Alumni Trustee Nominees

The Nominating Committee of the Alumni Council has nominated three alumni trustees with terms to begin at Commencement 2009.

**Dilan V.K. Siritunga** ’92 came to Colby from Sri Lanka. He is a senior managing director at Atticus Capital, a leading private investment management firm that invests in global securities markets on behalf of major institutions, endowments, pension funds, and private investors. At Colby Siritunga majored in economics, played in the varsity squash team, and graduated cum laude. He is also a graduate of the Harvard Business School.

**Robert Hoopes** ’89, is president of VOX Global Mandate, a strategic advocacy and communications firm offering a bipartisan approach to issues advocacy at the local, state, and national levels. An expert on public affairs and issue advocacy, Hoopes has been active in electoral politics for 20 years, beginning in 1987 when he worked for Senator Joseph Biden’s presidential campaign in New Hampshire. He majored in government and earned a master’s degree from George Washington University. Hoopes is in his second year as president of the Alumni Council, is an overseer, and is a member of the Goldfarb Center’s Washington Liaison Board. He is married to Hillary Barnes Hoopes ’89.

**Joshua C. Woodfork** ’97 is assistant professor of American studies at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. He was an African-American studies and American studies major and was president of the Student Government Association. Woodfork received a master’s degree from Michigan State and his Ph.D. in American studies from the University of Maryland, College Park. His scholarly interests and teaching center on U.S. history, ethnography, autobiography, cultural studies, multiraciality, African Americans, whiteness, and social justice. He has been a Colby overseer since 2001.

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20s/30s milestones


40 My name for us is the Inevitable Triumphirade and we march, and sometimes we stumble, at the very end of the parade of classes during Reunion Weekend. We are Doris Rose Hopengarten, Alleen Thompson, and me. During the parade this year we talked about two classmates: Art Thompson, who reportedly promised Doris that he will attend our 70th reunion in 2010, and Bob Bruce, from whom we had no recent news. Sadly, Bob died May 27, only 11 days before we talked about him at reunion. His demise was called to my attention by Betty Sweetser Baxter ’41, who sent me Bob’s obituary. Bob’s wife, Olga, and their three children survive. —Ernie Marriner

42 George Parker continues to be active and spends six months each year on Anna Maria Island on the west coast of Florida. He bicycles every day and is president of his condo association. He still owns a condo and three houses.

44 Reunion Weekend 2008 was delightful. Getting together was easy and special in the magnificent Schair-Swenson-Watson Alumni Center. Unfortunately only Tim (Efthim) Economu, Bob St. Pierre, Harold Joseph, and Jojo Pitts McAlary were present. A letter from Dick Jones told of the great joy that he and his wife, Thelma, had in holding their first great-grandchild, Amicie Hopkins. Barbara Baylis Primiano had visited Nan Graham Christensen in Florida, and they were hoping the class would get together for our 65th reunion next June. Barbara still works three mornings a week. Judy (Corinne) Jones Zimmerman, who lives in Burlington, Vt., and her husband have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. They have a grandson recently married and another grandson who graduated from college last June. She started working on her genealogy and finds it very interesting. Ed and Lois Peterson Johnson have cut back on their travels this year. No Florida and no Maine. Last summer they had a family gathering in Basking Springs, Pa., where their grandson (a graduate of Emerson College) played Will Parker in Oklahoma! When their family gets together there are 19 of them. Lois and Ed are still in good health. Bob St. Pierre now lives year round in Brunswick, Maine, closer to his son, Mike, and his daughter in Vermont. Jojo traveled in May to Scotland, where it was fair every day, flowers in bloom, gorgeous scenery, and more sheep than people. —Jojo Pitts McAlary

46 It doesn’t seem possible that so many years have gone by. The reunion for our class from 62 years ago was interesting, and the College did well for us. My daughter, Donna, my grandson Mark, 16, and his friend went with me and were helpful. We had a super time. The boys took a college tour as they would like to go to Colby. We took part in the parade of classes, with the boys and Jean O’Brien Perkins’s grandsons carrying the 1946 flag. An alumni awards program followed, with alumni volunteers receiving recognition. Many were in our original class but graduated later because of the war. Kaye Monaghan Corey ’43 received a special award—she and her husband, Nels, are still handsome. The College received $36 million from all the classes, and the percentage of givers was high. The lobster bake and barbecue were fun. In attendance for our class were Jean O’Brien Perkins, Marie Jones Nye, and Mary Young. There was a special dinner for the 50-plus classmates, and Sunday was another good breakfast followed by the Boardman Memorial Service, where my Chuck’s name (Charles Dudley ’45) was listed along with Hilda Robertson Lyons and Dick Billings ’48, Norma Taraldsen Billings’s husband. If I left someone out, please excuse me. Jean was there with her daughter, Kate, and two grandchildren. Faye O’Leary Hafford wrote another book, Under the Pages, which tells about how the library in Allagash (now named after her) got started, the 10 years since, and stories over the years. —Anne Lawrence Bondy wrote that her husband, Gene, is not well and we are sad about that.

47 Last May Arnie Kiessling Wills and her husband shipped their 1941 Lincoln Cabriolet to Basel, Switzerland, and joined 21 other old cars for a five-country caravan in Europe, arranged by the Classic Car Club of America. Driving or riding in an old car is different than in a modern one—the hills are steeper, the roads are narrower, and there’s no power steering. And when onlookers shouted to them, they never knew if the car attracted attention or if the back end was on fire! It was quite an adventure, made more enjoyable by the fact that they had no breakdowns in 1,500 miles over three and a half weeks.

48 Mike and Kay Weisman Jaffe had a lovely couple of weeks in France this spring (except for the exchange
rate). • We attended Colby’s commencement and then returned two weeks later for David’s 60th reunion. Although the Class of 1948 did not have a large crowd, we had a good time now that we are classified as “Golden Mules.” On Friday we participated in the golf tournament at the Belgrade Lakes Golf Course. It was in the 50s and rainy. There were 60 or more golfers, and most finished the 18 holes, although the weather was just awful. Dorothy received a prize for the longest ball for a woman on one of the holes. Friday evening we attended a dinner for the Willows Society. The Willows Society honors alumni and friends who support Colby through gift annuities, charitable trust arrangements, estate plans, or wills. There was a large crowd that filled Roberts dining hall. On Saturday there was the traditional parade of classes followed by presentations in the gymnasium for outstanding service and announcements of the fundraising by each reunion class. Then we adjourned to the field house for the traditional lobster bake. Throughout the weekend were interesting lectures by faculty and alumni. There was a book signing by Colby authors and events at the art museum. There was a preview of the upcoming Alumni College. There was so much taking place it was difficult to decide which event to attend. On Saturday night the Golden Mules had cocktails and dinner in Dana Hall. The oldest classes represented were 1932 and 1935. President Bro Adams dropped by and addressed the group. Our Class of 48 attendees were Harold and Peg Clark Atkins, Albert and Marianna Nutter Wyer, Carol Stoll Baker, Fran Hyde Stephan, Paul Solomon, Millie Hammond Bauer, Ann Mc Alary Sevrens, Ruth Barron Lunder, accompanied by her two daughters, and Dorothy and David Marson. As you can see, those that could not attend missed a great weekend. There is always the 65th, so plan ahead! —David and Dorothy Marson

49 On June 7 Hope “Toby” Harvey Graf and I made our annual trek to the Colby Reunion. The usual locals were there: John Appleton, Walter Borucki, Jinny Young Ellis, Ruth Endy Endicott Freeman, Lou Roberts Friberg, Charlie Rastelli, and Bob Tonge. Most of us enjoyed the customary lobster bake. Toby and I perused the bookstore in Roberts and then went to the new addition in Cotter Union and perused through the doors at the new bookstore that was due to open the next week. A vast improvement! We went to one of the mini-lectures that afternoon—an amusing and informative hour spent with Linda Greenlaw ‘83, niece of Charlie Greenlaw ‘50. • Since the last column I have been on a tour of the Canadian Rockies sponsored by the retirement community in which I live. We flew to Calgary and then bused to Lake Louise and Banff, the Arhbasca Glacier, and the Columbia Icefields. The most fun for me was the two days on the train from Banff to Vancouver. The icing on the cake was a day in Victoria and a visit to the Butchart Gardens. • Remember, June 2009 is our 60th reunion. Put it on your calendar now. In the meantime, send me your news, even if you think it’s not important! —Anne Eustis

50 Allen Pease received the first copies of the book he was inspired to write while researching the genealogy of his extended family. Volume one of Chronicles of a Maine Family personalizes the story of his family and country from 1600 to 1968 through the prism of our nation’s quest for freedom, land, and opportunity, emphasizing economic, political, and cultural changes. “Now, thanks to the computer and Internet,” says Allen, “I’m researching and writing volume two.” • Last spring Alice Jennings Castelli and her friend Bob went on a lovely trip to Denmark and Norway. Bob is fluent in Danish as well as Norwegian, so the language was not an issue. “We were impressed with all the people in Copenhagen who commute to work on bicycles,” writes Alice. “There are well organized bike paths where bicyclists had the right of way and reminded us pedestrians with their bicycle bells.” Bob and Alice explored a number of castles in and outside of Copenhagen, including a brief glimpse of Kronborg Castle, better known as Elsinor, the setting for Shakespeare’s Hamlet. “Norway was spectacular, especially the Sognfjord Fjord, the longest (120 miles) among many gorgeous fjords, which certainly lived up to our expectations. Unusually warm and sunny weather the whole trip.” —Betty (Dudie) Jennings Maley

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ALUMNI AT LARGE

have the highest percentage of all classes—because we are the best. Just participate. It doesn't matter how much you can give, just participate. Many of us are in the “will-making class,” so we could all participate by leaving something to Colby. George Wales is using his skills as a carpenter to create fine furniture. Call him if you need a four-poster bed. Ted Shiro teaches tennis at a camp in the Waterville area. And I saw his skill last winter in Naples. He's still a great athlete and competitor. Sadly, Ted’s wife, Arden, passed away a few months ago. They were a dedicated couple. George Giffin was pleased and awed to read the names of members of our class who still maintain membership in the Colby C Club. “That Maine air must have been good for us,” he writes. George teaches ballroom dancing at a local school system, which is a great way to stay young. He works with fifth graders, where the challenge is to get them to touch one another! But he also teaches seventh graders, who have found that touching isn’t so bad after all. He has also worked with 39 former students for their wedding dance. George’s wife’s cousin has a condo 25 yards from the gulf in Naples, Fla., which they use in February. They had Dick Birch and his wife visit. George will try to contact other Colbyites in the area next spring. John Linscott’s band, Mainstream Jazzmasters, has played in Portland, Maine, with keyboardist Peter Merrill ‘57. John's short play, A Coffee Break, was selected by Art of the Play and was performed in August at the Norman Rockwell Festival in Kennebunk. His play was selected out of numerous submissions, all inspired by a Saturday Evening Post cover. After her annual trip to Bermuda, Nancy Nelson Archibald hopes to downsize. If the market cooperates, she’ll sell her house and move to a condo in the next town. She plans to travel to Arizona with her husband, Bob, for a board meeting of a bullfight aficionados club, which Bob founded in 1964. Nancy spent two weeks in northern Maine with Nancy Fischer Lowrey ’54 in a log cabin on Portage Lake, where they kayaked, swam, golfed, and ate plenty. Please e-mail me if you see or hear from any classates. Let’s stay in touch. All the best of good health and life’s best to all. —Cbet Harrington

52 We received very nice news about Art White, who was honored at the Hotchkiss School, which named a new common room for him. Heartly congratulations, Art! Tim Terry wrote, “Sandy (Pearson ’52) and I are still working and enjoying our gardening. She teaches at Sugarloaf (39 years) and received life membership to PSIA (instructors’ organization). Last year our first granddaughter graduated from Colby and is now doing the Appalachian Trail. Second granddaughter finished this year and is running a survival program for an organization here in Maine. First grandson is running a program at sea for a research program after attending Maine Maritime. Second granddaughter graduated from UMaine in Farmington and is building post-and-beam frames for buildings.” How proud you must be, Tim. Nelson Beveridge ’53 sent a letter with news of Wes Hayes, who was installed into the Newton, Mass., Athletic Hall of Fame, in recognition of his athletic/community contribution to the school and community. Nelson added, “Wes can still shoot his age in golf.” On a sadder note, Wes’ wife, Joan, died from complications of Alzheimer’s. Some of you may remember that Wes and Joan ran the sandwich concession that served all Colby dorms every evening. Dave Crockett spent the summer at his cabin in Madison, N.H., going to car shows with his Model-A Fords. He hoped to take the Cat ferry from Portland, Maine, to Nova Scotia with his daughter and granddaughter who were visiting from Tokyo. Bill Taylor had plans to head out of San Diego to Newport, R.I., for his 60th high school reunion at the end of July. Janet Hewins’ news is about travel, “including two recent trips to South America—last September an Amazon River trip and trek to Machu Picchu, and then in January to the Galapagos Islands. I’m now at home in San Francisco rejoicing in the recent California Supreme Court decision supporting marriage equality and, in June, attending a wedding in the city hall rotunda.”

53 I really missed attending Reunion Weekend in June. I had a couple of notes from others who could not make it this time either. Ginnie Falkenbury Aronson’s granddaughter graduated from Hampshire College and her grandson plays football for Elson University. She still loves to travel and went to Guatemala this summer. Anita Schlosser Mac Intyre was unable to attend reunion as she was recuperating from a spinal operation in Boston. She’ll visit her daughter on the Isle of Wight this fall. Thanks to Nelson Beveridge, Priscilla Eaton Billington, and Nan Murray Lasbury for sending details about the attendees and the whole reunion experience. They mentioned the parade with the ’53 banner held by Chase and Nan Murray Lasbury and Loretta Mearns Setter. Priscilla said they looked pretty spiffy in their straw hats, envied by other Colby alumni. Carolyn English Caci said there were about 30 classmates at reunion. Carolyn and Priscilla participated in an oral history of the old campus with current students who were interviewing. The young students were surprised by the archaic rules of the ’50s. Mimi Price Patten picked up Loretta Mearns Setter in Portland and they had a great trip to campus catching up on all the years between 1953 and 2008. Nelly said the class was treated like royalty throughout the weekend with great breakfasts, lunches, and dinners. President Adams gave an inspirational speech at the Willows Society dinner about the College’s goals. Our class gift participation was second with 70 percent. Nan and Chase did a great job organizing the whole weekend. They acknowledged the fundraising efforts of Tommi Thompson Staples and Ginnie Falkenbury Aronson. Joan Rooney Barnes attended. She now lives in a Scarborough, Maine, retirement community close to the beaches. Quinn and Ruth Sheehan Bersani also live in a senior community called Lyndon Pond in Peabody, Mass. Helen Koniaras Cleave’s arrived the second day with her husband. She still has her successful real estate business in the Falmouth, Maine, area. Ed Fraktman attended and is still active in community affairs in Newton, Mass. John Lee was there, entertaining classmates with his never-ending stories. Nancy Pratley Wathen says she still runs her own travel agency. Harris O’Brasky retired from T.J. Maxx as one of the original managers of that company. Peter Perry moonlights as master of ceremonies for various social functions in Maine and sampled some of his stories for classmates. Colette and George Pierie continue to travel the world. George rents his condo in Hawaii by shares sold over the Internet. George represented our class at the reunion golf tournament in the rain. Loretta “Rex” Mearns Setter told classmates that she had a close brush with the California wildfires in the San Diego area. Al Sprague came even though he attended Colby only one year. He remains close to the Class of ’53 after graduating from RPI and from New York University. He resides on Long Island. Sandy (Pearson ’52) and Chuck Anderson were unable to attend as Chuck was convalescing at a rehabilitation center on the Cape. He was really missed. We received the sad
news that Chuck passed away July 5 from lung disease. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Sandy and her family.  
* Others who attended Reunion 2008 were: Web Anderson, Electra Paskalides Coumou, Bob Grindle, Ross Holt, Mildred Thornhill Reynolds, Al Sprague, Carol Carlson Van Alstyne, Paul Wescott, and Carolyn Doe Woznick.  —Barbara Easterbrooks Mailey

54 I have lots of news for this report. Thanks to everyone who replied.  
* Sue Johnson took her first trip to Paris this April. In October 2007 she was part of a group of Colby/Bates/Hamilton alumni who took the Odyssey’s “Blue Voyage” to Turkey, a fabulous trip that was also taken by Dick Leerburger.  
* Free- man Sleeper’s new e-mail address is isleep1@gmail.com.  
* Lindon Christie is doing well. He passes time watching the berries grow and recently completed a biannual flight review. If any classmate in the Brooklyn, Maine, area he would be happy to give a ride for viewing the greater Bar Harbor region.  
* Jan Holland Smith sent a nice photograph taken on a Colby in China trip of her and her husband with Chuck ’53 and Joyce Whitham Spencer.  
* Ben and Diane Stowell Duce continue to enjoy retirement and their six grandchildren, ages 6 to 21. Each year they participate in the July Alumni College. Ben is active in his community’s American Legion and Diane contributes many hours to the local veterans agent office.  
* Judy Thompson Lowe keeps busy doing precedent grunt work for the Democrats, working as a docent for the Museum of Natural History, and participating in the usual books clubs. She has to endure endless rehab sessions for a femur fractured last summer. Recent short trips include Caneel Bay, Washington, D.C., to catch up with friends from U.N. days, and the Big Apple to savor some big city life.  
* Mary and Herb Adams had a delightful two weeks in Ireland, where they heard a lot about Brendan Behan, whom Herb remembers arriving at the Waterville train station for his visit to Colby. The report is that golf was great.  
* Anne and I hosted, for a night, Mark Sleeper, son of Freeman Sleeper and Sue Johnson, when he passed through Lakeville on his through hike of the Appalachian Trail.  
* Amory Lovins, who received an honorary degree from Colby in May, was a student of mine when I taught at the Amherst (Mass.) Regional High School in the early ’60s.  
* Judy Jenkins Totman, who is doing a yeoman’s (yeowoman’s?) job for our class and Colby, informed me of the death of Ted Turchon.  
* Since our 55th reunion is less than a year away, I hope every member of the class is budgeting a gift to the College so that we will become the first class ever to have a 100-percent giving rate. That would be one for the books!  —Art Eddy

55 It is finally glorious summer here in Maine after a long and snowy winter! The skiers, snowboarders, and snowmobilers were ecstatic, but most of us had enough by May.  
* From Houlton, Maine, (real snow country) comes news of Frank Dunn, who received the Life Achievement Award from the Houlton Chamber of Commerce. Frank returned to his hometown, following graduation from Colby and service in the Air Force, to join the family business and has been extremely active in his community over the years. Congratulations!  
* Kathie Flynn Carrigan, our class president, is always a great cheerleader for Colby. She writes how thrilled she is for the extraordinary gift of American art that Peter ’56 and Paula Crane Lunder gave to the College, and thanks the Joe Boulos ’68 family for the gift to provide grants instead of loans to Maine students. The College has taken that decision another step to provide all students that same financial aid. Kathie keeps in close touch with Dottie Dunn Northcott, Jo Bailey Campbell, Carol Dauphinee Keene Cooper, Babs Burg King, and Barb Ayers Haslam, who wrote that she had a great trip to England over Thanksgiving 2007 to visit her oldest granddaughter, who was on a semester-abroad program and proved a first-class tour guide.  
* Lou Zambello planned a mini reunion of ATO brothers in August with Bill Rosen, Bill Wyman ’56, Super Ganem, Gil Alfano, Sel Staples, Dave Roberts, Don Rice ’56, Don Moore, Whitey Thurston ’54, Ed Fraktman ’53, Payson Saywer, and John Dutton, who flew in from California and said, “I’ll have to crash and burn before missing this reunion. You just don’t have a better brother than Lou, blood or fraternal.” Lou is the catalyst in keeping the fraternal bonds strong!  
* Paul and Germaine Michelaud Orloff have moved to Highland Green in Topsham, Maine. They enjoy the activities and attend functions at nearby Bowdoin College. “We’ll never change our Colby allegiance,” says Germaine. They miss their lake home, but the ocean is close by. If you’re in the area, stop by.  
* Dottie Couillard Carlson says retirement is great. She teaches water aerobics and makes jewelry. She invites anyone who is interested in Appalachian culture to come visit.  
* Pete Dostie looked forward to visiting Maine and Waterville this summer. He’ll celebrate his mother’s birthday and visit Colby. He marvels each time at all the changes on campus and says it seems only a few years ago that he was a student.  
* Sad news from Miriam Yorks that her husband, George Yorks, passed away in December 2007. At the time of his death, he had been the scoreboard operator for the Boston Celtics for the last 22 years. Unfortunately, he did not get to see the banner 17.  
* Please keep in touch. I enjoy hearing from you all. One of these days I’d like to write a column about our fascinating and accomplished grandkids. That should elicit newsworthy items from many of you! Stay well and happy.  —Ann Burnham Deering

56 Greetings classmates, near and far. At this writing we are sitting on the beach in Truro watching a grandchild toss in the surf, and our sincere hope is that most of us old codgers are doing reasonably well and enjoying each day despite the season or election results.  
* “Oh, to be in Boothbay, now that summer’s there.” A July highlight was the invitation of Jean (Van Curan ’55) and Larry Pugh to Paula and Peter Lunder, Harry and Marilyn Brooks Wey, David and Rosie Crouthamel Sortor, Lou ’55 and Kathy McConaughy Zambello, Barbara Nardozzi Saxon, Peter and Hope Palmer Bramhall, and Dianne (Schnauffer ’57) and Larry Zullinger to enjoy the Fourth of July on their yacht. Everyone was treated to dinner at Brown’s Restaurant by the Lunders and the Pughs, then back to the yacht to view the Boothbay Harbor fireworks. How’s that for growing old gracefully?  
* Don Rice scored a huge victory at the Valley Seniors Golf Tournament in mid-July when he shot a 69 on the par 72 course at Crown Point Country Club in Springfield, Vt. That score, incidentally, was six below his age. Congratulations, Coach.  
* Janet Nordgren Merryweather writes, “Steen and I were home from Florida only three weeks before heading to

