to mention interesting details, are lost. * Sandra Mouton Burridge visited Montreal for a month to check up on friends and her daughter. In Oxford (UK) her activities are “pretty boring: twice a week Tai Chi, once a week to London to ‘play’ with the grandchild (now 15 months) to give his mother time to do something else.” She has also been to Italy once a year—since her Italian daughter-in-law came on the scene—to work on her Italian. She goes “to a lovely school near Rome with three lovely meals a day, four hours of Italian, and touring in the afternoon for 10 days. It makes a nice break from English weather.” * Bill ’62 and Barb Haines Chase joined a Global Volunteers team in Costa Rica. They worked in Santa Elena, a small village very near the cloud forest in central Costa Rica, where they participated in several landscaping projects. After two weeks of labor they had fun at a Pacific beach. Now they’re gardening and looking forward to kayaking and sailing. * It was sad to read that Middlebush Motte died last November. Our deepest sympathy to her spouse, Sheila, and their family. * Gretchen Miller sailed around the Galapagos on a catamaran with her significant other, Eric, and her daughter, Deb. They then went on to Machu Picchu to tour and hike—their first time in South America. “Lots of wildlife, an incredible guide, and a great international group of 12 people.” * Betsy Doe Norwat and her husband look forward to a bus tour that goes through Glacier National Park and into the Canadian Rockies. The tour ends in Vancouver, where they’ll have time to visit Victoria. She recently had lunch with Ruthie Pratley Madell. * Speaking of Ruth, she’s still working 15 hours a week as budget director of the Kansas Humanities Council and taking two Osher Institute classes each session. Her biggest news is the birth of granddaughter Auora Lucia. Ruthie spent time in Naples, Fla., with Chicago Chi O friends. Unfortunately, she didn’t get to see Ann (Boody) Bruno Rocking this year. * Rod Pierce and wife Pat have had major changes this year. They sold their winter home on the west coast of Florida, put their Connecticut house on the market, and are building a new house in Vero Beach, Fla. Their goal is to downsize: one house, one golf club, etc. Al Carville has already paid a visit! The Navy Seal Museum nearby was a real treat for Navy veteran Al. * Rob and Edie Sewall Thompson attended Rob’s 50th Bates reunion and visited family and friends. They’ve been doing some traveling via Road Scholar. * Dan Traister generously sent me a catalogue of the beautiful exhibition he curated at Penn, titled “Covered with Vines: The Many Talents of Ludwig Bemelmans.” As a fan of the children’s classic Madeline, I was delighted to receive it.

1964

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Richard Zipser retired from a long career as professor of German literature, and most recently as chairman of the University of Delaware’s department of foreign languages and literatures. Richard is now working on an English translation of a memoir, which was originally published in German. He looks forward to another book project, volunteer opportunities, and travel. * Living in Washington State, Dick York uses a wheelchair but enjoys going to the shore to listen to the waves and remember his 60 years of sailing. He sees Maddie and Jim Harris once a month. * Linda Spear Ewell lives in Sanford, Fla., where she and her husband play golf, read, walk, and enjoy friends, children, and grandchildren. They travel to their home in Wells Beach, Maine, where they are “revitalized and relaxed.” * Janet Stoddard Gagnon reflects that she has a “blessedly ordinary” life in Charleston, W.V., where she and her husband have brought up a son and a daughter; there are now six grandchildren. * Spending the winter in Florida, PJ Downing Curtis and her husband visited with Will and Barbara McFaul Cook. PJ and John cruised to the Panama Canal and are back home in Maine, where they had lunch in Blue Hill with Pam Harris Holdon ’65. * Dick Larschan attended weddings in California and visited a longtime friend in Sweden. Dick teaches mini-classes for “seniors” at the 92nd St. Young Men’s Hebrew Association and at All Souls Unitarian Church, both in New York City. He says he’s covering his bets! In Westport, Mass., for the summer, Dick is near his older daughter’s family and visits John Sitkin and Bob Mangion’s wife, Johanna. * Steve Schoeman states...
that after dealing with prostate cancer he now realizes “that what matters in life is not what so many people think matters. In my advancing years my focus is up- wards toward heaven and not down here amidst all the tumult and noise.”

Peg Chandler Davey and Martha Schatt Ab- bott-Shim hiked the southern end of the Appalachian Trail last spring. The high- lights “were catching up and rekindling their friendship from long ago, the trail’s physical challenge, and talking with fel- low hikers along the way.”

Jean Martin Fowler’s third great-grandson has arrived to join three sons and eight grandsons! Jean lives in northwest Florida and this summer hosted the entire Fowler clan. A plan to move to a condo will free Jean and her husband from house and yard chores, and they look forward to traveling to National Parks in the West and back to New England.

Barbara Carr Howson babysits her two-year-old granddaughter once a week and also visits her husband at a nursing home several times a week. Lately she has explored her home state of Virginia, traveling to Lexington and Charlottesville, among other places. Bar- bie also visited a friend in San Francisco recently, adding on a Road Scholar tour of Yosemite National Park. During the sum- mer she saw Suzy Noyes Mague and other classmates in Maine. Still working after “retirement” from the automobile busi- ness, Michael Cohen now brokers used Porsches and other sports cars via the Internet. He’s been married to Janice for 49 years and has two sons and two grand- children. Michael lives in Michigan and in the past year he and Janice traveled to Italy, Sarasota, Fla., Washington, D.C., and California. Also traveling but in an RV, BJ Campbell and her husband, Frank, have taken three cross-country trips. Their next excursion, by plane, cruise line, and car, will be to Alaska, Vancouver, B.C., Washington State, and Oregon. BJ and Frank live in Sun City Hilton Head, S.C.

Sad news of the death of every- one’s friend Jimmy “Lemon” Morang ar- rived thanks to Lee Scarfton Bjulid. Scarf writes that, “he was a wonderful class- mate and a very loyal Colby alum.” And another classmate, Ed Malley, passed away in February. Lemon and Ed’s obitu- aries are in the last edition, the spring issue, of Colby Magazine. Finally, Colleen Khoury sent news of the passing of John Joseph, at 96, proprietor of our Spa and a fixture in our college experience. He will be remembered by many, many alumni.

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FUN FUN FUN! Our class is travelling, downsizing, and simplifying things as the pressures of work schedules and parenting activities have largely ended. But not for all. Jay Gronlund is active in his company, The Pathfinder Group, in NYC. It has a focus on consumer brand development. Last January he saw Bucky and Anna Owens Smith, Sunny Coady, and Suzanne and Eric Spitzer at a mini reunion in Naples, Fla. In February he stayed with the John Tewhoy’s in Portland, where he saw other Colby folks at the service for Jim (Lemon) Morang ’64.

Gerry Garon’s son Ken has joined him at Garon Financial doing financial planning, investment work, and tax preparation. This will give Gerry more time at his lake house on little Sebago Lake in Maine and “time trying to improve my golf game.”

Dave HATCH survived the past hurricane season in Venice, Fla., and enjoys bicycle rides several times a week with his wife, Dale Rottner Haas.

Linda Stearns and Tom Bartlett bought an abandoned house behind theirs in Bangor and tore it down. Now it is an orchard and “Tom’s bees are loving it.” Linda enjoys a hobby of painting scenes in the Maine countryside.

More Bangor news. Theresa and John Bragg have sold their Bangor home in favor of a small seasonal camp on Madawaska Lake in Aroostook County. Their new primary residence is in Fort Myers Beach, Fla.

Martyn Dodge retired in 2011 after 39 years of teaching at Finger Lakes Community College. He continues as a volunteer coach to their woodsmen’s team. He gets to travel to the annual spring meets where he sees the Colby woodsmen’s squad. International travel in recent years has been to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand, and Nepal. He’s building a “tiny home at the top of the world” in Wisconsin, Alaska.

Andy ’64 and Nancy Greer Welland are also enjoying travel with a recent hiking trip to Machu Picchu in Peru. “It was a beautiful way to see the Inca ruins.” They split their time between NYC, Naples, Fla., and summers in Raymond, Maine. Your correspondent enjoyed travel to Jamaica, St. Martin, Anguilla, Indonesia, Chile, and Easter Island this year.

Ellen and Lew Krinsky again hosted the “annual Colby Houston sendoff—a tradition that honors students who are entering Colby as first-years as well as enrolled students from the Houston area. Last April Lew hosted a dinner honoring Dick Whitmore, Colby’s legendary head basketball coach for 40 years.

Jean (Hoffman ’66) and Neil Clippsham are busy with grandparent things and gardening, including “repairs to anti-varmint fences and netting.”

Tom Donahue enjoyed some cross-country skiing last winter. In warmer weather he took trips “to interesting sites here in the great middle of things” in Michigan. He continues with coursework through the Great Courses series, mostly in western European history. He has resumed a sketching and painting hobby he started when he lived in Europe. He’s working with instructors at Saginaw Valley University.

Our class cowboy “enjoys Michigan life but misses a certain YEEEEE-HAAAA that Texas has in abundance.”

Hail, Colby, Hail!

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They came from near (Waterville) and far (Australia), some returning to campus for the first time in 50 years, others having attended most of the Class of 1966 reunions since graduation. New buildings, new baseball-softball venues, new reunion events and locations, and the renewal of old friendships—what fun we had! The off-campus kick-off in Freeport provided a gentle entry to our 50th Reunion, with time to get reacquainted and, of course, shop at L.L.Bean. The Freeport Old Town Hall next to our hotel provided a convenient venue for Thursday night’s buffet dinner, with wonderful after-dinner music by Nashville’s and our own singer/guitarist Erik Thorson. In case you missed him, Erik promises to be back for our 50th in 2021. The well-attended Class of 1966 group discussion, ably led by Susan Mahoney Michael and Gary Knight, with special guest Professor of English Emeritus Patrick Brancaccio and two bright and articulate current Colby students, got our on-campus activities off to a good start Friday afternoon. We were guests of President and Mrs. Greene for Friday night dinner under an elegant chandeliered tent. Most gratified to our Foss-Woodman class headquarters after dinner, where Linda O’Connor McDonough’s flower arrange- ments created an elegant touch and Linda Mitchell Potter’s adornment of our lounge area made it a great place to gather and reminisce. Saturday was filled with much to see and do on campus, including the pre- sentation of each reunion class’s financial gift to the College. Kudos to all members of our stellar fundraising committee, ably led by Gary Knight. It is they who allowed us to feel proud of our announced 50th reunion gift to the College. Two afternoon activities featured our classmates. Brit Carlso n Anderson led a workshop on preparedness for inevitable end-of-life issues, and Ed Mowry sold signed copies of his book, So Close to Dying, giving the proceeds to Colby. So much to do—campus and library tours, tower climbs, art museum visits, and yes, even some naps in anticipa- tion of our Saturday night class dinner. We assembled at six in our fancy duds. Barry Clark News gave a beautiful blessing to start off our dinner. It was an evening filled with emotions, memories happy and sad, and many opportunities to share in remembering those formative years. Viet- nam was never far from our minds, as the men shared feelings on their involvement in that terrible war. Stu Wantman reported on his ongoing efforts to raise money for the Finish for Mike Fund, named in honor of Mike Ransom, who died in Vietnam. Mike didn’t graduate with our class, and this fund will support students who need extra help to be able to complete their Colby degrees. After dinner the evening progressed with lots of laughter, shared memories, and even a performance by the Nifty Fifty Sweethearts doing their rendition of “Run Around Sue.” Thank you, ladies! Kay Tower Carter’s original of the beautiful painting she created for our 50th reunion yearbook cover was highlighted throughout the even- ning then auctioned off, with proceeds given to Colby by Kay. Classmates were invited to share any thoughts they had about Colby then and now and told of appreciation for good professors, good friends, and good foundations for future jobs. Classmates no longer with us were lovingly remembered.

Outgoing class officers were thanked and had the pleasure of introducing their suc- cessors—Fran Finizio naming Linda Mitch- ell Potter to succeed him as president and me, Meg Fallon Wheeler, naming George Cain as class representative. The evening wound down with the showing of Gretchen Wollam O’Connor’s wonderfully nostalgic video of our Colby years, beautifully set to the music and voices of our time. We all went on our way laughing over a surprise
that allowed her to travel to Portugal and New Zealand. But no matter how far she travels, she returns to the Vineyard for early morning swims and body surfing.

1968

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Joyce Ingram-Chinn is now retired and has downsized to a condo. She’s still in Kailua, Hawaii, and enjoying her weaving hobby. She also keeps busy with her condo board. * Lorri (Lorraine) MacCarter Lessey retired last July after 30 years of service to Fort Bend county libraries in Texas. She enjoyed every day on the job with the library, moving through various branches and retiring as a regional manager for a system of 10 libraries just west of Houston. She looks forward to what life in retirement brings. She and her husband, Bruce, have five grandchildren, ages 1 to 13, who live in the area. * Arthur Brennan recently attended a meeting of our 50th reunion planning committee led by Steve Ford. The results from the survey sent around earlier to our class suggest that many of you would like to begin reunion activities on Wednesday in Portland with excursions/cultural events. There was also a strong preference for a mini Alumni College-style event, which would likely will be held Thursday on campus. A follow-up survey seeking your ideas on content for Thursday will be sent out soon, and Art hopes to hear from many of you. * Steve Ford, our class president and chair the 50th reunion planning committee, reports that much of the reunion information will be distributed only by email, making it critical that the reunion committee has current email addresses for everyone. Anyone who has not been receiving our 50th reunion emails should please send their current email address to him at stephendf@colby. com. * Me (Lynne Oakes Camp) and husband Howie Camp ’69 look forward to playing golf and traveling more now that Howie has recovered from two hip replacements in 2015. It was a rough year but it makes one realize how important it is to have your health. I’m also excited about visiting Alaska at the end of the summer with my oldest daughter, Melissa, and my 93-year-young mother—a three generation trip! I’m returning to the reunion planning committee as well now that I have more time to devote to it. I hope to see many of you at our 50th Reunion in 2018. Mark your calendars now for June 7-10, 2018, since it will be here before we know it. Please keep your news coming.

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Greetings everyone. Bill Lyons officially retired from the University of Nebraska in May and in June moved to Castine. * For Steve Fisher “2015 was quite the year—new house, new wife, new life!” Steve married Cynde (Reilly) on Labor Day, with Mickey Jako and John Kearns on hand, then honeymooned in Sedona. Steve says he can’t retire now as he finally learned enough from his patient/clients to become a reasonably decent psychologist. 2016 will also be memorable with Cynde’s three daughters, all expecting, “Greetings and bon santé to all.” * Eddie Woodin, a generous contributor to environmental and philanthropic initiatives, was honored as a finalist for the 2016 Maine Family Business Awards. * Don Clark, who spent much of his career in West Africa, wrote from Senegal, “I keep meaning to retire completely from USAID, and then get an interesting request to fill in somewhere, so off I go for a couple months at a time.” Last year he spent four months in Niger and was waiting to hear about spending a couple months in Burkina Faso (then Upper Volta) where he served in the Peace Corps. USAID historically designed/managed development programs but now, with security the biggest variable, current efforts will likely involve developing increased livelihood opportunities in agriculture and animal husbandry and seek to reinforce the voices of moderation to mitigate against the appeal by violent extremist groups, such as Boko Haram, to uneducated, unemployed, and frustrated youths. * Gary Austin and his wife, Judy, spent significant time on the road. They skied in NH in January, spent part of February and March in Machu Picchu, cruised around South America, and in April attended son Aaron’s retirement ceremony from the Navy in Seattle, his last duty station. This was followed by a few days in Shanghai to decompress. In July they were off to Ireland and England with lots of golf on the menu! * Judy Lee Moeckel remains very involved in singing sacred choral music with the New England Chamber Choir. At the choir’s Christmas and Easter concerts, she saw Fred Richter ’66 and his wife, Beth Rosenberg. “The pool of lovers of classical choral music is small, but fervent!” Judy received the Catherine Rees Volunteer Excellence Award from St. Luke’s Community Services in Middletown, Conn., an organization providing services to older people in Middlessex County, and received her 1,000-hour pin from Middlesex Community Hospital, where she is a volunteer chaplain. * Ines Ruelius Altemose also had some travel adventures. She attended the Cuba International Jazz Festival in December and The Best of India with Road Scholar in February, experiencing two different cultures with many wonderful experiences. In India she went to a dance retreat in Auroville and unfortunately suffered a serious injury, falling off a scooter into a metal gate. She suffered what her surgeon described as a “massive” rotator cuff tear and is now working with a physical therapist to recover her range of motion and strength in her right arm. She says, “as the old saying goes—nothing ventured, nothing gained. But, what a price to pay!” * Mike Foose retired after 42 years at the U.S. Geological Survey, where he coordinated USGS activities in Africa and the Middle East and recently returned from fieldwork in remote parts of southwestern Algeria, near the Mauritanian border. Retirement may not quite be the right term, as the USGS hopes that he’ll continue working with them on international activities. In addition to having more time to explore other interests, Mike is looking forward to the wedding of his daughter, Tara, this fall. * Ann Montgomery retired a year ago after 30 years at a Boston nonprofit that specializes in prisoner reintegration services. Her daughter has been working at her former agency for nine years, and her son is about to become a father. Annie enjoys her new little rescue dog, relaxing, walking, and traveling.

