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Defines Division III  
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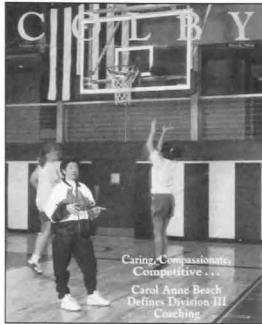
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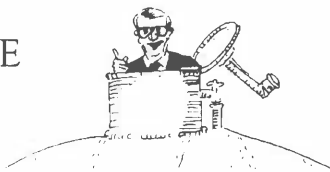
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## Our Alma Mater Dear

When Admiral Ted Lockhart '61 took his leave from the Navy this past fall, the band played *Hail, Colby, Hail* at his retirement party in Washington, D.C. Most of those attending thought, perhaps, that it was the Canadian national anthem, but at least four in the crowd knew better. Standing to sing the alma mater were Ted and his wife, Carolyn (Webster) '60, and Air Force General Bob Drewes '64 and his wife, Robbie (Gilson) '65.

## Preparing Doctors

The last academic year was especially good for Colbians, both seniors and recent graduates, seeking admission to medical schools. The Health Professions Preparations Committee reports that 13 of 24 applicants from the classes of 1989-93 were successful in gaining admission to some of the nation's finest medical schools. The acceptance rate of 54 percent is well above the national rate of 41 percent. In the Class of '93 alone, five of eight applicants were admitted. Overall, Colby grads exceed national figures for grade point averages and MCAT scores. This success comes against the backdrop of a 60 percent nationwide increase in medical school applications since 1988, a jump that has resulted in a 23 percent decrease in the national acceptance rate. Hats off to the diligent preparations committee and, especially, to co-chairs Art Champlin and Ed Yeterian. This group holds informational meetings beginning in a student's first year, conducts mock interviews, coordinates applications and recommendations and provides individual counseling for applicants.

## Small World II

In response to our request for tales of unexpected crossings of Colby folks, President Emeritus Robert E.L. Strider has written to recount several instances. One of these

dramatic and unlikely encounters was in February 1966 when Bob and Helen were in Nepal, with their two youngest children, Bill, then 15, and Betsy, 13. They were in a cab on one of the main streets of Katmandu when someone shouted, "President Strider!" It was Debbie Davis '65. They had a pleasant chat and an evening visit at the Snow View Hotel. Later on the same trip, while exploring the Coliseum in Rome, the Striders were hailed by Allan Landau '55 and his family.

## The Taste of Fame

A whopping 93 percent of students participating in a December survey ranked Colby's dining services as "good" to "excellent." The approval rating jumped six percent from the last poll, conducted in May 1993. The survey, which attempts to measure progress in the continuing effort to upgrade both the service and students' perception of it, asks for evaluations in the categories of food and preparation, atmosphere, cleanliness and service. Few colleges would dare conduct such a survey, much less get such good notices.

## Thanks Just the Same

It must be said that Colby teaches the work ethic. Consider that Jim Conrad '92, who has begun his career with Chase Manhattan Bank, met up with his classmate David Leavy in New York not long ago. Leavy was in town with his boss, President Bill Clinton. Conrad was introduced to Clinton, who offered him a ride to Boston on Air Force One. Conrad turned him down—had to go to work in the morning.

## Harping on Cops

Seems a student was returning from Augusta on I-95 and was stopped for speeding by a state trooper. The cop spotted a Colby sticker on the rear window and the conversation went something like this: Cop: "You must be mama's little angel. I'll

bet you play the harp, too."

Student: "I'm no angel, but I do play the harp."

Cop: "Don't get smart with me."

Student: "Look in the trunk."

Cop: "Sure, kid. Tell you what. If there's a harp in there, I'll let you off. If not, you're in trouble."

So, of course, the student pops the trunk and points to the harp. No ticket.

## To Not Discriminate

A new College policy prohibits alumni and parent groups from scheduling Colby meetings at facilities that discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, religion, age, disability or national or ethnic origin. Trustees have approved the rule, which will help assure "wide participation in College-sponsored activities by all alumni, parents and friends."

## Moosecellaneous

There will be 13 faculty candidates up for tenure next year. . . . Some 20 applicants for next year's entering class applied by using computer software provided by Colby's Admissions Department. . . . While there are no women on the geology faculty, it is interesting to note that 80 of the 194 geo majors in the classes from 1976 through 1996 are women. At 41 percent, this is about double the national average for geoscience departments. Our department has recently become an institutional member of the Association of Women Geoscientists. . . . So nice to have Eric '73 and Becky Rolfson '88 back from France, where they ran Colby's program in Dijon last semester. One of the students who returned to campus with them was heard to express his astonishment that Eric speaks English. . . . Chips will be flying on campus in the spring (April 22-23) when the Colby Woodsmen will be hosts to a northeastern regional college meet.



## Five Colby Professors Receive Tenure

Five faculty members were granted tenure by the Board of Trustees at its first meeting of the year. Assistant professors David Bourgaize (chemistry), Cedric Bryant (English), Anthony Corrado (government), Fernando Gouvêa (mathematics and computer science) and Joylynn Wing (English and performing arts) were given tenure and promoted to associate professor.

Dean of Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert McArthur praised the five as "a very strong group that would be tenured anywhere." The common denominator among them is "substantial achievement as teachers and scholars," McArthur said. In the fall the group received the support of their departments, the faculty's Promotion and Tenure Committee and President William Cotter, and those recommendations went to the trustees for review. McArthur noted that all faculty who were eligible to be given tenure received it this year, the first time that has happened since 1982.

Bourgaize, who holds two bachelor's degrees from Ohio Northern University and a Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts, has been teaching at Colby since 1988. His specialty is biochemistry and molecular genetics, and he is the author of a forthcoming textbook about biotechnology.

Bryant came to Colby in 1988 and holds a B.A. degree from San Diego State University and a master's and Ph.D. in English and American literature from the Univer-



Colby's newly tenured professors (l-r): David Bourgaize, Anthony Corrado, Cedric Bryant, Joylynn Wing and Fernando Gouvêa.

sity of California at San Diego. His specialties include African-American literature, American southern regionalism, feminist theory and issues of race and gender in literature. He is on the advisory board and will contribute two major essays to the forthcoming *Oxford Companion to African-American Literature*.

Corrado began teaching at Colby in 1986 and has bachelor's and master's degrees from The Catholic University in Washington, D.C., and a Ph.D. in political science from Boston College. An authority on presidential elections, campaign finance and national politics, Corrado is the author of two books—*Paying for Presidents: Public Financing in National Elections* and *Creative Campaigning: PACS and the Presidential Selection Process*.

Gouvêa came to Colby in 1991 from Queens College. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of São Paulo and a Ph.D. in mathematics at Harvard University. The author of books about p-adic modular forms and num-

ber theory, Gouvêa's specialty is number theory. He is the co-editor of a book, *Advances in Number Theory*.

Wing, who began teaching at Colby in 1988, has bachelor's and master's degrees from San Francisco State University and earned her Ph.D. in drama from Stanford University. She has directed plays at Colby and in the fall of 1990 and 1991 was the director of the Colby in London theater program. Wing has published articles on drama in *Theatre Journal* and *Modern Drama*.

## On Board

At their winter meeting the Board of Trustees welcomed two new members, Jane Whipple Coddington '55 of Murray Hill, N.J., and Robert Diamond Jr. '74 of New York City. The trustees also elected Edward Goldberg '59 of Newton, Mass., and Leon Nelson Jr. '60 of Boston, Mass., as College overseers.

Coddington has served as an overseer since 1991 and has been an active volunteer with hospital, library and other organizations in her community. Diamond has been an overseer since 1990 and is vice chairman of CS First Boston, chairman and chief executive officer of CS First Boston (Japan) Limited and a member of each corporation's executive board.

Goldberg is vice president of Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette Securities Corporation in Boston. Nelson is president of Lolech Enterprises of Boston and serves as president of the Greater Roxbury Chamber of Commerce.

## Climbing Grades

With grade inflation a hot topic in forums from the *Doonesbury* comic strip to *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, Dean of Faculty Robert McArthur likes to talk about the difference between grade inflation and grade-point-average, or GPA, inflation.

Grade inflation is the tendency of professors to give an A for work that might have earned a B 10 or 20 years ago, or to give a gentle person's B for what used to be a gentleman's C. GPA inflation, McArthur says, results from relaxed pass/fail options and relaxed criteria for when students may drop a course in which they are floundering. When a struggling student either can drop a tough course late in the semester or settle for an ungraded "satisfactory," the average GPA is bound to rise.

McArthur said grade inflation exists at Colby, but the College has issued no suggestions or directives to prevent or curtail it. The Dean of Faculty's office and the registrar continue to collect and examine college-wide data on grading, and the data has been discussed at Educational Policy Committee meetings. "I would say there's much less actual grade inflation at Colby than at other institutions," McArthur said.

Besides the relaxed requirements adopted in 1986 for dropping courses or taking them pass/fail instead of for a grade, the addition of pluses and minuses to the GPA formula in the late 1970s had an effect on the College's GPA average, McArthur says. "While none of those factors would make an immediate, precipitous difference," he said, "they all add up, even if there were no change in the way professors assign grades."

Nicholas Rohrman, professor of psychology, has kept track of the statistics. Comparing Colby with other schools, he said, "We're certainly not among the worst; we're not among the best, either."

Rohrman said his concern over grade inflation is that "it cheapens everybody's degree. If everyone is getting A's and B's, it's not fair to the people who are really doing the work."

As the value of an A gets watered down

by grade inflation, graduate schools have to rely increasingly on standardized test scores to rank applicants. Not everyone tests well, and a student truly can have a bad day taking an exam, Rohrman says. That's important—in the narrow band of scores that qualify people for graduate school, a few test points loom large.

## Still Very Hot

Competition for admission to Colby will be more rigorous than ever this year. The Admissions Office reports that some 3,400 applicants are vying for the 450 slots in the Class of 1998—a remarkable 20 percent increase over last year.

First evidence of the leap came in the initial round of 167 early decision applications, 50 percent more than in 1993. Coupled with a second round of 141 applicants, the total early decision program yielded 133 acceptances.

Some part of the increase is attributed to the College's decision to accept once

again the Common Application forms now used at more than 100 colleges and universities around the country. Colby discontinued its acceptance of the forms in 1985. Parker Beverage, dean of admissions and financial aid, says that the decision to return to the Common Application was based on the need to remain competitive with many of the more selective colleges that have begun to use it. The change, he warns, will make the delicate business of predicting yield (those who enroll from among those accepted) "even more of a high art form."

## Campus On Ice

When student fund raisers call around the country seeking pledges for the Alumni Fund, the most frequent questions they get are about the weather in Maine. This year, with record cold nipping much of the nation, alumni who remember winters in Waterville were more curious than usual.



## A HERO on the Hill

Kathaleen Smyth '93 is HEROic. Since last November, Smyth has been traveling across Maine in the Higher Education Resources Outreach van encouraging the pursuit of further education. She visited Colby in January.

An agency of the Maine Education Services, HEROic promotes projects designed to boost literacy rates and to make apprenticeship programs attractive to high school students, dislocated workers and displaced homemakers. "We go to high schools, shopping malls, anywhere we can reach people," she said. The van is chock full of information for any age and situation. At Colby, Smyth says, she dispensed information about graduate schools and how to fund postgraduate education—the HEROic van is even equipped with Fund Finder and Choices software for that purpose.

How cold was the winter of '94?

It was so cold that frost damaged an underground high-voltage cable in February, cutting off power to much of the campus. So cold that salt on the walks and roadways didn't melt ice for weeks on end. So cold that the Physical Plant Department had pretty well exhausted its budget for sand, salt and snow removal by early February. So cold that ice dams on campus roofs caused major leaks, not the least troubling of them in the art museum.

Official readings in Waterville show 19 days in January when the mercury dropped to zero or below, 13 of those mornings -10 or colder. The official low downtown was -32 on January 20 and 21, and the *Morning Sentinel* had a front-page story reporting that thermometers upriver in Solon and Eustis notched -50.

"It's been an extraordinary year," said Alan Lewis, director of physical plant at Colby, taking a break between meeting with engineers working on a heating problem and roofers trying to stop leaks. "We've had a long stretch of hard weather."

The electrical outage was the most widespread among a variety of weather-related problems. On February 8 shortly before 10 a.m. much of the central part of campus lost power. It started as a brown-out when frost crept into an aging underground cable and blew a major fuse in the primary electrical panel behind Roberts Union. PPD staff knew exactly what to do—shut off the entire zone to prevent the reduced voltage from damaging electrical equipment in buildings affected: all three science buildings, as well as Eustis, Lovejoy and Miller Library.

Unfortunately, when they raced to the switch box they found an eight-foot pile of snow in front of the panel's door, Lewis said. It took a few minutes to get a front-end loader to clear the way. The Echo reported that scientists in Arey and Keyes were concerned about aquariums and freezers housing a variety of life forms and tissue samples but that there was no damage to experiments. A couple of electrical motors did burn out, Lewis said, among them an elevator motor.

While most buildings got full power back after about two hours, parts of the

science complex went without for almost 12 hours. A large mobile generator was set up between Keyes and Bixler, and temporary wires were slung through the trees to power the science buildings until permanent repairs can be made this spring.

## Ideas on the Loose

The jury is in the jury box, the bailiff by the door. Smartly dressed attorneys whisper to plaintiff and defendant at their respective tables while expert witnesses wait in the first row of the gallery. Judge Scott Galson '95 presides over the case, *Trevor v. Trevor*, in which Linda Trevor stands accused of desertion by her husband, Harold.

As Linda's best friend testifies under oath that she and Harold carried on an illicit affair for four months, a murmur of titillation swells through the courtroom. Harold, seated at the plaintiff's table, sputters a denial and turns beet red. His lawyer protests as the gavel raps for order.

Welcome to Bill Klein's classroom, where research, role playing and improvisational theater combine to bring the principles of psychological theory to life.

The staged trial, based loosely on Ibsen's play *The Doll's House*, is just one of the pedagogical tools Klein uses in Psychology 253 to ensure that his students are engaged in the learning process and to make them demonstrate mastery of the principles that affect how people think, feel and behave.

Klein's students say that the trial—along with a mock Senate hearing, a debate and an advertising project—make the class lively and even fun. But none equates "fun" with easy.

"He [Klein] is tough; this course is a lot of work," said Rebecca Apollon '95, who played an attorney for the plaintiff. "But it makes it stick. The principles we used in the trial—I won't forget those."

"I was more challenged in this class than I ever have been before, but I loved it," said Elisabeth Kenerson '95, a psychology major and education minor who was a defense attorney.

"This is the most work I've ever had for a class," said Chris Hubbard '95, an English major and psychology minor who

played Harold Trevor in the trial. "But," he added, "I didn't mind because it was so interesting." The fact that Hubbard actually blushed when his character was accused of marital infidelity was perhaps the most eloquent testimony to how deeply involved in the class project students became.

"It's something I thought about in graduate school," Klein said of the classroom activities that help define his style as a professor. As a Princeton teaching assistant, Klein was awarded the Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni Award for Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching in 1990. The techniques he began to develop there figured prominently in his academic future.

"I wanted a small liberal arts college where I could do these kinds of things," he said. "The mock trial brings it [the social psychology material] together in an interesting and comprehensive way so people can really cement their knowledge." But it's not, he recognized early on, an activity that would work in a large undergraduate lecture course. "Twenty to 25 people—that's exactly the right number," he said.

Klein has run the mock trial for three years now, refining the scenario along the way to make it more ambiguous. The first year he included physical abuse in the facts, which made the case cut and dried for students—Mrs. Trevor was not guilty of desertion. The second year there was no abuse and she was found guilty of desertion. This year Klein painted a picture of verbal criticism that bordered on abuse—Mrs. Trevor went free again but was required to pay child support.

Turning students loose with a set of facts and letting them stage a trial challenges traditional notions of power and authority in the classroom, but Klein doesn't see that as a threat to his position.

"I can't control everything that happens in the trial. If I could it wouldn't be very interesting," he said. "It's fun to watch how everything unfolds. It's rewarding watching people use the very stuff that you've taught them—not just spewing it back in your face."



