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From the Editor (Editor's Note)

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Let's rekindle this conversation.

We like to think of Colby Magazine as a relationship, not just a publication. Our readers—members of the Colby community, both longstanding and newly welcomed—have a stake in the College and its past, present, and future. With that in mind, we need to hear from you, and for the past couple of issues, you've been very quiet.

Have you followed debates around freedom of speech on campus? Seen how Colby faculty have contributed to the political debate?

And what of the stories in this issue. Surprised that Colby graduates, with their liberal arts training, are rocking social media and tech? Find it interesting that Blair Braverman ’11, whose memoir is causing a national stir, was an environmental studies major? Welcome Karlene Burrell-McRae ’94 back to Colby. She was a mover and shaker at Colby as a student, at the University of Chicago, and now she's back to help shape the student experience on Mayflower Hill.

Also in this issue, two sad notes. We report the passing of Professor Peter Ré, a mentor to Colby students and musicians for more than 30 years, and John Joseph, who operated the Colby College Spa for 35 years. Both were beloved fixtures on Mayflower Hill. If you have memories to share, please send them to me at geboyle@colby.edu.

I look forward to our continued conversation.

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