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Lona Eldridge ’66 and Bill Hardy spend more of their time in Napa, Calif., than in Maine; thus most of their activities are there. Bill serves as president of the Napa Valley College Foundation, which has an endowment about the size of one week’s alumni fund collections at Stanford. They are trying to fix that. They are also greatly expanding the winemaking and viticulture (growing grapes) department at the school. Bill continues to paint and play golf, sometimes competitively. He’s played a couple times in the San Francisco Municipal Championship (oldest continuous such event in America). He survived his mediocre play. * 2016 is proving to be a banner year for the Lombards. John Lombard, senior minister at Trinitarian Congregational Church (UCC) in Concord, Mass., for the past 23 years, was on a six-month sabbatical, which included two fabulous spring trips to Turkey and Greece. His wife, Janet, retired from teaching after close to 40 years. John and Janet celebrate their 40th wed-
Eaton’s summer home in York, Maine. In September John celebrated his 40th at Gould Academy in September. During the summer John celebrated his 40th ordination anniversary with the United Church of Christ during worship at Little Harbor Chapel near Portsmouth, N.H. Life events included most especially welcoming a second grandson in July and the purchase of a first home as a prelude to John’s retirement at the end of the year.

Karen Knapp Lyons retired last summer from her position as the associate director of the University Honors Program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, through which she taught English, and her husband, Bill ’69, has just retired from teaching at the UNL Law College. They lived in Lincoln for 35 years, but their next step is a move to Castine, Maine. They’re very much looking forward to being settled in Castine, but are leaving their son, daughter-in-law, and two darling grandsons in Lincoln, so the move is bittersweet. Their daughter, son-in-law, and their two children live north of Chicago, so they do know how to be long-distance sweet. Their daughter, son-in-law, and their two children live north of Chicago, so they do know how to be long-distance sweet. His daughter, son-in-law, and two darling grandsons in Lincoln, so the move is bittersweet. Their daughter, son-in-law, and their two children live north of Chicago, so they do know how to be long-distance sweet. Their daughter, son-in-law, and two darling grandsons in Lincoln, so the move is bittersweet. Their daughter, son-in-law, and two darling grandsons in Lincoln, so the move is bittersweet. Their daughter, son-in-law, and two darling grandsons in Lincoln, so the move is bittersweet. Their daughter, son-in-law, and two darling grandsons in Lincoln, so the move is bittersweet. Their daughter, son-in-law, and two darling grandsons in Lincoln, so the move is bittersweet.

Steve and Deb Fitton Mansfield will attend their respective 50th high school reunions this September. Steve retired a year ago and Deb has been out of teaching for five years. She works as a very part-time tour guide at the Farnsworth House Rockland and he’s trying to catch up on 10 years of neglect around the house and yard, as well as dig into all the books he bought for his retirement years. They purchased a 28-foot motorhome last year and have been traveling around the East Coast and the Appalachians. Their first major excursion was to Nashville last fall, by way of the Blue Ridge Parkway and Great Smokies, to attend the Americana Music Festival. In March they took in Charleston and Savannah along the Okefenokee Swamp and coastal barrier islands. In January they head to the Florida Keys and environs to escape some of the Maine winter. They have four grandkids, three of whom arrived at the same time six and a half years ago. They keep them busy.

Although Joan Katz has been working part time for the last few years, that phase is winding down and she is almost ready. She is engaged in her community, family, and sports; watching two toddler nephews once a week is an added joy. Joan continues to find Boston a wonderful place to call home and Italy the best country to visit.

Mike Self has been traveling around with his son, David, and family (Myrtle Beach) and daughter Allyson and family (Canada) and visiting his family back in Canada. Mike still swims every day. Bob and I bought a 1/95 sailboat this summer and have been enjoying sailing around Lake Winnipesaukee in New Hampshire. My best to everyone.

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Where did these 45 years go since we graduated? Those of us at reunion had a blast— the rest of you should have been there. Start thinking about our 50th! We already have some ideas about what fun we can have. It was a great weekend! Thanks to Linda Wallace, our class president, and the reunion committee for all the hard work and organization. Linda and Nancy Neckes Dumart spent an enormous amount of time and energy organizing the whole weekend for us with the help of the College. The Saturday dinner activity turned out to be a most companionable, enjoyable competitive event that got everyone thinking. Some of us wondered what we did do while we were there! Although it took me days to recover, it was well worth the trip. The feedback for the whole weekend was amazing. Thanks especially to Peggy Wiehl Gilfoy for such positive thoughts and suggestions for our 50th. Peggy wonders, “What if each of us brought someone who’s never been to reunion?” There could be a gentle nudge to remind everyone that there is no judgment among us; there is only good friendship to be shared and rekindled. Don’t you wonder sometimes about “what happened to so-and-so?” Stay tuned—we’ll be working on this.

Jim “Hawk” Hawkins is competing in yet another Ironman competition in the summer of 2016! This will be his 13th Ironman competition. It’s amazing; he’s amazing. Such dedication. In addition to his rigorous and vigorous training, he is a senate district coordinator for the Massachusetts Teachers Association and works part time at a commercial arborist/landscape supply company as well. I don’t think he sits still. After many years Jill Lord Eaton will be retiring her printed-pattern line and yarns. She’ll be releasing new collections of classic patterns and will continue with her blog, Talk Knits with Jill Eaton. Her newest venture resulted from discovering that knitting can bring solace and comfort to those struggling with all kinds of issues. She works with various nonprofit organizations to incorporate this practice in recovery efforts.

Bill Hladky continues to be an avid outdoorsman seeking adventures in Harriman State Park in New York with camera in hand or ascending paths at Zion National Park with 1,000-foot drops on either side. Yikes! And he’s still proud of his son.

After Ken Didsbury visits a number of people, he promised he’d write more, but not in time for this column. Write soon, Ken. Congratualtions to Dave Myles on his first grandchild; hence he did not make it to reunion. He was also busy with boat preparation and downsizing from a five-bedroom house so time did not permit a visit to Colby. There was a really good showing of classmates at our reunion and I would love to mention all who came. But I would probably forget someone and that would be horrible. So, to all of you who came—it was great to see you and we hope you had a good time. And to all of you who did not come, please consider coming to the next one in five years. It’s a great opportunity to reconnect with people with whom we spent so much time and to know that the bonds live on.

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Well, all of our classmates must have very busy lives as I did not receive news from anyone. I think that’s a first for me as class correspondent! So, I will share my good news. My husband, Steve, and I are joyously awaiting the birth of our first grandchild. Our oldest daughter lives in Colorado and is expecting a little girl at the end of October. Our plans are to arrive in Colorado the second week in November and stay through Thanksgiving. It will be such a memorable holiday for us! I hope that life is going well for everyone. We are all now in the “Medicare stage” of our lives, so enjoy every day as much as possible! Save the date for our 45th reunion. We’ll be celebrating June 1-4, 2017, and I hope to see many of you back to Colby then.

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Bruce Smith wins the prize for providing the first news for this column. He’s eyeing retirement from teaching in the next 12-18 months. Bruce and his wife live in Texas and are actively involved with and enjoy their six grandchildren, who range from a 20-year-old at Texas Tech to a six-year-old in kindergarten. Bruce keeps in close contact with his Colby fraternity brothers and hopes to come east soon to see them.

Alex Wilson reports that retirement is going well and that he enjoys gatherings with his Lambda Chi Alpha classmates. The most recent was in Portsmouth, N.H., for the annual Chopper Confab and included a viewing of the Kentucky Derby at Duncan Leith’s summer home in York, Maine. In attendance—in addition to various spouses and offspring—we were Brian Cone, Lloyd Benson, Steve Jasinski, John Krasnaveg, Bob Landsvik, Joe Mattos, Bob O’Neill, Chris Lawson, and Phil Ricci with Bruce Smith’s regular calls over the weekend. Also attending were Jeff Lentz ’75, Mike Lapenna ’74, Ron Lupton ’71, and James ’72 and Lisa Kehler Bubar. Morrie Herman writes from “north of the 49th parallel!” that he and his wife are about to become in-laws for the first time as their oldest son, Michael, is getting married. Morrie is excited about plans to travel to Berlin, Germany, in December to participate in an international invitational concert. His is one of five choirs from around the world singing in the annual Lewandowski Festival concert.

Jon Miller sent along a number of amazing photos of underwater sea life. He’s working on a book on marine biology, which will be available in print and digitally. Jon and his wife, Arleen, are making plans to trek in Uganda. Last summer he enjoyed visiting with Bill Goldstein ’72.

Martha Wetmore Scott retired after 20 years of teaching art at Fisher College. She and her husband, Howard, live in Pembroke, Mass., and spend their winters in the Bahamas. Interest in art runs in the family as daughter Hallie is completing her Ph.D. in art history from CUNY. They’ll see Jon and Penny Bakewell Linn in Belfast this year when they house sit for them while they’re away sailing.

Geoff Legg divides his time between Columbus, Ohio, Tewksbury, Mass., and San Francisco. He’s accepted a new position as director of engineering at Tech4Imaging in Columbus. His daughter, Cathy (Princeton ’99), along with her husband and three children, visited them in Massachusetts. His son, Charles ’96, is a product manager for biotech startup companies.

Betty Robinson is busy in retirement. Aside from herding cattle in Wyoming, paddle boarding, swimming, and reading novels, she heads the capital campaign for Tree Street Youth in Lewiston, Maine. After seven years chairing Colby’s Board of Directors, Bob Diamond handed this “incredible honor” to Eric Rosengren ’79, P’12 at commencement in May. Bob stated that, “working with Bro Adams and David Greene has been an amazing experience, two great leaders.” He describes Colby as being on a roll and he believes David and Eric will continue to provide “fantastic leadership and vision.” I’m delighted to report that Bob will remain on the board. On behalf of our class, thanks so much, Bob, for all you have done for Colby.

Lisa Kehler Bubar, long-time gift chair for our class, is sending out a different kind of appeal to everyone: “Please consider volunteering to help with fundraising. It’s a great opportunity to
become reacquainted with classmates and help give the new generation of students an outstanding Colby experience.” Lisa thanks committee members Susie Vovic Hoeller, Jan Giles Foley, Norm Olsen, and Dean Eaton for their great work on behalf of the Colby Fund. Thanks to Lisa and to all members of our class who volunteer their time to Colby—you make us proud (and look good too)!

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Alli Baird plays with sword and saber as part of her 20-plus years studying tajji. She enjoys wildlife photography and spending time at her family home in North Carolina. She hopes for another long foreign trip, but says it probably won’t happen until she retires from her job as locality liaison for the Virginia Natural Heritage Program, whose mission is to inventory, protect, and provide stewardship for Virginia’s biodiversity. Cindy Vietor Kahle has a new grandson, August Vietor Kahle. "I knocked on one item off my bucket list," writes Cliff Brittain. “I rowed in the 2016 Head of the Charles. I stroked the Minneapolis Rowing Club’s men’s 50+ (age) 8+ (boat). We were not last. On a more somber note I was stunned to read of the deaths of Chris Mattern Way ’73, Tina Lindegren Horne, and Ed Cronick ’75. In my Colby days I was friends with all of them. Three at a time was fearful.” Jan Hampshire Cummins made a September (2015) trip to Romania to visit her daughters’ birth family and attend their sister’s wedding. “These weddings in the most remote villages are amazing multi-day affairs, with traditional circle dancing in the dirt streets, and wedding cake—ablaze with sparklers—served at midnight! Their time! Their daughter, Courtney Derrell, was in that delightful 1974 yearbook photo.

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Wendy and John Loker are in the final steps of completing construction of their new summer home on Crawford Pond in Union, Maine. They were able to spend time there from Memorial Day weekend until after the Fourth of July. Fortunately, they each can do some of their jobs by phone and Internet so working for a few weeks out of their beautiful new “home office” overlooking the lake was a treat. Plans are to keep working a few more years, but they’re finding it harder and harder to stick to the scheduled work routine and are not quite ready mentally to let go of the steady income and benefits. And yes, Wendy and John will both be attending their 45th high school class reunion. Katy Seabrook Brunault became a grandmother when her daughter Fiona and husband Tom had a baby boy named Benjamin in March. “Being a grandmother is as wonderful as I always heard it would be!” Her daughter and family live in Lexington, Va., where Tom is a professor at Washington & Lee University. Katy and her husband, Charlie, have taken several trips to visit them and have enjoyed the beauty of the Shenandoah Valley and the Blue Ridge Mountains. Katy’s dance studio, Hamilton-Wenham School of Dance, is still going strong in its 24th year. Cathy McGerigle Taylor’s news was simply this: “Getting married August 27 to a great guy who was right here in Waterville. Rick Harmon is his name.” Congratulations to you both! Jacquelyn Lindsey Wynn attended her 45th high school class reunion in Norfolk, Va., in late July and is hoping to see Camilla Moore Doctor, Norma Cromwell Fields, and Sylvia Hodges Melvin. Jacquelyn had heard that Joseph Jones retired from his provost job at a Chicago college and is now living in Pakistan. Splitting her time between her home in Maryland and her parents’ in Virginia Beach, Jacquelyn enjoys helping them out and is planning a company’s 50th anniversary celebration later this year. Her husband, Omar Wynn ’74, has been talking about retiring from the Smithsonian in a few years. So if anyone wants a behind-the-scenes tour at the American History Museum, now is the time! Their daughter, Courtney Derrell, has published her second book and has a very inspirational website/blog. Byrd Allen recommends reading and following Dave Galvin’s blog (galvinbiketrip.org) on his coast-to-coast bike trip across the U.S. After retiring in April, Dave dipped his bike wheel in the Pacific Ocean at the northwest corner of Washington and plans to do the same in the Atlantic at the northeast corner of Maine. “It’s an entertaining blend of writing, photos and a compelling portrait of us Americans,” Byrd writes. Alan Berry really enjoys teaching math, which he has done since 1975, without any retirement plans in the near future. He’s currently at Emma Willard, a 202-year-old boarding and day school for girls in Troy, N.Y., and absolutely loves it there. Alan’s spending July in Brisbane, Australia, on a profession- al-development trip visiting a sister school. His favorite recent movie, The Man Who Knew Infinity, comes highly recommended. Alan and Sarah (Dailey ’74) have three grandchildren with two living near Seattle and the youngest, nine-month-old Vivien, close by in Clifton Park, N.Y. While visiting our son and daughter-in-law in Los Angeles in June, my husband and yours truly made the drive down to Oceanside, Calif., to visit Susan and Pete Coz and their twin girls, who turned one in May. Pete has been working on plans to build a steel home in Bonsall, Calif., east of Oceanside, on a piece of hilltop property with a beautiful 360-degree view. It is fun seeing Pete enjoy fatherhood, though he wonders when he will ever get caught up on his sleep. We won’t tell him!