# Making News

By Sally Baker

With Careful Alchemy,

TV Producer Susan

Adams Has Used

Grit, Smarts and

Determination to

Craft a Perfect Career

It's Tuesday afternoon, "game day" at NBC's *Dateline* in New York. Jane Pauley and Stone Phillips, co-anchors of the magazine-style news program, are on the set recording introductions for the night's stories as well as promotional spots to run during evening newscasts. In a packed control room perched above, *Dateline*'s director and other staff members—including network lawyers and a senior producer for broadcast standards—watch a bank of monitors. Producers and assistant producers come and go, briefly staking out a few square inches near the door as Phillips introduces a piece about adulterated orange juice and Pauley tinkers with copy for a story on deadbeat parents.

Susan Gernert Adams '78, one of two dozen producers on the weekly program, doesn't have a story on tonight's docket. She's spent most of the day in her office overlooking Rockefeller Plaza, at work on a future *Dateline* segment on firearms sales. Adams and an assistant producer are still researching the story, and as she returns to her desk from the studio he pops in for a brainstorming session. He's hit a wall with one research technique and needs suggestions.

There's some urgency. A meeting to discuss the story with the show's top brass looms that afternoon. Taping is to begin the following week, and Adams not only must line up interviews for *Dateline* correspondent Jon Scott but also orchestrate a hectic travel schedule for herself and Scott and ensure that camera crews are available when and where they are needed. Several phone calls to a key colleague in the Midwest have gone unreturned—without the information he can provide, Adams cannot pull the schedule together.

Despite the frustrations, Adams is relaxed. "We do this all the time," she says, "we're used to the pressure. One of the keys to success in this business is not to be out of control when there's pressure."

Adams is helpful and patient with her young colleague. When he leaves he has a clear course of action to follow, and he's participated in its formulation. The respect between them is apparent.

"When I work with young people, people just starting out, I try to do for them what I used to hope someone would do for me," Adams says. "I understand that it can be really difficult to pick up a phone and make a research call. I know how they feel."

A young person interested in television probably could not find a better mentor than Adams. At 38, with hard work, intelligence, tenacity and a flair for finding and using contacts, Adams has risen from volunteer intern at a CBS affiliate in Maine to near the top of her profession—at *Dateline* she is subordinate only to two senior producers and the executive producer, Neal Shapiro. Her

Adams and *Dateline* correspondent Brian Ross brainstorm about an upcoming story.



PHOTOS BY NANT LEROWITZ '87

colleagues say the three-time Emmy winner is among the finest producers in the country.

"She's smart. She's really smart," said Jane Pauley. "You can give Susan very complicated stories; that's what's so wonderful about her. She'll render something complicated coherent for a wide audience."

Shapiro agrees. He and Adams worked together on the ABC magazine show *PrimeTime Live*. She joined *Dateline* in August 1992; Shapiro was brought in soon after, when *Dateline* cleaned house after General Motors sued NBC over a segment involving the safety of GM trucks.

"One of the best things about coming here was working with Susan again," Shapiro said. "She's one of the best producers I've ever worked with—smart, insightful, sensitive. She's very good at stories that let people speak for themselves, at letting others tell the story. She writes enough copy but not so much that the story is overwhelmed. And she has tremendous range—everything from spring training with the Seattle Mariners to Ross Perot."

Jon Scott calls Adams "a velvet bulldog," explaining the lengths—in both creativity and stubbornness—to which she will go to get a story.

"She's got this massive tenacity," Scott said, "and that's part of what makes her so good at this job."

Adams likes to say that she's just "gone with the flow" in her career, but in fact she has given it the same kind of meticulous attention she accords her stories.

After graduating from Colby, where she majored in English and served as *Echo* photo editor, Adams worked as a waitress, then took time off to travel in Europe. She returned and settled in Portland, Maine, with notions of becoming a newspaper reporter or a photojournalist. But television had the strongest hold on her fancy. "I wanted to know more about how television worked, who was deciding what we see on the news," she said.

She created her own internship at WGAN-TV (now WGME), Channel 13, the local CBS affiliate, writing news and copy for commercials and pitching in wherever she was needed. She even stepped in front of the camera now and then to report a story.

"I knew I didn't want to waste my time Xeroxing and making coffee, and I avoided that," she said, "but I did just about everything else. And for a while I thought I'd go in the direction of becoming a reporter, because at the affiliate level the reporter does everything—they make the calls, they set things up, they do the research, they do the interview, they write the story and they go on the air with it. When you get to the network the producer is doing a large part of the legwork."

After a sojourn in Boston working a variety of jobs, Adams returned to Portland as WGAN's promotions manager.

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"That was my first real job in this business," she said. "I was twenty-five, and I was in management at an affiliate." She was responsible for the station's on-air promotions, for its image campaign and for p.r. She attended national affiliates' meetings where she could make professional contacts, and at the end of two years on the job, she says, "the wheels started to turn a little bit. I looked around and said, 'I could improve on this, I know I could. There are bigger places with more money to spend.' I knew I could upgrade from Maine."

She joined an advertising firm in Boston but disliked the work. When she was offered a position in the creative services department at KYW-TV 3, an NBC affiliate in Philadelphia, she jumped at it.

Adams was in charge of promoting *Evening Magazine* at KYW, and she won a national competition in the field. Part of the prize was an all-expenses-paid trip to the awards presentation in San Francisco for Adams and the show's executive producer. Adams, angling to move from promotions to programming, seized her opportunity.

"I had the executive producer captive on an airplane for five hours," she recalled, "so I worked on him. I told him how much I wanted to move into programming."

As soon as a producer's slot opened up, Adams got it. In three years on the show she produced mostly entertainment stories and collected a Gold Award at the San Francisco International Film Festival for a story about former Miss America Vanessa Williams. She was asked to write and produce a nationally syndicated documentary, "Ageless America," for Group W, and from there she moved to KYW's *Eyewitness News* program as a producer of news series and special projects.

By then she was restless again, looking for a new challenge. While at *Evening Magazine* she had methodically "produced every story you can think of on NBC," and through contacts she'd made in that process, along with a few well-placed calls to a former KYW colleague who was working at NBC Sports, Adams landed an interview for a position on the team covering the 1988 Summer Olympics in Seoul. When six months went by and she'd heard nothing from NBC, she resigned herself to staying in Philadelphia.

Then, one night, she came home to find a message on her answering machine: she was wanted by NBC in New York for another round of interviews. Two days later she had the job.

"I cried when I got the offer," she said. "It was sports. I love sports. And it was the network. I had done it, and I had done it by myself."

Adams points to the Olympics as "the best professional experience of my life."

"The Games were like college," she said. "It was fifteen hundred people, roughly the same age, all committed to doing the best we could do. We were working around the clock, putting in sixteen-hour days and then dancing until dawn, grabbing a couple of hours of sleep and doing it all over again. I couldn't have asked for more."

*Greetings from Seoul: Adams and her camera crew attract a crowd of school children while setting up a shoot during the 1988 Summer Olympics.*



COURTESY OF SUSAN ADAMS

When the Olympics ended, Adams was unemployed. She'd moved to New York but had hardly spent any time there, so she had few friends or professional acquaintances in the area. The expense of living in the city without

a job was enormous, and Adams contemplated returning to Philadelphia. But once again, she found creative ways to make her availability known around the television industry.

The mother of a producer Adams had met while they both worked on "Ageless America" was Ted Koppel's secretary at *Nightline*. She told Adams that Koppel, *Nightline*'s anchor, occasionally pulled staff away from the late-night news program to help him with specials. That left holes on *Nightline*'s production staff. Adams, with her Olympics calling card (and the two Emmys earned there) along with her magazine-show experience, was the right person in the right place at the right time. She was hired as a full-time freelance producer on *Nightline*, where she worked for nearly a year.

The job, Adams says, was both exciting and grueling. "The clock was ticking in the biggest way on *Nightline*," she said. "Many times there'd be a breaking story in the middle of the afternoon, and you'd have to throw out everything you'd been doing and work on that. We call that 'crashing' in this business—dropping everything to attack a story—and crashes are exhilarating. They are terrifying, but they are also exhilarating. And they were constant on *Nightline*. You can't imagine what that takes out of you—it's very, very draining."

She recalls—with fondness and some bemused pride—the night Koppel closed a story on the Central Park jogger case by saying, "Jeff Greenfield's report was produced by Susan Adams."

"They never say a producer's name on television," Adams said. "My phone rang off the hook the next day."

Adams says it was a privilege to be associated with Koppel's extraordinarily high standards and with the sophisticated journalism of the program. Ultimately, though, she realized that her personal life was suffering as a consequence of her job. "Look at me," she remembers thinking, "I'm on *Nightline*—and if I stay here I'm going to die."

Despite pleas from management—and from Koppel himself—for her to stay, Adams left the program in 1989 and joined other former *Nightline* production team members who recruited her for *PrimeTime Live*.

"I had no life," she said. "That's why I left. I was fine on the job, but everything else was suffering, including a relationship I was in at the time. I didn't want my whole life to go down the drain. *Nightline* is a show for young people or incredibly ambitious people who are willing to make a lot of personal sacrifices for whatever it's going to get for them."





Jane Pauley (left) says Adams's crucial talent lies in her ability to "render something complicated coherent for a wide audience."

But in going to *PrimeTime*, Adams had leapt from the frying pan straight into the fire.

"The show was becoming very topical," she said, "so as it turned out there were a lot of crashes—just what I'd

been trying to get away from. In some cases I was working more."

Adams stayed at *PrimeTime* for three years, producing stories on topics as diverse as the controversial plan to hire a hearing president at Gallaudet University, John and Caroline Kennedy, rape at a mental institution, the tribulations of Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates and the 1989 San Francisco earthquake. Perhaps her favorite *PrimeTime* story, "Judgment Day," took viewers inside the admissions process at Kenyon College in Ohio. Adams says she gravitates toward stories about education because she is passionate about its potential to transform society—an attitude that has kept her involved with Colby as a class correspondent and, now, as class vice president.

When she was ready to leave *PrimeTime*, Adams could almost choose her next job. She and *DateLine* chose each other.

"I came over for an interview and I loved everybody I met here," she said. "Of course, by the time I came on board most of them were gone because of the GM thing. Fortunately, the network brought in Neal [Shapiro], the greatest person in the world, as executive producer."

Adams says she has never been happier. As a single woman with no children, she says, she can take full advantage of New York's cultural and social scene—her life outside of work is filled with friends and activities. Though *DateLine* has a crash unit, she is not involved with it. Most of the stories she produces—she worked on eight in her first year on the program—are the kind she likes best: behind-the-scenes examinations of a multifaceted topic.

Her first *DateLine* segment, which aired in October 1992, was about computer hackers. She also has produced stories on, among other subjects, baseball's spring training, dismantling nuclear weapons, abducted children who are reunited with parents and adoption. She thinks her best piece so far may be "Greetings from Idaho," the story of a tourist couple who inadvertently caused a four-day forest fire and were sued by the state for \$1 million.

Although almost anyone on staff can pitch stories to the senior and executive producers, they make final assignments. Adams explains that every effort is made to match a particular producer with stories most suited to their talents. Adams has found a special colleague—and a big fan—in correspondent Jon Scott.

"When we did 'Greetings from Idaho,'" Scott said, "the governor wanted to challenge NBC based on our handling of the story, and if that story had been poorly handled it could have been a black eye for us. But Susan had everything documented to the point where the state—

Adams edits segment  
footage with correspondent  
Jon Scott (left) and  
operations producer Frank  
Shambacher.



and in some respects, the governor—were left with, if not a black eye, at least a smudged eye over their handling of the case.

"You don't want to do an interview and say, 'We have evidence you still beat your wife,' have some

guy say, 'Show me' and have to back off and say, 'Well, we heard that you still beat your wife.' As correspondents, we're the ones whose faces are attached to the stories, but we do so many stories that we can't know everything about them. Susan just obsesses about everything. I've found that her research is so thorough that I don't have to worry about missing something."

*Dateline* is very conscious of the need to get stories right and make them fair. Having producers of Adams's caliber on staff is important. At the meeting to review Adams's progress on the gun sales story, Shapiro, along with a senior producer for programming, a network lawyer and the senior producer for broadcast standards, try to think of every possible pitfall that might make the piece less than balanced. The conversation takes nearly an hour on an extremely busy day.

"We're an over-lawyered show," Jane Pauley says later about the on-set monitoring that goes on as the show's final pieces are produced. On this day, Pauley had rewritten the copy on the deadbeat parents story several times before she was satisfied, and in the end it was both clearer and more compelling.

"You look at something in the morning and you say, 'Yeah, yeah, that's fine,' Pauley said. "Then, when you are about to say it on camera, you take a closer look. Having a lawyer on the set reminds us that we have to be more than just 'not actionable.'"

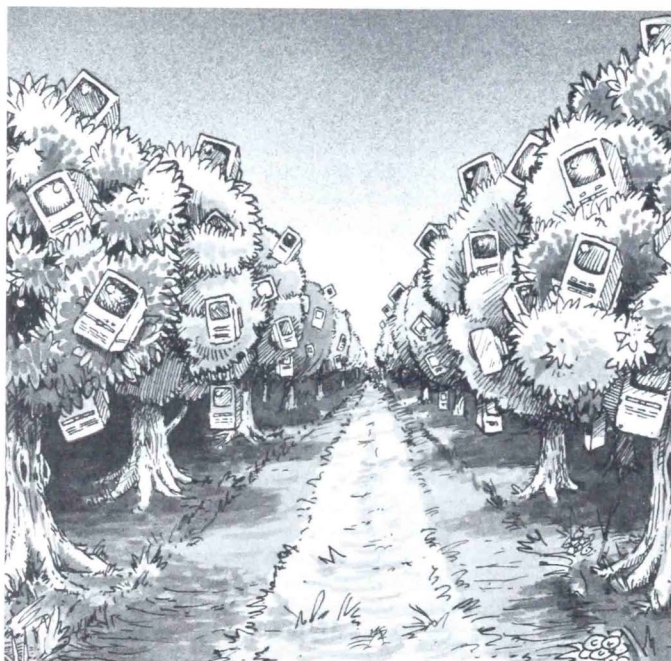
Adams puts some of the blame for the suspicions news people face on freewheeling, pay-for-interview programs like *HardCopy* and *A Current Affair*. Sometimes, she says, people have trouble drawing the line between a program like *Dateline* and the tabloids. At a panel discussion Adams participated in during Colby's reunion last summer, one man asked her whether she'd ever make anything up for a story.

"It was like, 'What? No!' That's a question that would probably never be asked of him in his business," she said, "but there's an assumption that it might go on in this business."

Adams obviously has found her ideal niche. She is surrounded by people she likes, respects and admires, all of whom share her dedication to producing informative, effective television.

"I feel so lucky that the work I do is so interesting and challenging and has provided a lot of personal growth and great experiences," she said. "My work has been self-affirming—and it continually renews itself. When I talk to kids who want to go into this business I tell them, 'Don't settle. You can do it. Go for what you want.'"

# **harvesting** **the** **Apple** **orchard**



**Colby reaps the  
benefits of the  
information age**

By Stephen Collins '74

With a click of the mouse beside his color monitor, Thomas Longstaff, Dana professor of religious studies, zooms in on a diagram of a third-century Roman market whose excavation he helped direct in Israel. Another command and his Macintosh Quadra 950 draws a three-dimensional view of columns and walls, allowing him and his students to visualize how the market may have looked in antiquity.

In Miller Library, reference librarian Toni Katz helps a student navigate through more than a dozen CD-ROM disks until they unearth a U.S. Department of Transportation study of drink driving the student needs for an upcoming debate.

On the fourth floor of the Mudd science building, physics major Ho Wa "Wally" Leung '94 of New York uses a Macintosh to research his senior honor's thesis, "Coherent and Squeezed States of Simple Harmonic Oscillators." The previous night he posted a question for physicists on a world-wide network of computers called Usenet, and now answers and suggestions are flowing in from across the U.S. and from France and New Zealand.

Thanks in part to the Colby's early and decisive embrace of computer technology, Colby students, faculty and staff can take such wonders for granted. From almost any faculty member's desk, from almost any administrator's office and from several dozen other locations on campus, Colbians can do serious research, browse among a host of electronic publications, plug into bulletin boards and even hold live "conversations" with friends and colleagues anywhere in the world.

Nine years after Colby decided to adopt Apple Computer's upstart Macintosh model as its standard microcomputer, the Mac is ubiquitous on Mayflower Hill. Nearly half of all Colby students buy one through the bookstore; others bring one from home. There are 65 Macs available for student use in three labs in the Mudd and Lovejoy buildings and in Miller Library, and Macs are standard issue for faculty and administrators.

Biology Department chair David Firmage, who chaired Colby's long-range planning committee for computers in the early 1980s, remembers the controversial decision to embrace the Mac on campus.