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Peru and Ecuador—Machu Picchu, Sacred Valley, and the Galapagos being some of the highlights. Even balanced an egg on a nail head on the equator. I didn’t miss any event, even climbed the Temple of the Sun.” All this from Janet, as well as her genetic testing at Dana Farber and continued treatments this summer and fall. Hats off to you, Janet! * Fraternities may be passé on campus, but the spirit of brotherhood is flourishing among the alums. Lou ‘55 and Kathy McCownaughy Zambrero staged an ATO summer event that surpassed most rush parties. ATOs present were John Marshall, Don Rice, and Bill Wyman from our class. Other names you will recognize are Robert Thurston ’54, Nate Miller ’55, Bill Ganem ’54, Ed Fraktman ’53, Henry Taron ’55, John Dutton ’55, Payson Sawyer ’55, Dick Campbell ’58, Don Moore ’55, Dick Bartlett ’55, Don Crowley ’58, Jack Deering ’55, and Bill Rosen ’55. * Who would ever have surmised that our secondary vocations would be staying healthy? I realize that with many of you, it is more than that—it’s a full-time job. To all, John and I send our sincere wishes for your happiness and well-being. —Joan Williams Marshall

57 Bring on summer, after a very foggy and soggy June on the Maine Coast! But our class news is sunny, so here it comes. Pat Martin Maloney writes of her amazing fall 2007 experiences in Germany, which took her to Schwadisich Hall in southern Germany, where she studied German intensely for eight weeks, four hours a day. On the weekend she traveled by train to Baroque churches and abbeys to see and occasionally play the organs. This was a study-abroad program from the University of Hartford, where Pat was a second-semester junior and was researching Baroque organs. She also traveled to the area where Pachelbel, Buxtehude, and Bach all lived and played the organ. Pat is now at the Hartt School of Music, where she’s a senior. * Dick and Marilyn “Perk” Perkins Canton are happy as the proverbial clams back at their little piece of heaven on Long Lake in Bridgton, Maine. While she was basking in the Naples, Fl., sunshine, Perk’s deck imploded at the lake back in Maine during their wicked winter of 2008. * So good to hear that Anne Schimelpfenng Laszlo has been a breast cancer survivor since 2005. Keep up that great success! Anne is retired and enjoys traveling to exotic places: last February, to Egypt; in April, to Uzbekistan and Turkey; and in May, working with a charity in a hospital in Romania. Back home, Anne loves photography and has been fortunate to sell some of her work in a local art store. * In January 2008, Allen van Gestel retired from the Massachusetts Superior Court after 11 years of service. Never one to sit back, the very next month he returned to the “dreaded private sector” and became affiliated with JAMS (Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services), serving as mediator, arbitrator, and neutral evaluator on complex business-related matters. * Mary Ann and Dave Olsen still enjoy playing in platform and regular tennis tournaments and visiting their grandchildren, who are active in soccer in Exeter, N.H. Dave looked forward to sailing this summer on their daughter’s sailboat, moored in Kittery Point, Maine. Their son Bill ’85 is a Colby grad and enjoys outdoor life in Colorado. * Since this is the age of the Internet and the flexibility that goes with it, Art and Ellie Gray Gatenby moved Art’s “office” to Puerto Rico in January and then on to Rancho Mirage, Calif., for February. Shortly after returning home to Virginia, Ellie was pleasantly surprised with her third hole-in-one at her home course, which “brings momentary jubilation, but our four baby grandkids bring us constant joy.” * Rose Stinson Ebsworth was sorry to miss our 50th reunion, but she had contracted Lyme disease while birdwatching in Connecticut and a year later was still recovering. She and her husband keep busy with nine children and 16 grandchildren, but nonetheless managed to take their fourth Australian trip, this time to Tasmania and Queensland. * Last November Don Tracy and his wife took a vacation to visit family in Como, Italy, and all together they drove to Puglia, the Italian “heel,” to enjoy the warmth of the Adriatic Sea. It was so enjoyable without summer tourists that they continued on and drove the winding roads of the Amalfi coast. Upon returning home to coastal Rockport, Maine, Don had a busy winter and spring doing the income taxes of long-term clients, who make it hard for him to retire. * Janet Kimball Clymen is making progress after suffering a severe stroke just days before our 50th reunion. * Keep us posted on happenings and new events. —Gay and Eleanor Ewing Vigue

58 Well, dear friends, the kudos keep coming from our 50th Reunion Weekend. From Gid Picher, “The weekend was well organized, carried out with savoir faire, the dorm workers went out of their way to enthusiastically care for us, and the food was outstanding. Colby was generous in underwriting such an extensive venture for our class. Much appreciated!” From Maggie Smith Henry, “It was a bit unnerving that the last time I had seen many people was when we were 21 or so. Now look at us!” From Judy Hince Squire, “My daughter and granddaughter were so excited to walk in my footsteps and to consider a possible Colby future.” Marty Burger wrote, “John Jacob was elated that a building was named after him as all of the other buildings were named after the person passed away. I told John he was good for another 50 years. I think it was Bruce Blanchard’s stories that gave him indigestion!” From Harry and Joan Shaw Whitaker, “We were impressed with the number of classmates attending and the distance some traveled to be there. The changes on campus are many, but the chapel bells playing ‘Hail, Colby, Hail are the same!” Bob Saltz said, “What a weekend, what a campus, but the most amazing thing was our classmates. Fifty years ago I thought our class had an abundance of nice gals and guys. Now I realize we had an abundance of incredible gals and guys! We have played a major role in carrying high our College, our respective communities, and our nation. From teachers to businessmen, military heroes to artists, we have carved a legacy for which all of Colby can be proud. By the way, the Tau Delts have decided, after losing George Denneen and Aaron Schless last year, to return for our 51st next year! Anyone else interested?” Betty Cooper Cochran adds “Sleepwalking encounters, people wandering the halls locked out of their room! The Class of ’58 parade was by far the longest as we limped onto the field house to thunderous applause.” Dick Campbell wrote, “Everyone was most impressed with the preparation, help, support, and hospitality of those Colby folks who were on board to insure a successful Reunion Weekend.” Ann Weiland Spaeth notes, “Karl and I had a GREAT time. Everyone was so friendly and interesting. John Edes will remember Karl as the man in the bathrobe coming out of the elevator with no room key. Much hilarity followed.” From Ellie Fortenbaugh de la Bandera, “I was amazed at today’s beautiful campus and amazed that there were five or six gals whom I recognized without having to look at their name tags!” From Peter Bridge, “A special thanks to the some 70 classmates and/or spouses who sent me get well thoughts via Mary Ellen’s cards, and to the Colby 8 who, at Dave Adams’ suggestion, phoned and sang Mood Indigo at their last rehearsal.” From Carol Hathaway de Lemos, “It was particularly interesting to spend the weekend with 164 persons of similar age who are dealing with many of the same issues.” Finally, from George Stetson, “My wife tore her ACL in May so sadly we were unable to get to reunion.” I (Beryl) was particularly touched at the “I love yous” echoing around the Foss Hall lobby as we said our emotional goodbyes Sunday morning. And I had the honor of describing our reunion to Jim Bishop last week in Sedona, Ariz. What a guy! * This is my swan song for our column, and I thank you all for your support and your many terrific contributions. The new class officers are Brad Sherman, president, John Edes, vice-president, and Mary Ellen Chase Bridge, corresponding secretary. Brad says “It’s a tall order, but our team is ready to rock ‘n roll all the way to 2013!” One final thought. We’re working on a link from the Colby Web site exclusively for our class so that we can share our 50th photographs and continue our conversations all the way to our 55th, which by the way, will be Colby’s 200th anniversary! We’ll let y’all know when it’s up and running! —Beryl Scott Glover

59 Tony Ruvo kept busy last spring coaching his two oldest grandsons’ Little League baseball team with his son while trying to follow his granddaughter’s soccer team and their triplet brothers’ baseball team. The Ruvos got away in February to Curtain Bluff in Antigua for a week and spent two weeks in Italy in early May. The highlight of that trip was a visit to Castelgrande near Puglia, the birthplace of both sets of Tony’s grandparents. * Gladys Frank Bernyk moved at the end of June to San Jose, about 11 miles from her home in Saratoga, Calif., where the
For their life-long dedication to international development and their volunteer work on Deer Isle, Maine, Maine, Lael Swinney Stegall ’62 and her husband Ron were given the Watering Can Award for Social Landscape Artists. Maine Initiatives saluted the Stegalls for having “significantly changed the social landscape in Maine.” — Paul Strong ’64 and Susan Rumsey Strong ’66 received presidential orders of merit for their service to Alfred University in Alfred, New York. Paul was praised for his revitalization of the Alfred University Honors Program, of which he was director for 23 years. Susan contributed through her numerous positions at the university, including art reference librarian, vice president for academic affairs, and vice president for enrollment management. — Milford Community Athletic Association in New Hampshire honored Russ Monbleau ’66 for his 30 years of dedication to youth athletics by naming a group of athletic fields the Russ Monbleau Youth Sports Complex. His field designs and tireless fundraising efforts allowed the fields to be completed in 1982. Monbleau said the fields’ dedication is “the greatest honor I think I could have ever achieved.”

### 60s newsmakers

**Russ Monbleau ’66**


Bernyks lived for 35 years with four kids who moved out a long time ago but left some of their stuff behind. Gladys writes, “It’s a huge job and that is before we get to the yard.” Their new address is 1591 Willow Creek Drive, San Jose, CA 95124.

* Bob Bruce is the author of a new book, *Acting on Promise*, published by Polyglot Press. In it Bob offers insight into the workings of universities in general and in particular the transformation of Widener University, where he was president for 20 years. Under Bob’s leadership Widener became a comprehensive university respected for its academic quality and entrepreneurial approach to higher education. Bob shares his knowledge of, among other things, trustees, students, family life in a “glass house,” and the role of athletics in higher education. For more information visit www.polyglotpress.com. Bob and his wife, Judy (Garland ’58), reside in West Chester, Pa., and Castine, Maine, and have two children and seven grandchildren. — Skeeter Megathlin and his committee are putting together what promises to be a wonderful 50th Reunion, so mark your calendars for June 4-7, 2009. I hope to see you in Waterville. In the meantime, please keep sending news.

— Joanne K. Woods

### 60s milestones

**60** Maren Stoll Fischer loves her new role as “Grammy June.” She visits daughter Susan every 12 weeks for two weeks and has a super time with little Henry! Maren went to the Galapagos and Machu Picchu with Bob and Carlene Daisy Kelleher, Lori Waugh Harris, and Gail Harden Schade. Maren plays duplicate bridge, mah-jongg, and tennis and takes pilates as well as her favorite, yoga! All that plus Colby and volunteering keeps her busy. — Ann “Kim” Kimball Chase still winters in Pensacola, Fla., where her son and daughter live, and summers on her island in Maine. She made a trip to the Scandinavian capitals, which was “really magnificent and I especially enjoyed St. Petersburg, Russia.” — Steve Finner was installed as minister of music at the St. Johnsbury (Vt.) Universalist Unitarian Church on his 70th birthday, May 4. This second (unpaid) career as a church musician is fulfilling, and he gets a thrill whenever a church reports it has used one of his compositions. He still works part time in Vermont for the labor union that represents nurses and university and college faculty. — John Kellom thoroughly enjoys retirement in the low country of South Carolina. He plays tennis (doubles rather than singles now) and sings in a couple of church groups. In February Linda (Bates alumna) and John spent three weeks in New Zealand and Australia. Beautiful countries but a 1-o-n-g flight! — Chet Lewis is enjoying his fifth year of retirement. His younger daughter, Janet, accepted a position as assistant professor at Michigan State and returned from Mexico, where she was researching wheat diseases and genetics. She is now MSU’s wheat breeder and is unusual in that she’s a faculty member, who did not come from a farming family. — John and Becky Crane Rafferty spent March in Myrtle Beach and two weeks in February in Puerto Rico, escaping the snowblower in Connecticut. John was happy to be at last fall’s C Club dinner honoring Ed Burke and to see Bob Burke ’61, Ed Marchetti, Bill Hood ’61, Wayne Fillback ’64, and, in most important, Betsy Perry Burke ’61. The Raffertys treasure having friends like that. — Wendy McWilliams Denneen has seen lots of changes this year. After living through COPD, Alzheimer’s, and three bouts of pneumonia, George ’58 died in June 2007. They went on a cruise in March with Al ’58 and Kay German Dean ’59 and traveled in April to see their grandchildren and daughter, so he was active and happy until the last two months. Wendy is adjusting to single life—luckily she has wonderful neighbors, friends, and relatives. She traveled to California and Mexico (to get out of the cold) with the Deans and a friend. Deb Wilson Albee, Judy Ingram Hatfield, Charlotte Wood MacPhetres, Liz Boccosile Mavis, and Wendy went to NYC in May to celebrate their coming of age. In June Wendy attended George’s 50th at Colby with the Hatfields, Deans, and Rhoadeses. — Judith Allen Ferretti had a wonderful visit with Jean Roberts Leach. They were roommates before Jean transferred to UConn. Judy went to Miami to attend the board meeting of Scholarship America, a nonprofit that manages the Families of Freedom Fund for relatives of victims of 9/11. Judy’s busy as chair of the board at Mount Ida College, volunteer and board work with the Executive Service Corps, volunteering with an organization raising money for a respite home for developmentally challenged adults, and a project with an organization that supports breast cancer survivors. What Judy loves most about retirement is the ability to help others.

* Dick Peterson and his family had a busy year. Daughter Wendy has a new baby (Charlie) and a new job, son-in-law Aaron has a new job, and together they have a new house in Norwood, Mass. Wife Bette is busy and Dick still works. Dick traveled to Switzerland on business where he met, by accident, Jack Wood ’70, a professor at IMD in Lausanne. They hoped to reconnect on Cape Cod this summer. Bette and Dick look forward to our 50th and will attend with bells on (we hope). They visited Colby in July. — Dan Parish is sorry to have been incommunicado over the years. He lives in Peterborough, N.H., as retired as one can get in this economy. He’s married with four kids, all of whom are off, leaving Dan and his wife to rattle around the house by themselves. His favorite pastimes are writing songs and playing music. He welcomes renewed contact and old friends. He’s at clace@hotmai.com. — Barbara and Ronald Weber hope to be at reunion and look forward to a pre-reunion gathering, if we have one. In June they flew to Ridgefield, Conn., for the high school graduation of one of four grandsons. Then they made their annual visit to Ocean City, Md. In 1963 four guys who were 5 years old together in Norwalk, Conn., got together for vacation. Now, 47 years later, they still go there with children, grandchildren, and friends numbering about 40. — Dottie Baldridge Dzenis cannot believe it’s been three years since our 45th! Dottie is blessed with good health, a loving husband, four wonderful children (and their partners), and three precious grandchildren ranging from 5 to 20. She enjoys “retirement” from monetary work, but keeps busier than ever volunteering, visiting shut-ins, and traveling. The last three years brought the loss of some loved ones, which emphasizes the fragility of life and what’s really important. Since Dottie lives close to Julie Klafstad
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Runnells, their friendship has deepened. *Hope everyone is planning to be at our 50th in two years. —Jane Holden Huerta

61 Many people e-mail about reaching classmates. The best way to connect is through the Colby Alumni Network (CAN) site (www.colby.edu/alumni). If you feel comfortable, register so classmates can contact you. Colby has strict policies, which they recommend we follow, about not releasing private information. I will help if I can, but bounced or expired e-mail addresses are best researched through the alumni office or CAN. *Andrea Nix Fine ’91, featured in the cover story, “A Fine Line” in Colby spring 2008, is the daughter of Jeanne “Cile” (Tougas ’63) and George Nix! Both parents are “extremely proud of Andrea and husband Sean for their outstanding film and Academy Award nomination. We wish they had won the Oscar, but hey, this is their first feature-length film!” To learn more about *War/Dance, check out Colby online. The DVD is available through Amazon.com and NetFlix.

*Tom and Marilyn Blom Evans traveled to Australia for five weeks last fall to visit an Australian couple they met on an Alaskan cruise. Tom really liked Tasmania and Marilyn particularly enjoyed the Great Barrier Reef and seeing Northern Territory crocodiles. *Peter Stevenson writes, “In my dotage and increasing senility I decided to write a novel and sent it off to the publishing world, achieving a statistically perfect result—100-percent turned down. The stack of rejections is now taller than I am (some of you may remember “Height-O” as 6’5”). Also, my computer wiped out and I lost some Colby addresses. My e-mail is stevenson59301@verizon.net.” *Janet Haskins Mandaville flew to Baku, Azerbaijan, last fall to visit her daughter, who was there on a Fulbright. She returned via to Edinburgh to see Mary Snowman. Janet has been a volunteer fundraiser and grant-writer for a new library in Athena, Ore., where she has a second home. The facility was to open in July 2008. Janet says to classmates, “The doors of both my Portland and my Athena homes are always open.” *Judith Hoffman Hakola teaches English at the University of Maine and completed her seventh year of semi-retirement. “Somehow the ‘semi’ part of my job description doesn’t have much meaning. I spend a good deal of time preparing new courses, revising older ones, or giving papers at academic conferences. I teach in the summer as well. I lead two different book discussion groups for my local library and present programs on Maine literature for various community groups. I’m even an election clerk for the Town of Orono! On a personal note, I’ve been a widow for 13 years. My daughter, an educational technician who works with autistic youngsters, lives next door. My younger son, a photographer in Boston, is newly married. My older son lives in Alabama, although he flies around the country as a senior analyst in the aircraft maintenance and repair field. All my grandchildren live too far away.” *Diane Sadler Martin reviewed the 2006 reunion dinner “under the watchful, enigmatic eyes of Alex Katz’s figures. In their isolation and clear, clean light, these portraits remind me of people and scenes in paintings by Edward Hopper. Drawn to similar scenes right at our Colby reunion, people gathered together, yet seemed isolated from one another. Though I don’t want to return to campus again, I will treasure these memories: Kind French-Canadian cooks who thawed out this Virginian’s feet after an early, imprudent snowy walk; Dean Bryan, whose children I cared for at times and who, along with his lovely wife, welcomed me within their great Maine farmstead; hours shared with members of Powder and Wig and Dr. Suss; long nights of talk and seaside lobster bakes with friends and roommates; the Maine forests and rivers I freely roamed; painting class at Pemaquid Point, and professors who generously imparted wisdom. No one could ask for more.” *Betsy Harper Hopler loves her work at the local newspaper (Echo reporters and staff prevail!), but loves best that she is Gram to eight grandchildren and one granddaughter, who keep her laughing and challenged. *A note from class president Bob Burke, who writes, “Donna and I are spending more time in Naples, Fla., during the winter months now that Michael is off to college. Michael has done very well academically; more importantly, he’s happy and mature, making his mom and his step-dad very proud. When in Florida, I play golf with George Bagas and see Charlie Swensen for dinner. Donna and I also enjoy seeing my four children and 11 grandchildren. I still fly my Cessna 210 and help Steve Chase with calls for Colby. I spend a fair amount of time on the board of Cathedral High School’s foundation.”
School, in the south end of Boston, helping inner-city youths, mostly African American and non-Catholic, prepare for higher education. Starting to think about our 50th, and, as president-elect of our reunion year (not sure anyone else wanted the job), look to all classmates for ideas—let’s make our 50th really special!”  

Remember to let everyone know the Class of ’61 is “still kicking” by mailing current pictures to the Class of ’61 home page! Warmest Aloha. —Diane Scafrotn Cohen Ferreira

63 Karen Forslund Falb signed off as class correspondent, saying, “This is my last column, and, though it’s sad to be leaving, I’m pleased to have Paule French take over with new ideas, energy, and great capability. Paule, please introduce yourself. And classmates, please help Paule by sharing news.”  

Greetings classmates! I’m delighted to take over from Karen after her many years and will do my best to maintain her high standards. Thank you, Karen, for the great job you’ve done!  

* I loved our 45th reunion! It was wonderful to see everyone and to get to know classmates I didn’t know while we were students. Because the campus was divided by gender back in the ’60s, there were a lot of guys I didn’t know. I look forward to our 50th and would love to have photos of our 45th.

E-mail or send anything you have before they get deleted!  

* About me: After teaching foreign languages and classics, then chairing the department at the University of Maine at Orono and being dean of arts and sciences at the University of Southern Maine, I went back to school (New England School of Photography in Boston and School of Design at Harvard) and did professional photography for a few years. Now I do photography for fun. I serve on the boards of Maine Medical Center in Portland and of a Buddhist monastery in Lincoln, VT. I look forward to being in touch and hearing your news.  

* Mary Dexter Wagner tells the reunion story well: “From the minute we checked into Fisherwoman’s Wharf Inn in Boothbay Harbor on Wednesday until we checked out of L.L. Bean’s on Sunday, we never stopped except to catch a few hours sleep. Congratulations and thanks to the 45th reunion committee, led by Karen Beganny Megathlin, for arranging such a wonderful time. The pre-reunion at Boothbay gave everyone a chance to meet in an intimate setting. We owe thanks to Connie Miller Manter, Bonnie Brown Potter, and Jane Melanson Dahmen for hosting the cocktail party at Connie’s home overlooking a beautiful Maine cove, a scene right out of a movie. Reunion itself was filled with many memories of our time at Colby, plus new memories we made. We arrived at Colby via a side trip to the New Balance outlet in Skowhegan, thanks to Al Carville’s excellent directions. In addition to the usual parade of classes, class presentations, lobster bake, and class dinner we managed to visit the museum of art, take a beautiful trip through the woods, and participate in Pen Williamson’s Outward Bound activities. A highlight and memory for me was the presentation by Dian Emerson Sparkling and Bill ’62 and Barb Haines Chace about their experiences in Nepal with Helping Hands Health Education and their trek to the Himalayas. They brought us to laughter and tears. Paule French presented a wonderful series of photos of classmates and a tribute to those classmates who have passed on. The evening ended with some of us dancing the night away in Cotter Union. The folks from Lisbon Falls, Linda and Al Carville and Jack and Pat Ey Ingraham, accompanied us on the dance floor until the deejay upped the tempo for the Class of 2003. We knew then it was bedtime!  

Personally, I thank my classmates for making my husband of 45 years, Wayne, an honorary member of our class, even though he went to Gettysburg College. I urge everyone to come to our 50th in June 2013! It is such a warm and friendly group, and you would certainly feel welcome.”  

* George Swasey adds: “Walking down the hill this morning to work, I thought of our 45th reunion. It is amazing to me what great attitudes our class members have. You noticed this when Pen Williamson put us through our paces.”  

* Sally White Butler writes, “It was like a big family experience to go to Dana on Sunday and feel so comfortable meeting up with people and having breakfast without even planning it. Staying in Mary Low again after 45 years gave me something to really think about. I have always appreciated my Colby education, but that appreciation was even stronger after this reunion.” Sally lives in Reading, Mass., and still works at Lahey Clinic in Burlington, Mass. She has three grown daughters and 10 grandchildren.  