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Let’s start by circling your long-range calendar for June 4–6, 2021, our next reunion! Speaking of reunions, class president Scott McDermott guided more than 70 classmates through a rousing June weekend. First-time returnee David McKay Wilson led a Friday morning bike ride, and was also a dance machine along with Paul Philbin, Toby Bobbitt, Jenny Ford Frutchy, and many others. As a class, we taught the young classes how it’s done on the dance floor. Jenny (our champion class agent) led our class to exceeding our fundraising dollar goal with more than 65 percent of you contributing. (Let’s keep that energy going in support of the Colby Fund.) Doug Roos presented his new biography, Statesman: George Mitchell and the Art of the Possible, now available through Amazon and other sites. Jackson and Susan Reed Parker hosted a pre-dinner cocktail party. Paul Boghossian, who earned the respected Colby Brick for his long-standing service to Colby, spoke at our class dinner about Colby’s efforts (and his own) to bring improvements to downtown Waterville. Sunday morning dozens of
classmates gathered by Johnson Pond at a special ceremony led by Diane Lockwood Wendorf (and me) as we remembered the loved classmates we’ve lost through the years. Those of you on Facebook can join the “Colby College Class of 1976” to see photos of reunion weekend, along with ongoing memories and updates. In other news, Dale-Marie Crooks Golden McDonald won the 2016 Make Democracy Work Award from the League of Women Voters in Oakland, Calif., “in recognition of her central role in the vibrant community and civic life of Oakland.” Dale-Marie serves on the board of the Oakland Ballet Company and chaired the 2015 Oakland Symphony gala. Henry Osborne’s son Jonathan continues the family legacy as a member of Colby’s Class of 2020. Like dad, Jonathan will begin with the very popular major “undecided” while hoping to play lacrosse next spring. Henry’s other son is at the opposite corner, studying media arts and film in Los Angeles at USC. Rich Cifelli travelled east this summer helping his son look at colleges. Rich still teaches at University of Oakland, searches for fossils in the summer, and builds cabinets in his spare time. Lydia McAnerney now works at the University of Minnesota’s Stem Cell Institute supporting the master’s program. She’s also the volunteer coordinator for her neighborhood block nurse program. One of her kids works in Minneapolis in IT and the other is heading to Argentina to dance (tango) and pursue opportunities in the climate research field. Marty Hubbe teaches at North Carolina State University in the department of forest biomaterials. He and his wife, Elizabeth (Barrett ’80), are “kinda empty nesters” but see their kids and granddaughter often. Marty rides his bike 20 minutes to work every day. The online scientific journal he helped start in 2006, BioResources, focuses on the science of things you can make from lignocellulosic materials. David ’75 and Harriet Buxbaum Pinansky were sorry to miss reunion. They spend summers and early fall at their home in Sebago, Maine, and welcome any visitors. This summer Heather Finney Eng joined Julie Stewart, Kathy Jewett ’77, Wendy Swallow, and Joy Sawyer-Mulligan in the Grant Tetons for their 44th anniversary reunion of the “Butler broods.” Heather spent 10 years in New York City working in clinical trials and epidemiology and briefly on Wall Street. The last 30 years she’s been in Pittsburgh working in clinical trials at the University of Pittsburgh. She and husband James have two great kids, one an electrical engineering student and the other an ecologist in the South Carolina mountains. Heather also works with citizen groups in a distressed inner-city neighborhood helping develop urban gardens and tending to vacant lots. Choral singing and studying voice fill her schedule. She and James are grateful for the great ride thus far! That wraps up this column. As always, contact a classmate who’s been on your mind!

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Alix Levintow Howell continues to do research in HIV/AIDS at the Veterans Affairs Hospital in White River Junction, VT. She recently received a four-year VA grant to continue her work, which now involves the novel approach of genome engineering called CRISPR/Cas. In addition, she received a regional VA “I Care” award in recognition of her 27-year research career at the VA and for her cutting-edge work. On the personal front, she lives in Lyme, N.H., with her husband, Peter, two dogs, and three cats, and looked forward to a long, warm summer to kayak, work in her vegetable garden, and hike the small hills around her home. Deb Cohen retired after 23 years teaching at Slippery Rock University. She’s finishing up a B.A. in theater design/tech in preparation for her next career as a freelance scenic and lighting designer. This summer she’ll be at the Festival Fringe in Edinburgh, Scotland, as lighting designer for the SRU theater department show. Aside from work, she spends time with her mom, who lives nearby, and plans future travels. “There are many countries I have not yet visited—and I plan to spend more time in Costa Rica, especially during the winter.” Janet Peep Thompson lives in northeastern Minnesota and teaches freshwater biology labs at Concordia College in Moorhead. “I have to say I LOVE what I do and the R word isn’t even on the horizon yet.” In May she accompanied 19 students to Tanzania for a month-long ecology of East Africa course. They started climbing Mount Kilimanjaro but had to turn back when four of the students became ill (two with altitude sickness). The rest of the field course included “encounters with elephants, cheetahs, lions, and a leopard or two, along with seeing some of the most incredible birds ever!” The team worked with Maasai high school students and did some research on the savannah beside vervet monkeys and curious elephants. Janet says that she and Genevieve Smith Thompson, who lives nearby, plan to re-visit Central America. “Anyone care to join us?” Mark Richardson notes that our next class reunion (our 40th, believe it or not!) will take place June 1-4, 2017. Details coming soon, but mark your calendar now so we can have a great turnout—and an even better time reconnecting.

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Greetings, classmates! As humanities chairperson at Maine Community College, last year Ethel Bowden had an once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to join a select group of college educators participating in a National Endowment for the Humanities program called “The Irish Sea Province: Crossroads of Medieval Literature and Languages.” The group spent five weeks in Northern Ireland, Isle of Man, and Scotland discussing medieval texts, including some from the 10th century, visiting ancient sites, and studying Viking burials, Celtic crosses, castles, and abbeys. Ethel presented her paper on the experience at the International Congress on Medieval Studies in May 2016. The international travel program has been discontinued due to NEH funding cuts; Ethel notes that former Colby President Bro Adams, who currently leads the NEH, is fighting to restore funding for these rich opportunities to broaden our knowledge of the world. Doug Giron’s son Matthew graduated from Colby in May with a degree in biology. In early June Doug and Chip Child attended the retirement ceremony for soccer coach Mark Serderjian ’73 who took over in 1976. Chip and Doug were Mark’s first captains, and Mark also coached Doug’s son, making them one of three father-son combinations to play for him. Alix Land started teaching group guitar lessons this year—the first time she’s ever played a musical instrument. Alix writes, “It’s incredibly difficult and really fun. I can’t remember the last time I learned something completely new. It requires coordination (obviously), and I never knew that guitar players got calluses on their left-hand fingers. It’s a bit strange to not have any feeling in the tips of my fingers, but it’s making those steel strings far less painful! And I can now play ‘Blowin in the Wind’ and ‘This Land is Your Land’—painfully slowly, but play them I do!” Ron Clement just graduated from Harvard University School of Public Health with a master’s degree in health care management—Ron says it was a wonderful two-year experience. The daughter of Ethel Bowden and Steve Jacobs, Emily, graduated from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in June. Steve was privileged to be on stage and “hug” her at the ceremony. She will begin a pediatric residency at Stony Brook Children’s Hospital, Maine Medical Center, in Portland. Steve teaches pediatrics full time now at Central Maine Pediatrics in Lewiston. Looking back on his 31 years of pediatric practice there, Steve recalled his interview for the job, during which he accompanied his future partner seeing patients. Two of the new moms they saw were Colby friends—Sue Raymond Geismar ’79 and Pauline Belanger Rodrigue. “Needless to say, I was offered the job since I knew more patients than the physicians there! And 31 years later, I’m still loving it,” Steve says. Earlier this year I had my own coincidental experience when Ann Marie Hobson Pesarik spent a weekend with me in Wilbraham, Mass. Somehow I had never known that she grew up in the adjoining town of Monson, and one of her childhood friends saw us chatting on Facebook and made the connection. He stopped by my house to visit and I had the wonderful experience of watching two people connect after more than 40 years, catching up on news and sharing family stories and cherished memories.

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As our 50s are ending, what are you beginning? A new venture? A life change? David Ashcraft sees the light at the end of the tunnel—his son just graduated from St. Olaf College and his daughter has one more year to go. He plans to celebrate his 60th next year with a trip to Italy, Croatia, and Greece. David hosted Bruce Allsopp ’80 and family on their annual trip from Durango, Colo., to Maine. Geoff Emanuel moved his family back to Falmouth, Maine, from Dallas. He enjoys seeing Fred Madeira ’80, Bob Kellogg, Betsy Williams Stivers ’78, and Anne Hussey ’80. Good to be back! Julie “Jules” Sydow Palmason is our new class gift chair and would love volunteers to join her team to reach out to fellow classmates. Her youngest, Hilary, just graduated with her B.S. in nursing. With some “extra” money now on hand, Julie and hubby purchased their dream property on Lake Winnipesaukee in Wolfeboro, N.H., with the hope to make it their forever home. For now, she can work from home—33 years with Hewlett Packard Enterprise—whether it’s on the lake or not. Sarah Russell MacColl’s son, Chris, just graduated from University of Michigan Law School and her daughter, Katy, is still abroad. Sarah walked the England Coast-to-Coast in June with Distant Journeys—no rain! Emily Grout Sprague retired from teaching English shortly after reunion. This gives her the opportunity to tag along with husband Phil (who will probably never retire) while he travels for business. Time also allows
for philanthropic endeavors, including a new chapter of Smile for a Lifetime Foundation. Emily gets to Boston to see Susan Raymond Geilsman, Deb Schwartz, and Steph Vrattos ’81. Both daughters have completed their master’s degrees. • With his daughter a junior in boarding school and his son starting in August at Tufts, Brian Hoffmann says things are status quo. He attended the New York reception for Cal McKenzie and enjoyed catching up with Cal and telling him stories about his senior year—memories not thought of in years. • Life is good for Elizabeth Armstrong. She was promoted to full professor at Bucknell University, where she’s taught for 16 years. Her daughter Mariah, 17, took fifth in her class in a national equestrian competition. Daughter Rebekah, 21, is a senior at Kenyon College. • Angela Mickalide has change coming into her life. Son Andrew lives in Philadelphia and works at Campbell’s Soup coming into her life. Son Andrew lives in Philadelphia and works at Campbell’s Soup.

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Wonderful to see so many classmates at reunion! We had the unique experience of staying in steamy but nostalgic Dana, and concluded that the hallway rugs have never been replaced since we graduated—DNA samples were automatically taken—about 75 per bare footstep! At the Saturday morning award ceremonies, our own Leslie Breton received the Outstanding Educator Award, which is given only when an alum is judged extraordinarily worthy. Leslie has received numerous accolades during her distinguished high school teaching and coaching career. At our class dinner, Val Talland gave a superb presentation on the fascinating work she does as senior objects conservator at the Isabella Stewart-Gardner Museum in Boston. The After Eight—a group of alumni from the Colby Eight—serenaded us, then one member surprised us by revealing that Judi Greene Stewart used to be his babysitter! They shared a wonderful hug amongst cheers and applause. Thank you to outgoing president Beth Pnielowski Wilson for all she did for reunion and during her tenure, and best wishes to incoming president Victor Vnesnaver. Ginny Buford Vnesnaver will take over as class correspondent beginning with the next column. • First-time class notes contributor JD Neeson is president of Marine Parts Express in Edgecomb, Maine. Best wishes to her daughter Johanna as she enters Colby this fall. • So saddened to hear that Elisabeth Eustis Paine’s husband, John, died of younger onset Alzheimer’s last year. Elisabeth moved to a house on the Kennebec in Phippsburg, Maine, where she can kayak from her front lawn, “tide permitting!” This new chapter in her life includes updating her residence by 217 years (1786 to 2003) and downsizing her acreage from 32 to 2.5. • Former Colby roommates Marisa D’Andrea Barber and Pam Ellis had a mini reunion last spring in Toronto, where Marisa lives. Marisa’s son, Cameron, will be a freshman at Ryerson University in Toronto this fall in the bachelor of commerce-business management program. • After both parents passed away, Diane Young joined Largo Capital as a mortgage banker, working out of their locations in Naples, Fla., and Albany, N.Y. She travels between those cities and her homes in Saratoga and Killington. • Bob McCurdy and Ginny McCourt-McCurdy ’82

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Son Jamie, a student at Colby-Sawyer, lived with her for the summer and worked at Maine Aviation as a private jet broker. • Matt Figel’s daughter, Erin, graduated from Colby in May with the Class of 2016. “We had spectacular weather, the campus was beautiful, and the festivities great. Visiting with Erin’s professors reminded me what a special place Colby is.” Matt and his family founded with Diane Conley LaVangie on route to Colby, Matt plays in a men’s over-50 soccer league. • Also at Colby in May were Doug and Kim Smith McCartney, who had the great joy of watching daughter Blake graduate. Kim writes, “In stark contrast to our graduation, it was a glorious day on Miller lawn.” Blake, who worked for the scheduling office, scored them great seats in front. Four other classmates also had 2016 graduates—Matt Figel, Dan Crocker, David Strage, and Gary Westerman. • Jeff Brown and son Alec, who graduated from Davidson College in May, hiked the national parks of southern Utah and Arizona, covering 12-15 miles per day. They spent a night in Las Vegas before returning to civilization unshaven but relaxed! Next stop: Oregon for Jeff’s family reunion just outside Crater Lake National Park. • Eric Ridgway enjoys being a professional counselor in private practice in Sandpoint, Idaho. He received his M.S. in geology in 1986 at Eastern Washington University and his master’s in counseling. Eric’s currently training in neurotherapy, a new technology to help people live with more joy and less depression, anxiety, PTSD, etc. Eric sees Phil Hough ’81 and thanks Britt Holmen for sending Christmas cards. He saw Diane Zavotsky when she traveled to Idaho to swim in the Long Bridge Swim—1.76 miles across Lake Pend Oreille. Diane is a practicing physician in Maine and has two daughters. Eric and wife Cindy cofounded Sandpoint Vegetarians, which has encouraged a healthier, compassionate, and environmentally friendly plant-based diet for more than eight years. Eric sends Hellos to Colby friends and can be reached at 208-265-5412. • Bob Benjamin is still on the move. “Doing a lot of traveling for the Army. In the past few months I’ve visited subordinate units training at [nine bases]. I spent a week at the Norfolk Naval Station attending a joint professional military education course. I’ve also been to my units throughout New England.” Bob has taught at Brunswick for the last 26 years. He still gets out on his motorcycle and hopes to get back to brewing beer when his command concludes. • Tony Perkins, an attorney and mentor to Maine start-ups and small businesses, was honored by the Maine Center for Entrepreneurial Development with the Compass Award for his many years volunteering in the MCED Top Gun program. Top Gun is an annual program in which participants are mentored and compete for a prize of cash or services to launch their businesses. Tony co-chairs the business law and technology, outsourcing, and data security practice groups at Bernstein Shur. • At the end of June I led a pilgrimage trip to New Mexico with teens I’ve mentored at church the last two years. We performed service work, explored local Native American cultures, and fell in love with the Fort Defiance, Ariz./Albuquerque landscape. In May my oldest stepson was married in San Antonio (great party!), and in July my husband and I hiked 10K for the Prouty, a fundraiser for Dartmouth Hitchcock’s Norris Cotton Cancer Center.