"Most of the committee wanted to go with IBM," he said, noting that IBM was then the standard computer of business and science and that a great deal more software was available for

IBMs and IBM clones than for the Mac, which had been on the market for only a year. Faculty members who had been involved in computing favored IBMs because they were familiar with its operating system, but students, as well as faculty without computing experience, overwhelmingly favored the Mac.

Firmage, then an IBM defender, now says, "They made the absolute right decision—the software caught up. A lot of schools have gone with IBM, and when I see what they've got I'm the first to admit I was wrong. . . . We can hand students a new program they've never seen before and in a three-and-a-half hour laboratory

session they can develop their own models and start working with them."

Equally important was Colby's insistence on a single campus-wide network and a centralized budget and allocation system, says David Hanson, associate director of computer services for academic computing. Hanson said experience at other colleges shows that "in a vacuum of action by the college, the departments step in and set up their own networks." Now, while some schools are still operating with hundreds of incompatible machines that can't be tied into a central network, Colby is in the enviable position of debating

how far to extend its network among campus buildings.

Macs still can't do everything. That's why there are extraordinarily powerful Sun workstations for use in the sciences and mathematics, such as the one Physics Department chair Murray Campbell uses to construct models of the way stars are formed. And it's why some professors prefer to go it alone—without technical support from Computer Services—with other computer models.

Assistant Professor of Geology Paul Doss brings his own Gateway 2000 computer to work. "Much of the working scientific community uses MS-DOS-based computers," Doss said, referring to the operating system developed by Microsoft that works with IBM-style computers. When students in Doss's advanced groundwater hydrology class study the movement of pollutants through a groundwater system, he needs his IBM clone to run a program called *Solute*.

Since Colby's decision almost a decade ago to buy and support Macintoshes, the role of the computer in higher education has changed dramatically. "We've completely dismissed the notion of computer literacy," said Raymond Phillips,

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director of computer services. "To some extent it's an appliance. We don't teach how a telephone works. The computer is a tool for scholars—what's important is the ability to manipulate information with it."

Computer Services, Phillips says, might more aptly be named information services. "Access to the information is just not enough," he said, adding that today, students need analytical tools to manipulate and use data and—perhaps more than ever before—critical skills to evaluate the information available.

Colby is near the front of the pack of colleges and universities entering the information age. "We've positioned ourselves well," said Longstaff, chair of the College's computer committee. "The important question for us as we enter the next phase is, how do we become a leader in the use of information technologies?"

Using equipment sprinkled among three computer labs on campus, students already can deliver assignments to professors by depositing a word-processing file into an on-screen drop box that transfers the file to their professor's hard disk. They can pick up class handouts and bibliographies or can read reference materials left on their professor's computer or a departmental server. By calling up the library's on-line catalogue, students and faculty anywhere on campus can search not only Miller Library's index but collections at Bates, Bowdoin and the University of Maine as well. They also can browse Colby's daily and weekly calendars, the campus directory and a variety of departmental notices. Using electronic mail, commonly known as e-mail, students working late at night can ask professors questions, often receiving an answer before they wake the next morning.

Then there's the Internet.

In the Geology Department, Doss calls up a U.S. Geological Survey computer in California and gets an up-to-date printout on earthquake activity around the world. His students can discuss why an earthquake happened just hours after the event.

"I still find this amazing," Doss said as he examined the location and depth of a dozen small tremors north of Klamath Falls, Ore., that occurred the day before. "When I was a student we had textbooks and an occasional newspaper story to work with."

Brian Carlson '94 of Jericho, Vt., uses the Internet not only

to evaluate graduate schools but also to correspond with grad school faculty members to see what potential advisors have to offer. Kristian Parker '94 of Celigny, Switzerland, carried on an e-mail correspondence last winter with a professor at Duke University's marine laboratory, where he'll enter a Ph.D. program this fall.

In his office, Longstaff loads a file from the University of Michigan complete with maps and photos of artifacts at archeological digs in Tunisia and Greece. Words in blue are "hypertext"—if he clicks on one with his mouse he brings up a screenful of explanation or detail. A Fotoman on his desk allows students to load photographs of their own artifacts into text files for viewing by Internet users.

Laurie Osborne, assistant professor of English, uses an electronic bulletin board for Shakespearean scholars and actors. She can post questions for the dozens of members, and answers flow back in a matter of hours. By reading the board she learns about journals and essays and stays abreast of lectures and conferences.

"It's very useful," Osbornesaid.

"I stay in regular contact with people I see only once a year."

Use of the Internet for looking into almost any subject is limited only by one's imagination and initiative, and as the network matures (it's almost 21 years old) tools for navigating it are being refined. Hanson is a big fan of TurboGopher, a search application developed at the University of Minnesota. It allows Internet users not only to skip from one host computer to the next with the touch of a button but to use a utility called Veronica to seek references to any subject in all of "gopherspace."

"It's like that sign when you come into Maine," Hanson said. "Electronic searches are 'The Way Life Should Be.'"

"It's my belief that students have better access to more information, and they're learning how to use it," said Director of Libraries Suanne Muehlner. Statistics back her up. Interlibrary loans—most resulting from computer searches of cooperating libraries' on-line catalogues—rose 10 percent per year for the last 10 years. During the last school year Colby libraries borrowed 9,370 books from other libraries' collections.

"There's a tremendous amount of information out there," said reference librarian Frances Parker. "The hard part is finding it, or sometimes just defining what it is you want to find."



Beyond the challenge of finding information, however, is that of picking and choosing from what's available.

"It's a wonderful chaos," Phillips said. "There is a vast amount of information out there, but there's a lot of babble. There's so much noise—so many uninteresting or irresponsible participants. And structurally it's anarchy as well. There are some conventions, but there's no forced structure. There are technological standards but no standards for content."

Longstaff says teaching students how to evaluate information critically is vital. "How do you separate the chaff from the wheat?" he said. "That's the educational process."

"It's like using *Time* or *Newsweek* for a research project," Firmage added. "Students may quote them to give their paper a little flavor, but those quotes better be few and far between and backed up by primary sources published in peer-reviewed journals."

Computers can help students locate those materials in Miller Library, where a dozen terminals spread among all floors replaced the old card catalogues in 1989 when the library's index went on line.

Other more specialized computers stand by for searching CD-ROM indexes and services like the Lexis and Nexis databases for articles on current affairs, law, government and economics. "Unlike ten years ago, this library is packed now," said Katz. "[The computers] are like magnets." During the first semester the library logged 198 hours on line with Lexis alone and received 1,222 printed pages of text for students and staff.

"As the cost of publications and journals continues to rise beyond what library budgets can afford, this is more and more important," Muehlner said. "It allows us to buy what people need when they need it."

But librarians stress that computers are not the only tools—nor always the best tools—for research. "I find students sometimes have very strange ideas about what computers will do," said Parker, recalling one student who asked, "What button do I push to get information?" about her topic. "If it wasn't on the computer, she didn't want to use it," Parker said.

"Librarians," Muehlner added, "have always tried to exhaust all resources, not just what looks jazziest."

Colby itself is grappling with questions of how best to manage its roles as a user and contributor to a future national

information infrastructure.

"Now is the time to be thinking about how it's going to affect the classroom and student work, not after it's here," Longstaff said.

Phillips said that beyond keeping computers up to date and supporting faculty and student computing needs, plugging computers into the network has been a priority. Phase one of that work—wiring faculty offices, classroom buildings and

administrative offices—is almost complete. That alone has taken 10 years and \$600,000. While students are eager to plug computers directly into the network in the residence halls, that would be four times the job, and there's no timetable for it, Phillips said. Students already can log on to the network from their rooms using a modem and their room phone, though tying up telephones for "surfing" on the network or "computer chats" with friends at remote locations already is causing friction among some roommates.

Phillips estimates it would cost \$2 million to install the wiring for high-speed data access from residence halls and

another \$3.5 million in maintenance costs over 10 years. He says the project must be weighed against the library's needs for computer resources, the support of faculty computing and the potential for classroom use of computers.

Phillips envisions future classrooms with blackboards replaced by whiteboards—large-format displays on which professors can write, both to project to a class and to put the data into a computer. Current technology allows a computer display to be shown on a projector screen, but the system projector is cumbersome and difficult to use, Phillips says. He anticipates computers that will take handwritten data, turn it into a graph, rotate the image so it can be seen from varying perspectives and allow displays of moving video.

But as Colby looks to the future of classroom computing, technology is the wrong place to focus, Phillips says. Instead, administrators ought to remember that direct, person-to-person contact is among the most important features of education on Mayflower Hill.

"We're at a point," Phillips said, "where we really need to link information technology with the College's mission and its educational precepts."

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# “There Are No Excuses”

**Colby Coach  
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Win-Loss  
Columns**



DAVID WILLIAMS

## by Lynn Sullivan '89

"The only time I ever got sick on the bus as a player was going to Middlebury on Route 2," Colby women's basketball coach Carol Anne Beach '88 said on a frigid morning in January. Her 17-member team was assembled in Roberts Union, waiting to begin a weekend journey to contests at Middlebury and Colby-Sawyer. "I try to think of the best route to take so the players will really be able to perform. Route 2 isn't it."

But one thing had led to another that morning. Arriving in her office at 7:30 Beach found three messages from trainer Patty Thornton on her answering machine. Thornton's car had blown its distributor cap in Dixmont, Maine—she couldn't make it to Middlebury unless the team bus could fetch her. Which meant abandoning the highway route Beach had planned for winding, mountainous Route 2.

"We had absolutely no other option," Beach said. "We needed Patty." So, hours ahead of schedule, the bus hit the road. The players settled back in their seats, some looking out the windows with Walkmen plugged into their ears, some sleeping, others catching up on their studies. Later in the morning, after Thornton had been rescued and the team had taken a break at a McDonald's in New Hampshire, someone slipped a copy of *Hoosiers* into the bus's VCR—even the most studious players couldn't help but glance at the movie now and then.

Beach normally uses bus time to write letters to recruits, read scouting reports, plan upcoming strategies for games and catch up on Athletic Department paperwork. Instead she fretted about Heather Goulet '96,

who'd missed the trip because of a doctor's appointment. Beach had seen Goulet through knee surgery, spending seven hours in the hospital with the young forward as doctors repaired the knee with an arthroscope. The surgery was scheduled at a day's notice, and

neither of Goulet's parents was able to get away from work in Massachusetts to be with their daughter. Beach had taken their place.

She hoped Goulet would be on the bus to Middlebury. The injury already had set Goulet apart from the team, and Beach wondered if the distance would cause problems in the future. "It's important that she feel and be a part of the team," Beach said. "I thought about holding the bus until after her

appointment, but I just couldn't. That bothers me."

Like most head coaches in NCAA Division III, Beach is personally responsible for every facet of her program, including scouting, recruiting, scheduling games, arranging for the team's transportation, lodging and meals on the road, running all practices and coaching games. Assistant coaches often are part-time employees with jobs elsewhere, so coaches like Beach routinely log 15- and 18-hour days filled with duties that would be handled by assistants at the Division I level.

Urgent attention to small details is, in large part, what makes a successful Division III coach—especially at an academically demanding school like Colby. Division I and II colleges and universities that offer athletic scholarships skim the cream of the athletic talent, and Division III colleges whose admissions standards aren't as high as Colby's have a far deeper pool of athletes from which to



*Time outs mean teaching: Beach makes a point during the game with Bates.*



recruit. But a Colby coach is still expected to win.

"Because of the academic requirements, you're only dealing with the top five percent of a high school's student body," said Colby athletic director and men's basketball coach Dick Whitmore. "It's easy to be ordinary at this level. If Colby is to be competitive on a national level, we have to work that much harder. And we want to be competitive. It's a distinct pride factor."

"You can't tell any coach that their team isn't as important as an Ohio State team," Beach agreed. "There may be less media pressure, less alumni pressure in some sports, but every coach puts pressure on herself or himself to make their team the most successful."

For Beach there is an added motivation to succeed. She operates in the shadow of Dick Whitmore, Colby's most successful and honored contemporary coach.

"I swear," she said during a season-opening losing streak, "there are times when I think he could take any five players and teach them to win. Any five. If he were coaching my team they'd win all their games."

As the women gained momentum and confidence, however, Beach became more philosophical. "I can learn from him. I don't think there's a coach on campus who can't learn from him," she said. "He's so supportive of our program. I brag about the relationship I have with him and the space he gives me and the respect he gives me. At the same time, it is not an easy thing to be on the court after the men's team plays or practices. There is no comparison, and I recognize that. I'm just hoping that when I'm twenty years into this profession someone can look at me that way."

She's made a good start. The women's basketball team last won the ECAC championship in 1991, one season before Beach was named interim head coach replacing Gene DeLorenzo '75, who now heads the men's program at Oberlin College. Beach was hired as official director of the team in 1992, also assuming duties as varsity women's soccer coach and, this year, as associate director of athletics and senior women's administrator. The team faltered

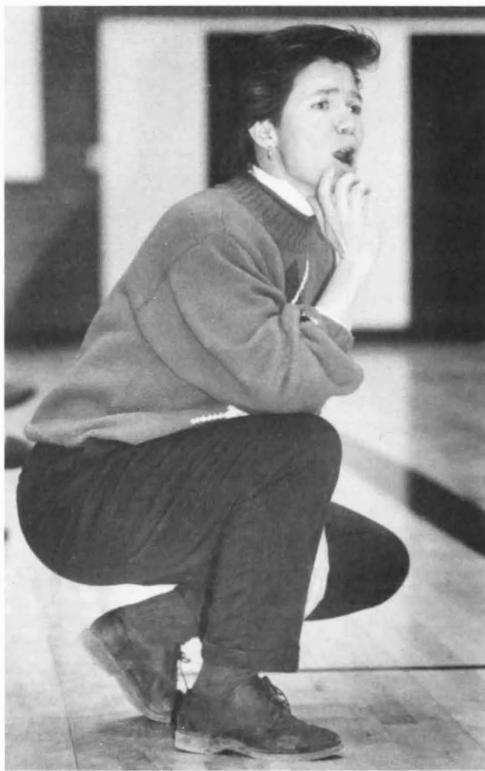
in the early going under Beach but last season posted a 13-9 record and won its third straight CBB title. Beach wants more, but she acknowledges that some variables are simply out of her hands.

"A coach is really dependent on seventeen- and eighteen-year-old kids coming to the school. And then you're dependent on them for your profession," she said. "You are judged by how well your players play and how well the team does. It's hard. You don't see English professors out there recruiting good English students and then being judged by the students' performance."

"We started this season 0-6," Beach said. "I'd be downtown or at the Spa or in the grocery store, and somebody would mention it. Sometimes it was a posi-

tive comment. Sometimes it was, 'Hey, when are you going to win a game?' And that just killed me."

Beach made some adjustments, but she generally stuck with a carefully crafted program to teach and reinforce both basketball skills and a winning attitude among her players. The team's dedication was tested day after day at 6 a.m. practices and night after night as close games slipped away from them. Through it all, though, their esteem for Beach was constant.



SCOTT BEARY

"Carol Anne has been my coach for three years and has become a good friend," said Josette Huntress '94, a guard from Limestone, Maine. "She has a way with people. She is completely dedicated to us as players—to every part of our lives, not just when we're on the court. I feel lucky to have her as a coach. It's easy to work hard for her."

"Team unity is so important to Carol Anne," Betsy Maclean '94, the team's starting center, said. "If we had a different coach we wouldn't be the same team, we wouldn't be as tight as we are. We all get along well and enjoy being together. A lot of that has to do with Carol Anne." Maclean says she won't choose coaching as a profession because it's too stressful. But, she said, "if I were going to be a coach I'd want to be just like Carol Anne."

Parents, too, have become Beach fans. The atmosphere surrounding games demonstrates her interest in making the team's success a family affair—parents often lug boxes of cookies, candies and fruit to away games for the team to share on the way home. And they appreciate Beach's devotion to their daughters.

"I can't say enough good about her," Carol Goulet, Heather's mother, said after Beach's hospital vigil during Heather's surgery. "I don't know whether she'll ever know how much we appreciate her. She's an exceptional person."

Beach is the youngest of four children, two boys and two girls. She was reared in Columbus, Ohio, where Tom Beach was on the faculty of Ohio State. The family was—and remains—extraordinarily close. Beach's mother and father frequently attend games in Wadsworth gym, and Tom Beach sometimes goes to high school games to report on a player his daughter might want to recruit. Growing up, all of the Beach children excelled in sports, and the family lived and died with the Buckeyes.