* Pauline Ryder Kezer couldn’t make reunion because she was attending her granddaughter’s graduation. She looks forward to teaching this fall at Central Connecticut State University a course on women, politics, and advocacy, an upper-level course in the political science department. She’s been named a trustee of the Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center in Old Saybrook, Conn., which is rehabilitating the old town hall into a 220-seat theater. She’s still active with the Susan G. Komen for the Cure, where she works with Edie Sewall Thompson. They just awarded $716,000 to Connecticut breast cancer programs. Congratulations!  

* Midge Walton Holmes was sorry not to get to reunion, but plans on attending the 50th. She and husband Chris live in northern Virginia and celebrated their 45th anniversary this August. They have four grandchildren and another on the way. She retired from in 1997 from the CIA, where she had been chief of the library. She’s also retired from a second job teaching a storytelling class called “Tots on Stage” for 4-year-olds. Midge and Chris continue playing senior softball.  

* Lois Meserve Stansel, who lives in Washington State, and her husband enjoyed a memorable cruise to Alaska. “The scenery was incredible—especially loved the Dawes glacier. The train ride on the White Pass/Yukon R.R. was also unforgettable. This was our first cruise and we are already talking about our next!” —Paule French

64 Jim Harris retired for an hour and a half in March. While in the process of notifying his customers and friends that he was retiring, he received an e-mail from a friend in Golden, Colo., with another job in his field of book publishing. Eventually, several other people contacted him to work on a commission-only basis. So it’s back to work—as his own boss. “Madie and I are taking a repositioning cruise from Barcelona to Ft. Lauderdale Nov. 10 for our first true vacation since 1986 when we went to Australia,” Jim writes. “In April 2009 we hope to visit London for three weeks, contingent on my being able to exchange my timeshare weeks with weeks in England plus being able to redeem airline miles for flights! We might even squeeze in Paris for a day or two. I plan on attending our 45th reunion and my 50th high school reunion in 2009. John Brasem said he might also attend our reunion—and I also went to the same high

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Sunny Side Up | Sunny Coady ’65

Forty years of travel have taught Sunny Coady ’65 the benefits of getting out of the house. A lifelong New Englander, Coady has traveled to Greece, India, Bhutan, Thailand (four times), Brazil, Italy (14 times), and New Zealand. She’s sailed, too, in the South Pacific archipelago of Tonga, and all over the Caribbean. Once she spent a vacation at home—and didn’t like it at all.

“When you’re out there,” she said, “stuff happens.”

Like what? Crossing paths with Colby classmates, like in New Zealand where she met Martha Child Ash ’67, who then worked in Waitomo. An invitation, while sailing with friends, to get involved with Easter Seals. A serendipitous encounter in Cornwall with the Lord Nelson, a tall ship designed to sail with teams of able-bodied and disabled people. Coady eventually helped arrange events on the ship for Easter Seals when the vessel came to Boston.

Not bad, for someone whose prognosis as an infant was that she would never sit or walk.

Before birth, Coady had spina bifida, a condition that causes a hole to form in the spine during early pregnancy, leaving part of the spinal cord exposed and causing various disabilities. Coady’s spine, however, closed before she born, leaving her with a severe case of scoliosis instead.

Her parents, who named her Alison, took in the doctors’ prognosis and nicknamed their baby girl Sunny, thinking she needed something cheery in her life.

It proved a moniker that she fully embraced.

Coady did walk and sit, and much more. Growing up in Canton, Mass., Coady wore leg braces yet felt like a normal kid, she remembers, and didn’t understand why she was chosen last for dodge ball. She did seventh grade at home, however, recovering from surgery that rebuilt a deformed leg. For much of her young life she wore body braces, including a year in high school when she had to wear a brace that extended to her chin.

Mayflower Hill posed no physical challenges for Coady, an art history major with a minor in mathematics. But socially, she felt left out and didn’t like it all.

For many years Coady struggled, she says, with appearing more physically challenged than she was. Over time she realized that this perception could be helpful. “I was getting more comfortable with being seen as disabled, even though I’m not,” Coady said, adding, “I could be useful to somebody.” That’s when she began volunteering with Easter Seals.

A national organization founded in 1919, Easter Seals provides services to people with disabilities to help them lead productive lives. Coady served on Easter Seals committees for several years before her election in 1983 to the Massachusetts board. In addition she now serves on the national board and is engaged with fundraising and governance.

“I feel connected to the people and connected in a way that will give them an example of the kinds of things they can do,” she said of her interactions with people with disabilities.

Able-bodied and people with disabilities have more in common than meets the eye, and Coady exemplifies those commonalities. Her attitude and lifestyle inspire others, while she, in turn, learns from them. “I learned from a young disabled person that, even if you don’t do the thing you want to do,” she said, “you’re going to learn from that.”

Coady, who never married or had children, is retired and lives in New London, N.H., near her sister Shelby Coady Blunt ’72; brothers Brad ’67 and Jeff ’69 also live in New England. Coady staves off disability by staying healthy and active—her inextinguishable spirit keeps her buoyant. “I’m not disabled yet. Maybe one day, but not yet,” she said.

Coady’s latest adventure? In October she set out for a trip that included sailing in the Seychelles and a safari in South Africa, far away from home.

—Laura Meader

school. Will wonders never cease?" *PJ Downing Curtis* was widowed in February in Florida. She was back in Maine for the summer and expecting her first grandchild. “It is very exciting and very sad in a way also.” She looks forward to seeing us all again at our reunion. *John Brassem* writes, “The only thing I can report is that I’ve been asked to write a monthly column, on corporate strategy, in National Jewelers, the largest jewelry consumer magazine in the country. And, oh yes, I’ve also been nominated to membership in the Society of Industry Leaders, an industry think tank and business trend resource.” *Larry Dyhrberg* checked in from Falmouth, Maine: “We’re back in the American groove after our year in Normandy. Michelle and our girls have had some serious France withdrawals. The Fulbright teacher exchange is a great program, and we hope that rumors of its demise are not accurate. I’m teaching one Maine history class per semester at SMCC and doing ‘homme au foyer’ duty. It’s great, even with a new dog in the mix. I’ve gotten in a lot of golf this spring, am doing some gardening, and mostly enjoying life. The big project for the year was drafting a 16-chapter children’s book, Going to Neustria, based on our experiences of last year. I’m having it checked out by colleagues and children. I’d love any advice anyone has about how to pursue publication.” Seems like Jim and Larry should get together. *Classmates, please write me more often! I know you have news to share—what nonprofit has your attention, what books do you recommend, what class are you teaching or taking? —Sara Rhoades*
more Pottery, which they founded in 1971. “We have been inspired by our travels it Italy and Sicily,” says Pam. “Cardinal reds, brilliant blues, and lemon yellows are colorful reminders of a Mediterranean tradition of pot making.” • Bob Rogers is still at Ashland University in Ohio. He was Colby’s representative at the inauguration of President Grant Cornwall of the College of Wooster. Bob asked that I mention that he was “well behaved” (I cleaned that up for him). • Norman and Joss Coyle Bierman retired to Vero Beach, Fla., in 2002 after 25 years in Conn. They keep busy with golf, tennis, exercise, book clubs, lectures, and “learning bridge (which I somehow missed at Colby).” They travel in hurricane season, with a 2008 trip planned for New Zealand, Australia, and Hawaii. They have a son and daughter in Chicago and a son in Conn. who is married and produced their two grandchildren. “We are happy, healthy, and count our blessings for our friends and family.” • Marty Dodge just finished year 36 as professor of conservation at Finger Lakes Community College in Canandaigua, N.Y. This May he led trip number 13 to Alaska with 12 students for a 33-day course. He led another group to Belize in January 2008 for a course on tropical ecology. His woodsmen’s team won the 62nd Annual Spring Meet at UNH. Marty’s men’s team has taken the trophy for 11 of the past 19 years. His women’s team has 14 championships. Finger Lakes is the only two-year college competing against the likes of Colby, Dartmouth, and Unity. Marty started the Colby team in 1961. • Ken Murray retired from the Air Force Reserve and got married in 2003. He and Hazel live in a large RV park on a permanent site in Las Cruces, N.M. They spend summers in their mobile RV taking trips up to the Colorado highlands. “Lots of activities, and volleyball at the pool every afternoon.” • Hilary Hart has resigned from the broken pencil club. She was with us for two years but made many friends and has fond memories. She is a real estate broker in Valatie, Columbia County, N.Y., and an associate publisher of a local newspaper. Divorced for many years, she had three children, losing her daughter six years ago in a car accident at age 23. Her two sons have produced three grandchildren. Give her a call or send her an e-mail: 518-757-7802 and hilaryhart@hilaryhartrealty.com. • Your correspondent explored New Zealand’s North Island last May and will have been to Bulgaria by the time you read this. Hope you are having as much fun as I am. Hail, Colby, Hail. —Dick Bankart

66 It’s not often I get to report on a wedding, and this one is especially fun because both the bride and the minister who performed the ceremony are classmates. Rev. Lydia “Barry” Clark Hews pronounced Joseph Pacheco and Karen Rien- deau husband and wife April 5, 2008, in Seekonk, Mass. The Providence Journal did an article about Karen and Joe, who met in seventh grade 52 years ago. Both married others but kept in touch. Karen’s marriage ended, and when she returned to her hometown of Swansea, Mass., she read in the paper of the death of Joe’s wife. She and Joe reconnected, and when Karen’s boyfriend at the time sent her one rose for Valentine’s Day, Joe sent her a dozen. That did it! They announced their engagement at their 45th high school reunion. Congratulations to our class’s latest (as far as I know) newlyweds! • Meanwhile, Rev. Barry was finishing a double ministry in Waltham and Newton, Mass., and in May accepted a call to be the full minister of the First Baptist Church of Winchester, Mass. She looked forward to having just one program and congregation. Congratulations, Barry. • The kudos continue. The town of Milford, N.H., and the Milford Community Athletic Association honored Russ Monbleau by naming its outdoor athletic facility the Russ Monbleau Youth Sports Complex. Included are three baseball diamonds, standard and short soccer fields, a batting cage, and a picnic pavilion. This outstanding complex was Russ’s dream child back in 1979. He located the land, designed the fields, organized fundraisers, recruited volunteers, and has continued to be involved in all aspects of the Milford sports program. No wonder he is proud of having his name on what is one of the finest small town sports facilities around, created with no tax dollars. Check out our class Web site for pictures of Russ at the June 5 dedication. As for Russ’s health, he continues to amaze the doctors at Dana Farber and, with inimitable humor, says, “I’m still buying green bananas.” • Anne Ruggles Gere, professor of English and education at University of Michigan, is also a certified Brownie leader, and husband Budge is coaching soccer again, as they are “do-over” parents, raising Denali, 8. Ann loves her work at UM, has signed up for a five-year administrative position, and, after 18 years of commuting, is glad to live where she works. Budge serves at First Presbyterian Church in Ann Arbor, where he began his ministry career. • Pam Harris Holden stopped in Portland, Maine, for visits with Diane Leach Wilbur and me on her way to her East Blue Hill cottage, where summer is a bit cooler than in her primary home, Scottsdale, Ariz. Pam and Jennie Michener Riddell will travel together in Italy this fall. • Four years after retirement, moving experiences—her own, friends’, and family’s—led Natalie Bowerman Zaremba to a new business, C & Z Transitions LLC, a business helping seniors move to smaller homes or group living. She and Frank ’64 still find time to travel, with recent trips to Greece and Italy. But the most fun is grandparenting daughter Karen’s two little boys, who have brought such joy. • I always hear from Ted Houghton, and he’s always in a different place. “Home?” he says. “We’ve almost forgotten where that is.” He and Liz continue to thrive on their spontaneous RV lifestyle, covering the country and having the adventure of a lifetime. White Widow by Jim Lehrer and To Dance with the White Dog by Terry Kay are recent good short reads, he reports. Check out Travels With Ted at www.toad. fabria.com. • A highlight of 2008 for Doug and Beth Adams Keene was their trip to Thailand, Vietnam, and Cambodia in February/March. They visited the district town in the Mekong Delta where Doug served in the AID/CORDS program 40 years ago and went to Hanoi, Hue, DaNang, NhaTrang, Hoa An, Dalat, and Saigon. Beth and Doug recommend Boston’s Grand Circle and their small group affiliate OAT if classmates are contemplating similar overseas adventures. Check with the Keenes at keen1512@aol.com. After hobbling around Southeast Asia, Doug returned home to have a left hip replacement in May, with a new right hip scheduled for fall. The Keene household is now fully equipped for senior living, but no complaints from Beth as they were off to a summer in Maine. “Life is good,” she concluded. • I visited Linda Buchheim Wagner as she was recovering from double knee replacement in May. Linda and Peter own Applecrest Farm Orchards in Hampton Falls, N.H., but manage to spend the ski season at their home in Jackson Hole. Son Todd has returned home from San Francisco with his young family to join the Applecrest Farm business. • Congratulations to Gayle Johnson Poinsette on completion of her doctorate, which allows her and Garfield Barnes to travel and split their time between Vermont summers and warm climes in winter. They have traveled extensively in the U.S. and Southeast Asia and should compare notes with the Keenes following their January 2008 trip to Thailand, Laos, and Vietnam. Gayle sent fascinating details—sails down the Mekong River, visits to a silk rug factory, stays at an organic mulberry farm, and other adventures. E-mail Gayle at poinsette@valley.net to hear more. Future travel destinations: Arizona and Australia, with an invitation to visit them wherever they are! • Rob Elder lives in Brunswick, Maine, with his wife of 25 years, Betsy. She is director of Hospice of Midcoast Maine in Brunswick, and Rob is director of the Office of Freight at the Maine Department of Transportation, which has responsibilities for the state’s ports, waterway systems, railroads, and heavy trucks. Daughter Rebecca is a psych OT in Santa Cruz, Calif. Son Duncan is a recent graduate of Emerson College in acting and directing, and daughter Molly is a student at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Ore., interested in environmental studies and Chinese. • “Still practicing law and enjoying being in court and helping clients work out problems,” reports attorney Rick Zimmermann of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Rick also enjoys simultaneous parenting and grandparenting, trying to mentor wife Nicole’s three girls, 10, 12 and 14, “smart, athletic (soccer), beautiful kids, but hormones rage and so, sometimes, do I.” Rick never believed what everyone says about grandparenting until Sam, 2, and Taje Hunter (infant) came into his life—“one of the sweetest relationships I can imagine. Sam happily abandons his parents and sibling and comes to our house for overnights. He awakes smiling. Life is good.” Rick still skis, saying his skiing has improved, or at least his perception of his skiing makes him smile. Something to do...
with being 64, he says. Ah yes, most of us are 64, and probably singing that Beatles song that once made us think 64 was old. We know differently now. Yes, life is good. —Meg Fallon Wheeler

67 Sandy Miller has very little on her agenda except making things for her store, keeping healthy with pilates, buying antiques in Brimfield, and visiting her kids and grandchildren. Sandy passed an artistic and business milestone this spring when she sold her 1000th scarf. Congratulations! * Kurt Swenson has a more relaxed schedule since he retired as CEO of Rock of Ages Corporation June 30, 2008. Kurt will remain chairman of the board but won’t be employed full time. Kurt looks forward to more time with his granddaughter and working on his golf game and his flyfishing. We wish Kurt the very best. * Jim Katz upheld one of his summer traditions: going to a strange convention. Last year it was a bagpipers’ gathering in North Hero, Vt. This year: a group of carousel collectors in L.A. Jim does not collect carousels nor, mercifully, does he play bagpipes. * Jim Helmer visited the Galapagos this spring, rented a sailboat, and had his own adventures in paradise. When he got his land legs back, he hiked in the Andes and saw spectacular vistas. * Gail Robbins Henningsen and her partner, Jay Gibson, moved to a farm near Belfast, Maine. They vacationed in Maine for years and decided to move their decorative bronze tile business to a barn on their property. They still enjoy the great state, but it’s no longer Vacationland to them. Winters, though, are another matter, so Gail and Jay retreat to Mexico where Gail teaches writing. Her short stories have appeared in a number of literary journals, most recently in the *Gettysburg Review*. In her free time Gail had a novel published. * Sarah Shute Hale went to Austin, Texas, and attended a conference on churches and artists—two of her favorite topics. While there she enjoyed the hospitality of Stephanie Barker Neely and her husband and caught up on years of personal news, visited some of Austin’s museums, and enjoyed the wildflowers, which were in full bloom. * Peggy Kelleher Oates lives happily in St. Louis with her husband, Fran, and son Andy. Peggy works in marketing for Blue Cross and her husband is an associate city counselor. Peggy invites anyone to see how lovely St. Louis is. * Phil Kay knows how much he loves his home in Beverly Farms, Mass., where he spends as much time as possible sailing in the Cape Ann area. Nonetheless, Phil is still a traveling man who has been in Barcelona, Beijing, Delhi, and Yellowknife, Northwest Territories. Most of these jaunts were more business than vacation, as Phil speaks to groups about sales. In the coming year he will ply his trade in Brazil, Cyprus, Germany, and Amsterdam. He claims that none of this feels like work because he has figured out how to get someone to pay him to travel. * Sue Barden Johnson has also done some traveling, for her personal genealogy research. Last summer she was in Sweden and saw where her grandparents were born. This summer she went to Wales with a hiking group and then to London where she continued to look for ancestors. * Ann Russell Starr returned to teaching about five years ago and only taught biology. Human anatomy and physiology were added soon thereafter, and now she teaches five classes in each. While she really loves teaching upper-level courses, she is looking forward to a trip the Galapagos with her youngest daughter. She’s thought about this trip since she first learned about Darwin in ninth grade. After she returns, Ann and her husband will celebrate their 35th anniversary with a trip to Cape Cod. * Caroline Kresky continues her career as a litigator in a large firm. She plans to make some changes in a couple of years—watch this space for further developments. Caroline did tell us that she will rent a villa in Tuscany this fall and anticipates this trip with great joy. * Len Parks and his wife have started a small nonprofit that he calls a pipsqueak. They have been working on the project for the last six years and, if one can read between the lines, it’s a joy to them. —Robert Gracia

68 As I write, our 40th reunion has come and gone. Approximately 61 people attended, 47 alumni and 43 who were in their reunion year. The campus was beautiful as usual, but with a number of new buildings and additions since last reunion, and the weather was almost perfect. Highlights were the recognition of Joe Boulus, who was awarded a Colby Brick, and Bill Goldfarb, who received the Ernest C. Marvin Distinguished Service Award, to the enthusiastic cheering of our class. Another highlight was the talk by Linda Greenlaw ’83 (The Hungry Ocean and The Lobster Chronicles), during which a member of the audience referred to Bill Palombo as a “legend” in the lobster business. Linda said “Oh, he’s sitting right up there.” Space does not permit listing of all classmates who attended, but I will exercise my prerogative and recognize some old Zetes, such as such Mary and Steve Ford, Susie and Jeff Lathrop, Paul and Judy Dionne Scover, and Ann and Ken Young. One of the highlights was our class dinner at the Diamond Building, with an excellent talk on the presidential campaign by Professor Sandy Maisel. We also spent a lot of time sitting around Coburn telling old war stories, including some Celtics stories from Jan Volk, and catching up on gossip. For those who were not present, rest assured you were discussed in detail, and if you want to defend yourselves you’ll have to show up at the 45th. Special thanks to Ted Bromfield and his committee for an outstanding fund-raising job on behalf of our class. On the sadder side, a moment of silence was observed at our class dinner for classmates who died since the previous reunion, including particularly Rich Lewis, who had been planning to attend reunion and died just a few weeks before. I heard the news from Tom Rippon, who said Rich died of cancer May 17, 2008, at NYU Medical Center, where he had only recently been diagnosed with a stage-four tumor. Tom said, “Rich was a great guy and organized a reunion of the Colby track and field team in NYC a few years back. Rich was the manager of our track team when we were on the Hill. Quite ironically [before Rich was diagnosed], he was a strong leader in communicating with us last year as Tom Maynard made his unsuccessful fight with cancer.” A memorial ceremony for Rich was held at Marble Collegiate Church in NYC on the Sunday of Reunion Weekend, and we are sure that Tom and numerous other Colby friends and classmates were present. * Mike Self ’70 writes: “You had a question in your latest column about a Mike Self playing hockey in the ECHL and was related to Mike Self from Colby. The answer to that would be yes—he is my nephew. I have another nephew playing hockey professionally over in Germany. The hockey blood runs strong in my family. I graduated in ’70 but still feel more allegiance to my original class of ’68. I’ve lived in the Charlotte, N.C., area for over 30 years after finishing playing hockey.” * Barbara Brown writes: “Many thoughts of Colby were with me over this past (reunion) weekend. I still live in Eagle, Idaho, and work as a special education director of a charter school on a part-time basis. Dr. Brown became my official title in 2006 when I earned my Ph.D. in educational leadership. Hopefully, I will be consulting once I officially retire. My grandchildren are a big part of my life now. There are five, ages 2 to 5. Three live close by and the other two are in Southern California. On the days that I don’t work, I concentrate on my golf game. I walk the 18 holes to get the exercise. Still love the 19th hole! Would love to hear from old friends.” (Classmates may contact me for Barbara’s e-mail address). —Peter foot