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So, I’m stepping off the downtown E train in Manhattan’s dank underbelly, and I see this vaguely familiar figure: the slope of the shoulders, the shape of the head kind of thing. “No way!” I think to myself. In my best shadow detective, I push through the crowds like I’m back on the rugby pitch. Daylight at last, I spot my target: elbow more tourists out of the way, I see that he gets stuck at the light, turns, and YASSSSS! It’s Scott Stein. I have now run into him on the mean streets of Gotham twice in as many years. We had a few minutes between the separate events we were attending, and I’m happy to report that Scott continues to enjoy his work at USA Today and splits time between the lower East Side with time out on Long Island in the summer with his wife, Andrea. • Leslie Gregory wrote from the coast of Maine, where she and her betrothed are making plans to merge families and households. This impending melding of lives includes a move inland to a house on a pond featuring its very own colony of beavers! Leslie continues her work in Searsport as a literacy coach and reading teacher. Look out though, because she’s making plans for what she’ll do next. Coming up in the summer of 2016: sea kayaking along with the ACA Whitewater Nationals on the Penobscot. Leslie sends, “Lots of love to my old buddies, would love to hook up when you’re in Maine!” So, call her, would ya? Then write me with pictures! • George Katz and I exchanged messages: over the winter he was down at his sister’s place in Puerto Rico, J-chilling on the beach with a little golf and fishing. His daughter graduated this year from Colby, and we discovered that both of our spawn applied early decision to Colby. We couldn’t help thinking... oh, never mind. At last reading, George’s son Gregory will be at Colby, Class of 2020 (love that, right?!). As for my daughter, once she experienced Burlington she withdrew her application and is headed to UVM in the fall. • Cryptic email from Neal Steingold: Subject: “Golf with tyger.” Message: “I won.” Tried as I did, bordering on online harassment, I never got the deets of said golf match. Neal, being an “esq.” and all, it’s possible that he just didn’t want to provide anything discoverable. And so I thursly concede, “Neal, it’s just awesome knowing that you’re still out there giving Tyger his due three decades later. You go, man!” • In May I got a little misty-eyed watching my daughter receive her high school diploma from Mike Schafer along with a wide smile and friendly wink. Together with his wife Gall, Mike has completed his 13th year as head of school at Kimball Union Academy in Meriden, N.H., and graduated my two kids, as well as his own two daughters (his son will graduate in 2019). As we did, the kids call him “the Scafe” though probably not to his face. Mike travels heavily to bring in students from countries as far afield as Uzbekistan; he spent part of this past June on an annual trip to China. For a small school in NH’s central valley, KUA brings significant diversity to the area, a testament to Mike’s efforts. • Here in the Hudson Valley, all well and good, chez Thayer. Like Leslie, I’m plotting my next career move and picking up some tribe along the way. Meetup has been a great resource, hooking me up with the local tech and hiking communities. I started taking pottery classes at a local studio, and I gotta tell you, I’ve never experienced any activity in which I am so consistently perched on the knife edge of failure. Until I can throw straight, everyone is getting slightly off-kilter pencil holders for Christmas, so just tell me what color you want. • Okay, keep the cards and letters coming, xo Thayer! PS to Steve Rowe, beers at apple picking time!

1984
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Thanks to all of you for your quick provision of highlights this go around. I loved hearing from each of you and learning what you are doing, and I know our classmates will as well. • First, a hearty shout out to Steve Barbour who, within an hour of my email asking for someone to sponsor my son’s best friend’s move to Boston after their June 5 Elmsira College graduation, not only stood up to the task but has already been in touch with the young lady to help. Steve and his partner, Tom Ponti ’85, have lived in Boston for 30 years and are well acquainted with the sites. • Kathy Soderberg, too, offered to play tour guide. Kathy is on two USTA tennis teams and competed in nationals last year. She also just completed a Viking River Trip down the Danube! • John Tawa and his wife, Lisa, are celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary. Their eldest son will attend Stanford University next year on a baseball scholarship, but was also the two-time reigning Oregon Player of the Year in football. • Deborah Sleeman Daniloff is in the San Francisco Bay area where she and her husband, while raising three children, are navigating the world of med/tech entrepreneurship while pursing event videography. Deborah also teaches fitness classes, as if she’s not busy enough. • Valerie Miller Brancato is addressing the healthcare concerns of her church ministry, taking additional nursing classes in order to best serve her community. She has an additional degree, a B.S. in nursing from Stony Brook University in May 2016, and will soon be working on her D.N.P. degree. Her son, Theo, graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in June 2015 and is an ensign on the USS Arleigh Burke stationed in Norfolk, Va. I had the pleasure of sponsoring Theo as my plebe during his Naval Academy years. • Sam Staley is the director of the DeVoe L. Moore Center in the Florida State University College of Social Sciences. Look for his newly published book (July 2016), Unsafe on Any Campus? College Sexual Assault and What We Can Do About It. He’s looking at reducing sexual assault on academic campuses. His fifth book, Tortuga Bay, was named a finalist in the 2016 Eric Hoffer Book awards. • TJ Palmer’s youngest son, Brady, just graduated from Bentley University with a degree in finance/economics and landed his first job with Fidelity Investments. • S. Jane (MacKenzie ’83) and Scott Morrill are completing a year in China, teaching at Yezu University of Foreign Languages in the hospitality department. They’ve had a wonderful year learning about Chinese culture and loved seeing both the ancient Chinese relics as well as stunning landscapes. They regret missing their first grandchild’s early years while they were in China, and have another grandchild on the way. • As for me, my daughter completed her freshman year at University of Maine (which means I get many trips back to Maine), majoring in elementary education and human development, and my son will start his master’s in clinical rehabilitation and counseling at Louisiana State University in New Orleans this fall. To celebrate not having any more kid carpools this year, I got a colly puppy to go along with the two collies, both 12 and a half, we have at home!
It was great to hear from so many classmates. In fact, I had to trim the news to make it fit! * Rob Hazard and his wife enjoy their condo in Rhode Island, where they recently put in central air. * Steve Larrabee’s daughter, Morgan ’16, graduated in May from Colby and had a great college experience. Together they enjoyed several move-ins, homecoming weekends, tailgate gatherings, etc. * Cici Bevin Gordon’s son, Tucker, graduated from Johns Hopkins while daughter Tate will be a high school sophomore. After an amazing experience as head of operations for a nonprofit battling sex trafficking, Cici left that position to spend the summer in Maine with her family. * John Robinson and his wife were planning a trip to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Gaspe Peninsula, where John will look at historical stuff and enjoy Canadian beer. * In April Debbie Neumann Dubowsky was in Ithaca and saw Bronwyn Qirk Mohile. Debbie visited Bar Harbor this summer. * Shireen Shahawy attended reunion and Colby roommate Andrea Colby ’84 and her family. Karen lives in Rowley, Mass., with her husband, Karl, and two children, Madeleine (Mass Art ’19) and Nathaniel (high school junior), and works in Newport as a marketing communications manager. * Keith Turley’s three boys keep him and his wife busy. Robert just graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, David finished his first year at University of Richmond, and Andrew will be a senior at Bancroft. * Pete Marchesi and his wife, Linda, are down to one (of six) left at home, and this time next year they will be empty nesters! They went to Grand Cayman earlier this summer and visited Curacao in early August. * ML McCarthy felt lucky to get together with Swing Robertson, Dali Zimmermann ’87, Peter Coley ’86, and Andrew Myers at the Soho House in New York City this summer.

**1985**

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White just celebrated 30 years with the FBI! * Matt Smith lives in Park City, Utah, where he’s the principal at Gateway Academy, a center that works with boys challenged by ADHD, anxiety, and depression. Matt’s going to Hawaii with his family in August. * Dave Heller’s son Noah, 10, keeps him and Susan very busy but “he’s simply the best thing that ever happened to us.” * Matt Duffin has been diligently reviewing/studying for the CPA exam, which he hopes to take in the fall. * Sean Pagdett and Ann-Meg White traveled to New Zealand in March to visit their daughter, Cat (Colby ’17), who was at the University of Otago in Dunedin on a semester abroad. * Karen Killiam Schmichu headed to Iceland over the summer with her family and Colby roommate Andrea Colby ’84 and her family. Karen lives in Rowley, Mass., with her husband, Karl, and two children, Madeleine (Mass Art ’19) and Nathaniel (high school junior), and works in Newport as a marketing communications manager. * Keith Turley’s three boys keep him and his wife busy. Robert just graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, David finished his first year at University of Richmond, and Andrew will be a senior at Bancroft. * Pete Marchesi and his wife, Linda, are down to one (of six) left at home, and this time next year they will be empty nesters! They went to Grand Cayman earlier this summer and visited Curacao in early August. * ML McCarthy felt lucky to get together with Swing Robertson, Dali Zimmermann ’87, Peter Coley ’86, and Andrew Myers at the Soho House in New York City this summer.

**1986**

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We came from far (Germany—Bob Loynd and near (I came all the way from Great Pond in Belgrade and Juliet Blake Shaguery safely managed the interstates from Hallowell to Waterville) to celebrate our 30th reunion. We may be feeling the years creep by, but being on campus sent most of us back to our young adulthood. Whiney? Gray hair (or not so much hair)? A few extra pounds? I don’t think so. We had a wonderful weekend—reconnecting, reminiscing, and showing a whole lot of gratitude. We celebrated those in our class who do so much for Colby. Dave Epstein is the chair of the Alumni Council, and will continue in that role for another year. Suzanne Battil is also serving on the Alumni Council. Evan Dangel is the chair of the President’s Leadership Council. We have two Trustees—Kathy Pinard Reed (who attended reunion with husband Tom) and M. Jane Powers (who was unfortunately unable to attend, but Jane and I had the good fortune of getting caught up over Commencement Weekend). And, Jay Allen (Oversieve and active Career Center volunteer) got “bricked” during the Saturday morning program. We also celebrated those who made the journey to Mayflower Hill for the first time in a very long time. Don Jackson had not been on campus since we graduated. Hamilton Brower, who offered some inspiring comments during our class dinner, had not been on campus since our fifth reunion. Ham talked about his motivational children’s book, Magnificent Words To Live By, which explores the essence of 26 character traits and values through poetry and photography. Bob Loynd joined us for his first Colby reunion. Following a career in the U.S. Marine Corps that kept him deployed well away from Waterville, Bob reports that Reunion 2016 made him realize how binding the Colby connection really is. Said Bob, “Despite the years, the friendships and conversations picked right up with ease—like it was yesterday.” Bob came all the way to Waterville from Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany, where he now serves as VP and director of Europe and Middle East operations for the University of Maryland University College. Beth Harrington attended reunion with big news of her engagement. It took a very long time, but she finally found her special someone. She’ll be getting married to Don Marsters in October, with Jennifer Estes Vath serving as the officiant. Our reunion allowed us to get caught up as well as enjoying some beautiful Maine weather. Saturday afternoon, a few of us (Rich Deering, Jen Imhoff Foley, Don Jackson, Hank Kinsley, and I) escaped to Great Pond for a little boat ride and some blue margaritas. * Although she was not able to attend reunion, I got an email from Meg Frymoyer Stebbings during the Saturday morning festivities. She and her husband, Peter, are in the process of downsizing now that their daughters are in college. They recently sold their house in Massachusetts but will likely stay in that area so that Meg can begin a new career of flipping houses. * As for myself, I’ve lived in the shadow of Colby for almost 20 years (husband, Joe, teaches in the Government Department). Our daughter, Margaret, is at Vassar and our son, John, is at Waterville High School. I’m still serving as pastor at Old South United Church of Christ in Hallowell in addition to serving on several local boards and committees. * I close this installment with some very important words of thanks. First, to Hank Yelle, our long-suffering class correspondent. Many thanks, Hank, for all of your work over the years keeping us informed about our class! You’ve earned a good rest. Finally, a thousand (and more) thanks to our fearless leader, Jennifer Imhoff Foley, who did an outstanding job at organizing our class, raising money, keeping us clued in to reunion events, and herding us when needed. Jen, you are a marvel! We now begin the countdown to our 35th! 

**1987**

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If you’re like me, part of you never left Colby. You still see the bright smiling faces of friends bounding across campus or sitting across from you at lunch. We’ve lost two of our young spirits and the feeling is visceral, despite the years. Jeff Bednarz and Brian Low. Personally, I remember Jeff as one of the coolest people from the moment we met. A gifted trumpeter with jazz in his personality. Tim Hennessey eloquently writes: “Brian was a dear friend and well supported by the Colby community at his funeral in Topsfield. He was the hand-walking champion of Colby in his day, having logged miles in the halls of Johnson Hall in 1984. He also taught others during his reign. He will be missed by so many.” Melissa Raffoni adds, “people traveled far, reached out to spread the news. As sad and shocking as this has been, it struck many and will hopefully affect the trajectory of some lives. The experience turned me a bit upside-down yet gave me a new lens on the Colby experience.” * Glenn Cummings has been at Bryn Mawr for over a year as dean of its post-baccalaureate premedical program. * “Still living in Lambertville, N.J., Son, Rex, is nine and way into soccer. He went skiing for the first time and seems hooked. Life’s good!” * Chris Fay says, “twice a year Colby grads and guests assemble for a He-Man’s weekend at Sugarloaf hosted by Steve Larrabee ’85. Regular attendees include Keith Jones, Brian Kennedy, Matt Mahon, Geoff James ’88, and the wild spirit of our dear departed friend, Jim Windhorst. We do he-manly things and occasionally ski. Beyond that I cannot speak publicly.” * Lydia Kelley Nelson’s daughter graduated from University of Colorado’s business school and started working at Brown Brothers Harriman and Co. in Boston. “My son will attend Elon University, where he’ll participate in the NOLS outdoor leadership program in Wyoming before heading to Spain.” * Wendy Barrows Lyes says, “hello from Jacksonville, N.C. Husband Chris and I moved back from Florida and are thrilled to be near our children again. Kelly, 23, works at High Point University as assistant director of sports marketing. Stepson Chris Jr., 32, is a service writer for Stevenson Toyota, and Billy, 20, earned his...
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Mary Beth Boland Haut ’85, P’18 was named president and CEO of Acadia Trust, N.A. in April. Haut, a certified financial planner with previous wealth-management experience at FleetBoston and Bank Boston, will lead the organization’s investment and trust services throughout Maine and New England.

Filmaker, correspondent, and writer Gerry Hadden ’89 won a bronze and a silver medal at the 2016 New York Festivals Competition for his film Reinventing Cuba. The documentary explores Cuba’s burgeoning middle class, which the film deems as key to Cuba’s future. Mainebiz profiled Deanna Sherman ’85 June 27 before she took over as president of the energy-providing company Dead River in July. “She’s a rock star,” retiring CEO Robert Moore said of Sherman, who has worked for the company since 1986.

‘B Well’ certification and is a water plant operator with Jacksonville. We have a granddaughter, Lilly, 5, via Chris Jr. I moved to financial services with State Employees Credit Union. This old dog is learning new tricks! If any classmates are in eastern North Carolina, text me at 910-382-1136 or find me on FB.”

Cindy Matrazzo Garfield says, “I reprised my role as ‘agile scrum master’ in project management, and it doesn’t hurt as much as rugby tackles on Runnals field. I also earned designations as a project management professional and agile product owner. Still working at Unum in Portland building software applications, doing system conversions, and implementing new products. While I encouraged my daughter to apply to Colby, she wanted to see the world, enrolling at Tulane in New Orleans for a master’s of architecture. In typical teen-speak, she returned home lamenting how ‘boring’ everything is in Maine!”