"It was just so important going to Ohio State games," Beach remembered. "It was like, if the Buckeyes lost to Michigan in football, your day was done." She says she was disturbed about the lack of importance placed on women's sports, but she nevertheless soaked up the competitive fire of prominent Midwestern coaches like Ohio State's Woody Hayes and Indiana's Bob Knight.

The atmosphere at home helped stoke the flames. "She

grew up in a family where if you didn't eat quickly you didn't eat," her brother David said. "It was exhausting to eat pizza. It was competitive eating."

"I don't understand people who aren't competitive," Beach said. "I can't understand not just diving in ready to conquer something." A standout in basketball and softball in high school, Beach played both sports at Colby. She was elected a tri-captain of the basketball team in her senior year and received the Norman R. White Award for "inspirational leadership and sportsmanship." She also was named the outstanding women's studies graduate of 1988.

After working as an assistant coach at Trinity and Brandeis, Beach returned to Colby in 1990 as assistant director of public affairs for sports publicity. The following year she was tapped to replace DeLorenzo and to assist David LaLiberty '79, whom she eventually succeeded as women's soccer coach.

Beach, 27, has risen through the ranks extraordinarily rapidly. She says she's been successful because she never lets up on herself, always believing that she can do better. She expects a high level of commitment from her players as well. That was evident when the team arrived in Middlebury and climbed off the bus, stiff and saddle sore and a little dazed by the eight-hour trip. There were two hours to kill—Beach hates getting to a road game early, but the route change gave her little choice—and her most pressing job was to pump the players up. She acknowledged their "bus legs" but told the team that the

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trip didn't matter anymore. In the cramped visitor's locker room just before the game, she paused in her pre-game speech to look at each player for a moment. "There are no excuses," she said.

"The crowds, the different place has nothing to do with what we're here for," Beach said. "The game is the thing. We can't start worrying about who's in the stands and who appreciates us and about things we can't control. We should worry about the things we can control—the offense, the defense and our attitude."

Beach watched the warm-up with a sinking heart. "I knew we weren't ready to go out and play hard," she said later. "I was hoping I was wrong."

By halftime Colby was down by five points, and lucky to be that close. The second half was no better, and Beach paced the sideline in frustration, holding her head in her hands, her mouth set in a grim line. Time outs didn't work. Motivational speeches didn't work. All Beach and assistant coach Adrienne Shibbes could do was watch as the White Mules succumbed to the Panthers with hardly a whimper, 80-59.

Hours later, though, Beach had gotten over her disappointment. She was thinking ahead to the next day's matchup with Colby-Sawyer, a game the White Mules would win, 64-62, despite some tense moments. The team blew a 10-point lead in the first half and left the floor down by two. Beach exploded in the locker room at halftime, telling her players that the way to win a contest is "to want it more than anything." The language was colorful.

"I was trying to snap them out of it," she said. "It was

the third half in a row that we'd played unemotionally. It wasn't so much that I wanted to show them I was mad—even though I was—I wanted them to play hard. I don't want the team to produce because I'm screaming. I want them playing the game and learning the game, not reacting to me."

As the team returned to the floor, Beach took aside one player who, she knew, would be intimidated, not

motivated, by the halftime histrionics. They had a quiet chat. The team had a sloppy but successful half. They returned to Mayflower Hill with a 4-7 record and would reach .500 just days later with wins over Bates, the University of Maine at Farmington and Wesleyan.

Back on campus after the long bus trip, the players returned to their dorms, walking stiffly on tired legs, and an exhausted Beach headed home. She thought

about the weekend, planned the week's practices and mused about her job.

"No one can say coaching isn't stressful," she said. "It's worth it. Coaches are lucky. We get to see so many positive things about the students and we get to share a lot with them over four years. The first time I saw some of my players graduate it was really an amazing feeling. And on the basketball court, there is nothing better than seeing someone do something you've just taught them."

But in the back of her mind, of course, Beach is planning for the future even as she appreciates the present.

"Part of building a program is laying the foundation," she said. "I've been lucky with the players I inherited from the former coach, but I look forward to the time when the program is all mine. It can't come fast enough."



On the day she was named interim coach, Beach celebrated with Morning Sentinel sports editor Ernie Clark.

MARY ELLEN MATAVA

# Russian tales

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Steve Chernoff '91 sometimes knocked off work at noon this winter. He liked to take advantage of the few precious hours of daylight to sightsee in his adopted city, St. Petersburg, Russia, once home to Feodor Dostoevsky, Aleksander Pushkin and Nikolai Gogol—not to mention a succession of tsars starting with Peter the Great. Wandering amid the houses with their genteel, crumbling facades or beside canals dug a few decades before the American Revolution, Chernoff might be mistaken for a tourist. But in fact, he and several other Colbians are among a small but influential group of young foreigners helping to shape—for better or worse—the future of modern Russia.

Chernoff is the lone St. Petersburg employee of FYI, a Ukraine-based company that collects information about major Russian cities and sends it to Washington, D.C., where reports are compiled for businesses considering setting up shop in Russia. His apartment is his office, which makes life easy in some ways ("I can work in my bathroom if I want to") and difficult in others ("It's always a potential twenty-four-hour work day"). When he feels the walls closing in, he heads for one of St. Petersburg's relatively new, decidedly post-communist Western bars.

"Business necessitates it," Chernoff said. "It's required, going to a lot of schmoozing kinds of places."

Hilary Greene '91 is co-owner of Personnel Corps, a firm that helps Russians find work with foreign companies. "It's exciting," Greene said. "At home I couldn't be doing what we're doing here—running our own business, getting the funds, being taken seriously and doing cross-cultural consulting for the Russian and foreign sides to make them able to work together." Last fall Greene hired Todd Alexander '92 as an account executive. His job is to place Russian workers with American corporations, including Philip Morris, Procter & Gamble and Gillette.



*Steve Chernoff '91 says he enjoys long rambles amidst St. Petersburg's historic buildings. Behind him is The Hermitage.*

Jenny Alfond '92, who went to St. Petersburg two years ago on a Thomas J. Watson Fellowship and taught schoolchildren about environmental preservation, now works as office manager at McKinsey & Co., a management/consulting firm that opened its first branch in the city last year.

These Colbians—and other Westerners—have brought new opportunities and new ways of doing business to St. Petersburg. But as enthusiastic as they are about their jobs, there also is a growing sense among them that things in this city—and in the country as a whole—may be moving too fast.

Alfond, especially, is concerned about the American influence in Russia. As a one-time chair of Colby's Environmental Council and the force behind the College's thriving recycling program, Alfond cringes at the potential for ecological damage as Russia develops a market economy. She's traveled to many locales in the Commonwealth of Independent States—including the Caucasus, central Asia and Siberia—and she speaks with deep admiration for the people she's met, who "know every root, plant, flower, track." But she wonders what will happen as they move away from their agrarian roots.

"I feel sort of torn," Alfond said, "because as much as I get

upset when I see American and Western material culture, my perspective is a privileged one. I've had the chance to decide whether I want to make those things a part of my life."

Russians are only now getting that choice. Until recently, for instance, shoppers had to provide their own bags to carry home food and other purchases; today, even some state-operated stores dole out plastic bags. Alfond worries that this will create greater and greater demands for non-biodegradable wraps and packaging.

For Chernoff and Greene, politics, not plastics, are cause for concern. Chernoff says he was as surprised as most Americans by the strong showing turned in by ultra-conservative Vladimir Zhirinovsky in December's national elections. Then he spoke to one of his neighbors, a history buff who'd voted for the Russian nationalist.

"He is just fed up," Chernoff said, with the hardships and uncertainty caused by Boris Yeltsin's democratic reforms. "It's the same reason a lot of people voted for Perot. [Zhirinovsky] is an outsider."

Political instability doesn't make for the best business climate, Greene points out. Recalling a July incident in which the government decided to replace all pre-1993 currency in an effort to stamp out black marketeering, she said, "A lot of the older people felt a sense of panic. There were long lines at the banks. For us, it was a typical thing that we've come to get used to. You just never know what's going to happen."

Todd Alexander says St. Petersburg's bustling

appearance—with its billboards advertising foreign goods and services, its shops and its modern, efficient Metropolitan subway—can "tease you into thinking that things will run like you're used to in the States." Alexander, a Russian studies major who as a senior toured the city as part of a Jan Plan trip led by Associate Professor of Russian Sheila McCarthy, said life there is difficult for most.

"To get things done, such as buying food or doing laundry, you really have to set aside a huge chunk of your day," he said, adding that the process has taught him to appreciate things more. A carton of orange juice costing 1,500 rubles (\$1.25, up from about 700 rubles last summer) might be available at a local kiosk one day, for instance, but not the next.

"You can find anything in the city," Alexander said, "but you don't know where it is."

In Alexander's first apartment, a one-room flat off St. Isaac's Square not far from Peter the Great's Winter Palace, he was plagued by a lack of kitchen facilities and a finicky hot-water boiler—not to mention loneliness. Late in the fall he moved to a communal apartment he shares with a Russian family and two graduate students. They've made him feel less of a stranger.

"Russia is a very group-oriented culture," he said. "When I come home, everyone sits down and talks in the kitchen," usually sipping herb tea.

Chernoff, who lives alone in a furnished apartment he's decorated with posters of movie tough guy Jean-Claude Van Damme, says his chief gripe is with the lack of fresh



Jenny Alfond '92, posed here in front of the Smolnyy Cathedral, says Russia's environmental future is of critical importance.



## A Semester in St. Petersburg

Colby has one of the most wide-ranging programs of foreign study among colleges of its size in the nation. More than 65 percent of the student body spend a year, a semester, a summer or a Jan Plan studying abroad in countries as diverse as England, South Africa, Korea and Brazil. Last semester, two Colby students participated in the Colby in St. Petersburg program, founded by Associate Professor of Russian Sheila McCarthy. Leigh Glenn gave Colby a snapshot of their lives in the stately Russian city.

Marsha Magnus '95, a double major in Russian studies and history, lived with a Russian family in St. Petersburg last fall. Every morning before sunrise, she left the apartment for classes at the St. Petersburg Gymnasium.

Magnus taught English to ninth graders and studied history, literature, composition, grammar, phonetics and conversational Russian. Having taught rambunctious students at a middle school in her hometown of Hampden, Maine, during Jan Plan in her sophomore year, she had hoped that the Russians would be quiet and orderly. But they, too, presented discipline problems—especially since the Russian administrators were trying to make the school more like an American one by encouraging students to express their opinions freely. Keeping them busy and learning was difficult, Magnus said.

When she wasn't doing Colby homework by preparing reports in Russian based on newspaper articles and television and radio broadcasts, Magnus attended theater, ballet and symphony performances and took in some of St. Petersburg's famous museums.

Outside of school, Magnus says, her biggest challenge was feeling comfortable in an alien culture. Serendipity helped. She remembers a tipsy local man cornering her on a trolley and demanding to know if she was from New York. They got to talking about the United States, and soon a small crowd gathered. "They wanted to know why I was in Russia," she said. "That was a nice experience."

Magnus shopped in numerous state-run stores whose neon signs announced *ovoschi i frukti* (fruit), *gastronomiya* (meat) and *konditer'skaya* (sweets) for sale. Bread was found elsewhere—shopping in Russia usually means shuttling among as many as 10 different stores, depending on one's needs. In state-run stores the customer decides what he or she wants, calculates the price, pays for the item, gets a receipt and gives the receipt to a clerk, who hands over the item, sometimes after a long wait. Magnus says she learned to swallow her impatience—and gained an insight or two.

"The people don't smile at you when you go to a store, but they're pretty helpful," she said. "Life is harder in general [given] the uncertainty of the political situation. Why bother to smile? It's just a job. There's no incentive to do anything."

Since Travis Larrabee '95 of Boxford, Mass., last visited Russia in the summer of 1991, the number of Western products available there has mushroomed. Kiosks selling cabbages, beets, potatoes, carrots, pigs and chickens—even rare treats such as honey, bananas and oranges—have sprung up around subway stations and along busy streets. Many shops have been privatized and now stock Western foods, cosmetics and clothes, imported televisions and fax machines and even fuzzy-headed troll dolls.

"There's more here," said Larrabee. "There was money to spend [before] but nothing to buy. Now it's the exact opposite. There's stuff to buy, but it's just so expensive that average Russians don't have the money to buy it."

A double major in Russian studies and government, Larrabee, like Magnus, took courses in Russian history, literature and grammar and taught English to Russian students. He said that the most important part of his experience was living with a family.

"I've learned probably a hundred times more at home than at school," Larrabee said. "When you live with somebody for three months, it puts a face behind all the theories."

In class, Larrabee was taught that Russians treasure tradition and friendship more than anything else. "They live day by day, it seems," Larrabee said. "They are willing to spend every last dime they have to buy you a gift and they'll worry about feeding themselves later. It's not like in America, where money is such an important thing."

Larrabee's hosts, a married couple in their 20s, were scientists. The husband was a working biologist; the wife chose to stay home with their daughters. "They were interested in life in general, what it's like being an American," Larrabee said. "I had conversations with them about whether people are really the same around the world or are different just because of nationality or geography."

Like Magnus, Larrabee often went on cultural outings, but he also appreciated St. Petersburg's proximity to Pushkin (home to Catherine the Great's massive blue, white and gold palace) and other, smaller towns whose parks and palaces once were frequented by tsars.

"You can't drive 20 minutes outside of Boston and see a palace," he said.





Hilary Greene '91 rides St. Petersburg's gleaming *Metropoliten* subway cars to her Personnel Corps office.

fruit and vegetables in the city. At \$2-\$3 per kilogram, prices for American staples such as broccoli and cauliflower are not unreasonably high, but they, like most greens, aren't plentiful, and Chernoff says he's concerned about maintaining his health on the typical Russian diet of potatoes, meat and bread.

But, say all of the Colbians, the aggravations of daily St. Petersburg life pale compared to the adventure of being there at this pivotal moment in the city's—and the nation's—history.

"I want to learn a lot about Russia and St. Petersburg," Alexander said. "In one respect I don't have time. I'm working for an American company, and that's very un-Russian. But I get to interview Russians and meet a lot of people." Alexander says he wants to stay in Russia and hopes, eventually, to find work restoring and renovating old buildings.

Greene, who has lived in St. Petersburg since Personnel Corps was founded a year and a half ago, says a change in the political wind could send her home. And she admits that she is occasionally homesick, particularly for her 13-year-old brother. "I feel like I'm missing his whole developmental age," she said. But as long as there's not another coup, and as long as foreign businesses are allowed to stay, Greene says she will, too.

"I've been completely taken by this city," she said. "There is an incredible sense of history here that's very well preserved. You can just picture [Dostoevsky's] Raskolnikov walking around here."

In January 1992, Alfond, whose dream it is to run an outdoor adventure service in the CIS, spearheaded a 12-day, American-Russian ski expedition to the Hibbin Mountains above the Arctic Circle. She says she's hoping to organize another such trip—this time to Siberia—this summer.

Many Russians, Alfond says, don't appreciate the value of the natural world. "They were not really protective of nature," she said of the groups of students she led on field trips to the forests outside St. Petersburg. "They saw it more as a sport or something to be overcome or to beat."

Like many Americans who live in Russia, Chernoff says he feels lucky to have options: he can always leave if the political situation worsens—or if his yearning for "daily shipments of

orange juice" gets too strong. But for now, nothing is powerful enough to lure him away.

"It's interesting," Chernoff said. "There's no place I'd rather be. Whatever happens, it's going to make for great story-telling later on."

*Leigh Glenn is a freelance writer based in St. Petersburg.*



"You can find anything in the city," says Todd Alexander '92, "but you don't know where it is."



# Mitchell Predicts Can-Do Campaign

~ By Sally Baker ~

Edson Mitchell '75 has his hands full. As co-head and managing director of the fixed income division at Merrill Lynch, Mitchell spends a good deal of his time traveling to Europe and Asia. At home in his New York office he manages 500 employees. He and his wife, Susan, are rearing five children, including Erik '97. His free time is precious.

But almost since the moment he graduated from Colby with a degree in economics and administrative science, Mitchell has been volunteering his time and offering his considerable talents—as well as significant financial support—to the College. And now he has taken the chair of the trustee committee charged with helping Colby mount its most ambitious capital campaign to date.

Why?