69 I hope everyone had a wonderful summer, and that you will have adventures to relate when we get together for next year’s 40th reunion. It’s hard to believe that we reached that milestone so quickly. I hope many of you can return, in spite of gasoline prices! * Jane Chandler Carney wrote in late spring that she and Owen had returned to Virginia from a wonderful month at Sugarloaf, staying in the same camp as during her Colby years. She’s plans to return this winter and says that they are “in the book” if you are in the neighborhood. * Kristen Kreamer lives in Philadelphia and works as a nurse practitioner at Fox Chase Cancer Center, caring for lung cancer patients. She finds great satisfaction in her work and sees herself staying there until retirement. She is also “slogg[ing] through raising two teenagers,” having waited until her 40s to start a family. Her few moments of peace and quiet are spent reading. Although she has not been back to Colby for many years, she hopes to return for our reunion next spring. * Moses Silverman writes that following his tour with the Peace Corps he attended law school and has been practicing at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York for 35 years. “I enjoy what I do and have no plans to retire anytime soon.” His son, Ben, is following in his footsteps—currently in law school. Ben spent two years in
China before and during college and this summer worked with Chinese Legal Services for indictment criminal defendants in Xi'an Shaanxi Province. Moses's daughter, Rachel, completed her junior year in college, is thinking about a career in theater, and spent her summer as an assistant teacher in a theater program for city grade-school children. His wife, Betty, retired as chief real estate lawyer for TIAA-CREF and is now general counsel for the Anti-Defamation League. He says he has regular contact with Ginger Dunport Eckert, who visits from Vancouver every summer, his roommate Giles (Gus) Browne, who lives in Lincoln, Mass., and Sari Abul-Jubein wherever he's in Cambridge. * Leslie Podgus Blanding was back at Colby this spring to attend the graduation of her youngest child. She hopes to make it back for our reunion and perhaps have her recently graduated son join her for his first! Leslie still teaches German at Manchester (N.H.) West High School and is sharing director's duties for an exchange program, which takes her to Germany most every year, along with 15 or 20 teenagers. Last year, rather than a trip to Germany, she enjoyed a new experience and "visited Bemidji, Minn., for a course in immersion methods, which included visits to the Concordia Language Villages—camps where kids run around speaking Finnish or Japanese or Russian, while doing all the normal summer camp things. It's an amazing place, and the drive there and back showed me parts of America I knew nothing about. It was a refreshing change from Europe." Leslie looks forward to seeing everybody at reunion! * Spring 2009 is just around the corner, so please send me some information that I can share with our classmates! —Ray Gerbi

70 Only a handful of you sent news for this issue. Please let us know what you have been doing, especially if we haven't heard from you in awhile. * Bill Aldrich is a foster "parent" for MSPCA and writes that his first orphan, Queenie, a neglected Rottweiler who had lost a leg after being hit by a car, is now happy in an adoptive home. Bill and his own newly adopted poodle enjoy meeting dogs and their owners in his neighborhood. Bill has done some video work at the CATV station in Newton, Mass., and in the process became interested in video editing. You can view a small clip of cross-country ski races at Weston Ski Track at www.youtube.com/watch?v=C4tSoxVdHp4. Bill planned to enter the RAGBRAI (Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa) this summer. He's been told it's a "Woodstock on Wheels." Alluding to a recent illness, Bill writes, "I strongly recommend that everyone makes sure your children or grandchildren get the vaccine for chickenpox. If you have had chickenpox you may want to get the vaccine for shingles, as it is not a pleasant experience." Good advice, Bill. * My apologies to Lin Stone Gallagher for the delay in posting the picture she sent. Be sure to visit our class page (at www.colby.edu/alumni) to see Lin, Sara Orton Glickman '71, and Ann Arbor during their Ecuador trip (reported in an earlier column). * Norma Rivera de Biermeyer met U.S. Ambassador to Venezuela Patricia Duddy '72. After finishing her engineering and construction degree, Norma has become an expert supervisor of remodeling old tropical houses. * Independent filmmaker Huey (James Coleman) directs the Maine Student Film and Video Festival, open to Maine residents 19 and younger. A screening of the final and winning films for 11th annual festival took place this summer in conjunction with the Maine International Film Festival in Waterville. * At our daughter's wedding in June, Steve and I caught up with Cindy (Carlisle '73) and Jeff Lovitz and Ron '71 and Patsy Skillings Sills '73. Jeff and Cindy's oldest daughter was to be married in August in Puerto Rico. Ron and Patsy will soon realize their dream of retiring to Arizona. * Please keep your e-mails coming! —Deb Fitzton Mansfield

71 After a very long winter with more snow here in the Northeast than many of us have seen in years, spring has sprung and summer is already upon us with its oppressive humidity draining me of strength. As I continue to try to redefine my own life after Jeff's death (my longtime partner) in January 2008, I'm eerily aware of the passage of time. Each moment deserves great reverence and respect. Thank you to those who have written of your moments in time to share with our classmates. * Jacques Hermant writes from France, where he heads the department of corporate strategy and international business at Audencia School of Management in Nantes, near Brittany. Having traveled extensively, Jacques taught in Austria and coached a team of French students for the global cyber-case challenge at Ohio State University, where he returned this fall. He recently had a visit from Sara Crisp '80 who had been their au pair 27 years ago. * Leslie Anderson and her husband made the move from Massachusetts to Portland, Maine, where they enjoy the leave-the-car-and-walk-to-everything way of life. Leslie still paints and plays the guitar in a jam band in Yarmouth, Maine. She planned a July visit with Debbie Messer Zlatin, Pat Trow Parent, Jan Blatchford Gordon, Karen Hoerner Need, and Mary Jukes Howard. Anyone visiting Downeast Maine is welcome to stop by her flower farm and gallery in Sedgwick. * Congratulations to Jon Stone on the birth of his first grandchild, a boy born to his son, Brent, who lives with his wife, Caroline, in Wellesley, Mass. * Back in school again, Nancy Hammar Austin has enrolled in a CAGS in science and mathematics teaching with Fitchburg State College in order to get her initial teacher's license. She drove to Maine recently for a visit with Jeff Stanton and with Janet Beals and Dave Nelson, who were visiting from Colorado. * Beth Marker is still pursuing her career as assistant director of forensic toxicology at the Office of the Medical Examiner in New York City. Retirement plans are entering her mind, and include an eventual move to Oregon, where she has visited regularly for many years. Each Labor Day Beth participates in the Columbia River Cross Channel Swim in the town of Hood River, Ore. This will be her 22nd consecutive year. Afterwards she visits friends all over the Pacific Northwest. * I send wishes to all of you for a happy fall season. Send me news of your lives whenever the spirit moves you. —Ann E. Miller

72 Chris Sample began his 20th year as a licensed arborist, operating his own small business, Quality Tree Service, in central Maine. This summer he celebrated the 35th anniversary of his marriage to Judy Mandeville, former Colby dance instructor. * Peter Crosby of St. Johnsbury, was elected to the board of directors of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont. Peter is president and CEO of Passumpic Savings Bank, where his career has included management and leadership
A Study Abroad | Morgan Murphy ‘76

Less than a year out of Colby, Morgan Murphy ‘76 was, by most definitions, on his way. The economics major had a job at Standard & Poor’s in New York City, where he created synopses of major companies based on their annual and quarterly reports. He had a comfortable apartment on Manhattan’s Upper West Side and was enjoying everything his hometown had to offer. It wasn’t enough.

At Colby Murphy had contracted a penchant for travel, which he traces to his junior year abroad in Costa Rica. He spent a month in the community of La Virgen in the Sarapiquí region, and by the end of his stay he “got to know the little village really well.” The experience of becoming thoroughly acquainted with a specific place and facets of a foreign culture—instead of sightseeing—would become a deciding factor in the path Murphy’s life would take.

With recent hires allowed only two weeks of paid vacation a year, Murphy took an extended leave during the S&P reports department off-season, between November and February. He sub-let his apartment and set off on a trip that included Europe and North Africa. While visiting a friend of a Colby classmate in Switzerland—one of the few people Murphy could look up in Europe—something clicked. After returning to New York in February, “like I promised,” Murphy still felt the pull. Admitting that “New York sucks you in … it’s very hard to get out,” he wrenched himself away.

He quit his job and moved to Switzerland. He’s never looked back.

Murphy taught English, working as many hours as his student permit would allow and supplementing his income by doing translation work. “Switzerland is one of the few countries where you can live well working part time,” Murphy said. He soon re-entered the world of finance and worked at several institutions before finally joining an insurance company. He lives with his wife, Anna, in Zug, south of Zurich, commuting to his job as a banking and financial specialist with insurance company Zurich Financial Services. His son Allan, 14, attends the Zug Gymnasium, an advanced high school for students planning to go on to university. Another son, Kevin, 20, is traveling.

Now Murphy speaks fluent Spanish, German, and Swiss, and he spends leisure time mountain biking, hiking, ski touring, and kite-boarding.

After 30 years abroad, Murphy now feels more Swiss and European than American. But he maintains that all Americans—and not just those with an expatriate bent—should spend time outside of their country in order to more fully understand that the United States is part of a much larger world with diverse languages and cultures.

His advice for current students—or anyone for that matter—considering going abroad? “Do it.”

—James Violette ’11

positions. He also serves as a director of the Federal Home Loan Bank in Boston. ● Bill Johnson remarried in November 2006, to Marianne Orton, and lives happily in Walnut Creek, Calif., working as a scheduler for NuStar Energy. ● Marjorie Chamberlain Bisognano loved everything about Colby, especially meeting Frank, who retired six years ago and discovered how nice it is to see the light of day. Their older son is on his own and their second son, who is developmentally disabled, is making strides toward independence. “We enjoy the view of the 16th fairway from our new, down-sized home,” writes Marjorie. “Frank plays golf three to four times a week and convinced me to start playing. Although we still live in Massachusetts most of the year, we spend most of February in Aruba.” ● Kathleen Otterson Cintavey sent news about Jim and Diane Malpass Glioriant, who recently retired and traveled to Ohio to spend time with Karthe and her husband, Al. Kathe recently became superintendent at Wickliffe City Schools. She and Al are building a green-technology home that borders a conservation area. They look forward to wildlife in their yard. Their son, Chris ’97, is an economist in Tokyo, and their daughter, Elizabeth, is in banking. ● Gary Petzold retired June 19 after 35 years as dean of students at Minnechaug Regional High School in Wilbraham, Mass. He planned to spend the summer sailing, fall fixing the house, and then look for a job to help finance his two children’s college educations. Sarah is a senior at RPI and Tom is a freshman at Fitchburg State. Gary and wife Sue look forward to the next reunion, when his job won’t keep him away! (Our 40th reunion will be in 2012.) ● Donna Power Stowe found out at reunion that Tom and Ellen Woods Sidar lived less than 10 miles away in Virginia. Donna and husband Ron Stowe had a wonderful time going to movies and dinner with them. But Tom and Ellen moved back to Maine this spring; Tom is now executive director of Frenchman’s Bay Conservancy. Donna is executive director of the District of Columbia Education Compact, a nonprofit that connects community-based organizations to public schools. Working with one of the worst performing school systems in the country, she’s had a year of challenges, inspiration, and political acuity. “I never thought I would be working the long hours, engaged so deeply in societal
change as I am right now, but it is an incredible opportunity to make the needed changes and stand for what is right.” Retirement is a few years off.

* Dick Kaynor’s life revolves around Transcendental Meditation. He went to India in February for Maharishi Mahesh Yogi’s cremation and related Vedic ceremonies, and he jumped at every excuse to stay. He was in the foothills of the Himalayas teaching TM to residents of Nainital, a town reminiscent of Switzerland with a distinctly Indian flavor. When state-side, Dick is at Maharishi University of Management in Fairfield, Iowa, where he runs into Bill Goldstein (legal counsel to the university) and Cindy Jevne Buck (freelance writer). Ted Weissman ’71 and Alan Colby ’70 are among other grads in the community. Dick’s also in touch with Jon Miller ’73, an attorney in Boulder, Colo., who instructed scores of Colby students and faculty in TM, and Wendy Shotek Klein ’74, his official and dear Jewish mother on Long Island. Dick returns to his family’s summer home in Maine almost every August.

* Carol Johnson just completed 30 years with Allstate. She expected to ride off into the sunset but is too young to accept retirement funds! So she’ll be in Portsmouth a few more years building up that nest egg. Her newest interest is long-term care insurance, “as we are all going to need it.” Carol spends time in Belgrade Lakes at her family camp, which they’ve winterized so they can visit year-round. Carol’s mother, Lydia Farnham Johnson ’40, is 89 1/2 and lives in Arlington, Va. He also plays golf.

* Jan Crook-Hueners, Dave Lane, Sue Colucci Neumeyer, John Straehl Moss, Cindy Sanders Ingalls, and Jon Linn. I’m sure there were others, and I know many spouses (and some children) joined in the fun. One person who could not attend was Tim Landry, who has been serving in the Peace Corps Mexico Program since October 2007. Tim works in environmental management and remediation with the Tlaxcala state branch of SEMARNAT (Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources). He says the transition to living in a new culture and using a new language (his training included learning Spanish) has been a revitalizing experience, and he enjoys living in beautiful and fascinating central Mexico. * This is my last column as class correspondent. Thanks to Lisa Kehler Bubara and Carol Chalker for serving as co-presidents and organizing Reunion Weekend. Thanks, too, to everyone who took the time to write to me these past five years. It was fun to reconnect! Keep your news coming to Carol, who pointed out that our next reunion (our 40th!) in 2013 will coincide with Colby’s 200th anniversary. She urges everyone to save the date to celebrate this milestone with Colby. —Robert Rollins Wallace

74 Greg Smith has spent 30 years engineering and selling large machinery to industrial food processors while living in the Pacific Northwest. He and his wife, Jo-Ellen (Bois ’77), celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary in June and have two college-aged daughters: Fiona at Colorado College and Adrien at Boston University. He mentioned that a charitable foundation was started in memory of Gary Millen, who passed away last year, and Delta Upsilon alumni started a reunion weekend in May as a fundraiser for the foundation. * Andrew Lipton lives in Durango, Colo., and part time in New York City. He practices law, traveling around the country handling occupational disease cases (chemical-induced cancers from workplace exposures to beryllium, benzene, vinyl chloride and the like) and environmental litigation. He has two sons, one a banker in Ohio and the other studying marine biology at UNCW in Wilmington, N.C. Andrew’s passion is photography and he is doing photographs for a book about sustainable lifestyles. * Jim Lazor practices dentistry and lives in Arlington, Va. He also plays senior golf tournaments locally, state-wide, and nationally. Chris Koerner ’76 came to Jim out of nowhere as a patient. Jim still keeps in touch with Dick Whitmore and keeps up with the Colby basketball program.

* Dennis Dechante has sent up a Facebook account and encourages other members of our class to do the same to keep in touch on a more regular basis. There are only 13 members of the Class of 1974 with Facebook profiles. Dennis asked Jeff Barske to set up a profile on Facebook and he now has over 90 friends online.

* H. Jefferson Megargel II writes that he is permanently disabled and entered a nursing home in August 2006. He encourages classmates to write him at 7 Midland Gardens, #15K, Bronxville, N.Y. 10708 or call him at 914-738-2131. * Richard Vann works for a government consulting firm in the D.C. area and is married with two daughters. One is majoring in information technology at Guilford College and the other in piano and psychology at Indiana University. He and his wife, Arieae, have been married 26 years and live in Fairfax, Va. His wife is from Armenia and is the director of the Armenian language service at the Voice of America. * I will be spending the next year working on a G scale garden railroad my husband and I are building in our backyard. He does the labor, I do the gardening. Please mark your calendars for June 2009 when we celebrate our 35th reunion at Colby. Hope to see you there. —S. Ann Eaton

76 Rich Cifelli wrote from Poland, where he met with the staff of a journal he edits. Most times you’ll find him at the Oklahoma Museum of Natural History as the paleontologist (aka “dinosaur guy”). He teaches zoology and geology at University of Oklahoma, raises two great boys, tends his property, and makes cabinets. No wonder Rich has little time to play music! * Jeanne O’Brien Crocker had a spring of graduations: son Thomas from Clark (where he’s continuing for his master’s), daughter Elizabeth from high school (headed to Northeastern), and South Portland High, where Jeanne’s been principal for 10 years. Jeanne is working to strengthen the link between SPHS and Colby. * Ann Conway received her M.F.A. in creative writing from Seattle Pacific. The program, affiliated with the journal Image, focused on the relationship between art, faith, and mystery. Ann writes for

Cass rode, not walked, in Saturday’s parade of classes. Wells Pile and his dog (a repeat reunion attendee) led the parade, which culminated with the presentation of class gifts in the field house. Here Lisa Kehler Bubara and Carol Chalker, class co-presidents, presented President Bro Adams with the check for our class, which exceeded the gifts of all the classes (!) thanks to the generosity of Bob Diamond. At these ceremonies Bob received the Ernest C. Mariner Distinguished Service Award and Alex Wilson received a Colby Brick for 15 years of volunteer service to Colby. Later some class members attended the lobster bake and many used the afternoon to continue catching up with classmates. Then it was time for the class reception and dinner, held at the Colby Museum of Art. Our reunion committee sponsored an Iron Chef competition during the cocktail hour, and two teams of four competed to make the best-tasting designer martini and mocktini (nonalcoholic). According to Alex, the team of Wendy Knickerbocker, Sue Yovic Hoeller, Anne Badminton Cass, and Carolyn Penney Floyd created a delicious golden-colored beverage that was named best martini by renowned martini connoisseur Bob Diamond. The team of Cindy Carlisle Lovit, Janice Johnson Peterson, Joe Mattos, and Morrie Herman didn’t fare as well with their crimson-colored martini, but their other entry did win best mocktini. Retired faculty members were introduced: Tom Longstaff, Wayne Smith, Charlie Bassett, and former football coach Dick McGee. The After Eight sang before dinner and President Bro Adams offered a champagne toast to congratulate our class for making our reunion gift participation goal (56 percent). Following a delicious dinner, Mark Serdjien of and Carol Chalker were elected class president and class correspondent, respectively, to serve until our next reunion. Then Colby trustee and benefactor extraordinary Bob Diamond entertained everyone as class speaker telling how he reconnected with Colby and sharing his insights about volunteering for the College the past 14 years. (On that Friday Colby announced that the Diamond Family Foundation made a sizable gift to support environmental programs and initiatives.) Bob is excited that his son, Charlie, is in the Class of 2012. After dinner festivities concluded, classmates continued to visit. Others in attendance included...
Sarah Owen Tabor ’70, an art teacher at Bangor High School for more than 20 years, was named 2007-08 Maine Art Educator of the Year by the Maine Art Education Association. In addition to teaching art, Tabor continues to pursue a career as an artist, and her work has been featured in several galleries and shows. Carolyn Johns ’75, associate professor of environmental studies at St. Lawrence University, was named to the Grace Fippinger Endowed Professorship in Science. Her research is on freshwater ecosystems in the St. Lawrence River, and her course curricula center on air and water pollution, sustainable agriculture, and environmental backslash. For leadership in the public sector, and for having made a significant contribution to the future of Greater Portland, Jerre Bryant ’76 will be honored with Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce’s Neal Allen Award. Bryant is the city administrator of Westbrook, Maine.


Marriages: Stephen A. Etzel ’74 to Andrea Friberg in Cape Elizabeth, Maine.

Greetings once again classmates, from your about to be ex-correspondent. Bill Yoder has taken a new position as an organizational effectiveness consultant with SRA International Corporation, a company located in the D.C. area that does technology consulting. The job sounds really interesting, and who knew you could get paid gobs of money for being well organized? Bill’s daughter, Stephanie, graduated from Emory last spring and spent the summer backpacking through Europe, which is an excellent summer job. His son, Willy, is at Ohio Wesleyan University studying sports journalism and has his own blog called TheNatsBog.com, which is probably about the baseball team and not pesky insects. Nancy Epstein became a rabbi in 2006 and has been working for the Reconstructionist movement since she was ordained. Nancy works with synagogues (thank God for spell-check) and consults on issues such as governance and lay-clergy relations. She also serves at the local rabbinical college as a spiritual director to the students, and she continues to teach at Drewel University in the School of Public Health, where she is an associate professor. Nancy lives in the Mount Airy neighborhood of Philadelphia and says she loves it there. It sounds like she has no trouble staying busy. Jerry Chadwick writes that his wife, Ligia (Campana), spent last summer in South America again with daughter Elizabeth. They must really like the... food. They spent three weeks in Peru climbing a 27-mile stretch of the Inca Trail at an altitude of 13,000 feet. I’m exhausted just writing about it. Jerry stayed home, worked his day job, and started his doctoral dissertation. Kevin Farnham sent news for the first time in my six-plus-year tenure as correspondent. It is a wonderful thing because (trumpets please) he has foolishly, I mean generously, offered to be our new class correspondent! Kevin’s son, Jesse, graduated from Wesleyan last spring and is in the computer science doctoral program at some university named Princeton. Kevin’s daughter, Kayla, is at Hampshire College in Massachusetts where she is majoring in music. Kevin lives in Connecticut and says he and his wife have embarked on a Thoreauvian experiment in self-sufficient living. They intend to grow a big garden and heat their house with corn stoves this winter instead of using oil. It’s not clear what Kevin will do for electricity, but maybe he intends to write the class news column in long-hand by candlelight. Kevin, you are the man for volunteering to be our correspondent. It’s time to pass the baton. Thank you, and I know you’ll do a great job. I wish all my classmates well, and I will sign off for the last time.—Mark Lyons

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enough to take over Champlin Hall. The campus looks amazing and is still beautiful. Best of all, though, was reconnecting with old friends and, for me, meeting people I had not known while at Colby. Hopefully we’ll have an even bigger turnout for our next reunion, which coincides with Colby’s 200th anniversary. * John Devine, who has done such a great job as class agent for so many years, writes, “Sarah Devine graduated from Harvard in June. She will be teaching at the New Canaan Country Day School. A few days prior to graduation her crew boat competed in the NCAA National Rowing Championships. The women’s varsity eight won the petite finals and had the fourth fastest time of all the boats. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the Colby Fund in honor of our 30th reunion. We had the highest participation rate ever accomplished by the Class of 1978.” * Dan Driscoll missed reunion but writes, “Elaine (Regan ‘80) and I have been busy this spring. We just finished a stint as co-presidents of Roxbury Latin School Parents’ Auxiliary, with Johnny, our youngest, starting seventh grade in the fall. Danny, 16, is a sophomore who loves football. Matt, 20, and Alicia, 19, are both at Dartmouth College, so we’ve made a number of trips to Hanover and follow Matt’s rugby team on the road. I’ve got a busy internal medical practice in Milton and spend time doing administrative work for our physicians’ organization and teaching.” * Tom Gilligan writes from Chapan, S.C., where he and wife, Anne, live with their daughter Becca. After 15 years in Littleton, Colo., they made the move east three years ago and enjoy living on a lake with wildlife and peace and quiet. Their son, Andrew, graduated from the University of Vermont and daughter Sarah is entering her senior year at Wellesley. Becca is a senior in high school, so they’re waiting to see about her college choices. They recently met up with Jim Crook, his wife, Andrea, and their three daughters in Charleston. * It was great to see Judy Fairclough at reunion. She writes, “Rooming with Nancy Piccin was even better than old times. It was fun playing foosball with lime wedges because there were no foosballs, considering going up to the blue light to watch the sun rise, dancing to the ‘Werewolves of London,’ but the best part was connecting with people I did not know at Colby but wish I had.” Judy recently saw Emily De Giacomo Roberts and Greg Jordan in San Diego, where they enjoyed a “long two-bottle lunch laughing so hard they were crying looking at my old Colby photo album.” According to Judy, Emily teaches and Greg plays golf. * Lisa Klein Boldt spent a week with her family skiing in Zermatt and another skiing at Alta with her son, Ian, 16. * Thanks to all of you who wrote in with news. —Lea Jackson Morrissey and Janet Santry Houser