Fray Crease was appointed manager of the Santa Barbara County Water Agency, “where I’ve worked the last 10 years. Being manager during an historic drought is challenging. I’ve lived in Santa Barbara for 17 years with my husband, Adam, who’s in the local wine business, so life is pretty good.”

Elizabeth Warren Bogo is proud parent of daughter Holly, now a Colby 2016 graduate. “I’m so impressed with the continuing campus improvements. I hope everyone comes to reunion next June!”

My added thanks to Jeanne Morrison Cook and Melissa Raffoni. Next column will have more humor. This one’s for Brian, Jeff, Jim, and all the other brilliant minds, given too soon, who made the world better for those lucky enough to know them. As Sonny and Cher sang, “And the beat goes on.”

1988

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Betsy Lockhart Casey says she “doesn’t have knees, but she does have some news.” Betsy was gifted an adorable black lab puppy for her 50th, an awesome present. Betsy works in the guidance department of her local high school and is excited to be helping seniors with scholarships and college admissions. The Casey clan loves living on Cape Cod near family and welcomes Colby friends travelling to the Cape.

Jocelyn Wooten Giangrande was honored to visit Colby in January and participate on a panel for MLK Day. She reports it was great to share her experience as a person of color at Colby. Jocelyn was recognized by the National Association of Women Business Owners as one of the top ten business women in Michigan in the “words of wisdom” category for her work with women. She’s launched a Career Academy for Women that provides professional development and coaching. The academy has hosted more than 10 workshops and boot camps. Jocelyn’s son is in his third year at Michigan State studying chemistry. Jocelyn and husband Nick celebrated their 21st anniversary in Michigan’s wine country.

Katie Maloney touched base from Carrabassett Valley at Sugarloaf. Katie and husband Tom Chaimovich settled there five years ago deciding, “it’s never too late to be a ski bum!” During winter Katie runs the Sugarloaf child care center and sees many Colby alums. Her primary focus, however, is the pet portrait business she created making oil-on-canvas paintings of pets. See her work at divapainting.com and on Facebook at Katie’s Pet Portraits.

Jenny Spencer Lyons is the mother of a 12-year-old son and lives in Cornwall, VT., her home state, managing sales, marketing, and events at the Vermont Book Shop, a strong, independent bookstore that’s a long-established (since 1949) cornerstone of the Middlebury community. Steff Rocknak and Leah Basbanes and Grace Jeanes ’96 had a great time in Aspen and Snowmass during their annual ski trip. Leah continues to run her wetland consulting business and volunteers with the Dunstable Rural Land Trust and other conservation groups. Leah’s wife, Grace Jeanes, is still at Raytheon and serves as president of the Lowell Humane Society. Leah enjoys volunteer service trips with the Sierra Club working on projects such as building trails in Denali, Alaska, and Red River Gorge, Ky. Her newest hobby is blacksmithing.

John Davie and Harold Rider visited Wyoming last winter and met up with Jonathan Selkowitz. John says Jonathan is a local celebrity in Jackson Hole but just as nice as in the ‘80s! Hanging out with him there is like a backstage pass to your favorite band. In addition to skiing Jackson Hole, John and Harold joined Jonathan and some clients for some backcountry escapades on Mt. Glory. Winter storm Juno complicated John’s travels home but provided a short visit to Harold and Kirsten Geiger Rider’s home outside Chicago while the East Coast dug out. John gives the accommodations at the Rider’s five stars and looks forward to being stranded there again.

Kristin (Hock ’90) and John Davie’s girls, Carson and Merritt, teach skiing at Stratton Mountain in Vermont during the winter weekends. Both girls grew up in the freestyle program at the mountain and now enjoy being on the teaching side.

Rob Koff spent time in Vail last March with Peter O’Toole ’89 and Kent Fikrig. Rob also caught up with Tim Wiseman and his wife, who stayed with Rob and wife Dawn en route to visit Tim’s parents.

Hope Worden Kenefick suggests a prompt to encourage more classmates to contribute to this column. Hope would love to hear classmate’s current pursuits that they hadn’t anticipated at graduation. Hope says that she didn’t anticipate owning a public consulting firm, painting pet portraits on commission, and owning an impressive collection of power tools used frequently in her DIY projects. Okay, have at it—I hope to hear from some of more the basicful among you!

1989

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It was a slow news time for the Class of ’89 with a few notable exceptions: Courtney Ingraffia Barton was named the global chief privacy officer for Willis Towers Watson, a financial services firm. Courtney and her husband, Michael, live in Arlington, Va., where their daughter, Josie, is a fourth grader. Gerry Hadden continues to make documentaries for CCTV America, and if you haven’t seen them stop what you’re doing and look them up. His most recent work, Reinventing Cuba, won awards at the New York Film and Television Festival this year. He’s still living in Barcelona, and still looking for an agent or editor for his next novel. Ingrid Kasaks is still in the credit card business in Toronto, now with American Express. She got remarried a couple of years ago in Colorado with many Colbians in attendance. She and Sue Bratone Childs, Sarah Maddox Rogers, Sasha Carey, Ferrall McMahon Dietrich, Stacey Mitchell, and Callie Knowles Clapp try to get together once a year; this year they’re meeting at Sue’s house in New York. Ingrid joins the ranks of college parents this year, dropping her middle child at college in California in September. Her older daughter is in Whistler training for a spot on the national snowboard cross team, and her younger son keeps everyone busy with his sports (hockey and lacrosse) schedule.

Dawn Zajac Perez’s department at Northern Essex Community College won three national awards last year for its work with student success. Dawn will spend some time this year tagging along with her second child, who will be apprenticed to a sculptor in Maui. Tough duty, Dawn! And Marc Rando wrote his annual jealousy-inducing email from Spain, where he’s leading a group of his students from Thayer Academy, including his older daughter, who is a junior, on a summer adventure. Marc and his wife met Deb Anglim Higgins ’66 in Paris, and the Randos looked forward to seeing Matt Sotir and Eric and Shari Sadowski Stam over the summer. But the prize goes to Ruth Bender, who might want to consider taking over this gig one day. After telling me about her amazing year, filled with travel to Burma, running a marathon and training for the NYC marathon, and buying a cottage in Jefferson, Maine, on the shores of Damariscotta Lake, she filled me in on all the Colby news: “In early February I met Jenn Cooke Rotman and her family in Jackson Hole for a few fun days of skiing. Her boys ran me ragged on the mountain! Then, in late February, I had a great dinner with Kevin Plummer, who was in from Tampas for a conference. We were joined by Erik Whitelorde, Norwood Scott, Katie the Losen Goldberg, and Josh Wolman ’91. Those guys are just as much fun
and equally as rambunctious as they were back in our days at Colby, yet we managed to not get kicked out of the restaurant. April brought Tom Abbatiello out to San Francisco for work and we got to enjoy the newest sushi joint in my neighborhood and had a great catch up; then Audrey Barone spent a fun-filled weekend out here with me and Katie the Leson Goldberg, including scoping the local flea market for finds for my cottage in Maine, west coast beach time (i.e. wearing jackets on the beach!), and lots of reminiscing.” Maybe our 30th should include a tour of the cottage, Ruth? Keep that news coming!

1992

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Earlier this year Sura Dubow Lennon and her family traveled to San Diego to get together with Tom ‘91 and Kristin Wallace Livezey and Bill ‘93 and Anne Maddocks Michels and their families for a swim in the ocean and dinner. “It was so fun to catch up. There’s never enough time (of course)!” Whitney Adams Ward wrote: “I returned to work full time last November as an event planner for CM Group in Hingham, Mass. It’s a small agency that plans events for large pharmaceutical clients. I love the new position and the group of people I work with. I have also been able to travel to some fun places, including San Diego and most recently Copenhagen! The kids are growing up too fast: Lily, 16, finished her sophomore year; Sam, 14, is in high school next year; and Sasha, 10, will enter fifth grade. Chris and I still enjoy living in Hingham while juggling work and the kids’ many sports and activities.” Steve Earp wrote from Allen, Texas: “My wife, Patti, and I have been married for 18 years. We have three kids and a yellow lab named Suki. Our son, Thomas (11th grade), plays varsity tennis and sings in the choir. His singing is literally following in my footsteps as his high school choir did a tour of Normandy and Paris last spring. (I sang with the Colby Chorale on a Normandy tour in spring 1990.) Serena (ninth grade), plays varsity volleyball, and is a passionate musical theater member (perhaps a future BMR member?). I continue to work in the employee benefits sales field—with Sun Life Financial (21 years!), medical risk managers, and, as of April, with Houston International Insurance Group. I visited Wright Dickinson last fall at a national conference, which we were both attending, and heard all about his wife and his talented kids.” Warren Claryor wrote from the City of Brotherly Love: “In June I piloted a single-engine SR20 airplane from Las Vegas to Philadelphia by way of some amazing national parks, including Arches, Bryce, Grand Canyon, and Zion, then north along the Rocky Mountains into Wyoming past the Grand Tetons, and then east into Nebraska and the very flat and flooded Midwest. What an amazing way to see this beautiful country! I enjoy keeping in touch with Ryan Friel ‘93 and Phil Vilar ‘93, both of whom live in Montana.” Craig Appelbaum wrote from the West Coast: “Six years ago I opened Industry Gallery (industrygallery.net), a 21st-century design gallery, in Washington, D.C. Last fall I moved it to Los Angeles. We’re a small gallery and exhibit functional sculptural and contemporary design. Our program is unique and has attracted a lot of attention. Art + Auction magazine, one of the important art magazines, named me to their 2015 “Power 100” list! I’m now officially one of the most powerful people in the art world. Crazy. It’s a great compliment. I’m included with an amazing group of people whose level I never dreamed I would reach. I’m happy to give advice or help any Colbyites looking to break into the art world.” Chris Frothingham hit the Hill earlier this summer: “I was up at Colby in June for Reunion Weekend to sing with the Colby After Eight along with Mark Longsjo, Curt Stevenson, and Jun Shira- hama. It was, as always, a great time! The funk band they had was phenom-enal—book it for our reunion! My wife, our four kids, and I live in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. I’m still on faculty at University of New England in Biddeford. Although I am getting suckered into more and more administrative duties, I still love seeing patients and teaching students. Our oldest daughter, now 13, has declared that she wants to go to Colby, so please everyone give generously to the annual fund so our kids can all get good financial aid. I can’t wait to see you all next June!”

Save the date for our 25th reunion June 1-4, 2017. Keep in touch by joining the Colby Alumni Facebook page (facebook.com/ColbyAlumni) and the Class of 1992 Facebook page (facebook.com/groups/1539313499730299). You can update your email address with Colby or join the reunion committee by contacting Emiko Boezeman ‘11 at Colby emiko.boezeman@colby.edu or 207-859-4308. See you there!

1993

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Our class was remarkably quiet this news cycle. I’m sure that means an avalanche of responses for the next column! After 10 years in Singapore, and with two of her kids in college (Teague ‘19 studying elementary education at Marquette University and Ainsley ‘20 studying physics and math at Emory University) and one at Eggle Hill in Wareham, Mass., Lael Hinman Stanczak and family are moving back to the U.S. to Belchertown, Mass. Lael says,
“We’re excited about the change after living in cities our entire adult life, and hope our dogs love the grass and the seasons as much as we will.”  •  Doug Morrione also returned to the U.S. for a visit to Waterville, where his documentary cowboy film, *Everything In the Song is True*, was screened July 14 at the Maine International Film Festival. Viewers in Waterville report that the film is an outstanding blend of storytelling and cinematography. So much so that it won second place as audience favorite at the festival. Doug and family live and work in Dubai.  •  Beth Curran Balter writes, “I’ve been keeping busy getting a freelance writing business up and running while squirreling my two girls—Stella, 11, and Annie, 8—and our new dog, Harry, around the greater Boston area.” Beth recently had dinner with Betsy Arden Rickards.  •  Ari Drucker connected with fellow White Mules in Tokyo, where he and Joe Meyers ’79 welcomed Haolu Wong ’10 for the screening of her short film *Flip Flops* at The Short Shorts Film Festival Asia in Shibuya, Tokyo.  •  Amy O’Mara Moore works in healthcare compliance and lives in Hingham, Mass., with kids Susanna, 14, and James, 10. Amy and I recently reminisced about our junior year abroad in Cork, Ireland, with the help of some old letters we had received from Greg Burns and Kristen Suslowicz McCarthy during their junior years abroad in Australia and Japan. Letters! On paper!  •  Those old letters were a great reminder of how wonderful it is to receive news about friends—whether it’s life events or dorm gossip. Hope to hear from you next time!

1994

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Reid and Laura Really Heywood celebrated their 20th anniversary with a safari trip to South Africa, “which was awesome. Not having to think about making meals for a week was amazing and the animals were pretty cool too.” Even better, their three kids, Ella, 13, Ned, 11, and Madison, 9, barely seemed to notice they were gone. Laura’s in her second year managing her husband’s OB/GYN practice on Cape Cod, where she’s been a balancing act but she enjoys it and isn’t sure how so many working husbands OB/GYN practice on Cape Cod, kids, Ella, 13, Ned, 11, and Madison, 9, week was amazing and the animals were

1995

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Regina Lipovsky lives in Massachusetts with her husband and two sons. She, Matt Marden, and Sarah Gurtman went to Santa Fe, N.M., for a long weekend and reminisced about their “awesome, embarrassing (and awesomely embarrassing)” Colby moments. Matt lives in New York with his boyfriend, Bobby, and Sarah lives in Washington, D.C., with her husband and two boys.

* Karen Andreas received an M.S. from Tufts University School of Medicine in May.  * Hillary Anderson manages her own business as a procurement analytics consultant for small chain restaurants. She, her husband, Chuck, and girls Phoebe, 8, and Eden, 6, spent July tent camping through Utah and Colorado, including Bryce Canyon, Rocky Mountain National Park, and Mesa Verde National Park.  * Daniel Polk will join Leadership San Francisco’s class of 2016-17 to learn the essentials for being a trustee for the city of San Francisco.

1996

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First of all, anybody who missed reunion missed a great time. The campus looked great, our classmates looked great, Keith Albert did the running man for like two hours, Dori Desautel Broudy gave an
the earth-moving speech at the dinner Saturday night, Mike Montgomery tore it up a cappella as a member of After Eight, Earl Lewis kept all of us focused on having a good time, Andy Rice and wife Apple came in from Okla-bleeping-homa for the love of humanity, Matt Maleska rolled in with his whole family, Sarah Eustis and Andy Meeks came in from the West Coast, and a whole bunched amazing '96ers turned Mayflower Hill into one classy throw down. Oh, and every single Dori I know was there—Desautel Broudy, Deis Albert, and Morrison Galvin—too. Anyhow, I’m gushing here, but it really was a pretty great time. Kudos to everybody who made the trip and seriously friends, don’t miss the 25th in 2021. * Now on to the notes: News flash (in case you missed it), a huge thanks to Alex Levental who took over as our class president over the winter in a mostly bloodless coup. Alex’s firm, Ironwood Capital, recently made an investment in a Maine company, Paradigm Windows. That means that Alex is going to be in Maine more regularly, which is cool. * Dr. Casey McCullough sent a thoughtful email letting me know that he and wife Andrea welcomed a daughter, Alina, back in February. Alina joins older brothers Anrai and Augustin in the McCullough family. * Susannah Kowal LaCroix lives in Colorado Springs with her husband and daughter, Charlotte, 4. She’s working as a pediatric physical therapist and spends as much time in the outdoors as possible. Even so, she’s hoping to move her family back to New England in the next couple of years when her husband finishes his career in the Air Force. * As for me, I had lunch in Boston recently with Kevin Pirani and Alex Chin. Kevin shared that when he’s not sweating on “the apparatus” he likes to send emails to Ken Fowler. Alex said he loves getting custom-modified birthday cards from Brett Nardini, and that he and Sarah Gelman Carney rewrote the reunion attendance manual as the only ‘96ers in East Quad the THURSDAY before reunion. Well-played you two! I also joined the board of trustees at Maine Audubon, finally going public with my personal and longstanding love of birds. Yeah, that’s right: I love birds! I really do! Tweet tweet, baby! (Editorial note: To avoid reading more items like that last one I need significantly more material. Send more notes, please.)