"Every time I come back to Colby I can't help but be impressed with its quality," Mitchell said, "and I am reminded of the things I like about the College. We have excellent teachers who are publishing and working hard in the classroom. The College is doing a lot of things right. It is efficiently managed, the administration is lean. All that makes my philanthropic impulses more significant."

Mitchell is quick—extremely quick—to insist that his commitment to Colby isn't unique and to brush aside efforts to portray him as a hero. "We're all busy. Everybody is busy. I choose to take the time, and so do they," he said, referring to the other members of the Campaign Steering Committee: Barbara Alford P '92, E. Michael Caulfield '68, Robert E. Diamond Jr. '74, Robert Furek '64, William Goldfarb '68, George Haskell '55, Ron Lupton '71, Paul Ostrove '53, Paul Paganucci, Lawrence Pugh '56 and John Zacamy '71. "No one should be focusing on the work we're doing. The focus should be on the campaign and its goals. Those are so important."

The campaign, which will begin this fall with special "kick off" events in Waterville, Boston and New York, is designed to build Colby's endowment and help meet critical



Edson Mitchell '75

needs, including student financial aid and faculty support.

"Colby is at a point in its history when the ability of the College to sustain a faculty with a high level of scholarship, to continue to offer financial aid and to keep up the physical plant with tuition increases is severely limited," Mitchell said. "In order for Colby to make a commitment to excellence—to move to the next level—the endowment has to increase. This is an exciting opportunity for Colby."

And, Mitchell notes, the campaign should reinforce the notion that at a small liberal arts college like Colby, one person really can make a difference.

"You see that in the faculty, among the students, in the administration," he said. "That's one of the exciting things about the school. As we've built the campaign's nucleus fund and Bill [Cotter] and Larry [Pugh] and I have visited people to ask for support, I've made a point of saying, 'Your gift can have enormous impact.'"

"Colby is an institution with a lot of momentum," Mitchell added. "The money that is raised is going to be used for very good, very important purposes. And I think this will be a successful campaign, in spite of uncertain economic times. Research has shown that there is a very positive feeling about Colby among its alumni and other constituents. If we can tap that we'll be successful."

In addition to chairing the steering committee, Mitchell serves on the trustee development committee; he also has served on his class reunion gift committee and as a mentor to Colby students through the Office of Career Services' volunteer program. Last year he endowed the Mitchell Family Professorship in Economics.

## Goldberg Issues Challenge

"Those of us who are fortunate should celebrate our good fortune with others," said Edward Goldberg '59, who hopes to do some of that celebrating at his 35th Colby reunion this summer.

Goldberg, vice president of Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette Securities Corporation in Boston, has pledged up to \$25,000 to the Alumni Fund as a challenge to his class, offering to match any gift of \$100 or more if the class achieves at least a 47 percent participation rate.

"He wanted to do something to spur his classmates on, to get people to raise their sights and to get people to contribute," said Pam Alexander, Colby's annual giving director.

"In some small way, I wanted to serve as an example to the members of my class," Goldberg agreed. "I generally feel that good institutions exist because of the people who preceded us. A reunion year seemed like the appropriate time to remember that." ♦



# A Life on the Margins

~ By Sally Baker ~

**L**arry Mitchell '60 is a gay man and a political liberal far to the left of center. He's published five novels and two books of nonfiction, and he's had two plays produced. Good as they are, though—and they are very good—Mitchell's books don't attract major reviewers or a wide readership and are neither published nor distributed by large publishing houses. Like Mitchell himself, the books are denizens of society's fringes: they observe mainstream culture with a mixture of sadness, quirky humor and deep impatience.

"American culture is all about optimism," Mitchell said during a recent interview. "I've always been more into how you think about things if you're not a part of that, what kind of consciousness you develop if you see civilization as winding down, something that can't go on indefinitely."

His first novel, *The Faggots & Their Friends Between Revolutions*, published in 1977, describes the world dominated by heterosexual men as an oppressive wasteland where greed, power grubbing and deceit have made a few—mostly white—men rich and terrorized women and nonconformists. Mitchell tosses words like bombs; nearly every pejorative term available to describe gays, lesbians and bisexuals is here in abundance—which, of course, neutralizes their power to wound. The book is an insider's guide to the homosexual experience in all its variety, and the archetypes presented appear as fully fleshed characters in Mitchell's later books, *The Terminal Bar* (1982), *In Heat: A Romance* (1985), *My Life As A Mole* (1988) and *Acid Snow* (1993).

In Mitchell's books, heterosexual male culture demands total submission, and

every raid on a gay bar, every gay bashing, every anti-gay epithet punctuates that point. Mitchell has spent most of his life musing on the source of the hatred and ostracism he and other gay men encounter.

"Anti-gay prejudice is the same thing as—or is intimately linked with—women-

always ready to blast or cream or obliterate or beat or stomp the winners the next time. . . . I became a faggot. And for thirty years I have been going to bath houses and bars and bushes and heaches filled, often crammed, with men. And they are not violent with each other."

The theory is proved wrong later in the book when Barnaby is beaten almost to death by a bisexual mugger. The other characters revert to absolute pessimism about their chances of finding wide-ranging acceptance.

The beating also underscores a common Mitchell theme: we are us and they are them; let's keep it that way. Mitchell abhors the violence and the prejudice against gays and lesbians, but he acknowledges that belonging to mainstream society is not his goal.

"Pushing the margins is interesting," he said. "You don't know where the margins are unless somebody's out there poking around at them, so it's very important to have

people doing that. If society were to change enough to accept us, I think we would find something new to make a special niche for ourselves that would make us different. It's just that we wouldn't be stigmatized so much for it—and physically threatened."

*The Terminal Bar* and *My Life As A Mole* are populated by characters who can only survive by clinging almost militantly to the margins and by believing that there are few legitimate new beginnings to be pursued. When one character, Scarlet, becomes pregnant, most of the others try to convince her to abort the fetus. When she decides to bear the child, they are incredulous. "For its twenty-first birthday we'll give it a dead planet," Robin says. And in the end—



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hating," he said. "As long as the culture and the society is male-dominated you will have prejudice against homosexuals. I think the prejudice against gay men exists because we have not identified sufficiently with men and we haven't taken our role in the suppression of women."

In *The Terminal Bar*, two characters, Robin and Barnaby, come up with a theory: if straight men could become more like gays, violence would cease.

"My father and the other grown-up men were always at work or on a golf course or in a bar," Robin says. "And everywhere I saw them they were always trying to do each other in. I would hear who came in first and who came in last after each golf game. The losers were



inevitably, the reader feels—Scarlet aborts spontaneously.

*Acid Snow* is a dark book, too, presenting, as reviewer Gary Indiana says, a portrait of a community “whose primary shared activity is waiting for the other shoe to drop.” But in this novel, which has AIDS as its central yet subtle theme, the main character, Jake, is a believer in love and the future. His anarchist father keeps trying to commit suicide, his lesbian sister is a perfect Wall Street yuppie, his friends are in destructive relationships with each other and with alcohol, and he himself is so convinced that the earth is dying that he agonizes over whether to donate sperm so his sister’s lover can be artificially inseminated. But Jake’s cynicism is undone by love. He is infatuated with the man next door, and when he goes courting he is a picture of hope and vulnerability.

Jake’s slim optimism may be Mitchell’s nod to the responsibility of a gay writer in the age of AIDS. Don’t believe what you read in the papers and in novels and see on television these days, Mitchell seems to say with Jake—gays are not endlessly preoccupied with death. And to send that message he’s willing to let up a little on the negativity.

“I wanted AIDS to be part of the landscape, an element in the book,” Mitchell said. “It’s a very important element because it’s central to everyone’s consciousness, but people do have lives. They still fall in love and they fall out of love and do everything else while dealing with all of this. So much of [current literature and film about AIDS] focuses so directly on it that you begin to get the feeling that there’s nothing else to gay life except that.”

Mitchell has been writing about AIDS since the beginning of the epidemic, but he has never accorded it central stage in a book. For one thing, he says, he doesn’t have the disease, and to claim that he understands that experience would be disrespectful to those who are ill.

Paul, the AIDS-afflicted character in *Acid Snow*, dies messily and angrily, and Mitchell says that’s partly a reaction to the pervading sense, in books and films, that AIDS victims must be portrayed sympathetically.

“So much of the current stuff says that

death is ennobling,” Mitchell said. “And when I started watching my friends die I found that it wasn’t. It didn’t make them better people; it wasn’t about that. . . . Most of the people I knew got angry and were horrible.”

Mitchell also has no use for most of the gay writers who have been published by the big houses. “There’s a whole group who’ve come along who are mainstream, *New Yorker*-type writers,” he said. “They are the ones who can make people outside the gay community think they’re reading gay writers so they can say, ‘Oh, look, they’re just like us. They live in

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Connecticut; they commute; they’re advertising executives; they have stable relationships and aren’t promiscuous—all the things they think we are and they hate us for.”

Mitchell himself is among the most widely known and respected writers in the gay community, but his background prepared him more for a career in scholarly writing than in fiction. He was reared in Muncie, Ind., and from earliest childhood remembers being desperate to leave the Midwest for the sophistication of the East Coast. Waterville wasn’t exactly what he’d had in mind, he says, but Colby was the right size for a small-town boy, and he found the academics challenging. His social life revolved around a fraternity he helped found as a sophomore.

“We started it because a lot of the other fraternities didn’t accept Jews, and lots of my friends were Jewish” he recalled. “But the subtext was gay. It turned out that many of us were gay, which was why we were being turned down by the other fraternities. We didn’t know that, couldn’t say it, but we could deal with the anti-Semitic issue publicly.”

Mitchell majored in philosophy and concentrated on his studies. He stayed firmly in the closet, he says, having seen openly gay men suffer “active persecution” by other students. “It was the fifties,” he said, remembering the climate of the times, “so it wasn’t so much Colby, it was America. Colby reflected that.”

He graduated from Colby “knowing a lot and feeling intellectually confident” and enrolled in a graduate program in philosophy at Columbia. He switched to sociology after a semester and went on to earn his Ph.D.

Mitchell followed the usual academic track, first as an assistant professor at Rutgers and later at the College of Staten Island, a division of the City University of New York, where he taught courses on marriage and the family, prisons and the sociology of men until his retirement last year.

When he joined the Staten Island faculty in 1969 he moved into a ramshackle Victorian house near campus with several friends, and soon, he says, this “gay commune” attracted attention in Manhattan. The owners of a small press invited the group to submit a manuscript about their life together.

“I began to write it because there was no one else to do it,” he said of the book that ensued, *Great Gay in the Morning*. “I loved writing and teasing stuff out of people and editing the book.” The author of one scholarly book, Mitchell was never to write another; from then on he wrote fiction and drama.

In 1974 Mitchell moved to Manhattan, taking the first in a series of apartments in West and East Greenwich Village, where his novels all are set. Three years later, after *Faggots* was turned down by several publishers, Mitchell decided to start his own company, Calamus Books, named for the homoerotic poems in Walt Whitman’s *Leaves of Grass*.

“I was embarrassed about self-publishing,” Mitchell said. “There’s a certain stigma attached to it. So I decided to fake it—I’d publish my own books, but I’d also publish a couple of other books so it would look like a regular publishing house.”

“This was 1977,” Mitchell said. “There were almost no gay publishers, and every gay person in America had a book in the drawer that they thought would never be

published—and they all sent them to me.” Mitchell later helped form Gay Presses of New York, whose first publication was Harvey Firestein’s Tony-winning *Torch Song Trilogy*.

Calamus published *The Terminal Bar*, Gay Presses took on *In Heat. My Life As A Mole*, an uproarious collection of stories that Mitchell considered “too dirty” to attract another publisher, appeared under the Calamus imprint. *Mole* fooled him, though, winning the prestigious Lambda Literary Award and the notice of mainstream publishers. When *Acid Snow* was ready, Mitchell signed up an agent and sent the book on the rounds.

“Nobody would publish it,” Mitchell said. “Everybody seemed to know me. They wrote letters saying, ‘Oh, we want to publish a book by him, but not this book. We liked the last book.’ Which, of course, they wouldn’t have published if I’d sent it to them. They always like the last book. Somebody thought it was too political, somebody else thought it was too depressing. So I published it myself.”

Mitchell says he isn’t sure how long he’ll be able to go on writing. He cut his academic career short when a continuing battle with the incurable eye disease retinitis pigmentosa made the daily commute and the teaching too difficult, and he may yet lose his vision.

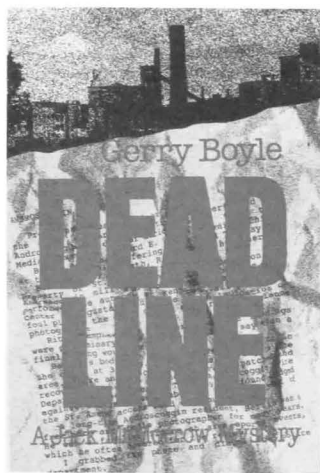
“I love teaching and I know I’ll miss it,” Mitchell said, “but it had gotten to the point where I felt it was unfair to the students for me to continue.” Now, he says, he and a friend are shopping a children’s book around to various publishers, and he’s contemplating a move to a small town on Long Island, where life would be more manageable should he become sightless.

“I’m feeling very open to the possibilities,” he said. “It’s been my experience that things turn up.”

## An Ideal Sleuth

A newspaperman, at least in a Maine paper mill town, is a natural detective. In his first novel, *Dead Line* (North Country Press, 1993), Gerry Boyle ’78 delivers a convincing sleuth and a grittily authentic town, as Jack McMorrow, editor of the *Androscoggin Review*, pokes and pries and pushes into the mysterious death of the newspaper’s photographer.

Who else cares that the dead man was an unlikeable loser, especially when the paper mill, the sole economic support of the town, may also die—helped along by McMorrow’s investigative reporting? As ever-present as the stench and the plume from its stacks, the mill lords it over Androscoggin, suggesting corruption in high, smoky places. But one man’s poisonous mill is another man’s cool million, or at



least livelihood. “Against this backdrop of hangover to hangover existence, the mill smelled pretty good,” Boyle writes of the town’s economic desperation. When the dead man’s activities and the mill intersect, everybody seems to have everything at stake, and even McMorrow’s colleagues and his new lady friend look dangerous.

This is all as topical as today’s newspaper, and just the sort of mess that Boyle, a *Central Maine Morning Sentinel* columnist, knows inside and out. In grim inland Maine (the coastal peninsula of the beat tourist track are “fingers of civility”), McMorrow pounds the pavement or the countryside, heading anywhere that anything’s happening. He’s somebody everybody in town knows, the guy who sits in the cafe where people come up and ask him what’s happening. A man who asks the right questions, McMorrow is the ideal sleuth—and a fine advance in the private eye genre—as he devotes himself to getting the facts (i.e., truth) and wrapping up the story (i.e., seeing justice done).

“That’s what we do. We are detectives,” Boyle said in a recent interview. “Only we write stuff down that we find

out.” Newspaper people, he adds, develop “a jaded cynicism that goes with the turf. Cops, reporters, emergency room nurses—they have a tough outside, a flip-pant attitude about things.” McMorrow, a believable wisecracking tough guy, is proof that a news beat is good background for a mystery writer. On a slide himself, McMorrow drinks too much Ballantine ale and wakes up alone with a hangover but still heads out into a world of violence and wrongdoing, willing to face malevolent roughnecks and cops full of animosity to get, as always, the story.

Readers who like being initiated into different professions will note McMorrow’s newshawk tricks, like stuffing his pen back in his pocket during an interview so the interviewee will relax and think he’s not being pumped. Newsroom terminology puts us in the know: McMorrow expects the story of the death “would make a two-inch brief” or will get “a couple of grafts, inserted on the local page or maybe the jump.” Vocational detail is as authoritative as an “adrenaline run,” what McMorrow calls “that pumped-up, surging feeling you get when you have a big breaking story.” Forget that Jack gets beaten up, makes love, solves murders and even gets his work in on deadline. It wouldn’t be as much fun if he were too real.

“In two months, everything exploded,” Boyle said of the good reviews of *Dead Line* in *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*. Berkeley Books will publish the paperback. A movie would seem a likely next step, but that possibility is “still talk,” he said.

Boyle is grateful for the help he received from Colby’s creative writing faculty and from author Robert B. Parker ’54, who helped Boyle link up with his agent. The second McMorrow mystery, already accepted by Putnam, will take McMorrow out of Androscoggin to Waldo County, where as a freelancer he will range over more of the state.

Boyle already has gone on a part-time basis at the *Sentinel*, cutting down from three columns each week to one. Despite his new career direction, he says he’ll continue to write for the newspaper. Both he and McMorrow need it.