79 Team Lovejoy (Carl) writes to say all is well. Eldest son Ben played for the Pittsburgh Penguins’ American Hockey League team in Wilkes Barre, which made it to the Calder Cup finals this year. Second son, Matt, finished his freshman year at the University of Virginia, where he plays lacrosse. His team made it to the NCAA Final Four. Carl’s youngest son, Nick, finished his sophomore year at Deerfield Academy and has committed to Dartmouth, where he will play hockey starting in fall 2010. * Laurie Borden felt her age recently when recruiting physicians in Middleburg, Va. She said that doctors are always supposed to be older than us, but they recently hired a Colby grad, Lewis Holmes ‘85, that didn’t fit that description. Laurie’s son, Colin, attends Montana State, where he will graduate next year with a degree in tech ed and alternative energy sources. Her daughter, Haley, headed to University of San Francisco at the end of summer. Laurie looks forward to the 30th reunion. * It’s been awhile since we heard from Laurel Johnson Black. She teaches writing at Indiana University of Pennsylvania and directs its Center of Teaching Excellence. Laurel also runs workshops on ghost and paranormal investigation and advises the Paranormal Society of IUP. Her husband is an archivist at nearby Seton Hill. They have a 13-year-old daughter, Willa. * First-time submitter Ellen Dunwoody Bollier writes in after being inspired by her son Thomas’s first year at Colby. It was an interesting experience seeing him up at Colby, she said. Ellen resides in Amherst, Mass., with her husband, David. They have another son, Sam, a senior at Brown. Ellen is a psychotherapist and psychopharmacologist with a practice in Northampton. When not working she’s painting watercolors or in her vegetable garden or out biking. * Another first-time submission comes from Reid Cassidy, for more than 24 years a probation officer for the Lynn District Court. He put his two oldest daughters, Jackie, 25, and Megann, 24, through college and decided to go to law school himself. Reid graduated June 6 and sat for the bar July 30-31. Reid and wife Jane are still busy raising daughters Erin, 13, and Colbie, 11. He hopes to make a reunion one of these years. (Any Lambda Chi brothers willing to help?) * Kathy Quinby Johnson sends greetings from Carrick-on Suir, County Tipperary, Ireland, where she, husband Greg ‘78, and their daughter are on a working vacation. She is with a group involved in a book project about a Civil War Medal-of-Honor holder born there in 1837 who emigrated to the States in 1848. Kathy is editing the book, which is scheduled for publication in late 2008 or early 2009. * In April Robert Kinney joined the Office of the Attorney General of New Jersey as a deputy attorney general in the Environmental Enforcement Section, doing mainly water and air pollution litigation. Prior to that Bob was in solo law practice and worked as a volunteer organizer in Pennsylvania for Barack Obama prior to the PA primary. Bob and wife Kay will celebrate their 24th wedding anniversary in October (Congrats). Son Matt, 15, started 10th grade and traveled to Beijing the end of June with an honors band (he plays French horn). Daughter Sarah, 11, in sixth grade, is a budding equestrian and plays piano and oboe. The Kinneys plan to be in Maine next June for reunion and Bob is starting his diet now in preparation. * Gayle Amato sent her second child, Jacob, to Bucknell this fall, where he’ll pole vault on the track team. She caught up with Mary Roversen Hebert ‘78 when Jacob participated in the New England Outdoor Track and Field Championship in Saco, Maine, this summer. Daughter Amanda finished her second year at Cornell and stayed on campus doing summer research. Youngest son Tucker is a junior in high school. Gayle still enjoys her job in clinical systems at Bayer Healthcare and works from a satellite office in New Haven, Conn., despite the US Pharma headquarters moving from CT to NJ. She works three days a week from home and only ends up in NJ a few times a month, which is fine with her. Her husband, Jerry, a computer consultant, works from home four days a week and rides his bike the 40-mile round trip to his office on Mondays. * David Bernard and Jay Violette ‘81 have been working with
80 Mark Garvin took in a Red Sox game in May with Elliott Pratt, Laurie Foster Gosster, and Doug Deangelis ’79, who flew in from Portland, Ore., just for the game. As Mark said, “Doug is either a dedicated Sox fan, a loyal Colby alum, or a guy with a lot of frequent flyer miles!” • Alice Domar has been busy lately. She was on campus in April for her first meeting as a Colby Overseer. Her girls, Sarah and Katie, finished up sixth and first grades, and her husband, David Ostrow, still works at Prentice Hall. Her latest book, Be Happy, Without Being Perfect, came out in March with the obligatory publicity tour, including three appearances on the Today Show. She’s co-writing a new book due out next May tentatively titled How To Be Pretty Healthy. Alice blogs every week for a new health Web site BeWell.com (very hip, Alice!), and is still directing the Domar Center for Mind/Body Health and running the mind/body programs at Boston IVF. To top it all off, she celebrated her 50th at Disney World with the family. • Since Verizon bought MCI two years ago, John Veilleux has been part of the Verizon legal department supporting marketing and customer contracts for the business “enterprise” division, which serves big corporate clients. John writes that Tom Dailey is also with Verizon, serving as a general counsel for Verizon Online, and was recently pictured in the Washington Post alongside Andrew Cuomo. • Also in the news, the Providence Journal-Bulletin reports that Amy Page Oberg was recently appointed chairwoman of the board of directors of the YMCA of Greater Providence. Amy is counsel with Darrow Everett LLP, a business law firm with offices in Providence and Boston. • In June Fred Madeira captained his boat, Resolution, in the 635-mile Newport-Bermuda race. Results aren’t in as I write, but here’s wishing Freddy a safe crossing and a trophy at the end! • And that’s it for this column. As we each turn 50, I hope you’ll write and update us on your celebrations and reunions during this special year. —Tom Marlitt

81 Val Talland still works at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum (19 years so far!) and is very excited about the museum’s addition designed by Renzo Piano. Val’s daughter, Tara, finished sixth grade at Buckingham, Browne, & Nichols last spring. An even bigger spring highlight for Val was a “very impressive” trip to the Galápagos Islands. • El Presidente Bob Ryan had dinner with Dani Nemec Miscan while visiting Washington, D.C., in June. Both Bob and Dani sent e-mails to me on this rendezvous—Dani’s younger daughter, Julia, enters McDaniel College in Maryland this fall (“Colby was too far away”), while her oldest daughter, Jessica, is a junior studying psychology at Virginia Tech. Her 13-year-old son, Joseph, entered high school this fall having been inducted into the National Junior Honor Society last spring. Dani’s husband, Jim, returned from a one-year tour in Afghanistan in mid-July. Dani is “still working part-time with the government and staying fit by mowing the lawn in 95-degree weather.” Bob writes: “Needless to say, Dani’s life in the States is no easier than her travels and career in Tunisia, Athens, or Kinshasa.” • Mimi Pratt Valyo had been loving her work with learning-disabled seventh and eighth graders when, unfortunately, her job was axed due to budget cuts. On the bright side, Mimi’s daughter, Allie, had a great first year at Elon University in North Carolina. “The climate suits her very well and we wish we could convince our son, Chris, to go south, too, but he likes winter and is concentrating on Boston area schools.” Despite a rip-roaring thunderstorm that curtailed their time on the lake, Mimi and husband John hosted Gisele and Brian Picard for an enjoyable afternoon last spring. • Nice to hear from neighboring town dweller Karen Sondergeld Whitney, who reports that hubby Duncan was named chief scientific officer at a new U.S. subsidiary of a Spanish personalized medicine company, and that their son enjoyed freshman year at the University of Denver. Karen and Duncan see Colbyites fairly often, welcoming the families of Dave Ryley, Dr. Alice Domar ’80, and Dr. Tom Ruddler ’80 at their annual Christmas Eve dinner. They also had the pleasure of “running into” (that’s Karen, not me) Dan Ossoff ’80 (married to Liz Pizzurro) at two high school track meets last year, and they took a wonderful cruise to the Greek islands in August with the Rudders.

82 Cindy Rich Dana had two graduations this spring. “Boy, do I feel old! My older daughter, Taylor, graduated from St. Ursula Academy and will attend the Georgetown School of Nursing and Health Studies as an international health/premed major in the fall and continue her illustrious rowing career as a member of the Hoyas crew. My second daughter, Hollis, graduated from Ottawa Hills Jr. High and will attend St. Ursula as well. She hopes to row and play basketball during her high school years.” Hollis and Cindy went to Ndola, Zambia, for a two-week mission trip where they taught and mentored the children and wives of the men attending the Kafakumba Pastor School. Cindy has become a professional volunteer, working closely with the United Way of Greater Toledo and the Toledo Museum of Art, in addition to board positions at the girls’ school. Volunteering, of course, leaves her plenty of time to tag along with Charles as he trots the globe for Owens Corning. Paris has become a kind of second home, as he acquired a French company this past year. She would love to hear from anyone in the area. • Claire Browender Lilledahl wrote: “After spending six great years as an at-home mom after my twins were born, I headed back to work in the fall for my old company, Winter, Wyman, as a recruiter (headhunter to most of us). I spent seven months in software engineering, where I had been successful before the twins, and just as things were getting a natural rhythm and a little easier, I took over the Software Professional Services and Technical Support Group. We skied a lot this year, primarily at Loon Mountain since we bought a condo in North Woodstock last September. Dan and I, being avid skiers, wanted to ensure the kids grow up doing our favorite sport as often as possible. Matthew and Jes-

Deaths: Terrence M. Weithers ’82, July 5, 2008, in Chicago, Ill., at 47.

Marriages: Scott Lainer ’87 to Vanessa Bhang in Stow, Mass.
sica are in second grade and Jake is in ninth." Claire hasn't seen Susan Wechsler Atkins since reunion, but they speak weekly and more. Susan’s oldest, Jeffrey, graduated from high school and is headed off to college. Jordan will enter 10th grade. She and husband Steve stay happily settled in Chicago, where she plays a lot of golf and volunteers in numerous activities in support of her family and friends. * Lila Duffy lives in Tucson, Ariz. Her dad passed away in February and she moved there to spend time with him while he was ill and to help her mom with his care. Lila works as director of development at St. Michael's Parish Day School, a co-Ed K-8 Episcopal school. She’s been there two years and enjoys academia after 12 years in the corporate world (MBNA, now Bank of America). She would love to hear from classmates at lila23@earthlink.net. * Matt Lewis left Lehman Brothers after 11 years, an early victim of the sub-prime mortgage crisis. He just passed his one-year anniversary on the asset-backed securities desk at SwissRe, also in midtown NYC. He has been racing in lots of duathlons (like a triathlon, but with two run segments) and has managed to get closer to his Colby weight. His twins, Omar and Kayla, are 8, and, “let’s just say my wife, Marie, is over 30.” Alison Brown or Karen Zufante Pabon, if you read this, e-mail Matt at matlew@optonline.net. * I was sorry to hear of Terry Wethers’ death July 5. I had recently written that Mark Hopkins saw him from time to time. Our thoughts go out to his family and friends. * That’s it from me this time. I’m still busy with my PR business and kids playing baseball, golf, and skiing. My Colby roommate and best friend, Cindy Kohler Bernstein, came to our summer cottage on Damariscotta Lake for lunch with her husband and son. —Nancy Briggs Marshall

84 Heather Nicol Rutherford still lives happily in England, although this summer they gave up the city life and moved permanently from London to the Cotswold countryside in Gloucestershire. She is busy with her three lively children (4, 6, and 8). She has given up her banking job and is pleased to have finally found some time to get involved in community charity work among other things. She sends all her best to everyone in the Class of 1984! * Headline: Augusta, Maine—The Board of Directors of the Children’s Center has named Jonathan Leach as its new executive director. The center is a nonprofit agency that serves more than 1,000 children and families in a nine-county region in central Maine. Jonathan has 20 years experience in human services, residential support, and job training and placement, according to the center. After 19 years in Washington and Pennsylvania, Jonathan came back to Maine in 2003. * Susan Palmer Stone wrote about being a mom to a 13-year-old girl and 16-year-old boy in this incredibly challenging time. She finds the job rewarding and complex, as it is work on the boards of the local League of Women Voters and New Canaan Public Library. One of her favorite undertakings these last few years has been interviewing students from her area for Colby. She finds it interesting to learn about the lives of the students who apply to Colby these days. Talk about busy and accomplished teens! Susan looks forward to seeing everyone at our next reunion. I hope everyone has marked their calendars for our 25th reunion next June. —Gynthia Malliken Lazzara

85 In answer to my query for published authors to identify themselves, Cicë Bevin Gordon wrote to say, “Okay, I haven’t written any books, but I’m doing my second sprint triathlon this coming weekend. My first was the Danskin tri last July. It was a ball and a great way to force myself to cross train. I’m not breaking any landspeed records, but finishing is my only goal, so far. We’ll see where it goes.” Cicë added that she and Katie Hollander Adams, Sue James Geremia, and Carrie Rymer Elliott still get together for dinner about once a month. They tell their husbands it’s a book club, but it’s an excuse to get together and drink wine. Evidently they haven’t discussed a book in years! Cicë and her family frequently run into Colby alums on the Maine ski racing circuit. Her 14-year-old and 8-year-old both ski race. In March Jim Polk, Tom Cushman, Steve Rowe ’83, and Cicë were at Sunday River for the same race! Cicë will lead our class fundraising efforts heading into the 25th reunion year. So she warns you’ll be hearing from her for the next few years, so give generously! Here’s a hint: if you donate right now, at the beginning of the fund drive year, you won’t get any annoying letters or phone calls all year long. How’s that for incentive? * Mike Muir lives in Waterville and he actually has written several books. His most recent is Tech-nology To Improve Learning: Strategies For Middle Level Leaders. Mike also has a book in the pipeline for publication on motivating underachieving students. Mike has also written But How Do I Use HyperStudio with Kids? Designing and Doing Curriculum-based Projects, Kindling the Fire: Integrating HyperCard into the Curriculum, and Fantastic Journey through Minds and Machines. * Meghan Casey, husband Chuck, and daughters Fallon, 14, Bridie, 12, and Anna, 8, live in Yarmouth, Maine. Meghan teaches Latin and philosophy at Yarmouth High School and St. Brigid School, Portland. Having recently built a summer house on Peaks Island, she looked forward to their first summer in residence. While on Peaks they plan to spend time with Carol Eisenberg and David Simpson ’86 and their three children. * Stephen Langlois and his wife and daughter had a great time in San Diego over April vacation. Spending a day with Sean Padgett and Ann-Meg White and their family at Legoland, they ran into Kathy Hughes Sullivan and her family. They finished the evening with six adults and seven kids over margaritas and pretty good Mexican food! * Shireen Shahawy continues to do freelance marketing communications for Maine-based companies, but voice work remains her passion. This tax season she voiced 40-plus three- to five-minute podcasts for H&R Block at www.digits.hrblock.com, which are posted on iTunes. Shireen says, “I said a lot of words, and learned a little bit about. The podcasts offered information and advice on typical tax questions and savings tips. It was a boot voice and producing them here in Maine and learning that the site had one million plus unique visitors. May not be national in the way I would have expected back at in 1985, but national all the same.” * Paul Doyle recently clinched Connecticut’s 9th District’s Democratic nomination in a bid to retain his seat at the Capitol. In the nominating speech Paul was credited for his “energy, educational background, professional experience, exemplary governmental credentials, his delivery of services and funds to his district, and more importantly his vision for the future of his district.” Paul has served in politics since his 1991 election to the Wethersfield Town Council. In 1994 he was elected to the Connecticut House of Representatives. After 12 years in the House, Paul won a Senate seat. Paul’s wife, Diane, is deputy finance director for Middletown. They’ve been married eight years. * Christine Petersen Wells was recently appointed chief marketing officer at TripAdvisor, the world’s largest travel community. Christine joined the company in 2004 and has overseen tremendous growth of brand recognition, site traffic, revenue, content, and membership. Christine earned her M.B.A at Columbia and held senior marketing positions with Charles Schwab & Co., American Express, and Fidelity Investments. * Thanks for sending all of your news. —Gretchen Bean Bergill

86 Hot off the presses. Houston’s Business Wire reports that John Rafferty was appointed vice president of antiqity marketing at AIG American General. In this newly created position, he is responsible for organizing the marketing strategies and direction for the retail and group annuity business segments. * Teacher and new student Caroline Nelson Kris teaches a special education class for children with autism and other special needs in San Ramon, Calif. This fall she went back to school herself at St. Mary’s College to earn a master’s in education. She reports the kids are growing up fast: son Cory is 16 and driving; daughter Casey turned 13. She and Tim just celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary! * Another teacher, Heather Frasier Chabot, finished her ninth year teaching psychology at New England College in Henniker, N.H. She lives in Campton, N.H., with husband Chris ’83 and kids Delaney, 11, Andrew, 8, and Sierra, 2. Heather looked forward to a summer highlight: their family’s annual lake visit to see Isabel Wells and her husband and triplet girls. * When busy Leslie Greenslet Perry was on her way to help run the Academy of Achievement in Kona, Hawaii, she made time to spend a day catching up with Gretchen Bean Lurie at her home in Pasadena, Calif. Gretchen did some traveling herself last spring—to London and Paris with her husband and two teens. Next up: the college campus tours for Hunter, 17 1/2, and Paige, 16. * Gretchen—you and Jessica Flood Leitz need to get together. Jessica’s son, Keegan, is a senior in high school and they want to come to Pasadena to check out Caltech and USC. Jessica’s “baby,” Duncan, is heading to middle school, and Nils is off to high school. Jessica works as an SEO copywriter for a national travel company and reports that Amy
For Tina Constable ’87, there’s no such thing as an ordinary day on the job. As publisher of Crown Publishing Group, she’s had days that entailed having breakfast with former Federal Reserve chairman (and author) Alan Greenspan followed by lunch with Jersey rocker turned writer Jon Bon Jovi. “I get paid to read and work with authors—what’s not to love?” asked Constable, who has worked with the likes of Barack Obama, Martha Stewart, Erik Larson, Deepak Chopra, Suze Orman, Suzanne Somers, and Jonathan Kozol, to name just a few.

Constable has found her calling at Crown, but as so many grads know, the road to professional happiness isn’t always easy. When she first graduated from Colby, her love of Maine led her to pursue job opportunities in Portland. When none materialized, she decided to take a small break from the job search and set out on a cross-country adventure with two close friends from high school. “It was the trip of a lifetime, lots of camping and hiking and bonding,” said Constable. “It gave me a lot of time to reflect and think about my future. And I realized I needed to find a job that didn’t just pay the rent.”

She had always been an avid reader; book publishing seemed like a logical next step. The open road eventually led to the crowded streets of New York, home of the book industry. She answered an ad in the New York Times for an entry-level publishing position and headed to the employment agency. “I failed the typing test,” she admitted with a laugh. “But they sent me to the Crown Publishing Group anyway, where I interviewed for an assistant spot in the publicity department. I wrote a press release about myself, got the job, and have been at Crown ever since” in a variety of roles.

In her time at the company, she’s crafted public relations campaigns, worked with authors, and become part of the management team as well as a corporate spokesperson. She’s also seen the company change dramatically, from a family-run company to an acquisition by Random House and then Bertelsmann AG, the German media company. And then there are the changes in the industry itself. “We’re clearly at a crossroads as we move into the digital arena,” she said. “E-books and digital downloads are starting to gain market share but have yet to significantly impact our traditional business. The printed book isn’t going away any time soon, and the mature hardcover reader is still very much alive and well. But we’re dealing with a distracted, busy consumer base—and the challenge is discovering younger readers. I think there are enormous opportunities for us in the years ahead.”