1998

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Derek Luke and his wife, Annie, welcomed their first child, Robert Sherman Luke (nicknamed Trebor), May 10. Their dog, Tasman, has taken an immediate liking to him and they were excited for some much-needed maternity leave for Annie. A house construction project gone awry created some challenging living scenarios during her pregnancy and after delivery. Needless to say they’re excited for the home life to settle down. The brewery still cranks along and they will be releasing Sea Fog, a seven-year whiskey that Brent Ryan ’97 and crew put down in 2007-09. * Sandra Hughes Goff finished her first year as assistant professor of economics at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Sandra, Marc, and the boys are all loving Saratoga, though they still terribly miss Portland, Maine, and their friends there. They spent most of their first summer in Saratoga on the lawn at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center, where they watched their son Calvin perform with the New York City Ballet. This summer they planned to spend three weeks in Maine while Calvin and Sawyer attended a ballet summer intensive at the Portland Ballet. In August they traveled to California and back in their Winnebaggo Travato motorhome. * Meghan Fallon Armstrong welcomed their son Theodore (Tedy). They’re moving from Brooklyn, N.Y., to Louisville, Colo., and Meghan will teach fifth grade at a progressive school, Mackintosh Academy, in Boulder. She hopes to spend time hiking, skiing, and chilling with Hilary White. * Erik ’99 and Liz Czernicki Quist have had a busy summer. Liz won her re-election bid as mayor of Occoquan, Va., and began her second, two-year term July 1. Her CPA practice is growing steadily, and she continues to focus on not-for-profit entities. Erik, a major in the United States Marine Corps, was selected as aide de camp to a Marine Corps lieutenant general in Quantico, Va., and is busy learning his new role. * Elise and Ali Mian are excited to report the December arrival of their second boy, Jonas Joseph (Jojo for short). Although big brother Noah, 3, prefers to call him Donuts Joseph he nonetheless is rather impressed with the new arrival. * Matt Olsen, his wife, Mitzi, and their baby girl, Izzy, moved back to Washington, D.C., from Hawaii in January and Robyn Osborn Pasby couldn’t be happier to have them back in her neck of the woods! Izzy and Alexa (Robyn’s daughter) are only four months apart and are bound to be best buds and maybe even future Colby kids! * In August 2015 Laura Houston moved to Nicosia, Cyprus, to teach IB economics. She looks forward to learning Greek and exploring Venetian ruins, but misses the annual Venetian dinners with Jessica William, Meg Belanger, and Kristi Jacobi. * Jack and Erika Blauch Rusley and big sister Meg welcomed baby Josephine Ivy in June 2015. They reside in Baltimore, where Erika teaches English at an online high school and loves working from home. * Anna Tesmenitsky’s daughter, Sophia, turned 10 in January, and they enjoy life in Ashland, Mass. Anna works as litigation counsel at Resolute Management, Inc. and volunteers each year with the New England Ride for Kids, a motorcycle ride she helps organize to support the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. She encourages Colby alums who ride to join the event at BOSE headquarters in Framingham, Mass., Aug. 28, 2016. * After 15 years wandering in the forsaken wilderness, Oliver Griswald returned to his beloved Maine in July. He lives in Portland with his wife, Ellen, and two daughters, Amelia and Isobel. He leads branding projects for DC-based ad agency +GMMB and eats as much lobster as possible. * In 2015 Alex Wall started his own law firm. He practices business, technology, and data privacy law, and he balances his for-profit work with discounts to pro bono nonprofits and disadvantaged individuals. Alex was proud to have his firm join several large corporations in sponsoring a full-page Wall Street Journal ad in support of a firm commitment by the U.S. at the Paris Climate Conference. Alex has also enjoyed helping small business entrepreneurs with big dreams get organized and prepared for growth.

1997

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Rebecca Durham has been busy! She had an article about her art and poetry in the Missoula Valley Lifestyle Magazine and she had an essay published in Superstition Review. She was also interviewed on the YouTube science channel SciShow about her research with biological soil crust. At the time that she had emailed me, she was in the middle of planning a backpacking trip with her daughter to Olympic National Park. * Congratulations to Julie Lovell Dunlap, who is now a certified family nurse practitioner after graduating from the University of Maryland School of Nursing last May. * Karen Blaisdell Faiman just took over as executive director of Wildlife Center Friends (Titusville, N.J.), an organization with a vision to preserve native wildlife and the one habitat that we all share. She remains close with Christina Downing Chludzinski, who lives with her twin 8-year-olds and her husband in Massachusetts. * Carter Davis reported that he recently saw Steve Kidd, his wife, Jess, and his son, James, 1 1/2, along with Marnie Eickman Steffe and her family. Carter also saw Mark Adelman and his family, including his new daughter, Ainsley. * Henry Lo graduated with a master’s in public administration from California State University, Northridge. * As you can see, I didn’t receive too many emails this time around. Most of you must be saving your news for our 20th reunion. Save the date for June 1-4, 2017! As for me, I recently attended an Indigo Girls concert and there were so many moments that transported me 20 years back to seeing them perform at the Alfond Center. So many happy memories. I can’t wait to see you all soon!

1999

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Katie Frank started a new job as a health officer with the U.S. Agency for International Development Career Candidate Corps in January and is initially based in Washington, D.C., before being posted overseas. * Sonya Roderick is in her 14th year at Bates College in the biology department, where she met William Locke, a research associate in marine biology. The couple married June 18. * Dave Fasteson works as a campaign manager for a state representative candidate in Rhode Island. * Louisa Williams West had her second baby boy, Harry, who joins big brother George. Louisa recently attended the wedding of Pete Bowden ’98 in Sonoma, where she rented a house with Larry Spollen, Andy Brown, and Ben Schreiner ’01. * Christina Schleicher married Billy O’Donnell in December in Whitefish, Mont., and had Colby friends Kelly Bregou and Allison Birdsong in attendance. Christina and Billy also announce the arrival of their baby boy, Tommy, Feb. 24; she’s loving being a mom! They run RIDGE Mountain Academy, a gap-year winter semester offering college credits and mountain sports training in Whitefish. * Busy summer for Liz (Czernicki ’98) and Erik Quist. Liz won her re-election bid as mayor of Occoquan, Va., and began her second, two-year term July 1. Her CPA practice is growing steadily, and she continues to focus on not-for-profit entities. Erik, a major in the United States Marine Corps, was selected as aide de camp to a Marine Corps lieutenant general in Quantico, Va., and is busy learning his new role. * Elise and Ali Mian are excited to report the December arrival of their second boy, Jonas Joseph (Jojo for short).

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Class of 2000! I hope everyone is doing well. Here’s the latest. • Patrick Sullivan is in the field in the Brooks Range, where he’ll be away from phone and email until June 13. • Mike and Hilary Smyth Wirtz moved to Tarrytown, N.Y., this summer with their two children, Charlie, 5, and Frances, 3. They live on campus at Hackley School, where Mike is headmaster. They would love to connect with any Colby alums in the area! • Jeff Daniels is leaving Australia for six months to visit family and friends in New York, promote his latest documentary feature, Mother With A Gun, about American terrorist group The Jewish Defense League, and to develop his next film. Hoping to reconnect with any Colby alums in the area. • Ben Ritz ended up graduating not only sum, but also second in his class. He recently took a briefing attorney position with the First Court of Appeals in Houston, Texas, which is a state appellate court. His wife, Hilary, just finished the latest draft of her third book. It’s about a middle-aged woman who finds out she has 45 days left to live and decides to go Robin Hood to right the wrongs of her dystopian society. It’s being written. • Scott Fiarmann’s biggest news is that he got married April 9 to a wonderful lady named Sarah Hanson, who went to Loras College, which, like Colby, is a small liberal arts school on a hill. Alex Lear was his best man and gave a wonderful speech with references to COOT. Scott’s still working for Willis Towers Watson in Chicago and negotiating large casualty insurance programs. • Dubek ’99 and Sarah Richards Kim welcomed their son Franklin in March. He joins big brothers Edison and Leo. Sarah will finish her child psychiatry fellowship in June and will continue private practice in NYC. • Angela Makkas Rougas has a new baby, Maria Kerenou Rougas, born June 1. She’s the little sister of Kostantinos “Gus” Vasiliou Rougas. Lots of little Greek babies being born in Cambridge, Mass. • Vanessa Sibley Mudd was hired as the director of campus ministry at Gonzaga Prep High School in Spokane, Wash. • Amy Millett Scalion ended her third baby in August (a little girl!). They moved from Arlington, Mass., back to the Philly suburbs. Amy graduated from NYU in May with a Ph.D. in teaching and learning and started a job at Temple University as program coordinator for the Teacher Residency Program. • Jay and Kirsten Isaksen Benjamin welcomed their third baby girl in April, Julia Jennings Benjamin. Sophie, 8, and Isobel, 4, are thrilled to have a new baby sister to play with. • Venola Mason and Jeff Belton welcomed Jeffrey Scott Belton Jr. June 22. He weighed in at 7.7 pounds and has brought so much joy to their lives. Miekio McKay attended their baby shower in Atlanta and has been named the godmother. • Ted Wallach is now CEO of timerepublik.com, the ultimate sharing economy experience. It’s a global time bank where you share your talents, interests, and passions in exchange for time not money.

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Last March Jenny Kiszkiss Cunningham, Jenny Bubrick Engel, and Drew Hall Williams completed the Rock ‘n Roll Half Marathon in Washington, D.C. Drew’s so far completed five half marathons in less than a year towards her goal of 20 before she turns 40 and has a few more races planned. With Gina DiBella, Mat Solso, and Emily Mahlman. Anyone who wants to run with her, let her know—will travel for running! As a side note, Drew and Mat won their age divisions at the Blue Light 5K held Reunion Weekend at Colby. • Bret and Michelle Chandler Ottmeier are excited to announce that Thomas (Tommy) Chandler Ottmeier arrived June 14. His big brothers are very proud. • Stephanie McMurrich Roberts reports that in June they (sadly) moved out of their condo in Boston’s South End (which was across the street from Matt and Mandy Mraz Barber) to the suburb of Lexington, Mass. Their children, Avery, 3, and Owen, 18 months, love the extra space and backyard, but Stephanie’s having a harder adjustment to suburban life—she just loves the city life! But the good thing is that in September Steph will start a new job at a group psychology practice only 10 minutes from their new house. • Scott Fieklmann’s biggest news is that he got married April 9 to a wonderful lady named Sarah Hanson, who went to Loras College, which, like Colby, is a small liberal arts school on a hill. Alex Lear was his best man and gave a wonderful speech with references to COOT. Scott’s still working for Willis Towers Watson in Chicago and negotiating large casualty insurance programs. • Dubek ’99 and Sarah Richards Kim welcomed their son Franklin in March. He joins big brothers Edison and Leo. Sarah will finish her child psychiatry fellowship in June and will continue private practice in NYC. • Angela Makkas Rougas has a new baby, Maria Kerenou Rougas, born June 1. She’s the little sister of Kostantinos “Gus” Vasiliou Rougas. Lots of little Greek babies being born in Cambridge, Mass. • Vanessa Sibley Mudd was hired as the director of campus ministry at Gonzaga Prep High School in Spokane, Wash. • Amy Millett Scalion ended her third baby in August (a little girl!). They moved from Arlington, Mass., back to the Philly suburbs. Amy graduated from NYU in May with a Ph.D. in teaching and learning and started a job at Temple University as program coordinator for the Teacher Residency Program. • Jay and Kirsten Isaksen Benjamin welcomed their third baby girl in April, Julia Jennings Benjamin. Sophie, 8, and Isobel, 4, are thrilled to have a new baby sister to play with. • Venola Mason and Jeff Belton welcomed Jeffrey Scott Belton Jr. June 22. He weighed in at 7.7 pounds and has brought so much joy to their lives. Miekio McKay attended their baby shower in Atlanta and has been named the godmother. • Ted Wallach is now CEO of timerepublik.com, the ultimate sharing economy experience. It’s a global time bank where you share your talents, interests, and passions in exchange for time not money.

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Aloha from your class president! As Sally Hall Bell mentioned in the last column, we’re transitioning to a new class correspondent, and I ask that you all join me in thanking her for her many years of tireless service. I’m writing to you from Hawaii, where I live with my husband and three stepchildren. We relocated to Oahu from the East Coast about a year and a half ago and commute regularly back to the mainland. After this column, I’ll be handing the reins over to another brave volunteer—Bridget Zakielarz Duffy. Bridget currently resides in Mexico City while her husband, Gavin, is on assignment with the Department of Justice. When not travelling stateside as a doctor, she spends her time learning Spanish and being a mom. Bridget was in Massachusetts in June and met up with Anne Paruti Lohnes and Sarah Mockler. Both are doing great! • Patrick Fahey reports that all is well in life. Pat is a major in the Marines, just completed a master’s in defense and strategic studies at the Naval War College, and is stationed at Fort Pendleton in San Diego where he pilots attack helicopters. Pat and his wife, Kaitlyn, just welcomed their second child, Ziva Grace, who joins big brother Brixton. • Meg Cassella Hand is expecting her second child in October and dutifully volunteered her column-writing services, although I declined for her sake. • J.J. ’01 and Piper Elliott Abodeely live with their three children in Sonoma, where Piper organizes the G3 Women’s Conferences (g3sonoma.com). • Charlie and Abby Russell Hopper, and their two-year-old daughter, Lila, were thrilled/scares out of their minds to welcome their new little girl July 25. They’re still holding down the fort in Charlestown, Mass., and try to see Colby buddies as much as they can. • Carl Tubberk and his wife, Jen, welcomed their first child, Hayden Sylvia Tubberk, to the world. Hayden weighed 9 pounds 9 ounces and is enjoying life at home with mom and “big brother” Barnaby, the dog. • Speaking of babies, Nicki Shoemaker McNair welcomed her second little girl, Lucy, in February and big sister Abby loves covering her with kisses. They live happily in Chicago where Nicki and her husband, J.R., are both attorneys. • Tammie Sebeilus is continuing her European domination, spending the past couple of years in London working on behalf of EF, but we’re looking forward to welcoming her back stateside come fall. • Kathryn Kosuda welcomed her first little one, Rory John, a year ago July 1, and I had the honor of becoming his godmother this past spring. • On June 25 Jeff Brink completed the Bay of Fundy International Marathon, his third. The race was in Lubec, Maine, and stretched into Campobello Island, Canada. Three weeks later he completed the Lowell Wildcat Triathlon on a relay team with his father. The races were part of a trip his family took that included a visit with Chad Weiss and a Red Sox game courtesy of David Zlatin’s tickets. • Keep the good news coming, and welcome Bridget to the team!