“I wouldn’t abandon my column,” he said. “It keeps me in touch. I run into stuff.”

—Robert Gillespie





# Ski Championships Come to Colby

~ By Jason Bologna '94 ~

Colby will play host to more than 150 of the nation's top collegiate skiers, including some future Olympic aspirants, at the Division I championships March 9-12 at Sugarloaf Mountain in the Carrabassett Valley, about an hour's drive north of the College.

Previous hosts have included the universities of Colorado, New Hampshire and Utah. The NCAA, which alternates between eastern and western schools in selecting a host, approved a proposal submitted by President William Cotter, Athletic Director Dick Whitmore and Sugarloaf/USA Assistant President Peter Webber.

The White Mules ski teams' 1992 elevation to Division I status followed three consecutive Division II national skiing titles and established the men's and women's ski teams as the school's only Division I sports. Both teams now compete against such eastern skiing powerhouses as the University of Vermont, Dartmouth and Middlebury.

Whitmore said the championships "give Colby real visibility in the skiing community." According to Nordic ski coach Jefferson Goethals '93, "this competition is to the skiing community what the Final Four is to basketball. The absolute top young talent in the country will be here. It is really a great opportunity for our program."

In the spring of 1992, Colby was the site of the NCAA Division III outdoor track and field championships. Colby men's track and field coach Jim Wescott, who was instrumental in organizing and overseeing the event, said that "hosting a national championship helps all aspects of a program. It makes a statement to prospective students about the College's commitment to a sport. The exposure to the national championships also has an enormous

impact on the athletes already in the program. Seeing what the nationals are all about is a real motivating factor for them; it's something any athlete would want to be a part of."



Brian Carlson '94

Over the past four years, Colby has sent four athletes to the Division I skiing championships. Last year, downhill skiers Mark Radcliffe '93 and Jen Comstock '93 combined to score 64 points in the meet, which placed Colby 15th in the nation. This year Brian Carlson '94 of Jericho, Vt., the captain of the men's Nordic team, and men's and women's alpine captains Adam Furber '94 of Eden Prairie, Minn., and Kate Swenson '94 of Warner, N.H., may be the best hopes for Colby.

About half of the 39 schools that have Division I ski programs are expected to send athletes to the competition, which

includes only those skiers who have qualified for berths in prior meets. The eight events that are scored at the nationals include the men's and women's slalom, giant slalom, Nordic and freestyle competitions. Colby is supplying press kits, trainers and student volunteers to assist in the competition.

Individual title competition will be fought out among athletes whose ranks include past and present members of the U.S. Junior National Ski Team, which traditionally grooms Olympic hopefuls. About 35 to 40 individuals compete in each event for the chance to become first- and second-team All-Americans. Recently the universities of Vermont, Utah and Colorado have dominated the team competition, winning titles in 16 of the past 17 years.



## Whit Wins 400th

Victory number 400 for Colby men's basketball coach and athletic director Dick Whitmore came on February 13, when the White Mules defeated Wheaton, 77-73.

Whitmore, now in his 24th year on Mayflower Hill, has a career win/loss average that hovers around 70 percent. His 300th win came during the 1989-90 campaign, when the team posted a 26-1 record, its best to date, and won its first ECAC championship. Whitmore's teams have won three ECAC championships and 12 CBB titles—and they have not lost more than five games in a season since 1988.

Whitmore's 400th was bittersweet for one Colby basketball fan—Roy Dow '84, a former White Mule player and assistant coach, is now head coach at Wheaton. ♦



## Taking Stock of Jan Plan

~ By Lynn Sullivan '89 ~

While the stock market soared to record heights in January, senior Zachary Rubin of Newton, Mass., witnessed the excitement firsthand as part of a Jan Plan internship with a stock-trading alumnus in New York City.

Rubin was one of hundreds of students who selected off-campus projects for Jan Plan. Others tutored Russian immigrants at a Jewish community center in Providence, R.I., worked with Mother Teresa's missionaries in Calcutta, India, tested their sea kayaking skills at the National Outdoor Leadership School in Baja, Calif., and assisted talk show host Oprah Winfrey in Chicago.

Introduced in 1962 as the nation's first January program, Colby's Jan Plan today offers students an array of opportunities on and off campus, across the nation and around the world. Each January students choose from among a wide variety of courses, independent study projects, internships and field study programs.

For Rubin and many other students, the experiences come with a little help from alumni. According to Linda Cotter, associate director of academic affairs and off-campus study, alumni are canvassed often to see if they are willing to offer an internship to students. More than 1,200 alumni have responded favorably to the request.

"I wouldn't say that an internship is the right thing for everyone," said Cotter. "But students continually need to be alert to the opportunities that are out there.

We do have a wealth of information in our office just waiting for them."

Rubin, who hopes to work in the financial world following graduation, spotted the perfect internship possibility while scouring files at the Career Services library. Rob English '82 was offering an internship with his company, Grant Partners, a money management firm that handles \$30 million worth of business each year. Rubin got the position. He says his life hasn't quite been the same since.

With an office on the 23rd floor of a New York City high-rise overlooking

"There is always something for me to do even though there are no formal daily duties," Rubin, an economics major and administrative science minor, explained in January. "Recently I attended a conference hosted by Goldman-Sachs where companies were giving product presentations. I was there for Rob, researching different companies in which he was considering investing. It was incredible. I was sitting next to the CEOs and presidents of these major companies. With internships it's not always what you do but who you meet—it's the networking."

"Zach has had the opportunity to meet the guys who are really making the decisions," English said. "He got to sit next to the president of Bell Sports and they talked about bike helmet sales in Europe for a while. It has absolutely been a valuable experience for Zach."

Rubin arrived at the office by 8 a.m. in order to read *The Wall Street Journal* before English got in and they prepared for the stock market's 9:30 opening. Rubin said he wanted to make sure he was up to speed on world and national events so he

could "have intelligent conversations with Rob about the market and different stocks."

"It's all an information game," said Rubin. "You just need to be aware of what's going on in order to make informed decisions. We are always discussing what is going on and why Rob is doing certain things. Often I'll just pull a chair up next to him and pick his brain for an



Rob English '82 is "shadowed" by Colby senior Zach Rubin during Rubin's Jan Plan with Grant Partners in New York City.

Fifth Avenue, the Trump Towers and Central Park, Rubin described the atmosphere as "overwhelming and awesome." Grant Partners (the "partner" is in Chicago) is located in rented space with sparse furnishings, no support staff and much work to be done. Alone at his desk, English worked with three computers and a bank of 40 phone lines that never seemed to stop ringing.

entire day trying to learn as much as possible about the market."

Rubin says a lot of his time was spent shadowing English, who typically spends his days trading stocks and stock options by phone and computer or talking with clients and prospective clients.

After the market closed each day at 4, Rubin usually stayed on for a few more hours to research stocks and companies, track data and learn more about what had gone on during the day.

"This has really given me a taste of the future and a chance to see if this is what I really want to do," Rubin said. "This experience has solidified my interest in going to a city and working in the world of finance after graduation."

Both Cotter and English say they believe such insights are the most valuable part of an internship.

"Graduating seniors are asked to make one of the most critical decisions in their life—"What do you want to do for work?" English said. "Partaking in an internship is an opportunity to test what you like and don't like—gaining office skills is not quite the whole point."

Cotter said she remembers one student a few years ago who was trying to decide between law school and medical school. He divided his Jan Plan into two internships—one in law and one in medicine—to see which was best for him and later opted for law school.

"Jan Plan is a wonderful opportunity to follow up on any interest you have," Cotter said. "It doesn't have to be pre-professional—there is a woman getting her pilot's license and a person getting certification for scuba diving—but it's a great way to find out what you want and don't want, like and don't like. It's a good way to discover what you might like to do with the rest of your life. It is a time to take advantage of opportunities."

"I did a couple of Jan Plans," said English, a native of Queens, N.Y., who majored in English at Colby and now lives on Long Island. "I worked with underprivileged children one time and developed a jazz improvisation on guitar another time. I think that internships are a fantastic idea. I know that to get where I am today I've had to get a few breaks—I just want to give back what I've received."

Sitting in the Grant Partners office in New York City, Rubin said, "I've been

thrown right into the stock market. This is definitely the most exciting Jan Plan opportunity that I've had. If I could do it over again I would have done an internship like this last year. Getting academic credit isn't the issue, getting the real-world experience is."

## How Science Is Done

When Swiss chemists wanted a better method of detecting the amount of iron in water, they came to campus to see Heather Lounsbury '94. And early this month, Lounsbury flew off to Zurich to set up a flow injection analysis system at the Swiss Federal Institute of Environmental Science and Technology.

Last summer Lounsbury investigated the kinetics of the oxidation of iron in seawater with Assistant Professor of

search at a symposium last November in Naples, Italy, chemists from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, who also are studying the iron cycle and the availability of iron in water, expressed interest in the measurement capability of the apparatus Lounsbury used. They traveled to the U.S., came to Colby for a day and arranged Lounsbury's March 4-13 visit to Zurich. She built and assembled the system's pump, flow cell and photomultiplier tube at Colby and then did all the power conversion in Switzerland. The fully automated system, which provides a sensitive, fast and inexpensive way of measuring iron in water, can detect five parts of iron to a trillion parts of water. That's like a flock of iron the size of a grain of sand dissolved in a swimming pool.

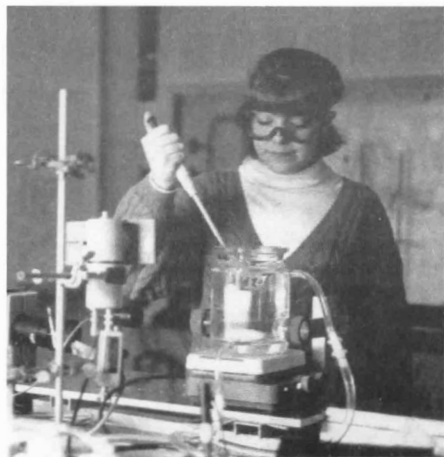
"The detection is better," Lounsbury said. "We can detect at lower levels. It's the best available right now."

The role iron plays in determining the biological productivity of the ocean underscores the importance of their research, King says, adding that Lounsbury's fully funded trip to Switzerland "is a nice way for our students to see what science is like on a bigger scale. It's the way science is done. You have a technology and you cooperate." Their project in the photochemistry of iron was funded in part with grants from the National Science Foundation and from Research Corporation, a private foundation in Tucson, Ariz., that sponsors work in the natural sciences.

"It's not that common for undergraduates to be doing this work," said Lounsbury, who came to Colby from Framingham, Mass. She intends to use her instrumentation experience in a graduate school program in analytical chemistry. "Colby's chemistry department is great," she said. "Students are extremely involved here. You don't get that elsewhere."

Lounsbury was at work on an honors thesis as she geared up for Zurich. "I'm so excited," she said. "I've never been out of the country before."

—Robert Gillespie



Heather Lounsbury '94

Chemistry D. Whitney King. To better understand how iron is cycled in the environment, she developed a system in which iron in water reacts with a substance called luminol to give off light. By measuring the light she can determine the amount of iron in the water.

"Iron controls a lot of processes in the oceans," Lounsbury said, especially because it is an important nutrient for algae and, in turn, for fish. "It's very insoluble in water, so we can study what happens when sunlight shines on water and can study how it affects iron chemistry."

After King presented Lounsbury's re-



## Orchestra Marks Milestone

~ By Robert Spurrier ~

The Colby College Orchestra concludes a year-long celebration of its 50th anniversary late next month by teaming up with the Colby Chorale for a concert in Lorimer Chapel. And if the performance draws a large and appreciative audience, that won't come as a surprise to orchestra leader Jonathan Hallstrom. He and his two predecessors have worked hard to make Mayflower Hill an attractive locale for serious young musicians.

"We are one of the best, if not the best, college orchestra in northern New England," Hallstrom said of the 55-member group, "and the equivalent of a medium-size metropolitan civic orchestra."

The orchestra's beginnings a half century ago were as modest as its \$50 budget. Music professor emeritus Ermanno Comparetti, the College's first full-time music instructor, conducted the orchestra until 1974. He had a prominent supporter in President J. Seelye Bixler.

"He was very interested in music," Comparetti said recently. "He was a cellist, his wife was a violinist, and all his children played." When Comparetti sat down at the piano to play his *Mayflower Hill Concerto*, Bixler took up the baton to conduct the orchestra. (The weathervane atop the president's house features the first four notes of the concerto.)

The orchestra started with small numbers of students and townspeople, plus musicians Comparetti lured from Bangor, Skowhegan and Brunswick. "We were the only town-and-gown orchestra in New England, which was a point of pride," Comparetti said from his home in

New Hampshire, remembers Comparetti as "a very sweet, patient and gentle man who didn't have a lot to work with." Schultz, originally a biology major, switched to music and soloed with the orchestra on such pieces as Comparetti's *Concertina for Flute and Orchestra*. "It was

a really positive experience," Schultz said, "one that inspires you to push on ahead."

Schultz was invited by Hallstrom to perform a solo concerto at the orchestra's December concert. "The orchestra is much, much better," he said. "They're really sounding good."

Peter Ré, who conducted the orchestra from 1974 to 1984, said that his aim was "to continue to improve the orchestra's capability and repertoire." Under his direction, the ensemble grew to

about 55, including a few musicians from Boston and 10 to 15 students.

Ré, who was a member of the Colby faculty when the music major first was offered, considered concerts an adjunct to classroom teaching. "Students study works in class, do five or six rehearsals and then perform them," he said. "There's nothing to equal that."

Ré encouraged all students—especially those hooked on top-40 tunes—to sample the orchestra's music. Noting that his daughter was a member of the Jackson



Then and now: Ermanno Comparetti (left) founded the orchestra and made do on a shoe-string budget. Current conductor Jonathan Hallstrom (right) presides over a polished, 55-member ensemble.

Ahwatukee, Ariz., where he still practices the piano every day. "We never had enough strings, so we had to be careful about the choices we made in selecting pieces." The orchestra performed fall and spring concerts, played on Commencement Weekend and slowly built an audience. "Very few students had ever heard a symphony orchestra when they came to Colby," Comparetti said. "It was quite a revelation to them."

Flutist Peter Schultz '74, now a music instructor at Phillips Exeter Academy in

Browne band, Ré said, "I had nothing against that other stuff. I just wanted them to have a balanced diet."

Ré's composition teacher at Yale, Paul Hindemith, described cities as "cemetaries for musicians" and advised him to "go out and do missionary work." Hindemith conducted an orchestra and glee club concert at Colby in 1959, and as Ré tells the story, the demanding conductor later told the Robert Shaw Chorale in a sluggish practice session that he had "just come from Waterville, Maine, and those students were better prepared."

Dana Russian '79, who plays trumpet with the Beacon Brass Quintet, the Springfield (Mass.) Symphony, the Boston Ballet and other groups, said that one of the reasons he came to Colby was that "it had a student and community orchestra, so I knew it wouldn't be a joke." Russian played first trumpet on Mayflower Hill and has fond memories of the experience—and of Ré. "He was a very inspiring musician and a very emotional conductor," Russian said. "He was a stickler who pushed us as hard as he thought he could."

Hallstrom, who came to Colby 10 years ago, says he's tried to increase both the orchestra's quality and the quantity of its student members. They now number about 20, compared to 11 a decade ago. The ensemble's ranks include students from all four classes, as well as several members of the Colby music faculty: concertmaster Mary Jo Carlsen, violin; Jean Rosenblum, flute; Karen Beacham, clarinet; and Dennis Harrington, trumpet. Violinists Amy Boyd and Karen Rodgers are members of the Mathematics Department. Bassist Nancy Zollitsch, now in her 13th season, drives a 150-mile round trip from Orono, and many local musicians also participate in the group.

"I want to make this orchestra sufficiently attractive to attract students," said Hallstrom, who also is chair of the Music Department. The value of the community members, he adds, is that the students frequently find themselves sitting next to an adult who makes a living in music: "The fact that the adults are pretty serious spurs the students on, although the students are pretty serious

about doing their own work."

"The orchestra has proven to be unusually willing to undertake contemporary works, and they've premiered works by Comparetti, Ré and me," Hallstrom said. For the 50th season Hallstrom planned a performance of five concertos in December, works by Prokofiev, Nielsen and Handel this month and a final concert on April 30 and May 1 marking the orchestra's anniversary, Colby Chorale conductor Paul Machlin's 20th year and Hallstrom's 10th. The orchestra and chorale together will perform Stravinsky's *Firebird Suite* and Gershwin's *Suite from Porgy and Bess*.