—Mackenzie Dawson ’99

Barnes Hurley is doing the same thing. If anyone is planning a vacation, they might have an inside scoop! Andy Docherty has done plenty of traveling since leaving Colby, mostly thanks to the U.S. Navy. Recently Andy finished an extremely rewarding tour as commanding officer of VT-6 (a fixed-wing primary-flight training squadron in Pensacola, Fla.), where he taught flight and leadership skills to young Navy, Marine, Coast Guard, and Allied officers. After a year as a student at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF) in Washington, D.C., he moved to Norfolk, Va., where he’s currently stationed onboard USS Iwo Jima (LHD-7) as executive officer. He deployed in August for seven months on the Iwo Jima, which is an amphibious assault ship with a crew of about 1,100 and which, when deployed, embarks about 1,300 Marines, 30 helicopters and jets, and a wide variety of tanks, trucks, and equipment. Andy and wife Donna have been married for 17 years and have three kids: Connor, 15, London, 13, and Brooke, 11. * So many teens and pre-teens out there. I guess Chris and I will be calling you for advice in a few years. For the moment, we’re enjoying life as parents of a precocious 5-year-old boy. (“So Mama, tell me, I understand blueberries and blackberries, but why are these called strawberries? Straw isn’t red.”) If you have an answer to that one or some news to share, e-mail me at classnews1986@alum.colby.edu. Keep the news coming! —Henrietta “Hank” Yelle

87 Hello, coolest class in this magazine. Or any magazine, especially those in the Ivy league that rhyme with Narvard. I hope you had a wonderful summer filled with yummy ice cream, soothing sunshine, and untold lottery winnings. Or at least two out of three. * After speaking with a kind and concerned Tim O’Donnell, I wanted to put in one more quick note for Paul Mooney. Though I wasn’t acquainted well with him at school, I know he is a good person and that his life is tough. He had a double lung transplant, which is twice as many as most of us have had. Contrary to popular opinion, those aren’t cheap. We shared four years on the same campus. Let’s share a bit more, okay? www.clamshellmuni.org. * And on we go. Todd Bishop and his husband, Greg, are celebrating their fourth wedding anniversary after 19 years together. By comparison,
Pamela Anderson was married 14 times in that same span. * According to a recent article in the *Manchester Union Leader*: “Ernest ‘EF’ Perry is a volleyball coach who happens to teach a little basketball on the side. That’s the running joke among Perry’s four brothers, whose days of needling the Salem coach are running out. Spaulding of Rochester is the only team to beat Salem the past two seasons, and nobody has ever tipped Perry’s Blue Devils on the volleyball court, a streak of 74 matches and four straight titles. On the sideline, Perry is like a 43-year-old player in a pinstripe suit, often jumping, kneeling, or falling to the floor in the game’s tightest moments. (Yikes. Are we 43 already?) Perry lives in Andover, Mass., but claims dual citizenship as a part-time resident of New Hampshire.” More than anything, I remember a modest and frighteningly skilled E.J. dribbling the ball upcourt and scoring more than 1,000 points in his illustrious Colby career. * In November 2007 Brad Fay made his second run for the local Montgomery (N.J.) Township Committee and won. In January, he was chosen by his colleagues to serve as deputy mayor. (Can a scandal and lengthy prison term be far behind?) * Finally, though hardly as impressive, Gregory R. Ciottone is merely an assistant professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School, where he currently is the chair of the Disaster Medicine Section. He also serves as director of the Division of Disaster Medicine at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, where he works clinically in the Department of Emergency Medicine. He is a nationally and internationally known expert in emergency management, including 10 years as a flight physician for a LifeFlight rescue helicopter system. In 2007 he was named EMS Physician of the Year by Central Massachusetts EMS. Dr. Ciottone led this level-1 federal disaster response team on numerous deployments, the most notable of which was the World Trade Center response on Sept. 11, 2001, where his team treated 400 casualties per day in five field stations. Dr. Ciottone won an Official Citation from the Massachusetts Senate for his work at Ground Zero. He is a founding member of the United States Department of Homeland Security, served as a Disaster Management Fellowship Director for the International Atomic Energy Agency and as the Medical Director for the Tactical EMS Training Program for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA Academy) in Quantico, and is a consultant to the federal project “ER-One” in Washington D.C., creating the disaster-ready hospital of the future. Okay, sure, but I hear he’s a cruddy tennis player. * I always try to make these entries the maximum 650 words, and since only a small number of people wrote this quarter, I am using this meaningless paragraph to fill space. I could write about anything: my massive and rippling physique, revolutionary work in astrophysics, or simply a thank you to Mary Tyler Moore for her excellent 1970s sitcom. Eleven words to go. Now seven. Thank you for reading. Repeat, thank you. —Scott Lainer

89 Bill Kupinse was named the first-ever Poet Laureate of Tacoma, Wash. Bill teaches English at the University of Puget Sound. * Mickey Beck, Chris Myers, Andrew Richter ’90, and Prof. David Mills ’57 reunited in Cumberland, Maine, in April for a nine-hour bridge marathon. Professor Mills introduced the group to bridge in 1985 and they have continued playing over the last 23 years. * Getting married wasn’t enough excitement for Andrew Ian Dodge last year. He was diagnosed with colon cancer in November and is finishing up chemo. He and his bride celebrated their anniversary by releasing an EP of songs they wrote for each other. I have the link if you want to check it out. * Eric Hanson lives in Craftsbury, Vt., where he takes care of Vermont’s common loon population in the summer and cross-country ski trails in the winter. He and his wife have a son, Anders, 10. Eric keeps in touch with Jake Ulick, who lives in Hong Kong, and he skis against Marc Gilbertson ’91, who teaches middle school. * Tom Cahill and Laura Thornton Pellegrino met up in London to celebrate the release of Tom’s wife’s guidebook, *Patisseries of Paris*, available online. * John “Johnny P” Reynolds sent pictures of his cute baby, Kalyan “Kal” James Reynolds, born May 30. John continues to write and perform on *The Late Late Show* with Craig Ferguson. * Matt Burke was the artist in residence in July in Salina, Kansas, where he and middle school and high school students created a five-foot high, 77-foot long woven wood snake sculpture. The article in the *Salina Journal* has photos of the snake and of some of Matt’s other very cool sculptures; let me know if you want the link. * I wish I could copy the entire e-mail that I received from my freshman-year Butler-basement neighbor John Beaulieu. It’s nice to know that some things don’t change—John is as hilarious as ever. I’ll leave you with the final paragraph of John’s e-mail: “A long time has passed since I graduated from Colby. I thank my education for all that I have achieved in life. I have been lucky enough to have almost graduated from my secondary studies at a renowned clown college in Boise, Idaho. My two-week experiment as a male stripper was enjoyable; however it had to end when I soon realized that there is no room for this type of street performing in the small towns of the Bible belt. I soon hope to find a wife and adopt a small monkey. According to the Web site I’ve used to do my research, I should be able to get both wife and monkey within six weeks pending the proper vaccinations.” * Keep those crazy e-mails coming! —Anita Terry

90 Bill ’89 and I just finished our first year working at Berkshire School in Sheffield, Mass., where we joined Bill ’91 and Nannie Brown Clough. It was an exciting year and we look forward to this fall. I recently went to Bermuda with Kaki Martin, who has started her own landscape architecture firm and is teaching at Harvard Graduate School and RISD. We sometimes see John ’88 and Kristen Hock Davie at Stratton skiing with their two girls. * I heard from Matt Ovios, who wrote, “I’m still in the Navy as a commander and I recently transferred from a job at the Pentagon. In February my wife, Carol, and I drove across country from Alexandria, Va., to a new home in Mukilteo, Wash., 25 miles north of Seattle. After moving in, I flew to Cyprus and took command of USS Ingraham (FFG 61), an Oliver Hazard Perry class frigate. From there I brought the ship back to her homeport of Everett, Wash., with stops in Djibouti, Thailand, Saipan, Hawaii, and San Diego. I’m excited to be the ship’s captain and very proud of the crew’s performance while deployed to the Arabian Gulf and Pacific. The ship will be in port for a bit, so Carol and I are taking some time to get to know the Pacific Northwest. Just prior to leaving Washington, literally ran into Chip Smith ’91 while running along the Potomac. I also caught up with Bob Lian at a Colby event.” —Frédéric and Carrie Linn Arnaud welcomed their third daughter, Lilly Lucas Arnaud, on Valentine’s Day 2008. Big sisters Alexandra and Chloé are thrilled that they have someone new to love and tease! * Scituate, Mass., Democratic Town Councilman Michael Marcello is again a candidate for the House District 41 seat. Marcello had been the lone Democrat on the town council for most of the eight years he served. He is a partner at Morrison Mahoney LLP in Providence. * Rob ’91 and Merrie Post Gramlich are busy in D.C. with their four kids and dog. Merrie is at home with team 1 (ages 12 and 10) and team 2 (ages 3 and 1) while Rob is the policy director for the American Wind Energy Association and the kids’ soccer coach. They are in touch with Lydia Baldwin, Pete Weinberg ’91, and Matt Cohen ’91, who all live in Colorado, and see Ed McCabe around D.C. Rob also recently ran into Shauna Blanchard ’91 at the pool. * Dan Spurgin married Angie Walieze in a community theater June 8. After an opening skit, Angie marched in to the theme from *Star Wars*. They did a reading from *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory* (the part where the elevator breaks through the glass ceiling). John Robbins, Doug Hall, Tom Sherry, Sterling Keene ’91, and Jon and Nori Sterling Gale shared in the weekend. —Barbara “BeBe” Clark Bullock

92 Tabby Biddle started an eco-yoga clothing line, Lotus Blossom Style, based in Santa Monica, Calif. She sells in yoga studios, spas, and boutiques nationwide. Dakota Glenn Smith, Lisa Black Avolio, Helen Hopkins Kellogg, and Kim Merriman ’91 sport the gear; Dakota and her children model for the company. Check it out at www.lotusblossomstyle.com. * Dana Mackin Pilchik is amazed at how many Colby graduates live in Portland, Ore. She’s lived there for three years, works as a psychotherapist (mostly treating violent meth addicts—fun!), and began a doctoral program in clinical psychology this fall. In April she married Evan Pilchik (SUNY Plattsburgh ’89) in Aruba. “Jennie Holman, where were you?” Evan is a professional photographer who shoots marathons, 10Ks, and local society events. On top of a full-time job and studies, Dana also trains for the Portland marathon. * Josh Reynolds writes that for the last seven years his wife, Sarah (Bramhall), has been a full-time mom but is returning to
her nonprofit management career. After establishing herself in Portland as a fundraising pro, she now gets to help give the dollars away as executive director for the Stimson Miller Foundation, a part-time position that’s ideal as a transition back to work. They live happily in southeast Portland with their boys, Owen, 7, and Elliott, 4. Last year they bought a rustic cabin on Mt. Hood as a weekend retreat, which has largely taken the form of major R&M projects. Their kids might never learn the area trails, but they’ll know how to paint and hammer.  

Scott Alpin married Anneliesa Clump in Washington, D.C., May 2, 2008. The couple rode the subway from the synagogue to the reception during Friday rush hour in wedding gown and tux with about 150 guests in tow. The Washington Post got wind of the “commute” and sent a photographer.

The next morning a picture of the happy couple rising out of the Dupont Circle station on an escalator was on the front page, above the fold, with a full story inside entitled “Metro-monial Bliss.” Attending were Josh and Sarah Bramhall Reynolds, Mike Gerard, Sarah Poriss and her fiancé, Paul, Lisa and Scott Greenfield ’93, and Scott Abrams ’93 and his fiancée, Fabiana. Check out www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2008/05/02/AR2008050203812.html.  

Aimee (Flores ’95) and Cal Wheaten celebrated the arrival of their third daughter, Denison Grace Wheaton, May 6, 2008. Sisters Serena, 4, and Isabel, 2, adopted Denison as “their baby” and informed Aimee that she can have another baby if she wants one of her own. Serena looked forward to a visit in late June from her godfather Uncle Mark (Mark Mellyn) and his new wife, Echo. Serena had her LAX sticks out for a one-on-one challenge with Uncle Mark.  


Cecily von Ziegesar has a new novel for adults, Cam Luade, set on a college campus much like Colby, to be published by Hyperion in fall 2009.  

Andrew Barnett lives in Chattanooga, Tenn., with his wife, Liza Blair, whom he met in 1998. He’s a second grade teacher (nine years and counting), and the director of a summer guitar camp for children ages 8-14. He occasionally hears from Pika Ghosh and Margaret RussellEWalt and keeps in touch with Emily Dahmen ’93 and Jason Reifler ’95.  

Congratulations to Heather Ferguson, who married Gus Coldebella (Colgate ’91) April 26, 2008. In attendance were Charles and Chantal Begin Mihm, who live in Sidney, Maine, with their girls, Sophie and Audrey. Heather lives in Washington, D.C., and works as a consulting genetic counselor for a new company, Informed Medical Decisions, which provides phone genetic counseling to individuals with hereditary cancer.  

Congratulations on the birth of yet another Colby student, Holly, born May 7, 2008, to Chris and Marie DiBenedettoRiddell.  

Sarah and Jason Eslick are the proud parents of James McFarlan Eslick, born May 27, 2008. Mom and baby are doing well. Jason sent a picture, which, sadly, none of you can see. Trust me, James is a cutie.  

Keep the news coming.  

—Karen Wu

93 Naomi Pestana married Alessandro Laiolo (from Turin, Italy) in Mombercelli, Italy, June 22, 2008. They honeymooned in Corsica, France, and live in Franklin Lakes, N.J. Naomi works as the chief assignment editor for the Spanish-language television network, Univision WXTV New York.  

Siobhan McCloseky graduated from Vermont Law School in May and studied for the Massachusetts Bar in Vermont this summer with several friends.  

Paul and Brandy Shafter Chapman have been busy with their twin boys, Brandon and P.J., who arrived healthy April 4. They join big sister Connie, 5.  

Janine Deforge Olson enjoyed Reunion Weekend this year and the chance to reconnect with classmates. Her funniest moment was seeing her classmates outside of Averill playing beer die on Saturday afternoon. Some things never change! Her kids, ages 11, 9, 2, and 9 months, had a wonderful time. The older two were so enamored with Colby that they are promising to be future students.  

94 I’m writing from my parents’ home in Stow, Mass., just back from picking berries and making jam with my mom in the midst of a late-June humid front. I forget how big my hair can get in this climate!  

Pierson Bourquin continues to be a large account manager for Verizon and purchased a home in San Francisco with his partner of three years, Rob. The two adopted a nine-year-old cocker spaniel from the pound. Rob and Pierson spend much of their week-ends hiking and biking. Pierson was happy to discover, while training and fundraising for the Tour de Cure (for diabetes research), that Tracey Bishop ’90 was equally passionate towards the cause. Check out www.pierson.smugmug.com.  

Lori CohenSheriff reports that after running five Boston Marathons (she rocks) for Dana Farber that she began training for the 2009 bike ride, the Pan Mass Challenge, which she will do with her mom and sister-in-law in honor of her dad, Bana Cohen ’62, who passed away in 2004. She looks forward to bringing her sons—Adam, 7, Jacob, 5, Matthew, 2—to Colby for reunion next summer. She reports Josette Huntress Holland is pregnant, expecting a girl (after two boys), and due the same day as Jay Hartshorn, who is pregnant with her first child and is still coaching at Bates. Also, TJ Winick got married at the end of June.  

Brian Seidman and his wife recently bought a house in Portland, Ore., that they are remodeling. Brian celebrated a recent promotion to VP of product management, agriculture, and biofuel markets, at Triple Point Technology, where he’s been for more than four years. He wrote that Ted Gulley shot a hole in one in June and that Brian and his wife were heading in late June to the Camden, Maine, wedding of Tori Esser.  

Andie Sulak and her husband moved from Lake Tahoe, Calif., to Edwards, Colo., (near Vail). If anyone is in the neighborhood give her a shout!  

Sara Ferry Gyan is excited to see folks at reunion. Can you believe it’s been almost 15 years?!  

Writing from Alberta, Canada, Caleb Winder was looking at oil sands. He and wife Phoebe celebrated the birth of their son, Charles Sears, June 21.  

Hardin and Jenn Payne Gray moved to Stonington, Conn., in late 2007 and enjoy coastalliving. Their son, Campbell, turned 3 in January and their daughter, Avery, was born in April 2008. Hardin works as a freelance multimedia programmer and Jenn practices dermatology.  

JB Blau and his wife, Heidi, celebrated the first birthday of their daughter, Piper Elizabeth, March 1 and also opened their second restaurant/bar, Sharky’s Cantina, in Edgartown on Martha’s Vineyard in May. I hear it’s got all the Colby football, lacrosse, and woodsmen’s games on the big screen! Go Mules!  

Jen Hurdboughted a house in Melrose, Mass., last spring with her boyfriend and has been painting and settling ever since. After a stint in real estate, Jen is returning to the world of IT at the software company she joined after graduation.  

Bruce and Meredith Gregory Ksander welcomed son Kyle Gregory Feb. 8. Kyle joins his three step-brothers, James, Michael, and John, and step-sister, Grace. Meredith still works at Harvard Medical School in ophthalmology.  

Marina Netto Grande Campos and her husband, Rafael Campos, just returned from a one-week trip to Egypt, where they took a cruise down the Nile and hung in Cairo. Marina works in the telecommunications industry association of Brazil and often travels to Brasilia and Rio de Janeiro for business and to see family. This year they saw for the first time the carnival parades in Rio. Marina confirms they are amazing.  

Jeff Carter is on the faculty at the University of Colorado Medical School and was headed (late June) for British Columbia for a seven-day mountain bike stage race with Tyler Merritt ’93. He wrote that Matt McGowan was soon to marry. Greg and Katherine Bordwell Flenniken welcomed son Liam Spencer Feb. 20. She recently saw Heather Boothe, who enjoys her job as a park ranger in Colorado. She’s also in frequent communication with Katrina Greenfield Hanevelt, who lives in Victoria, B.C., and enjoys motherhood with her 16-month-old son, Willen.  

Carie King shares that her 11-year-old daughter, Caitlyn, was heading to the Big Apple to live with dad David Nicholson. She welcomes any and all traveling ’94ers to stop and see her in beautiful Santa Fe, N.M.  

Brad Pattershall recently became a partner in the law firm Petrucci, Martin & Haddow LLP in Portland, Maine. Brad and his wife, Sharon, welcomed Sofia Mairi into the world in August 2007.  

Ray and Alyssa Schwenk Adams welcomed Andrew
Erin is and Jeffrey, and and Gregory, lives in Madison, N.utterbank. His has the same doctors as Ted Kennedy and we’re hopeful that means much research and money is coming to Boston to help extend the lives of both Teds. Much of what I report in this column surrounds promotions and births and successful finishes of races, but something like the death of a parent or loved one is big earth-shattering news too. For those of you who have gone through it, it ain’t no fun—you are courageous people.  

---Jesse Newman

95 JoshBurker is the lower school director of academic technology at Greens Farms Academy in Connecticut, where he moved with his wife, Meghan Scheck ’97. * Jennifer Rock Dobkowski has lived in Burbank, Calif., for the past four years to support her husband, Jim, with his screenwriting. Jennifer works in financial services and still plays cello with a couple of groups in the area. Jennifer and Jim plan to spend five weeks on the East Coast to visit friends and family, including Jenn (Payne ’94) and Hardin Gray ’94 and their two little ones. * Bill Driscoll invited Toby True and Cindy Kelley ’96 to his house to watch his three kids play on the Slip ‘n Slide. * Alice Tilson Koehler lives in Madison, Wis., working as a brand manager of new products for Kraft. She and her husband have a 2-year-old son and are expecting a daughter this fall. * Conrad ’96 and Jen Benwood Saam’s daughter, Scarlett, turned 1 in May. Their son, Lars, is 2 1/2. Conrad works for Avvo, a Web site for people seeking legal advice, and Jen is a surgical podiatrist in Bellevue, Wash. Jen was in Hawaii in March to attend Michelle Wyemura and Gregory Parker’s “absolutely beautiful” wedding in Kauai. Michelle’s bridesmaids included Michelle Gredna, Alyson Angino Germain, Kathy Christy Schultz, and Alisa Masson. Andy Vernon also attended. * Erin Vogel’s research on orangutans in Indonesia was recently featured on the Animal Planet program Raw Nature. Erin is a research associate and lecturer at the University of California, Santa Cruz. * Steve and Cristina Harris Feherty and their kids, Connor and Regan, moved to a suburb of Orlando, Fla. “We love the warm weather and laid-back lifestyle, and the kids are loving the annual passes to Disney!” writes Cristina, who works from home for Westlaw as the manager of education and training for their sales reps. * Lauren Pelz Kearney gave birth to Grace Elizabeth Kearney April 22. Grace joins big sister Emma, 2. * After living within a short walk of Ben ’96 and Jenny Anderson Freeman ’96 for the last two years without knowing it, John Dunbar’s wife, Sara, ran into Jenny at The Putney School, where Ben is the dean of students. Ben and Jenny’s children, Chip and Sage, met up this spring with John and Sara’s children, Keagan, 8, and Andrew, 16 months. John teaches a sales training program to contractors in the home improvement industry; check out www.contractors.net. * Kaatje van der Hooven Kraft is a tenured professor of geology at Mesa Community College and works with local schoolteachers for professional development. She will be on sabbatical next year researching student motivations in the geosciences and looks forward to more freedom in her everyday schedule. * In March leo Patterson Irving Zawacki was born to Jonathan and Lane Schuck Zawacki. Leo joins big sister Amelia, 3. * Jen Ancker was nominated as one of Institutional Investor’s 2008 Rising Stars of Hedge Funds. She is an executive director at Graham Capital Management in Conn. “I would be more than happy to speak with Colby grads/students about my experiences in the hedge fund industry if they have interest,” writes Jen. * Cal ’92 and Aimee Flores Wheaton are overjoyed to announce the arrival of their third daughter, Denison Grace Wheaton, born May 6, 2008. She joins older sisters Serena, 4, and Isabel, 2. “Quite the house of girls right now—lots of dancing in Baltimore,” writes Aimee. She took the summer off but returned to work in September as a hospitalist. * Jon Bowden wrote, directed, and produced The Fall Picture, a full-length feature film that premiered at the Rhode Island International Film Festival in August. Check out www.thefullpicturemovie.com. —Yuhgo Yamaguchi
and spent almost seven years working on, revamping every room and every surface inside and out. * Meg Scheck and her husband, Josh Burker ’95, live in Seattle. She writes, “I’m in my ninth year teaching American literature at Renton High School, and Josh is also in education—he’s a technology specialist with the Mercer Island Schools. Recently, to celebrate Josh’s birthday (and the death of the last bowling alley in Seattle), we had a bowling alley party. Jed Dunkerley ’95 showed up too late to bowl, but ate all the leftover pizza and cake. This February we visited Karin Kidder and her husband, Marco, at their home in London. We spent a great week with them, back in one of our favorite places. Last summer while visiting my parents in Maine, we got in quality time with Marah Smith Atwell, her husband Zach, and daughter, Alana. We also met up with Charlie Bassett (who officiated our wedding) for a tour of the campus and the many new construction projects. We also hugely enjoyed Monopoly by Mike Daisey ’96, which we caught in Seattle on his last tour. Mike is brilliant and his show is terrific. So I recommend you catch him when he comes to a theater near you!” —Leaft Tortola Walton