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Another column, another batch of great news! Bianca Belcher took an assistant clinical professor position at Northeastern University at the Bouve College of Health Sciences and will be director of strategic projects and technology. She went to Sarah Walsh’s wedding in June with Colleen Lacey Plumley, Samantha Allen ’01, and Kate Chuprevich ’04. • Mason ’04 and Amanda Surette Smith welcomed Stephen Joseph (Joe) Jan. 24 in Alexandria, Va., in the aftermath of the Snowzilla blizzard. Sister Cora, 4, loves her little brother. While on maternity leave in March, Amanda was promoted to program manager for the National Preparedness Report in FEMA’s National Preparedness Assessment Division, which she had been leading temporarily since August 2015. Oddly, the director of her office is the older sister of Elan Wenger—small world! • Kristy Thurston and David Prinstein ’02 had a little boy, Maxwell Stewart, in January. Kristy’s still at Hartford Hospital in Connecticut as a colorectal surgeon and David is a middle-school principal. • Kevin ‘98 and Brooke McNally Thurston had a baby girl, Hannah, Jan. 10. • Several ’03 friends and their partners raced to the birthing finish line from March to May: Evan McGee and Kate Gammon won, bringing their second child, Jesse Ian, into the world March 31, followed by Erik Lisk and Nicole Wark with Wyatt Hayes April 27, and with the bronze were Doug Melzer and Katy-Robin Garton birthing Elliot Thomas May 25. Just out of the medals were Jay and Tracy Schloss Combs with Ronan Skeeleys May 30. All are enjoying diaper changes and sleepless nights. • Kate Carroll and her partner relocated to the Seattle area so Kate could take a job with the Navy. After 10 years in San Francisco, they’re excited to try non-urban living on beautiful Bainbridge Island. • After eight years in Watervile Thaddeus and Jill Laramee Feeney moved to Lincolnville, Maine. Although they miss occasional meals at Foss and Pad Thai, they enjoy life on the coast with kiddos Parker and Maggie. They recently planted 10 fruit tree saplings and a whole bunch of blueberry plants. • Ellen Whitesides was married in November in Washington, D.C., to Chris Kalisz. Colby friends at the wedding included Lauren Calimeris Kocman, Michelle Keady Hadley, Steph Hicks Hirst, Clayton Donahue, Julie Boehm Souviles, Lisa DeFluker, Matt ’04 and Holly Niles Getty, and Lindsay Antonino ’04 and Andrew Jaspersohn ’02. • Peter
Loverse moved to West Roxbury in Boston (off of Colby Road, ironically!) and spends more time with David and Allegra Roundy Sandak and their twins a few minutes away in Roslindale. • Courtney Smith Delfause welcomed Graham Francis May 13. • Pat and Laura Shufelt Kenney welcomed their second little guy, James, in October 2015. She reports life is exponentially busier with two, but so fun and exciting. • Christiana Salah defended her doctoral dissertation in April and graduated with a Ph.D. in English from the University of Connecticut in May. A few weeks later, on June 4, she married Benjamin Meagher, a professor of social psychology she met while they were both getting their Ph.D.s at UConn. Liz Jackson flew in from New Zealand with her infant son to be a bridesmaid. Andy Jones Price and his wife were also present. Christiana and Benjamin relocated to Lancaster, Pa. • With her daughter now in preschool, Karil Jaffe Eron returned to her position as director of Jewish Family Services in Portland, Maine. They recently opened the first Maine site of the National Diaper Bank. In one year they distributed more than 50,000 diapers to low-income families and hope to double that next year. None of this could be done without their amazing volunteer coordinator, Andrea Krasker-Gavin ‘93. • Dennis Kuhnel and his wife, Katy, welcomed their second child, Lucinda Dixie, June 20. Big sister Rosalie is excited! • Kevin Smalley still teaches and coaches at his alma mater, Osceola High School, in Seminole, Fla. In February Kevin was named head football coach after the previous coach of 26 years retired. Kevin’s two girls are growing fast—his oldest, Addison, 5, is in kindergarten. He and his wife just moved into a new home and discovered that one of their neighbors is a Trinity grad—it’s rare in Florida to find another NESCA grand. • Our condolences to the family of Chris La Putt, who died of cancer Aug. 20, 2015, much too soon. A post by BrooklynVegan, where Chris was a photographer and photo editor, said that Chris was “one of the most unique people we ever met.”

2004

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Pete and Katie Sweeney Lepak live in Connecticut. Their son, Tyler, is three and they look forward to baby number two, who is on the way. • Brian and Amanda Belden Kramer expect their third child this fall. • Karen Prager and Emma McCandless welcomed their second child, Eli, June 1. • Tim and Cate Young Sheehy had their second child, Colin Edward, last year. He joins sister Molly, 3, who adores her baby brother and loves to help. • Scott and Anne Christian Brown and son Carrick welcomed Katherine “Katie” Selden last winter. They still live in Chicago and enjoy play dates with Phil and Laura Barrow Geiger and their children. • Josh Gutierrez lives in western Massachusetts and works as a staff attorney in the Springfield Office of Community Legal Aid. He focuses in the areas of foreclosure defense and consumer rights litigation. • Jo Schroeder is taking over the family flying business, Gem Air, with her brother and sister, and competed with the Boise CrossFit Rainbow team at the CrossFit Games this July. • Christina Dotchin got married in June at the Mount Washington Hotel in NH. Mules in attendance were Sharon Herbert ‘03, Michele Barmash ‘05, Nate Stanglein, Kate Sweeney, Mark Azevedo, Heather DeVito ‘05, Jackie Rolleri ‘06, Mallory Young Michaelaes ‘05, Karl Methven ‘76, and Taylor Methven ‘20. Christina and husband Patrick Coffey moved to Park City, Utah, where she accepted a position as director of outreach for the west for the Secondary School Admission Test Board. • Lauren Henderson and Brad Seymour welcomed a daughter, Carolyn Jane, last February. • Kate Trasher recently got engaged to Thomas White and they’re planning a September 2017 wedding. • Ryan ‘02 and Vicki Hayes Webler welcomed Grady Hayes Webler last February. Big sister Fiona is obsessed with him and a great helper. Vicki teaches music at The Country School in Madison, Conn., and will be recording a new album with her band, Goodnight Blue Moon, that will be available on iTunes. • Holly Brown was executive producer for The Founder, a film about the start of McDonald’s starring Michael Keaton and directed by John Lee Hancock. • Desiree Davis Trahon gave birth to her first child, John Gerard Trahon IV. • Breilyn Brantley works at Family Guy, and Michael Hepburn is managing actors at one of the leading entertainment companies, Industry Entertainment. • Jason and Jenny Kalman Beal moved to Vienna, Va., a couple of years ago. They have three children, Mackenzie, 6, Brigitte, 4, and Raleigh, 1, as well as two Siberian huskies. Jenny and Jason both work for the federal government. • Matt and Lorraine Beane Balline and big sister Lily welcomed Maggie Ruth in late March. • Matt Bacon got engaged to Stefanie Gera and they’re planning a spring 2017 wedding. • Nick and Jen Barrett Crockler welcomed their third child, Merrill Campbell, in May. Big brothers Thomas and Charlie are really excited to have a little sister. • Matthew Harrington and his wife, Tova Kaplan, welcomed their first child, Seymour “Sam” Dym, in April.

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Joseph and Sara Nicolette Camak welcomed their first child, Charlotte Elizabeth, Dec. 5, 2015. • Owen and Sarah Thelin-Weber welcomed baby girl Dagmar Ada Weber Aug. 6, 2015. Sarah enjoys her job as executive assistant to the director of The Frick Collection in New York while her husband, a sci-fi/fantasy illustrator, takes on the task of being a stay-at-home dad. • After 11 years working in nonprofits and education, and nine years living in Boston, Dan Seifert took a job with Google and relocated to the Bay Area, where he hopes to reconnect with many of the NorCal Mules. • Jonathan and Mallory Young Michaelaes welcomed their first baby, Amelia Jeanne, May 11. She’s been lucky to already have met Heather DeVito, Ken and Meghan Baringer Pitter, and Kerri Furlong Broadbent. Fellow Mules Noah and Sarah Goodrich Hoffman moved to Maine in July so they will be nearby for playdates. • Jackie Dao Dinneen recently completed a one-year detail as the associate policy director in the Office of the First Lady and is now the director of gifts and grants management at Peace Corps. Jackie and her husband, Jim Dinneen (Hamilton ‘05), celebrated two years of marriage. Jackie was also excited to share that John and Lauren Smith Camera are expecting. • Kevin and Emily Goodyear Forgett welcomed identical twin girls, Annie and Caroline, May 20. Their lives are a bit more exciting with three little ones at home—big brother Ryan, 2, is enjoying his new role. • In February Robert Saunders wed Tiffany Marshall at the Floriblanca Resort in Santa Teresa, Costa Rica. Fellow Mules Warner Nickerson, Rory and Jess Hardy Kelly, ChristoPelleifer ‘04, and Ilana Saxe joined the festivities. The day following the ceremony, on a walk to meet the new neighbors for dinner, Ilana’s boyfriend, Justin Ford, proposed on the beach. • Brendan and Amy Campbell Blake welcomed their second daughter, Emily, in May. Big sister Bailey loves her already. Amy finished her neonatology fellowship at Denver Children’s Hospital and her family moved to Wisconsin this summer where she starts her new job. • Frederik ‘03 and Natalia King Rasmussen welcomed their second daughter, Eva, in May. Last spring Natalia earned her Ph.D. in history. Natalia and Fred still live in NYC, where they enjoy catching up with fellow ’03ers Todd and Nora Chang. • Tom and Sara Gouge Johnson ’05 moved to Burlington, Vt., and manages PR efforts for Grand Slam Tennis Tours. He enjoyed his first Wimbledon experience this June. • Melissa Hinkle still works as the head of content and social media for North America at Cheapflights and has been doing lots of personal travel as well, now having visited 30 countries and six continents. She’s still singing in the semi-professional Boston-based a cappella group Sound Off (soundoffacappella.com), who just won Best Contemporary A Cappella Song for the second year in a row. She met her now-fiancé in the group. Melissa and Pearsse have been together for almost two and a half years and got engaged in Oslo, Norway, in May. • Nick and Mary Olsson Miller welcomed Graham Cutting Miller in April. Big brother Owen loves his “baby bro” like crazy and often crawls into Graham’s crib to read to him. Nick and Mary moved to Old Greenwich from NYC and are loving life in suburbia. • Thanks for writing in!

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The Class of 2006 had a great time celebrating its 10-year reunion on Mayflower Hill! If you missed our slideshow, check out our Class of 2006 Facebook page to see a collection of photos that include our four years at Colby and other important milestones. Our class had a great time reconnecting at our class dinner, seeing old friends, and making new ones. We can’t wait to see you all at the 15-year reunion. Now on to the class news. • Nate Stone is excited to share that Rachel Carr married Eric “Didn’t-Go-to-Colby” Jordan in Portland this March. Taylor Snook became the first ’06 grad to officiate a wedding in a wheelchair, and Melissa McNulty and Krissyc Fucillo Hanley delivered engaging readings for the ceremony. Many of the Mules on the dance floor teared up to “Everytime We Touch” and “Uptown Fun” included Nichol Penna, Stephen Planes, Bennett Barnwell, Mike Fleming, Aine McCarthy, Katy Packard, Drew Rausch, Cali Miller, Elie Lehrhaupt, Rachna Arora, Nate Stone, and Trevor Hanly ’07. • Dave and Jenna Morrison Civitello welcomed a baby boy, Luca James, April 13. At two months old, Luca’s favorite book was Penguin’s Big Adventure. As a family of three, they look forward to moving to Atlanta later this year for Dave’s job. • Keegan ‘07 and Stephanie Atwood Albaugh welcomed a baby girl, Coraline Lee Albaugh, into the world June 12. Mom and dad were pretty bummed they couldn’t make it to this year’s reunion but already have plans to bring a 5-year-old with them next time. • Doug ’07 and Sarah Ayres Turnbull wel-
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Sandy Ma ’08 was named head of the Hong Kong evening sale and a specialist in Asian 20th-century and contemporary art at Phillips, a global platform that buy and sells art and design. Ma began her career at Christie’s and will help Phillips build its brand in Asia. ► Andrew Volk ’05, owner of Portland Hunt & Alpine Club in Maine’s largest city, was named one of the country’s best new mixologists by Food & Wine magazine. Volk’s bar was also a semi-finalist in 2019 in the Outstanding Bar Program category of the James Beard Awards.

Bryce Cheney in Boston on a Friday and drive to Portland to meet Anne Cuttler Hicks’s new baby girl the following day.”  
► Essie Widlanski and Mike Haines ’04 are super happy to be engaged! They’re loving life in Fort Greene, Brooklyn, with their dog, Calvin, and small but mighty rooftop veggie garden. Wedding plans are in motion for summer 2017 in Maine.  
► Heather Murray started her first full-time library job last August as reference librarian at the Acton (Mass.) Memorial Library, and recently moved to Nashua, N.H.  
► Amanda James Venezia recently celebrated her ninth anniversary with Farmers Insurance as a property claims trainer at the University of Farmers. She and her husband, Matthew, celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary in November and welcomed their son, James Robert Venezia, April 7.  
► As for me, Annie Mears, I had the pleasure of attending the wedding of two fellow 2007 graduates, Jamie Kline and Winterbottom June 4. Attendees included Jake Hanin, Ben Hughes, Shari Katz ’06, John McCormack, Alli Fulerader, Natalie Ginsburg, Liz Coogan, James Cryan, Alissa Perry, Laura Keefer Pierce, Mary Warlau- mont, Erin Schlossman, Adam Curatolo, Tammy Lewin ’07, and Eric Fitch ’08.

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► Amanda James Venezia recently celebrated her ninth anniversary with Farmers Insurance as a property claims trainer at the University of Farmers. She and her husband, Matthew, celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary in November and welcomed their son, James Robert Venezia, April 7.  
► As for me, Annie Mears, I had the pleasure of attending the wedding of two fellow 2007 graduates, Jamie Kline and Winterbottom June 4. Attendees included Jake Hanin, Ben Hughes, Shari Katz ’06, John McCormack, Alli Fulerader, Natalie Ginsburg, Liz Coogan, James Cryan, Alissa Perry, Laura Keefer Pierce, Mary Warlau- mont, Erin Schlossman, Adam Curatolo, Tammy Lewin ’07, and Eric Fitch ’08.

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En route to my wedding, Patrick Sanders took his parents and his husband, David, to see Joel Alex at Blue Ox Malthouse. He also saw David Brand, who works there, and at lunch ran into Kerry Whitaker. In June Patrick had dinner with Annie Feutz and Liz Neumann ’04 to celebrate Annie’s birthday and had brunch with Jackie Dao Dinneen ’05 and Abbey McGuire ’05. He caught up with Caroline Voyles when she was in DC in March for a conference.  
► Gretchen Marklewicz and her husband, Chris, happily announce the arrival of a healthy boy, Connor Everett, born in early March. They’re doing well and welcome Colby alums to visit!  
► Ed Fox Davis moved to Boston in June to join Current, GE’s new Internet of Things business. He’s very excited to be closer to Sarah (Bruce ’10) and Will Cantley, as well as John ’11 and Rich Waterman.  
► John and Caroline Allison Clark welcomed their daughter, Victoria (Tori), Jan. 9, 2016.  
► Luke LaViolet graduated with a master’s of science in business analytics from George Washington University in May. On June 29 he married Tania Nguyen in Yosemite National Park. Following the wedding, they hiked the John Muir Trail, more than 200 miles from Yosemite to Mount Whitney.  
► After six years at Mulholland Books—Little, Brown’s mystery and suspense imprint—Wes Miller joined Grand Central Publishing this spring as senior editor. He now edits New York Times bestselling authors. Wes and Kat (Brozowski ’09) celebrated their second wedding anniversary with a trip to Bologna, Italy, where Kat studied abroad.  
► JaeHee Yun married John Kim in Dickson, Md. Shaelyn Germain and Juan Cotón were in attendance.  
► In September Jack Davidson starts a new job as senior pastor of Spring Glen Church in Hamden, Conn, where he lives with his wife, Laura, and their daughter, PJ.  
► Eric Holstein is in Portland, Maine, building a food incubator and tasting room, Fork Food Lab. It’s set to open in late summer and plans to house up to 50 food businesses.  
► Sasha Kenyon received her M.B.A. from Tuck in June and will move back to NYC in September to join Tiffany & Co.  
► Darcy Taylor and her husband bought their first home in June.  
► Christine Avena received a Fulbright fellowship and will travel to Switzerland to continue her doctoral dissertation work on bat-disease ecology. She lives in Boulder with Brian Putnam and others in the wonderful Colby community there including Tom Treat, Kit Clark and Sarah Clark, Angela Martinelli, Mark ’09 and Raven Adams Phillips, Morgan Davies, and Ned Warner-Blair. Christine enjoyed July visits from MaryClaire McGovern and Chantal Balesdent. Christine also visited
with Jennifer Mizen Malpass during part of a cross-country drive in January and with Matt Stein in Tacoma, Wash., in March.