"I try to challenge the orchestra but not to tax them," Hallstrom said. "I try to make them motivated to do their best. I try to think of myself as a facilitator, for in the end it's their orchestra, and I don't play the instruments, they do." Hallstrom

said his repertoire—he has never repeated a piece in 30 concerts—is organized to balance the abilities of the ensemble and its educational mission.

"Some of my best players have not been music majors," Hallstrom said, citing as an example Carol Lockwood '90, who majored in English and will graduate from Duke University law school in May.

Lockwood, a violinist, says she was terrified of performing as a high school student but found the Colby group welcoming. "Everyone operated on the assumption that you belonged," she said, crediting Hallstrom.

"He makes the orchestra work very hard, but he's more concerned with musicians as individuals," she said. "He wanted and expected you to do your best, but the conductor never overpowered the friend." ♦

## Also of Note . . .

Colby's orchestra is one of many musical groups on campus. The College's principal choral group, the **Chorale**, is directed by music professor Paul Machlin and consists of 65 students selected by auditions in the fall. The **Colby-Kennebec Choral Society**, also directed by Machlin, consists of 70 faculty, staff and other singers from central Maine who perform major works for chorus and orchestra from the 18th to the 20th centuries. They will join the orchestra and choral society in presenting a suite of choruses from *Porgy and Bess* on April 30 and May 1. Machlin also directs the **Colby Camerata**, a group of 20 faculty, staff and townspeople who perform three or four concerts each year. The **Collegium Musicum**, under the direction of professor Eva Linfield, consists of 15 students, faculty and townspeople who specialize in the performance of vocal and instrumental music from the Middle Ages to the early Baroque period. The **Colby Jazz Ensemble**, a student group, features a wide repertoire of musical styles ranging from big band swing to modern fusion. The ensemble is directed by band director Christopher White, who also directs the **Wind Ensemble**. The **Colby Eight**, a student group led by Ross Nussbaum '94, has performed at other colleges and at the New York Colby Club so far this year and will be recording its third album in seven years this spring. The **Colbyettes**, another student group that dates back nearly 50 years, is an all-woman vocal ensemble led by Erinne Clark '94. **Broadway Musical Revue**, begun in 1986, consists of 18 students who will perform an April concert of 29 songs from a variety of musicals. The group is directed by Rebekah Freeman '94, Katherine Thompson '95 and Stacey Warner '94. And **Tuxedo Junction**, a student a cappella ensemble, is led by Jennafer Dinn '94.



# Colby Reunion '94

June 1-5, 1994

Time to plan your reunion weekend at Colby! When you arrive, come to the registration desk in the Student Center for your reunion packet with details about the weekend, locations for all events and program updates.

## Wednesday, June 1-Friday, June 3, 1994

Alumni "COOT" Adventure Getaways: All-day events

- White Water Rafting on the Kennebec
- Inn-to-Inn Bicycle Tour
- Chebeague Island Inn Getaway
- Sailing Penobscot Bay

## Thursday, June 2, 1994

All day Class of '59 gathering at Samoset Resort Inn  
3:00-9:00 p.m. Registration desk open, Student Center lobby  
1:30, 2:30, 3:30 Campus tours  
Evening Class of '64 reception at Pitt Tavern,  
Strawbery Banke, Portsmouth, N.H.  
Class of '69 reception/buffet dinner, Kennebunk  
Class of '44 reception/dinner, on campus  
Class of '49 arrives on campus  
Dinner (on campus)

6:00

## Friday, June 3, 1994

7:00-9:00 a.m. Breakfast in the Dining Hall  
8:00 Alumni Golf Tournament  
8:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Registration desk open, Student Center lobby  
8:30-11:45 a.m. Creative Estate Planning Seminar, Terry Mayo '57  
9:00 a.m. Class of '64 trip, Strawberry Banke, Portsmouth, N.H.;  
choice of historic tours, boat trips, museum tours,  
outlet shopping. Class of '49 Boothbay Harbor trip;  
choice of cruises, sea kayaking, shopping, etc.  
9:00-noon Admissions Workshop  
10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Class of '69 Casco Bay cruise  
11:00 a.m. Class of '44 trip to Belgrade Lakes  
Noon-1:00 p.m. Lunch in the Dining Hall  
12:30 p.m. Class of '44 luncheon  
1:00-5:00 p.m. Colby Film Series - 1:00 p.m.: Commencement  
Address by William H. Cosby Jr. (1992); 1:30 p.m.:  
Lovejoy: The Vigil (1987); 2:30 p.m.: Victory Bell  
(1962); 3:00 p.m.: We're the Best: Colby Men's  
Basketball (1990); 3:30 p.m.: Three Presidents  
(1982); 4:00 p.m.: Saga of Mayflower Hill (1929-  
early 1950's); 4:30 p.m.: Perspective (1968)  
3:00 Davis and Jetté Galleries tour, Bixler Art Museum,  
with Curator Hugh Gourley; Joan Whitney Payson  
Collection of Impressionist Art displayed in  
the Davis Gallery  
4:30-6:30 Class of '69 welcoming reception  
4:30 Class of '79 reunion headquarters opens  
Welcoming, Kids' Corner  
5:30-6:30 Reception for award recipients, President's  
Club donors, Heritage Society members

5:45  
6:45

Welcome Back Reception  
Alumni Awards Banquet Music: Al Corey Sextet  
*Distinguished Alumnus Award:*  
Robert N. Anthony '38  
*Marriner Distinguished Service Award:*  
John W. Deering '55  
*Brick Awards:* Cherrie Duhois '69, Cynthia  
Crockett Mendelson '59, Kershaw E. Powell '51,  
Anne O'Hanian Szostak '72, C. Pen  
Williamson '63  
Dancing with the Al Corey Sextet  
Class receptions  
Alcoholics/Narcotics Anonymous meeting

After dinner  
Evening  
10:00 p.m.

## Saturday, June 4, 1994

7:00-9:00 a.m. Breakfast in the Dining Halls  
8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Registration desk open, Student Center lobby  
8:30 a.m. Fun Run/Walk  
8:30 Meeting of all newly elected class officers  
9:00 "Understanding College Admissions"  
for alumni and their children  
Tour of Harold Alford Athletic Center  
Alumni Council Committees  
Alumni Association Spring Meeting with  
President Cotter; all alumni are welcome and  
encouraged to attend  
Class of '79 scavenger hunt  
10:00 Parade of Classes with Hot Tamale Brass Band  
11:00 Reunion Awards Ceremony  
After the Parade Parade class reunion photographs  
Lobster bake and chicken barbecue  
Noon-1:30 p.m. Class of '34 get-together  
Afternoon Class of '44 Waterville "Then & Now" tour  
Class of '49 tour of Waterville  
Class of '54 tennis, golf, canoeing  
Class of '59 tennis, golf, volleyball, softball, walking  
Class of '74 class and family activities  
Class of '79 volleyball, softball, soccer  
Class of '84 tennis tournament  
Class of '89 reunion sports  
Author booksigning: Seaverns Bookstore  
Colby Film Series (see Friday 1:00 p.m.)  
Tour of Harold Alford Athletic Center  
Davis and Jetté Galleries tour, Bixler Art Museum  
Alumni and Faculty Panel Presentations:  
*Broadway Today* with Rocco Landesman '69;  
*Nature: A Wonderful Opportunity to Appreciate  
and Make a Difference* with Ed Woodin '69;  
*Computers and Information Technology: Tools for*



4:00-5:00 p.m.

Evening

9:00

Evening

10:00

Scholars with Professor of Music Jon Hallstrom and Director of Computer Services Ray Phillips  
Department receptions  
Class reunion receptions and dinners  
All-campus dance with The Red Light Revue  
Class activities, including Class of '69 DJ  
Alcoholics/Narcotics Anonymous meeting

## Sunday, June 5, 1994

7:00-11:00

7:30 a.m.-noon

10:00, 11:00, noon

10:15

Coffee and doughnuts: Class reunion hdqtrs.

Brunch buffet

Travelers' box lunches may be picked up

Tours of Miller Library tower

Boardman Memorial Service by Eugene Struckhoff

'44: "Keeping the Unity in the CommUNITY"

## Reservation Information

Housing reservations are made in the order received. We house classes in the same residence as space permits. Please make reservations promptly, as on-campus accommodations are limited.

Accommodations in the residence halls are not luxurious, and bathrooms are shared, but they are convenient to campus events. Included are a single bed, one pillow, sheets, one blanket and towels. Consider bringing an extra blanket, pillow, towels, a bedside light or a teddy bear to meet your personal preference. Each residence hall is different; rooms range from singles to six-person suites. If you're willing to share a room with a classmate or friend, please indicate that in the space on the form.

**50+ Club and 50th Reunion Class members and spouses** are Colby guests for the weekend, but you must complete and return the reservation form for all meals you plan to attend and for on-campus accommodations so we can reserve space for you.

**Reservations deadline is May 20;** after that, there is a \$10 late fee per registration. No confirmation will be sent. No refunds after May 27. We can't guarantee meals or rooms without reservations.

**By mail:** Please return one check to cover campus accommodations and meals, payable to Colby College with the reservation form OR indicate credit card payment. Mail to: Reunion Weekend Reservations, Alumni Office, Colby College, Waterville, ME 04901.

**By phone: With credit card only (VISA, Mastercard or American Express).** No refunds for phone reservations. Call 207-872-3190.

**Reservations will be at the registration desk in the Student Center.** If you plan to arrive after 11:00 p.m. Friday or 6:00 p.m. Saturday, please notify the Alumni Office in advance to get room assignments.

## General Weekend Information

**Registration:** Student Center lobby throughout the day from Thursday through Sunday.

**Admissions interviews:** Monday through Friday by appointment only. Colby's admissions video may be viewed in Lunder House.

**Sports and Fitness:** The newly renovated Harold Alfond Athletic Center will be open Thursday and Friday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.-noon. **Children under the age of 16 are not permitted in the center without an adult or child care supervisor.**

The swimming pool in the athletic center will be open Friday 1:30-4:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-4:30 p.m. with lifeguards on duty during those hours. **Children under age 6 are not permitted in the pool.**

**The Wales Tennis Courts** will be available all weekend.

**The Ninth Annual Colby Mixed Scramble Golf Tournament:** Waterville Country Club, Friday, June 3, 8:00 a.m. No rain date. Lunch is on your own at the Country Club. See schedule for fees and cart rentals. Information will be sent to advance registrants prior to May 30 and will be available at the registration desk upon arrival.

**Miller Library:** open Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m.-noon. Special Collections and Colbiana open Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m.-noon and 1:00-4:30 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**Campus tours:** Friday 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 a.m. and 1:30, 2:30, 3:30 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

**Miller Library Tower:** Sunday at 10:00, 11:00 a.m. and noon.

**Mary Low Coffeehouse:** relax with friends at former Mary Low dining hall, Friday and Saturday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**Seaverns Bookstore, Roberts:** open Thursday and Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m.-noon.

**Career Services Office:** on first floor Eustis, open Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Bixler Art and Music Center and Jetté and Davis Galleries:** open Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. See schedule for guided tour times.

**Child Care:** full program of supervised activities for all ages, from morning until night. List of private babysitters available through the Alumni Office. Children not registered for child care may purchase tickets individually and participate in children's meals.

**Infants and Pre-schoolers:** Group babysitting, to age 5, Friday 6:00-11:00 p.m., Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-midnight.

**Youngsters 5-8 and 9-12:** Friday, 3:00 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-midnight and Sunday, 9:00 a.m.-noon. Please see reservation form for fees.

## Child Care Program Schedule

Friday	5-12 years old	Under 20
3:00 p.m.	Games, arts and crafts	
5:30	Cookout	Cookout
6:30	Scavenger hunt	
7:00		Make your own sundaes
8:00	Create a super sundae	
8:45	Movies	Field trip to Cinema Center
Saturday		
8:45 a.m.	Breakfast	Breakfast
9:00		"Understanding College Admissions" For You and Your Parents
9:30 a.m.	Crazy Colby Carnival	
Noon	Lobster bake w/parents	Lobster bake w/parents
1:30	Mac for kids	Learn the Mac and computer lab time
2:00	Hayrides (5-8)	
2:30	Hayrides (9-12)	
3:00	Kickball, games, arts and crafts, swimming	
4:00		Free time swim
5:30	Dinner	Dinner
7:00	Puppet show (5-8)	Candlepin bowling
	Field trip to cinema (9-12)	
8:00	Movies	
9:00	Snacks and board games	Movies and frozen soft drinks party
Sunday		
9:00-noon	Games, arts and crafts	

**Reunion Information Hotline: 207-872-3190**

# 1994 Reunion Weekend Reservations

Name (first, maiden/Colby, last) \_\_\_\_\_ Class year \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse/guest's Name (maiden/Colby) \_\_\_\_\_ Class year (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Preferred names for nametags \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Business phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

## Accommodations: On Campus

\* Class of '44 and 50+ Club—no charge, but you must indicate if you need on-campus accommodations.

Adults: \$25 = people \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Children 12/under: \$15 = people \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Thursday arrival ☐ I'll share a room; please assign me with \_\_\_\_\_ or ☐ another classmate.

☐ I have the following special needs (accommodations, transportation, seating, etc.) during events \_\_\_\_\_

## Meals

*Special dietary needs list at end of this section.*

# Meal included with child care price; other children must purchase ticket to attend.

\* Class of '44 and 50+ Club—no charge, but you must indicate if you plan to attend.

	Adults			Children 12 and under						
	Rate	Number	Total \$	Rate	Number	Total \$				
<b>Thursday, June 2</b>										
'69 Reception and Dinner	\$15.00	_____	_____	no charge	_____	_____				
Dinner on campus*	\$9.00	_____	_____	\$5.00	_____	_____				
Class of '44 Dinner	no charge	_____	_____	no charge	_____	_____				
<b>Friday, June 3</b>										
Breakfast *	\$4.00	_____	_____	\$3.00	_____	_____				
Class of '69 Boat Trip	\$15.00	_____	_____	\$7.50	_____	_____				
Lunch *	\$6.00	_____	_____	\$4.00	_____	_____				
Class of '44 Lunch *	no charge	_____	_____	no charge	_____	_____				
Awards Banquet *	\$22.00	_____	_____		_____	_____				
Children's Cookout		_____	_____	\$5.50	_____	_____				
<b>Saturday, June 4</b>										
Breakfast *	\$4.00	_____	_____	\$3.00	_____	_____				
Lunch:										
Lobster Bake *	\$20.00	_____	_____	\$20.00	_____	_____				
Chicken BBQ *	\$10.00	_____	_____	\$10.00	_____	_____				
Class of '74 Cookout	\$8.00	_____	_____	\$5.00	_____	_____				
Dinner										
Children's Dinner = (all same price)		_____	_____	\$6.00						
Reunion Class Dinner: 50+ Club and Class of '44, no charge										
Please circle one: Class of										
	'49	'54	'59	'64	'69	'74	'79	'84	'89	
	\$25	\$22	\$22	\$25	\$27	\$24	\$25	\$22	\$22	

Please see reverse

	Adults			Children 12 and under		
	Rate	Number	Total \$	Rate	Number	Total \$
<b>Sunday, June 5</b>						
Breakfast Buffet *	\$7.00	_____	_____	\$5.00	_____	_____
Travelers' Boxed Lunch *	\$4.50	_____	_____	\$4.50	_____	_____

Total Meals \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Special Dietary Needs

Check as many as apply ☐ Kosher ☐ Vegetarian ☐ No fat ☐ No salt ☐ No cholesterol

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Child Care Program

Age Group	Name(s)	Gender(s)	Age(s)	Full weekend: \$25	Sat. p.m. only: \$10
Infant/toddler ( 0-4)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Youngsters ( 5-8)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Youngsters ( 9-12)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Teenagers (13+)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Child Care Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Activities

- ☐ I plan to attend the Estate Planning Seminar on Friday.
- ☐ I'm interested in the Class of '49 trip to Boothbay Harbor.
- ☐ I'm interested in the Alumni Golf Tournament. Number of people \_\_\_\_\_ Golf Fee: \$35
- ☐ I wish to reserve a golf cart (\$20 a cart—holds two people and gear—payable at the course).