**98** It was wonderful seeing everyone and catching up at reunion. I hope you enjoyed it as much as we did, and for those who weren’t able to make it, we’ll see you in 2013! Also I apologize for not submitting a column to the summer magazine. I know how much you all look forward to reading it.  
* Kevin Zimmerman Thurston works as director of special projects for the Maine State Treasurer and helps out on the Obama campaign in Maine and N.H. * Congratulations to Eric and Kari Christensen Anderson, who welcomed a girl, Clara, Jan. 15.  
* Keith Phifer married Molly, a law school classmate, in October 2007 on the Cape. Attending were Eben Peck, Paul Coffey, Laura Blythe ’00 and Nick Wright, Andy Weinstein, and Doug Jocelyn ’97. Keith works at a firm in Braintree, Mass. * Katherine Conkin married Mark Giriello in June. Katherine works as an executive development program consultant for Mass Mutual Financial Group in Springfield, Mass., and her husband is a consultant for the ERM Group in Hartford, Conn. * Andrew Whitemore Littell was honored by his company for being the most sharply dressed employee and was awarded a weekend kayaking in the Everglades. * Chris and Tina Goudreau Collison had their second son, Luke James Collison, Aug. 18, 2008. His brother, Andrew, is very proud and is a big, big brother. They recently spent time visiting family in London. * Kate Dunlop Seaman was sorry she couldn’t attend reunion. She left her position as editor of *Teen Ink* magazine after eight years for an opportunity in college communications at Colby-Sawyer in her hometown of New London, N.H. She recently went on a five-week group study exchange program in Australia. She and her husband, Michael, celebrated their ninth anniversary in May. Their horse is fat and happy and there are 13 chucks drafting their first experimental flock. * Congratulations to Chris Coakley, who married Elizabeth Martin May 3 at Washington, D.C. Wedding party members included Gerald Coakley ’95, Jesse Carlson, Charlie Costanzo, and Eben Peck. Also attending: Brian Coakley ’82, Paul Coffey, Lizzy Ivry Cooper, Kelly Falsani ’01, Ryan Hambleton ’99, Drew Minkiewicz ’96, and Jennifer Rose. Chris and Liz enjoyed a terrific honeymoon in Fiji and live in D.C., where Chris is vice president of the Atlantic region for American Waterways Operators and Elizabeth is a lawyer at McKee Nelson LLP. * Chris and Kristina Smith Gates had a baby boy, Soren Christopher Gates, Feb. 11, 2008. * Alyssa Hughes graduated from Cornell Veterinary School and works as a shelter veterinarian doing subsidized spay/neuter in central New York. * After several years in Boston, Emily Record Lane and her husband moved back to Freeport, Maine. Emily will continue to work from home for Bain & Company. * Jenna DeSimone McLaughlin wasn’t able to attend reunion but went last year with husband Dave ’97, so she got sense of the event. She works as an elementary school adjustment counselor in Brockton, Mass., and loves it. They had their second child, Ryan, in March 2008. He also works at the same company.* Robert Carroll Goode graduated from St. John’s University Law School in 2006 and works as a labor and employment lawyer at Seyfarth Shaw in N.Y. She and her husband, Steven, had their first baby in January 2008, a daughter, Juliana Cornelia. They left NYC in April and moved to Westchester and hope to sail on the sound this summer. * Emily Taxson Meadows wasn’t able to attend reunion, but she and husband Mark had a great excuse—a baby boy, Finley Thomas Meadows, born April 13, 2008. * It was great catching up with you all and I look forward to hearing more good news soon! —Brian Gill

**99** Hey classmates! I hope you’re all planning to make it to our 10th reunion in June! No excuses—be there. Meantime, some good things are going on with our classmates. * Dave Black married Brooke Morin on Lake Sunapee, N.H., in June, and they bought a house in East Norwalk. Joe Whalen was at Dave’s bachelor party in the Bahamas. * Heather Hunter Rooney is finishing her Ph.D. in clinical child psychology at University of Kansas and will complete her predoctoral internship at Brown University Medical School/Hasbro Children’s Hospital with an emphasis on pediatric psychology and HIV prevention. She and husband Matthew moved to Providence this summer. * Amy Rowe was engaged to Pierre Far in January, followed by an engagement ceremony in Amman, Jordan, (Pierre’s hometown) in May. They plan a wedding in England and reception in Vermont (Amy’s home state) in 2009. They met as Gates Scholars at Cambridge University in 2004. Pierre completed his Ph.D.
in genetics in 2006 and Amy expects to submit her Ph.D. dissertation (in anthropology) soon and have her oral defense in autumn. Amy would be happy to hear from alumni passing through the London/Cambridge area. * While visiting Yellowstone with her husband, Arman Kline '00, and Skip Newberry '00 and his wife, Olivia Zirker, Jennifer Lavigne Kline ran into Kevin and Krista Brown Ward as everyone was staying at the same lodge. The last time Jennifer and Krista saw each other was October 2007 when Jennifer was in San Francisco to run a marathon. * Amy Piaseczny McGee completed a degree in veterinary medicine in California and accepted a chief of staff position with USAID on a land tenure/conflict diamond project in the Central African Republic. * Melissa Knight married Michael DuBois in Marblehead, Mass., April 26. Amie Joseph '98 attended. * Matt Williams and his wife, Janet, enjoy their new home in Dover, Mass., with their baby girl, Caroline, born May 8. * Matt Lundquist was featured in a Time Out New York article on finding a therapist (“Shrink Rap,” January 24-30, 2008). Matt is psychotherapist and director of the Social Therapy Group, a practice with offices in Manhattan and Brooklyn, and director of a new spin-off venture, the Learning Stage, helping kids and adults with learning difficulties. * Lee Minton is now at Och-Ziff Capital Management in Manhattan, and his wife, Jana, expected their second child this August; they were moving from Hoboken to Maplewood. * Shannon Landauer works in D.C. for the Brookings Institution and plans a July 2009 wedding with her fiancé, Paul. * Leanna Hush O'Donnell was married in September 2007 and recently bought a house in northern Virginia with her husband, Billy. * Katie White moved to Washington, D.C., and works for Defenders of Wildlife. * Eric and Amy Erdmann Sholk bought a house in the Boston area and are expecting their second child. * Jessica Banos Burton is expecting her second child with husband Dan. * Laura D'Affilippo Weierman is a prosecutor in Massachusetts and had a son, Jack, last October. * Ben and Delphine Burke Liston moved from Boston to Guatemala. Delphine works on women's health issues and Ben is learning Spanish. * After receiving her Ph.D., Julie Simpson works at a Vermont-based biotech company where she gives training and informational seminars to international and domestic neuroscientists. * In February Jessica Williamson received her Ph.D. in molecular biophysics and biochemistry from Yale. She is a postdoctoral research fellow at Harvard Medical School. Jess lives with her boyfriend, Adrian, a classmate at Yale. * Anna Thompson Ward is heading into her third year as a pediatrician at an IHS hospital on the Navajo reservation in Arizona. She has two girls, Grace, 3, and Maggie, 1. They will head to LA next year for husband Peter's fellowship at UC LA. * Kelly Williams Ramot welcomed her second child, another boy, in March. A month after Raphael's birth, she and her family relocated from the San Francisco Bay Area to New York City, where they have already been visited by Crystal Brakke, Sarah Hewins, and Rachel Reider. Kelly enjoyed her short stint as a stay-at-home mom, but went back to the nonprofit field and continues working towards her master's in nonprofit management. * Chelsea Palmer Nolan and her husband celebrated their five-year wedding anniversary this May as assn Myles's first birthday. They are busy running after him and moving into their new home in Norwich, Vt. Chelsea is self-employed, doing massage therapy. * Noah Chung is still with his family business at KCC Corporation in Korea. Noah got married July 4 to Sung-Min Kim, who studies journalism at Ewha University in Seoul. * Jesse and Sandra Dubarry Laflamme expected their first child, a girl, in August. They were busy renovating their farmhouse to get ready. * Becky Pollard moved back to Maine (after nine years) to work as communications director for the Maine Democratic Party's campaign arm in Portland. She loves being home again. * Oliver Griswold is in Washington and just celebrated two great years of marriage to his wife, Ellen. Oliver writes ads at GMMB, the agency that represents Barack Obama, and he's enjoying the best year for political junkies in a long, long time. * Courtney Smith married Daniel Eisenberg July 5 at Sebasco Estates in Maine. Her matron of honor was Chrissy Barnett Miller. Becca Kita '00 and Jen Lavigne Kline were bridesmaids. Lisa Berry Engler and Katie White came to celebrate. Courtney and her husband bought a house in Boxwood, Mass. Courtney continues to teach high school English and coach. * Keep the updates coming! —Lindsay Hayes

00 Abigail Campbell married Brewer Rowe Jan., 5, 2008, at Rosecliff Mansion in Newport, R.I. Classmates attending included Sarah Hubbell Hoff, Chloë Chittick, Emily Young Williams, Jen Kassakian, Lauren Borchardt, Dana Turpie, and Christie Beveridge. Abby and Brewer reside in Newport, where Abby is pursuing a career in nursing. * Sarah Hubbell and Jeremy Hoff were married Aug. 11, 2007, in Grand Isle, Vt. * Lisa Gordon ran the Boston Marathon, raising money for the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition and achieved her fundraising goal as well as her goal of beating Katie Holmes's New York marathon time! * Karen Hoch was married June 30, 2007 to Jeffrey L. Jew at The Buffalo Club in Buffalo, N.Y. * Abbey is now at Och-Ziff Capital Management and plans to promote peace, tolerance, and understanding through education and cultural exchange. * David '98 and Lehanne Mansfield Fenton had a daughter, Liesl Mac Fenton, May 1. Lehanne saw Laurel Genetti Kemp and Miranda Eberle Freeman at her baby shower in April. * Heidi Roy Miller graduated from University of Southern Maine in May 2008 and became a family nurse practitioner. She currently works at Cardiovascular Consultants of Maine. * Cipperly Good lives on Cape Cod and this summer opened her first major exhibit as curator of the Falmouth Museums on the Green. * Annalise Blech Rivas moved to Hermosillo, Mexico, in July with her husband as part of the foreign service. * Ted '97 and Erin Roberts Keyser welcomed their first child, Henry Edward Keyser, June 10. * After working for Bank of America in Connecticut for more than two years, Dave Famiglietti decided it was time for a change of scenery and moved to Boston, where he works for the bank in treasury management services. He loves Boston. Plus it puts him closer to his beautiful little niece, who just learned to walk! * Rebecca Solomon Letwin finished her M.A. in interior design from Marymount University and is riding her road bike a lot. * Jared and Faith Anderson Hughes proudly announced the birth of Tanner Anders, born May 29, 2008, in Newport, Wash. * Jaclyn Rolls Higgins had a baby girl, Hayley, Sept. 10, 2007.

01 It was an exciting weekend in April with Becca Bischoff Luoma's
Rebecca Stern ’03 graduated as excellence laureate from Savannah College of Art and Design, where she earned her M.F.A. degree in photography. Her current work illuminates the symbiotic relationship that exists between land and man. To view her online portfolio visit www.rebec-costernphotography.com. • MediaHUB Media Supervisor Meghan Finneran ’04 is part of the team that won Mediaweek’s Media Plan of the Year in the spending-less-than-$10-million category for their Timberland campaign. Their plan was also, notably, the first carbon-neutral media plan, which is integral to Timberland’s earth-friendly message.

Rebecca Stern ’03

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Milestones

Marriages: Geoffrey M. Mason ’00 to Jaime P. Dahlie in Diamond Point, N.Y. • Caitlin M. Nelson ’00 to David Joshua Merrill in South Portland, Maine • Frederic F. Floberg ’01 to Katherine M. Perry in South Portland, Maine • Pamela J. Foxley ’01 to Gregory K. Ariitan in Sharon, Conn. • Allyson R. Giard ’01 to Daniel J. Downey in Carmel, N.Y. • Douglas A. Otte ’01 to Kelly J. Langton in North Kingston, R.I. • Meredith M. Renda ’02 to Reed S. Idriis in Old Saybrook, Conn. • Lydia Brown Terry ’02 to Sean M. Flynn in Sun Valley, Idaho • Patrick R. Conley ’03 to Brooke E. Alexander in Dallas, Texas • Elizabeth Kuefner ’03 to Paul D. Koors in Fairfield, Conn. • Rachel E. Merrick ’03 to Scott Maggs ’03 in Whitefield, Conn. • Katherine C. Brown ’04 to John Kaufmann in Langhorne, Pa. • Robert W. Selover ’04 to Casey E. O’Sullivan in Brookside, N.J.

Celia Gentile were married in Boston June 7, 2008. • Danielle Fornes is in her third year as morning show host of 98.9 WCLZ radio in Portland, Maine. She recently spent four days broadcasting live from the Bonnaroo music festival in Tennessee. • Melanie Morin started her fourth and final year of psychiatry residency at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. She and her husband enjoy their dogs, Gracie and Daisy. • Danielle D’Entremont was awarded her D.O. degree from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine June 7. —Dana Fowler Charette

02 Greetings 2002-ers! Loryn Traversi married Matt Irwin Sept. 20, 2008, on Cape Cod. Loryn is working on her M.S.W. at Boston College, with one year to go. • Matt Tolove was recently engaged to Mercy Horst (Middlebury ’01) and plans a fall 2009 wedding. Matt is in his third year at UC Davis-Law and is interning for a law firm in San Francisco, where he hopes to stay. • Claudia Laverde married Ryan Anderson in San Francisco. Tara Sweeney, Eric Strome, Jenna Bishop, Lauren Eisenberg, and Jill Bluso were there to celebrate. • Erika Thoreson married Daniel Tristan May 25, 2008, in San Antonio, Texas. Lauren Frisoli, Shayna Scholnick, Jennifer Coughlin Gaubinger, Jamie Hinson Scribner, and Katy Bruski were bridesmaids. Also in attendance were Nick Gaubinger and James Scribner ’99. • Brook Brisson married Josh Best in January in Vt. Brook recently graduated from Lewis and Clark Law School. They will move to Anchorage, Alaska, where Brook will clerk for a judge on the Alaska Court of Appeals, and, she hopes, get some good skiing. • Chris Coghill married his wife, Elizabeth, in 2004 and they have pursued careers in pathology and internal medicine respectively. Since graduation Chris has completed five marathons and skied four American Birkebeiners (America’s largest cross-country ski marathon). Chris recently saw Page and Paul Lee, who live in Chicago, where Paul finished his first year of med school at Rush University while working to finish his Ph.D. in chemistry. • John Skovran also finished his first year of med school and spent the summer in Accra, Ghana, providing humanitarian and medical services at a hospital. • Brian and Katie Rausch Bailey moved to North Carolina, where they will
both attend business school at Duke. * Anna L’Hommedieu relocated to Seattle to earn her master’s in organizational psychology at Seattle Pacific University. * Rob Belcher also moved to Seattle to attend business school at University of Washington. * Katie Egan Wertheimer teaches and coaches in Western, N.J., where she lives with her husband. * Victor Cancel is working as a mentor at Emarc (Eastern Massachusetts Association for Retarded Citizens) and recently received his real estate sales license at the American Real Estate Academy in Massachusetts. * Rashad Randolph continues to work as a Spanish teacher and started as a new teacher in Brooklyn High Academy this fall. * Pedzi Makumbe finished his Ph.D. in engineering from M.I.T. in August 2008. * Meghan Kreider Rogalus is the new watershed specialist at the Bucks County (Pa.) Conservation District after earning a master’s in water resources from the University of Vermont. * Veronica (Craun ’04) and Justin Ucko had their third child, Lawson Monagan Ucko. Justin reports the whole crew is doing well. * Stacy (Erickson ’01) and Jory Raphael welcomed Phoebe Alice Raphael to the world April 14, 2008. * Brett Lurman recently uprooted from Brooklyn to New York City. He reports that Tim Persinko traveled to Beijing this summer to work at the Olympics. * Lindsey Malbon Coffin lives on Long Island with her husband, Pete, and their 18-month-old daughter, Hannah. * Kendra Shank Krolik is in marketing at General Mills after receiving her M.B.A. at University of Chicago last June. * Eric Laurie continues his photography career while playing in a band with Heather Ogilvy ’04. * Melissa Sterlinb Yorl works for Maine Winter Sports Center as a community development coach. * In my life happenings, I tied the knot in June with Chris Bell in our hometown of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., and honeymooned in southern Oregon. I taught a NOLS course for the summer and Chris competed in a series of triathlons. —Sally Hall Bell

03 The summer must have been a busy time for everyone, because we were a little light on submissions. However, those who did write had some exciting news. * We missed those who were unable to attend our fifth reunion at Colby. It was an absolute blast, with most of the Class of 2003 residing in Piper, Drummond, and the renovated Johnson! I will also say that Adam Freedman and Kevin Crosman have not lost their die game, despite having been away from Colby for five years. They were the masters of the eight-footer for the entire weekend! * Now for the real news. As always we’ll start with weddings and engagements. Patrick Koch married Kelly-May Fuller in Pittsburgh May 10, 2008, with a great audience of Colby grads. Patrick sent a picture, which is now posted on the Class of 2003 alumni page— the groom and his groomsmen were fully outfitted in traditional kilts! Congrats Pat and Kelly-May! * Jess Kellett ’04 (a first-time contributor since graduation) married a fellow Northern Californian, Ryan Silva, in Calistoga. Emily Posner, Tennessee Watson, and Evan Woolley were there to celebrate, Jess and Ryan live in San Diego; Jess is at UCLA getting a double master’s in business administration and public policy. Congrats on your marriage Jess and good luck at UCLA! * Laura Thomason (another first-time contributor) wrote, “Well I haven’t had any news until now...,” and she does have some big news! She graduated from U.C. Hastings School of Law in May and she and Ray Mazza ’01 got engaged and are planning a wedding in fall 2009, which will be their 10-year anniversary since meeting at Colby in 1999. * We have a toddler update as well: Gretchen (Black ’04) and Ben Tuff report that son Wyatt is up and walking. They live at the Kent School in Conn., where they moved in July and where Ben works in admissions. * A few new grads. In May Dennis Kuhnel graduated with a J.D. from the University of Kansas School of Law. This past fall he returned to the University of Iowa to take his comprehensive examinations for a Ph.D. in history. * Deborah Doberne graduated from medical school at Tel Aviv University and started residency in internal medicine at Long Island Jewish Hospital. Last April she and Shannon Corliss traveled to Petra, Jordan, where they rode camels and spent a night at a Bedouin camp. * Chingiz Mammadov graduated in July from INSEAD in France with an M.B.A. and moved to London to begin work at Credit Suisse. * Rebecca Stern graduated this spring as the Excelsus Laureate and was awarded an M.F.A in photography at the Savannah College of Art and Design in Georgia. Her current work strives to show the interactions between man and the land and highlights the symbiotic connections. Her work has been presented at multiple juried shows around the country, including the Bridge Art Fair in Miami, the Rayko Center for Photography in San Francisco, and at the Housatonic Museum of Art in Connecticut. Check out her web site www.rebeccasternphotography.com. * Erika Togashi lives the life out in California. She resides in San Francisco and works as a designer of technical jackets for The North Face but splits her off time between snowboarding in the eastern Sierra mountains and surfing in Sayulita, Mexico, where her boyfriend lives. This past spring she spent three weeks traveling through Cuba. * Lauren Bliss and Andy St. Martin still live in their house in Attleboro, Mass. Andy works for Anchor Capital in Boston and on his M.B.A. at Babson at night. Lauren is a biology teacher at North Attleboro High School and is getting her master’s in teaching in biology, grades 8–12, at Bridgewater State College at night. She also works for her parents’ ice cream business in the summer. * Keep the news coming as we get ready for another winter! —Lauren Tiberio

04 I received lots of news, and everyone agrees it’s unbelievable that we graduated four years ago. * Karima Ummah lives in Conn. and works as director of international/multicultural affairs at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield. She and Thomas Jackson ’03 are engaged and had a baby girl, Nia Bella Jackson, March 22, 2008. * Kyle MacDonald spent the summer working in a law firm in Portland, Maine, and began her third year of law school at Maine Law. * Brandon Irwin is in Springfield, Mass., earning his master’s in exercise science and sports studies with a concentration in sport psychology while coaching football. This fall he’ll attend Michigan State for his first year of doctoral study with a teaching assistantship, working toward a degree in kinesiology with a concentration in psychosocial aspects of sport and exercise. * Kristin Carlson spent the past few years in Lake Tahoe, Calif., but returned to the East Coast to teach for Nature’s Classroom. * Alexis Caselle married Phil Bancroft in May. Kristin Jiggetts, Carolyn Plant, Kirsten Helmeke, and Kristin Carlson attended. * Andrew McKenna-Foster is director of the Maria Mitchell Natural Science Museum on Nantucket Island, Mass. In September he went on a spider-collecting expedition in Panama. In winter he attends the University of Wisconsin Green Bay, working on a master’s in environmental science and policy. * Tom Rogers finished out his “pre-retirement” in Jackson Hole, Wyo., by raft guiding for the summer on the Snake River before heading to graduate school at University of Montana for an M.S. in organismal biology and
In his first job after Colby, Posse scholar Antonio Mendez ’06 was disappointed. Teaching elementary school in Newark, N.J., he was assigned to a classroom where attendance dwindled by the day in a school where staff morale was, in his view, rock bottom.

Disillusioned, Mendez decided he still wanted to help kids, just in another way, somewhere else. As if on cue, Mendez’s former career advisor at the Posse Foundation alerted him that a new position was opening up at Posse’s New York City office. Out of an applicant pool of nearly 30, Mendez was awarded the position. “I’m still working almost one-hundred percent with students,” he said, as he walked down the bright, spacious halls of Posse’s Wall Street offices, “but I am in a place where everyone loves their job.”

The Posse Foundation, which recruits and trains students from public schools in six major cities for enrollment in top tier universities and colleges (including Colby), was what originally helped land Mendez on Mayflower Hill. Now, as a trainer, Mendez helps recruit, identify, and train a select group of New York City Public School students to be able to meet all the obstacles they’re going to face on campus. Last year, Mendez trained students headed to Brandeis University and Dickinson College. Now he’s working on a pilot science program with Brandeis.

“arises,” he said.

In a way, Mendez transferred this idea to his other pursuits. With a fresh Colby degree in theater and dance and American studies, Mendez issued a challenge when he returned to New York City: “I had an idea about making a documentary about Dominican immigrants to the U.S., but I wanted to see if I could make it on my own.”

Instead of penning the idea and shopping it to filmmakers, Mendez bought a camera and some filmmaking software, starting his own de

facto production company. Ironically, doing it “on his own” meant being even more reliant on other people, most importantly, his family. The documentary is strongly rooted in the experiences of Mendez’s family members, many of whom emigrated to New York City from the Dominican Republic. “I wanted to know if my family’s experience was an exception or a rule; there’s a lot I wanted to find out about my family.”

Mendez named the documentary “Visa for a Dream,” the translated title of “Visa Para Un Sueño,” a popular song by Dominican balladeer Juan Luis Guerra. The film explores the roles of the U.S. and Dominican governments in immigration and how their policies affect immigrants. It weaves interviews of various officials, including a U.S. assistant attorney general to the Dominican Republic, a prison reform advocate from the Dominican Republic, sociologists, and others with interviews with Mendez’s family and friends.

“The Dominican government was very supportive of the documentary and really wanted to tell their story,” Mendez said. Mendez also visited Dominican prisons to uncover the story of Dominican immigrants deported from the United States.

The intriguing mix of personal and political issues in the documentary drew interest from the Tribeca Film Festival, although Mendez was not able to make the winter deadline.

In the end Mendez describes his work with Posse and his documentary making in much the same way. “The reason I’m doing [the movie] is about family unity,” he said. “We have come very far. With Posse, it’s all about bringing these students together, so they will be strong and can achieve anything.”