- Megan Lehmann married Dartmouth grad Joe Hyland this summer in Alaska. In attendance were Bob Glefteify and Aliie Holmes, who introduced the couple at Dan Moss’s summer party. Thanks for the updates.

2009

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After seven years at Thomas Dunne Books/St. Martin’s Press, Kat Brzozowski started a new job editing young adult books for Feiwel and Friends.

- Alex Richads just wrapped up his first year at NYU Stern, along with Jamie Wallace, and spent his summer internship in London. He ran into Austin Nicholas in Amsterdam in May.

- Courtney Chilcot lives in Aspen, Colo., and teaches at Aspen Country Day School.

- Ben Hauptman and Elyse Apantaku bought a house in Winslow, Maine, and their foster child count is up to three.

- Scott Zeller graduated from the Duke Physician Assistant Program in August and began working in family medicine in North Carolina. He’s been training for the Chicago marathon in October.

- Dan Heinrich ran his first marathon in Banff and is gearing up for the New York City marathon in November.

- Danny Wasserman is about to do his first triathlon this summer in Seattle. The three will be reuniting for a backpacking adventure abroad to bring in the big 3-0 in 2017.

- After four years in Asia—Hong Kong and Singapore—Harry Goldstein moved back to Chicago to take on a new role with his current company, Amcor. He’s happy to be back in the U.S. and, of course, have the ability to see friends both in Chicago and around the rest of the country. He’d love for anyone coming to Chicago to give him a shout.

- After years of consideration, Dave Metcalf quit his job at Deloitte to pursue a new career as a math teacher in the Boston area starting this fall. He couldn’t be more excited about this change!

- Dylan Perry received his M.D. from the University of Massachusetts Medical School and started residency training at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston in plastic and reconstructive surgery in June. He’s also engaged to his lovely new fiancée, Liza Bruno. He traveled to England and Spain with Logan King and visited Alvaro Escudero in Salamanca, Spain, where he studied abroad almost 10 years ago. His guest room in Kenmore Square is always open to Mules passing through Boston.

- Kris Miranda co-produced DePaul University’s 11th annual Premiere Film Festival, where he also received an award for Best MFA Thesis Drama Pilot. He’ll finish his screenwriting M.F.A. in Los Angeles this fall. But before leaving Chicago, he’ll have one last appointment with his dentist, Ali Fulemreader ’07.

- Hannah Hickok lives in Brooklyn and is an editor at StyleCaster, a women’s lifestyle website. She celebrated her birthday in June with Delia Langan ’10, Lissa Martin, Jess Vogel, Kalli White, Liz Pfeffer, and Logan King. Hannah and her boyfriend, Jonathan, spent the Fourth of July weekend with me at my parents’ summer home on Shelter Island, N.Y.

2010

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Ross Nehrt and Leigh Bullion got a dog this year! A golden retriever named Quody. Also, they’d like to cordially invite Kelsey Gibbs and Matt Silverman ’12 to move back to Portland. Frances Gentile just completed his Ph.D. in rhetoric and composition at the University of Oregon and will be an assistant professor of English at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa, this fall.

- Jordan Schoonover married Jay Phillippe June 26 in Bend, Ore. Danielle Sheppard ’11 was a bridesmaid and Ian McCullough and Ben Oakes ’11 were there to celebrate. They honeymooned on Little Cayman.

- Kat Cosgrove went to Guantamano Bay again in May to observe pre-trial hearings in the military commissions and met another Colby alum, John Ryan ’96, who was part of the media contingent. She looked forward to seeing a bunch of Colby girls at Allison Cappelloni’s Cape house in August.

- Delia Langan moved into a storefront location in Williamsburg Brooklyn in February. It’s been great for Delia Langan Jewelry sales, and she gets to see classmaters like Stephan Cizmar ’11, Hannah Hickok ’09, and Leo Trudel ’07 frequently because they all live within a few blocks.

- Maureen Dunn graduated from UConn School of Medicine and moved to Cincinnati to start her pediatric residency at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center.

2011

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In May Rebecca Falencher and Michael Verschoor-Kirs ’12 graduated from Tufts’s Cummins School of Veterinary Medicine. Lindsay Philips ’08, who currently works as a veterinarian at Tufts, joined in the graduation celebration.

- Cassandra Coleman completed her third year at Sydney Kimmel Medical College/Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia and began her fourth year in July. She plans to graduate in May 2017 with a focus in pediatric medicine.

- Sarah A. Martinez married Jonathan A. Roth at Deering Estate in Miami April 3 surrounded by family and friends. Their guests included Charles Terrell ’70, Nicholas Tocchi ’12, and groomsmen Matthew Appleby ’12. Their signature drink was a Colby (Moscow) mule. Check out a photo of their wedding on the Colby alumni website on the “stay connected” tab.

- After graduating with her master’s from Columbia University School of Nursing, Chelsea Hongphan left the Big Apple this spring to become an oncology nurse practitioner at The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia.

- Kelly Riffer and Peter Kirk got engaged May 1. They met freshmen year at Colby and have been together ever since.

- After his clerkship at the New Hampshire Supreme Court ends this summer, Stephen Zaharias will start as an associate at the law firm of Wadleigh, Starr & Peters in Manchester, N.H. He’s in the process of buying his first place—a condo. Amy Eklund married Daniel Beaupin in Portland June 5. She recently graduated dental school with Lane Mahoney Johnson ’09 and started her pediatric dental residency at Connecticut Children’s Medical Center this summer.

- Caley Robertson was married in May and a number of Colby friends traveled to the UK for the event. She’s expecting a baby in July! After successfully defending her doctoral dissertation in biology, Sarah Flanagan graduated with her Ph.D. from Texas A&M University in August. In September she’ll be a postdoctoral fellow at the National Institute of Mathematical and Biological Synthesis in Knoxville, Tenn.

- Annie Warner Haylon graduated with a J.D. from Vermont Law School May 21. She’s studying for the bar exam in Massachusetts, where she plans to practice environmental law.

- On April 9 in Birmingham, Ala., Matthew Smith and Katherine Murray ’12 were married. They were joined by a host of Colby alumni from the Classes of 2011, 2012, and 2009.

2012

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Nikki Yanok left her position at Cambridge Associates and returned to Portland, Maine, to work at H.M. Payson & Co. She recently graduated from a 200-hour yoga teacher training program with Boston Yoga School. Since her return to Maine, she’s been working closely with the Colby Club of Portland and hopes to see many classmates at upcoming events.

- Justin Partridge graduated from Harvard Medical School and is beginning his residency as a maxillofacial surgeon at Boston’s Massachusetts General Hospital.

- Jillian Vaughan works at Aridto, Sweeney, Stusse, Robertson, & Dupuy, P.C., a general practice law firm on Cape Cod in West Yarmouth, where she specializes in real estate and estate planning. She’s engaged to be married this August.

- After living together for three of the last four years in blissful coexistence, Eric Barthold and Jack Lewis will go their separate ways to pursue further education. Eric will attend the University of Massachusetts Amherst’s social justice education program while Jack will stay in Maine to attend the University of New England’s College of Osteopathic Medicine.

- Evan O’Neill is now VP of mobile at React2Media. He traveled to the annual ultimate Frisbee tournament, Windmill Windup, in the Netherlands with a team filled with Colby players. Will Bloomhardt, David Furman, Kathryn Moore ’14, Rob O’Connor, and Beatrice Smith ’15. They took home the spirit prize for the mixed division.

- After more than two years at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Andy Estrada joined Hillary for America as the
North Carolina press secretary. He looks forward to exploring lovely Raleigh—and is excited to get back on the campaign trail!

- **Trip Venturella** wrote and starred in *Killer Maples: The Musical*, presented by his new company, Yelling Man Theatre, in Boston. In the audience were Colby friends **Tim Buckingham**, **Jeff Carpenter**, **Sarah Hirsch**, **Max Hogue ’13**, **Grant Patch**, and **Francesco Tisch**. Trip has been quite busy working on a building in Chelsea, Mass., but is heading to Ohio University in the fall to pursue his M.F.A. in playwriting.

- **Justin Rouse** and **Laura Maloney** were back at Colby for reunion weekend to catch up with friends and professors and to meet with Colby staff to start planning for our five-year reunion. We hope to see all of you back on Mayflower Hill June 1-4, 2017!

### 2013

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Well Mules, we’re officially in our mid-20s and have exciting updates to show for it!

- **Ryan** and **Lindsay Roberts Mitchell** welcomed daughter Cordelia into the world May 24. “She weighed a healthy 8 lbs., 10 oz. and has the most perfectly adorable chubby cheeks,” Lindsay writes. “We’re absolutely in love!”

- **Wedding bells rang for Trent Wiseman** and **Val Nesvader** who were married in Waitsfield, Vt., June 18.

- **Lily Greenberg** plans to wed Peter Becht (Johns Hopkins ’08) at the Flager Museum in Palm Beach in February 2017. The couple currently resides in San Francisco, where Lily works at Francisco Partners, a technology-focused private equity firm, and Peter works at Sentinel Dome, a hedge fund.

- **Many of our classmates have excelled in grad school**—in May **Michelle Searles** graduated magna cum laude from George Washington University Law School and took the bar exam in July. She adds, “I’ll start as a first-year associate at Covington & Burling LLP in their headquarters in Washington, D.C., in October and will practice in their antitrust, anti-corruption, and white collar investigation and litigation practice groups.”

- **Jessica Villella**, **Frankie Cone**, and **John Tully** graduated from Boston College Law School in May and then began preparing to take the Massachusetts and Rhode Island bars. Jessica will work as a law clerk in the Rhode Island Superior Court in Providence come September, Frankie will join the Middlesex District Attorney’s Office as an assistant district attorney, and John will work in a small firm specializing in real estate law located in Andover, Mass.

- **Morgan Lingar** graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law in May, took the New York state bar exam, and moved to New York City to work as an associate at Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP.

- **Diana Sunder** is in an English master’s program at Boston College and is excited to be teaching BC freshmen this fall. Across the pond, Brita Midness lives in Scotland and is working on her Ph.D. in international relations at the University of St. Andrews.

- **Laura Crowley** completed her first year of Columbia’s genetics and development Ph.D. program, receiving an M.A. with honors.

- **Alex Rasmussen** received an M.S. with honors at Yale and has since moved to Ph.D. candidacy, conducting research with Yale professor of mathematics Yair Minsky.

- In August **Nate Krump** started a Ph.D. program in cellular and molecular biology at the University of Pennsylvania.

- Also in August **Lindsay Pruett** began a doctoral program in political science at Cornell.

- Tom Letourneau writes, “In the first half of 2016, my father unexpectedly passed away, I lost two jobs, and moved back to Maine from New York City to be closer to family and to contemplate my place in the universe. Many Mules came to my father’s funeral and/or wished me well, which warmed my heart greatly. In the past couple of years, I’ve attempted to start several graduate programs to no avail. However, in the fall I’ll begin what I expect to be my last year as a kindergarten teacher in Bridgton, Maine. While I aspire to begin graduate education thereafter, where and in which subject I have no idea. In the meantime, I’m putting my bachelor’s degree to good use as the busboy at a restaurant in Portland.”

- In the South, **Riley Wagner** continues to work at the Council for Children’s Rights in Charlotte, N.C., having been promoted to the role of child advocate. This fall she’ll begin a master of public health in the University of Michigan’s Health Behavior Health Education Department. She adds, “On the fun side of things, I’m looking forward to reuniting with Colby friends Marguerite Paterson, Elise Begin, Sally Holmes, and a couple of others in Boston this summer. It’s been far too long since I’ve seen my Colby crew and I’m super psyched!”

- In New York City, **Molly Colman** and **Allison Polchinski** are now roommates on the Upper West Side. “Thanks for sending in your news and staying in touch, everyone! I have recently moved back to DC and am working as communications associate at the Potomac School, an independent K-12 school (and the former home of many Mules!) in McLean, Va. Hoping to reunite with some local Colby alumni!”

### 2015

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**Ilanna Fricks**, **Liviva Biedermann**, **Liz McCormack**, and **Meghan Harwood** are bringing the Colby love west living together in the hip, up-and-coming neighborhood of the Outer Rich in San Francisco. Suffering from separation anxiety, they forced Elliot Marsing ’14 and Sophia Ozburn ’16 to sublet from them for periods of time. Ilanna, Liz, and Meghan’s birthday are all 6/25, and Liv’s is 6/1 so June was a big month for the roommates they’ve formed as classmates, birthmates, and housemates. Ilanna is shredding the tech scene and stalking your Instagram at the marketing platform Ampush, and Liv works at the PR firm Bread & Butter, where she makes us all feel extra broke by keeping us informed about the hottest restaurants we never eat at. Liz and Meghan are busy monitoring the solar installation at Colby and installing new sustainable hydro at The Lost Kitchen in Freedom, Maine, at Locus Energy, and at Natel Energy. Hit them up when you head to California, where the weather is just...better??

**Nick LaRovere** moved to Washington, D.C., and began work with a company on the forefront of the connected home, alarm.com. He’s excited to live with his fellow classmate **Jon Eichholz**.

**Jeff Meltzer** works in Boston as an environmental consultant and loves seeing all of his Colby friends in the area. In September he’s moving to Davis Square with **Leah Powley** and **Noma Moyo**.

For the past year **Catherine Minahan** worked at a high-growth tech company with **Gabe Salzer**. She then decided to move into the nonprofit space and now works in the development office at Boston Health Care for the Homeless (BHCHP) alongside Michael Lawrence ’98, Cam McDonough ’99, and Sam Clark ’01. BHCHP provides access to the highest quality healthcare for homeless men, women, and children in the Boston area. Catherine’s excited for this new role and happy to be in Boston for another year, the city so many fellow Cobians call home.

- **Gregory Naigles** lives in Concord, N.H. He enjoys watching the election campaign from one of the best vantage points as well as hiking in the White Mountains every weekend.

- **Andrew Newcomb** is starting graduate school at UMaine Orono in earth and climate sciences. Because four years of Maine wasn’t nearly enough!! **Zoe Padron** lives in Santiago, Chile, where she teaches English at a technical college. She loves it and writes, “Thankfully, my students haven’t caught on that I’m younger than most of them yet.”

- **Ari Porter** spent the year with **Ryan Cole** in Hawaii. She was working for a horticultural therapy program for struggling young adults. Ryan completed an internship at Gemini Observatory! They just moved back to the mainland and road tripped around the western U.S. this summer before heading to graduate school for a master’s in ecology at Colorado State (Ari) and a Ph.D. in mechanical engineering at University of Colorado (Ryan).