—Brendan Sullivan ’06
(they know who they are?) with all of the articles on how smoking is bad for your health. She recently went to Fla. with Kim Betz Kearns, Grace Becker, Jen Barrett, Cate Young, and Ashley Harris to throw a baby shower for Meghan Lane Couch, who recently had a baby girl, Taylor Marie Couch. * Johanna Schroeder headed back for her 10th season of whitewater rafting on the middle and main forks of the Salmon River with Idaho River Journeys. In the fall she will probably go back to Ithaca, N.Y., where she has been living during the off-season. * Annika Swoore is engaged to Erik Wicklund, whom she'll marry in Seattle Oct. 18, 2008. * Tim Smith married his partner, Dr. Steve DuBois, in Tiverton, R.I., May 24. Andre Nicoletti, Steen Sehnert '06, Ted Sullivan, Susie Blair, Marley Orr, and Susannah Magrane attended, and Abigail Wheeler performed the ceremony. * Laura Barrow Geiger works as a development officer for the U.S. Fund for UNICEF's Midwest Regional Office in Chicago. Phil Geiger is still at Jones Lang Lasalle and they live in River North, in downtown Chicago. * Kristian Jiggetts moved back to Chicago and works as an associate producer on the Judge Jeanine Pirro show. * Jackie Dupont had a "quarter-life crisis" and bought a motorcycle. — Kate Weiler

05 I was inundated with exciting updates, so enjoy the news! Gabriel Reyes graduated from Columbia Law School in May and started as a tax associate at Weil, Gotshal and Manges LLP this fall. His roommate, Joseph Okeyo, moved to Philadelphia to start his M.B.A. at UPenn's Wharton School of Business. * Both Osman Haneef and Bill Ford started business school this fall at the Yale School of Management. * Abraham Summers will marry Zhang Xing Xing in December in Kunming, Yunnan Province, China. * Brian Footer graduated from Case Western Reserve Law School and started a judicial clerkship this fall in Philadelphia. * Lisa Reinhalter will attend the University of Illinois, Champaign, to get her master's in Hispanic literature; she plans to stay to earn her Ph.D. Justin Burner will join her, relocating from D.C., and plans to teach high school math in central Illinois. * Cheka Gage moved to Denver this spring to work as media logistics manager for the Democratic convention. Afterward she returned to D.C., where she is national finance director for Congressman Patrick Kennedy (D-R.I.). Cheka recently traveled to Boston, where she caught up with Nicole Wessen, Courtney Morris, Stith Pierce, Carreau Mueller, Maureen Sherry, and Matt Lynes. Carreau and Nicole went skydiving with Jared Mahoney and Danielle Martin to celebrate Marty's 50th birthday. Caitlin McCusker, Heather Hansman, Carreau, Nicole, Stith, and Maureen will all run the Boston half-marathon in October. * Bill Gallitto and Michelle Cote are still the Colby power couple. Bill completed his first year of law school and Michelle began studying in September for her M.B.A. at Boston College. * Wendy Bonner and James Spicer were married Aug. 2 in Leonardtown, Md. * Julie Bryan works in Boston at Brigham and Women's Hospital as a research assistant in the infectious disease division. She started at the Harvard School of Public Health in September, where she'll pursue a master's in health policy and management. * Nikki Patel was married to Mihir Patel in April at the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville, Conn. The fabulous three-day celebration included one beautiful bride and a number of Colby alumni, including Evan Allen, Doug Summa, Andy Warneke, Andrew Raser, Kara Lanahan, Gillian Nadel, Jenny Abramson, Julia Benedict, Rachel Luskin, Courtney Smith, Dan Egan, Nina Harrold, and Marina Stakes '06. * Natalia King got engaged to Frederik Rasmussen '06. She started her third year in a Ph.D. program at Boston College. * Michael Walsh's thesis proposal was accepted at Cornell, where he is working toward a Ph.D. in environmental engineering. He was elected to serve as a student trustee on the Cornell Board of Trustees. * Shannon Emerson started the M.B.A. program at the University of Texas, Austin. * Alana McGee now owns and runs a designer shoe store called Mu. Shoe in Seattle. On a hunt for new shoes for the store, she traveled to Italy. * Melissa Hinkle took a job with United Press International in Washington, D.C. She anchors and produces entertainment webcasts and will soon develop her own feature stories. (search for "Hinkle" at www.upi.com/video). * Nora Gouge will attend Yeshiva University this fall to start her doctorate in clinical psychology. * Todd Moore clerks for a judge in Brooklyn and will start his second year at Fordham Law. * Jennie MacPherson graduated from Ithaca College with an M.S. in organizational communications. She relocated to Portland, Ore., where she lives with Conor Semler and works at the Portland Japanese Garden. Conor graduated from Cornell with a master's of regional planning and works for a private engineering and planning firm. The Colby crew in Portland includes Court Fowler, Tim Roberts, Dan Torres, Sarah Dunham, Sam Gray, and Andrew Volk. * Rachel Beaupre and Noah Smith were married in Conway, Mass., this August. They'll relocate to Anhester, where Noah will run his start-up company, Common Media, Inc. * Megha Kapoor married Abhay Fotedar in August. Lubos Hudec and Justinas Pelenis were at the wedding in India. Megha works at the World Bank in Jakarta, Indonesia, and will move to Thailand at the end of the year. * Peyton McElyea was promoted to associate at Barclays, but left the firm this spring to do some traveling before he begins his M.B.A. at Columbia. Peyton recently finished the Escape from Alcatraz Triathlon in San Francisco alongside "Diver" Dave Cohen '04. * Jake Colognesi still lives in Charlestown with Matt Guy-Hamilton and works at Fidelity Ventures. He plans to apply to business school this fall. * Ryan Boccuzzi and Maddie Horwitz '06 were married in August in Worcester, Mass. * Rich Downing is studying at UVA's business school, Darden, this fall. * Katie Markowski graduated from the University of Chicago Law School, while Tim Haas graduated from BC law, and Jess Foster graduated from law school at Washington University in St. Louis. * Thanks for all of your responses, and have a great fall! — Katie Gagne

06 Garry Bertholf, a third-year Ph.D. student in historical musicology and William Fontaine fellow at U. Penn, where he teaches jazz history. In the spring Garry presented a paper on South African jazz at Penn and another on John Coltrane at Cornell. * Brian Rodriguez entered his second year of medical school at Drexel University in August. He recently got engaged to Lyne Ponto (UVM '06) and will be married June 2009 in Burlington, Vt. * Rebecca Amendola has worked for two years teaching fifth- and sixth-grade Latin at Brunswick School in Greenwich, Conn. She started at Yale Divinity School for her master's this fall! In March, she traveled to LA, where she visited Colleen McGee, who is a fourth grade teacher at the Wildwood School. * Leah Weisberg writes that Kelsey Neville held a charity night for Make-a-Wish in Boston June 7. Colby alums in attendance were Katie Roberts, Ashley Lamb, Nicole Stadelman, Amy Cronin, Leah Weisberg, Margaret Jackson, Julie Jaenicke, Sam Burke, Josh Berman, Pat Lever, Rodney Ames, Nate Dick, John Goss (who was the DJ!), Will Thompson, and Michael Westbrook. * Charlie Hale still lives in San Francisco and works for Google. Charlie saw Steen Sehnert this summer when he was in New York for work. Charlie was psyched for Emilie Coulson to move out this summer! * Greyson Brooks is in rural Kenya doing community organization work and research for The Daraaja Academy, Kenya's first fully free high school. * Dan Burke was in Portland, Maine, this summer working mostly for the Portland Radio Group producing live shows, among other things. Dan headed to Boston University this fall to earn a master's in broadcast journalism. * Alexis McCallister lives near Dan. * Tomasz Zajaczkowski was working at NERA Economic Consulting in White Plains, N.Y., but in August started a Ph.D. program in economics at the University of Virginia. * Jen Colifores and Jackie Rollerli both headed to Bristol, R.I., to attend law school at Roger Williams University. Jackie plans on doing a joint degree program in conjunction with University of Rhode Island to get both a law degree and a master's in marine affairs. * Emily Tull still lives in New York but moved in with Elizabeth Shepherd and Sasha Kenyon '08 this summer. She also has changed jobs and now works for ION Marketing, a sports marketing firm. * Steve Kiely teaches social studies and coaches football, basketball, and lacrosse at Boston College High School. * Caroline Theo- harides completed her second year as a research assistant at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. This fall she started an economics Ph.D. program at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, where she plans to study development and labor economics. — Jen Colifores

07 Fall class notes for the Class of 2007 are online at www.colby.edu/~karli.gasteazoro
Faith D. Waterman '27, July 15, 2008, in New York, N.Y., at 102. She received a master's in literature from Columbia in 1929. She was personal assistant to Margaret Truman and to noted journalist Dorothy Thompson. A lover of the arts, she supported the Strider Concert series at Colby. Survivors include numerous nieces and nephews.

Frances E. Thayer '30, June 21, 2008, in Waterville, Maine, at 98. After working as a teacher and a secretary, she returned to Colby in 1943 as secretary to Dean of Women Ni netta Runnals. She was administration assistant for six Colby deans over 31 years. Colby honored her with a Colby Brick in 1960 and an honorary degree in 1974. She belonged to AAUW, the Taconnett Falls Chapter of the Maine Genealogical Society, and the Universalist Unitarian Church in Waterville. Music, gardening, and sewing were cherished pastimes. Predeceased by her niece Jane Thayer Hutchinson '72 and cousin Constance Knickerbocker Harley '39, she is survived by her brother, Jarvis Marble Thayer Jr. '38, and her niece Barbara Thayer Barry '74.

Arthur B. Wein '35, August 14, 2008, in Bethesda, Md., at 94. He received his M.D. from Boston University and was an Army physician during World War II. An orthopedic surgeon, he practiced in Denver, Maryland, and Washington, D.C., and retired in 1992. A published songwriter, he played piano, violin, and saxophone and performed with big bands in the 1930s. He enjoyed traveling, skiing, and chopping wood. He was predeceased by his sisters, Gladys Wein Hirshon '37 and Rhoda Wein Kraft '39; survivors include his wife of 55 years, Mary Louise Barker, two children, and a grandson.

E. Donald Rogers '38, December 24, 2007, in Middlebury, Conn., at 91. He received his bachelor's from Roanoke College and a dentistry degree from the University of Maryland. He served in the Navy during World War II and then practiced dentistry in Waterbury, Conn., until he retired in 1988. He was a Mason, a Rotarian, and a golfer. Survivors include his brother, Elmore '38, a daughter and two sons, and two grandchildren.

S. Althea Webber Brown '39, July 15, 2008, in Homosassa, Fla., at 91. She attended the New York School of Design and then became a homemaker and mother. She swam, gardened, read, and played the piano. She is survived by her son, Steven, a brother and two sisters, and three grandchildren.

E. Robert Bruce '40, May 27, 2008, in Watertown, Conn., at 93. He served in World War II in the Airborne Parachute Infantry in the Pacific. He earned his master’s from Columbia in 1947 and worked in research and development, then in sales for several companies. He twice ran for the state Senate in Connecticut and served on the Watertown Board of Education. He served on many building committees in Watertown and, for 30 years, was director of the Watertown Mental Health Association. He won a Colby Brick Award in 1948 and was a longtime class agent. Survivors include his wife, Olga, three children, and four grandchildren.

Jean Coyle Delaney '41, June 22, 2008, in Niantic, Conn., at 88. She taught English in the East Lyme school system for more than 27 years and was a homemaker and mother. Survivors include her brother, Fredrick.

Ruth "Bonnie" Roberts Hathaway '41, June 19, 2008, in Fort Myers, Fla., at 89. She taught elementary school for 19 years in Texas and Massachusetts and was a Girl Scout leader for 20 years. An activist, she was one of eight Massachusetts’ representatives at the Earth Summit in Brazil, chaired a people’s action committee, and helped with Meals on Wheels. She was class correspondent at Colby for 11 years. Survivors include her children, David, Paul, Michael, Lois Vad, and Margaret Stempka, eight grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Linwood E. Palmer Jr. '42, July 24, 2008, in Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, at 86. He served in the Army during World War II, then rose to vice president and general manager of Ward Steel Company and it’s successor, Peter A. Frasse & Co. Retiring in Maine, he ran a development company and a Christmas tree farm. He served in the Maine House of Representatives for five sessions and in the Maine Senate for one. He ran for Maine Governor in 1978 and was appointed by George H.W. Bush to serve on the President’s Council of Rural America. Predeceased by his brother Paul K. Palmer '37, he is survived by his children, Linwood E. Palmer III, Cartha Smith, and Beth Smith, eight grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Patricia Ford Ellis '43, June 12, 2008, in Lakeland, Fla., at 85. She earned a B.S. from Pratt Institute and worked in public, university, and church libraries in several states. She was active with her church, studied genealogy, and belonged to TOPS for 16 years. Predeceased by her husband, Albert I. Ellis '44, survivors include her children, Jeffrey, Deborah Blank, and Sandra Blanchette, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandson.

Herbert S. Robison '43, June 26, 2008, in Virginia Beach, Va., at 87. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a radio-radar officer from 1943 to 1946. His career was devoted to textiles, including sales and production management. He started his own textile sales agency in 1971 and retired in 1990. An amateur radio operator, he also enjoyed photography, which he integrated with amateur astronomy. With his wife, Mona, he raised two sons. He was predeceased by his cousin, David Brodie '42.

William P. Hancock Jr. '44, July 6, 2008, in Cape Nedrick, Maine, at 86. He joined the U.S. Air Force in 1942 and served as a gunner on a B-26 bomber. He was shot down over Italy and was missing in action for 11 months. He earned a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart. In 1948 he joined the Maine State Police and rose to the rank of captain. He served as Ogunquit (Maine) chief of police and won the Legendary Trooper award. He loved to hunt and golf. Survivors include his sister, Jane Hancock Shaw ’51, three children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

N. Douglas MacLeod Jr. '44, July 6, 2008, in Bristol, R.I., at 87. He left Colby to serve in the Air Force during World War II and later earned an engineering degree from the University of Rhode Island. A machinist, he managed and owned machine tool companies and founded Tubodyne Company. He was involved with Big Brothers of Rhode Island, was an avid sailor, and grew roses and fruit. Survivors include two brothers, Donald and Bruce, four daughters and a son, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Philip J. Boyne '46, June 9, 2008, in Loma Linda, Calif., at 84. He earned his D.M.D. from Tufts in 1947 and a master’s in anatomy from Georgetown in 1961. After 20 years in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps, he retired as captain in 1968 and became a professor and research scientist at UCLA, University of Texas at San Antonio, and Loma Linda University School of Dentistry. A pioneer in bone-grafting techniques, he wrote textbooks on maxillofacial surgery, established scholarships at Colby and Loma Linda, and was president of the American College of Oral Biology for nearly 30 years. Colby awarded him the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1988. He loved to fish in Maine and ran 31 marathons in his bare feet. Survivors include his wife of nearly 62 years, Mary Anne, two children, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Norman D. Meyers '46, August 10, 2008, in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., at 83. He was a Navy officer during World War II. He owned Meyers Manufacturing Company in Connecticut before retiring in Florida. Active in civic and political affairs, he was also a founder of Rolling Hills Country Club in Wilton, Conn. Survivors include his companion, Shirley Olin, a son and a daughter, a brother, three grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.
Stanley H. Levine ’47, August 16, 2008, in Kirkland, Wash., at 85. He served with Patton’s Third Army in World War II, earning a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star. He owned MarLe Electrical Supply and Lighting Fixture Co. and was president of the Stamford (Conn.) Historical Society. He received an M.F.A. in historic preservation from Savannah College of Art and Design, and in his retirement he restored historic houses. Survivors include wife Jacqueline, two daughters, a son, a brother, Stephen ’59, nine grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and nephews and nieces, including Deborah A. Levine ’75.

Bradley C. Maxim ’47, May 16, 2008, in Austin, Texas, at 86. He came to Colby after World War II, where he had driven an ambulance in North Africa for the American Field Service. He earned an M.L.S. from Columbia in 1954 and taught library science in New Mexico and Texas. A classical and jazz musician, he played the piano and a variety of woodwinds and sang in choirs and madrigal groups. Survivors include his daughters, Catherine Stephens and Elizabeth Maxim, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Frances E. Whitehill ’48, May 23, 2008, in Milwaukee, Ore., at 81. Fluent in Spanish, French, and German, she studied in Spain as a Fulbright scholar and attended the University of Guadalajara, Mexico. She earned a master’s from the University of Oregon, taught French and Spanish at Milwaukee High School, and served as the school’s curriculum director. She grew roses and established the Sara Hay Memorial Rose Garden at the Milwaukee Center, where she volunteered, weeded, and pruned. Survivors a nephew and two nieces.

Eleanor Ackerman Brainard ’49, August 13, 2008, in Westbrook, Conn., at 80. She graduated from Central Connecticut State University and was a teacher and teaching assistant in Westbrook. She volunteered for the Westbrook Library and was assistant registrar of voters. Survivors include her husband of 50 years, John, a son and a daughter, and three grandchildren.

James E. Fraser ’50, August 28, 2008, Williamsburg, Va., at 80. After serving in the U.S. Army, he graduated from the Bentley School of Accounting. A 34-year career at General Electric followed. He retired to Seabrook Island, S.C., where he was an active volunteer. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Sally, five children, 12 grandchildren, and nieces and nephews, including Michael M. Fraser ’83.

Winston C. Oliver ’50, June 17, 2008, in Arlington, Va., at 82. He served with the Army Air Forces in the Pacific during World War II. A CIA operations officer for 30 years, he was stationed mostly in Asia until 1973 when he worked at CIA headquarters. He received the CIA’s Career Achievement Medal. Survivors include his wife, Janet, four children, a brother, and 12 grandchildren.

Charles R. Anderson ’53, July 5, 2008, in South Yarmouth, Mass., at 88. He was a flight engineer and instructor for the Army Air Forces during World War II. He earned master’s degrees from Harvard and from Fairfield University, then became an elementary schoolteacher and guidance counselor in Fairfield, Conn. He retired to Harwich, Mass., where he painted and golfed. Survivors include his wife, Janice Pearson Anderson ’52, four children—Scott ’76, Kirk, Timothy, and Loryn Hamilton—and five grandchildren.

Theodore J. Turchon ’54, March 23, 2008, in Orlando, Fla., at 76. He served in the U.S. Army in Japan from 1954 to 1956. He became a salesman and held managerial positions at various companies. He raised two children with his first wife and enjoyed traveling in South America and England with his second wife, Luly.

Peter P. Parsons ’55, August 26, 2008, in Worcester, Mass., at 74. He served in the U.S. Army and then earned a master’s from the University of Maine and a doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh. He taught at UMass Amherst, Mount Holyoke, and, for 22 years, in the biology department at Holy Cross. He played the organ and piano for 40 years at the North Leverett Baptist Church, sang in a gospel group, and taught Sunday school. Survivors include wife Joy, a daughter, a son, two grandsons, five sisters, and a brother.

Charles B. Rice ’56, August 4, 2008, in Little Compton, R.I., at 73. He served in the Navy and then became a banker in New York and Rhode Island. He also worked for the FDIC in the Department of Liquidation. An avid outdoorsman, he was an Eagle Scout and stayed active in scouting. Survivors include his wife, Rev. Rebecca Spencer, three sons, two sisters, and two grandsons.

Joan Siranosian Shaw ’57, July 3, 2008, in Falmouth, Mass., at 72. She graduated from Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School and worked as a secretary in Boston and for Stonehill College. In 1980 she moved to Falmouth and worked with her husband in real estate. Survivors include her husband, Richard, two sons, a grandson, and a brother.

Charles G. Boehm ’59, July 1, 2008, in Falmouth, Maine, at 75. His day job was a commercial loan officer for Casco Bank and Trust. After hours, he was a volunteer rescue worker who trained in emergency medicine and introduced skilled volunteerism for Falmouth rescue in the 1960s and 70s. He helped others in both roles and, according to his son, didn’t have a mean bone in his body. Predeceased by his wife, Joan Peppard Boehm ’58, survivors include his son, Chip, and daughter, Melinda ’83.

Peter C. Doyle ’60, July 19, 2008, in Keene, N.H., at 73. He taught science in Massachusetts and Vermont and spent 10 years as a freelance technical writer. Passionate about protecting the land, he chaired the Keene Conservation Committee and was a land steward for the Society for the Protection of N.H. Forests. Survivors include his wife, Sue, a daughter, two sons, his mother, a sister, and three grandchildren.

George G. Welch Jr. ’60, June 15, 2008, in Toledo, Ohio, at 69. A National Spelling Bee finalist in 1951, he earned two master’s degrees, one from Cornell in classics and another from West Virginia in mathematics. He taught and lectured at colleges in West Virginia, Texas, and Ohio and edited eight books. He was a champion amateur golfer. Survivors include his daughters, Ann Hunter and Susan Welch, a sister, and four grandchildren.

Robert A. Greer ’61, November 24, 2007, in Gloucester, Mass., at 71. He worked in business for various companies, including the Gorton Group in Gloucester. He was involved with economic development in Gloucester, chairing committees that promoted job and industry growth in the city. Together with his wife, Marilyn, he raised two daughters, Amy and Pamela.


George M. Smith Jr. ’69, September 21, 2008, in Melrose, Mass., at 61. He served in the Army during the Vietnam War. He worked for Case Tractor for 18 years and at the time of his death was a regional sales manager for Kubota Tractor Co. Survivors include his wife, Susan, a brother, and a sister.

Robert B. Nelson ’72, July 1, 2008, in Groton, Mass., at 59. He worked in sales for the telecommunications industry and was regional manager for Telecom NA, traveling in New England, Canada, and France. He enjoyed fly fishing and bird hunting and vacationed at his camp in Maine. Survivors include his wife, Patricia Johnstone Nelson ’72, an uncle, and cousins.

Mary Eckhoff Dreyer ’74, August 7, 2008, in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., at 55. She earned her law degree from Albany Law School and practiced in Albany and Saratoga Springs until 1992, when she retired to raise her children. She was executive director of the Fund for Lake George (N.Y.), a sailor, and a long-distance runner. Survivors include her children, Emily, Will, and Paul, four sisters, and her stepmother.

Terrence M. Weithers ’82, July 5, 2008, in Chicago, Ill., at 47. He worked as a credit manager for an HVAC contractor and spent summers at Duneland Beach, Ind. Survivors include brothers Tom, Tim, and Larry, sisters Suzanne Bailey and Joanne Weithers, and 13 nieces and nephews.