Golf Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Class Reunion Memento

*Information and an order form for your class memento will be included in your class reunion mailing.*

Meals	\$	_____
Accommodations	\$	_____
Child Care	\$	_____
Golf (course fee only; carts additional)	\$	_____
Late/on-site registration fee (after May 20) @ \$10	\$	_____
Grand Total	\$	_____

### Form of payment

- ☐ Check ☐ Credit card (Mastercard, Visa or American Express only, please)
- ☐ MC ☐ Visa ☐ Amex Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Reunion Reservations, Alumni Office, Colby College, Waterville, Maine 04901

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# FIFTY - PLUS

## Correspondent:

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## PRE-TWENTIES

Thanks to Annette Antonucci of Granby, Conn., we learn that **Mildred Greeley Arnold '17** reached the age of 100 on October 25, 1993, at the Meadowbrook Retirement Home. Mildred still enjoys current events, lectures, slide shows and reading. She is also busy keeping track of eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and a great-great-granddaughter. . . . **Phyllis Sturdivant Sweetser '19** writes: "Here I am at 95 living in a fine retirement home (in Portland, Maine) and able to enjoy life in a mild way. . . . I well remember you as a young boy and your father, **Harvey Doane Eaton** [Class of 1882] at your home on Silver Street. I was there often with your sister, **Harriet Eaton Rogers '19**, who was my classmate and sorority sister." ♦

## TWENTIES

**Arthur Sullivan '22** fondly recalls Prexy Roberts's class on Byron, Shelley, Keats and Wordsworth: "He was great, and we visited the Lake Country of Wordsworth. We liked Herbert Carlyle Libby and his classes very much." . . . **Dr. Paul W. Gates '24** hates the nickname "donkey" applied to Professor Curtis Hugh Morrow. After all, he writes, "Professor Morrow inspired me to go on to graduate work at Columbia, Clark and

Harvard, where I obtained my Ph.D. (F. Eaton: It does seem strange that a respected and loved member of the faculty should have acquired such a nickname. In my opinion, the shoe doesn't fit.) . . .

At 91, **Margaret Turner Howe '24** lives in a nursing home in Auburn, Maine—due, she says, to her severe arthritis. Recently she read an obituary in the New Gloucester (Maine) *News* of the man she had been engaged to at Colby. "Had been," because on a fateful trip to Deer Isle, Maine, she met Malcolm Howe, MIT '20, who "swept her off her feet." Mrs. Howe learned for the first time from the obituary that her former fiancé had lived all these years just down Rt. #231 from her home in New Gloucester. . . . **Marjorie Everingham Edgerly '25** lives in her own home alone but spent the months of January through March in a retirement home in San Bernardino, Calif., as she did last year. . . . From his wife, Ann, we learn that **Archer Jordan '27** died on January 3, 1993, after a seven-year illness. He leaves his wife and a brother, **Charles W. Jordan '29**. Archer's father, Archer Sr., was also a Colby graduate in the Class of 1895. . . . At a get-together of University of Maine graduates at the Los Angeles Convention Center, **Wendell Grant '28** remarked that he had done a lot of cheering against U of M in the past but felt nothing but good will now. At this, a lady from Winslow, Maine, came over and planted a kiss on his cheek. . . . **Katherine B. Greaney '28** writes that she is living in a nursing home called Carriage Hill of Bethesda (Md.). (F.E.: Katherine, are you the wonderful French teacher I had in junior high school in Waterville?) . . . **Myra Stone Knoskie '28** asks: "Do you remember the mores we lived by in the '20s and '30s?" She and her

husband, **Walter '28**, are both 87 years old. She meets **Marion Daye McKinney '28** occasionally for lunch. . . . **Harriet Towle McCroary '28** writes from Winthrop, Maine, that Dr. Libby once asked her to open a window and yell "Fire!" "You can imagine his remarks," she writes. . . . **Ruth McEvoy '28** has written a history of the city of Batavia, N.Y., which was due to appear on local bookshop shelves in December '93. She believes it will be of interest to children studying local history, as all of them have to do. . . . **Jane Lovett** wants members of the Class of 1928 to know that her father, **J. Lewis Lovett '28**, passed away on October 28, 1991. . . . **Virginia Dudley Eveland '29** has moved from California back to Maine, where she lives with her daughter in Bar Harbor. . . . **Fred Sterns '29** recalls a battle between the freshmen and sophomores in Hedman Hall during which, somehow, a pair of horses were found on the chapel roof. He is the only living founder of the Skowhegan, Maine, Lions Club and is the past president of Redington-Fairview Hospital. . . . **Frank Twadelle '29** plays tennis three times a week and golf twice a week and won first prize in a sculpting contest at the Jekyll Island (Ga.) Arts Festival last year. ♦

## THIRTIES

**John Chadwick '30** wants to know how many of you have read the encyclopedia from end to end. He treasures his memories of Professor Colgan. Having read Betty Mahoudy's *Not Without My Daughter*, he is wonderfully happy that his daughters have always lived in America and not in Iran (where cruelty to women is allegedly commonplace). . . . **Lee '31** and **Barbara Merrick Brackett '33** are living life in the slow

lane, but nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren are keeping them not only occupied but BUSY! . . . **John '31** and **Faith Rollins Davidson '31** planned to be in Florida in early January for the winter and the celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary—and will foot the bill for flying family from California, Texas, Washington, D.C., and Indiana. John says he talked to **Harvey B. Evans '32**, who is well and still living in Lynnfield, Mass. . . . **Thomas B. Langley '31** has moved back to Long Island from Florida but, says Mr. Langley, "Don't ask me why." He is proud of Colby's football team. . . . **M.D. James E. Poulin '33** published a book, *Hysteria and Other Cases*, in 1992. (F.E.: When I was 10, I lived on Silver Street in Waterville just a few doors away from Dr. Poulin's house, although at that time the Dr. Poulin whose name heads this entry was not yet a doctor. When we spoke of Dr. Poulin's house, it was the father to whom we referred. I loved playing in the Poulin basement, where, among other fascinating toys, there was a hand-cranked movie projector.) . . . A delightful letter from **Leonard Cabana '33** tells a "train-crossing" story. He was watching from a second-story window of Chemical Hall just as a train came chuffing up the tracks along Front Street from Winslow. At the same time, their instructor could be seen hurrying along College Avenue, bent on crossing the tracks before the train blocked his way. He didn't make it. The train was long and slow, and the professor had to wait the usual 10 to 15 minutes for the train to pass. The rule then was that if a professor was late to class, the class could walk out. Taking full advantage of their "rights," they did. (F.E.: Who among us 50-plussers doesn't have a train-crossing story

## NEWSMAKERS

"The most renowned graduate that Colby College ever had," declared a feature article in the *Central Maine Morning Sentinel* of the late Marston Morse '14. An acclaimed mathematician, Morse earned practically every honor the mathematical community could bestow. . . . Ludy '21 and Percy Levine '27 received the Red Triangle Award from the Waterville, Maine, YMCA for their many years of support for the organization.

. . . Waterville's Alice Bocquel Hartwell '36 was in the news following another of her sea voyages by freighter—a trip to east Africa that spanned 24,812 statute miles. In Mombasa, Kenya, she met Kenyan engineer Eric Levi '64. . . . Colby trustee Wilson Piper '39 and his wife, Peggy, were featured in local Wellesley, Mass., papers as they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Family in attendance for a dinner last November included Charlie Piper '70 and Libby Piper Deschenes '75. . . . The Colby athletic feats of Oren Shiro '42 and John Lomac '43 were the subject of a *Central Maine Morning Sentinel* article. The two were successive captains of the powerhouse basketball teams of the early '40s.



Oren Shiro '42

## MILEPOSTS

**Deaths:** Raymond H. Daniels '23 in Manchester, N.H., at 92. . . . Hilda Worthen '24 in Bangor, Maine, at 92. . . . Douglas C. Grearson '28 in Dedham, Mass., at 87. . . . Isabel H. Clark '31 in Blue Hill, Maine, at 84. . . . George W. Lord '31 in Winterport, Maine, at 84. . . . George F. Sprague '31 in Owls Head, Maine, at 85. . . . Edwin W. Maddocks '32 in Waterville, Maine, at 83. . . . Eleanor Hubbard Rogers '32 in Haverhill, Mass., at 86. . . . Cordelia Putnam Inman '33 in Houlton, Maine, at 83. . . . William T. Bryant '34 in Luray, Va., at 81. . . . William E. Bowen '35 in West Hartford, Conn. . . . Geraldine Ormiston Clifford '35 in Exeter, N.H., at 78. . . . Sylvia Richardson Miller '35 in Ocala, Fla., at 79. . . . Philip E. Colman '38 in Bangor, Maine, at 79. . . . A. Francis Thompson '41 in Weymouth, Mass., at 75. . . . Florence Carleton '42 in Camden, Maine, at 74. . . . Philip B. Babcock '43 in Penobscot, Maine, at 75.

to tell?) Len further recalls Dr. Libby occupying the front pew in the chapel while future orators gave their speeches from the pulpit. When the oration became dull, Dr. Libby indicated his feelings by lying flat in the pew and feigning sleep. . . . Rebecca Chester Wyman '33 bitterly regrets missing her 60th reunion due to a conflict "but did spend 10 wonderful weeks in Maine this summer." . . . Dr. George I. Smith '49 is sorry to report that his aunt,

Louise Smith Velten '33, is in a skilled nursing section of a retirement home in Oakland, Calif. Mrs. Velten has limited vision but participates minimally in activities. . . . Annie Tuck Russell '34 marked her 52nd year of marriage on March 22, 1993. She is an active golfer and bridge player. . . . For the past several summers, Louise Williams Brown '34 has met with a dozen or so women classmates at various locations in Maine. Recently,

however, they have been saddened by the death of Louise's sister in Florida and by the passing of Lois B. Crowell '34. Dr. Crowell's camera helped to preserve memories of the annual mini-reunions. To keep in touch, one member, Barbara White Morse '34, has started a round-robin letter, which is now in transit. Last summer, Louise made the trip to Vermont to visit her grandson, Michael Brown '84, and his wife, Laura Shea '86. While there, she says, she fell and broke her wrist, which taught her a lot about "coping." . . . One person delighted with the round-robin letter idea discussed above is Muriel Walker Dubuc '34, especially when distance or infirmity make in-person reunions difficult. She is determined, however, to be at Colby for her 60th reunion. . . . George Mann '34 recalls "taking Latin classes under Professor Julian Taylor, who, at age 93, was the oldest active professor in the United States. He was a classic." . . . Sumner Peter Mills '34 claims to be alive and well at 82. . . . John J. Leno '34 keeps in touch with classmate Franklin Norvish '34 and fraternity friend Merton Curtis '31. He also spends time with his nephew, Jay Leno, of *The Tonight Show*. John recalls that on a frigid night in January 1929, he and a friend drove to a farmhouse to obtain some apple cider badly needed at a party then under way at their fraternity. The keg had a thick coating of ice on it, but John and a friend broke through to the unfrozen liquid. After the brothers had washed down some doughnuts with cider, it became apparent that what they were drinking was harder than a blacksmith's anvil. . . . Harold F. Brown '35 and his wife, Isabel, spent two weeks in Vienna last May thanks to a University of New Hampshire Interhostel program. Also last summer, they drove to Kansas, Evanston, Ill., and Pittsburgh, then flew from Maine to California for visits with three sons and a sister-in-law. . . . Kathryn Herrick McCrodden '35 Elderhosteled her way around, participating in a total of four programs: one on international relations in Berkeley, Calif., where she lives, two in

Denver and Salt Lake City on music and a fourth in Cheyenne on the Wild West, with cowboys, Indians, buffalo and rodeos. She set an age/gender record in Aspen with her debut as a paraglider—a super thrill. . . . June Wight Mason '35 spent last summer traveling: San Diego, Calif.; Bozeman, Mont.; Yellowstone Park; New England. "Now," she writes, "back to the winter activities Florida offers." . . . Mike Cohen '35 wrote (Oct. '93): "We are now in Florida for the winter. Phone call telling me our Virginia house has a leak in the water line. Called plumber. He dug up a long ditch from the road to house, 100 feet, preparing to put in new water line. But cut phone line. Phone people came and repaired phone line. Also closed up ditch before new water line installed. Plumber mad. Phone guys mad. I mad. Security Service people report all to me in careful detail, long distance daytime calls. Collect. For all this, I thank my Colby education." (More thoughts from Morris will appear in a future issue.) . . . Edna Allen Becker '36 has lived in Florida for 15 years and loves it. She has enjoyed traveling—to Ireland, Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand—and has taken several cruises, too. She counts herself lucky that her son also lives in Florida. . . . Robert Colomy '35 is 81, hale, hearty and still active. He recently attended the wedding of his oldest granddaughter. . . . Music is the dominant interest in the lives of Alfred Wheeler '37, his wife, Barbara Towle Wheeler '40, and their three gifted children. Al says he married Barbara after a whirlwind courtship lasting seven years. . . . Eleanor Barker McCargar '37 has completed a life-size portrait of Col. Aaron Bank, "father" of the Green Berets and founder of the Special Forces. The portrait was commissioned by the JFK Special Forces Museum and Academic Facility at Fort Bragg, N.C., where it hangs in the lobby of the new building. Says Mrs. McCargar: "More than 12 generals were present at the unveiling." (F.E.: Mrs. McCargar sent me a color photograph of the imposing painting.) . . . For those of you sailing soon for Greece,

## Leading and Learning

At her 1990 interview for a position as docent at the Smithsonian Institution, Millicent Bolling Smith '43 was asked what discipline she wanted to go into. "Where do you have a need?" she answered. Today she leads tours of Native American exhibits at the Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History.

Smith's interest in Native American culture had been piqued by three Elderhostels she attended in Arizona and Santa Fe shortly after she retired following a 37-year career as an English teacher, department head and principal of Jonathan Law High School in Milford, Conn. She also was happy with the turn of events at the Smithsonian that gave her an audience of school children. "I wanted to keep involved with children," she said. "I always continue to be the learner. You can't get teaching out of your system."

Preparing to become an official docent, she took classes every week for a year at the Smithsonian, which mounts exhibits covering all regions and Native American cultures in the country. This winter she trained to lead tours of "Chiefly Feasts," a traveling exhibition about "potlatch," the ceremonial feast traditional among Indian tribes of the northwest Pacific coast.

Born in Connecticut, Smith had been editor of her high school paper and correspondent to *The Hartford Courant* before she entered Hartford Junior College in her hometown. When she transferred to Colby two years later, she knew she wanted to teach English. A Colby dean's list student who was proficient in French and German, she minored in education and history. Her English major, she says, was "superb."

"It was a great school. Everything I learned at Colby has served me well," Smith said recently. She remembers crossing the Two-Cent Bridge over the Kennebec River to call the roll in her first class as a student teacher in Winslow. "I gave it my real Parisian French," she said—which was greeted by smirks and giggles. "I learned never to pronounce the kids' names. Let them say it. 'Tell me about yourself,' I'd say. Interaction is what's important."

While at Colby Smith sang in the Glee Club and was a paid soprano at an area church. She remembers President Bixler telling



Professor Edward Colgan, "Millicent has talent. She needs training," which led to lessons from Colgan's wife, a former opera diva. Smith sings today at a Congregational church in Washington. "I'm not comfortable unless I'm singing in a good choir," she said.

Smith served on boards of the Red Cross, the Chamber of Commerce and other local organizations and on the Democratic Town Committee. In 1981 she received the Woman of the Year Award from the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs. Much of her inclination toward teaching and volunteerism she attributes to her father, a Sunday School superintendent at a Congregational Church in Hartford, and her mother, a teacher's college graduate who volunteered on the board of the local Women's League. "I'm a people-oriented person. Mom was, Dad was," Smith said.

In 1949 Smith took an M.A. from Middlebury, and in 1966 she received a diploma in administration and supervision at Bridgeport University. In 1980 she began studies toward a doctorate in educational administration. That, she says, was a mistake. "A people-oriented job takes a lot out of you. I was one of those people who would talk about juggling a career and marriage. But something gives," she said, "and what gives is your marriage." Now divorced, she lives with her daughter, Bonita, a Washington attorney.

Smith also volunteers as a docent at the Anacostia Museum, a nearby museum of African-American cultural life, where she leads tours in mid-week between her Tuesday and Friday tours at the Smithsonian. Showing life in the southern states before the Civil War, Anacostia exhibits such as "Before Freedom Came" teach children—and their docent—about African-American history.

"As I do these things, I learn a lot," Smith said. She remembers that she often wrote in students' yearbooks a remark by Louis Pasteur: "Chance favors the prepared mind."

"I believe in that," Smith said. "You just never know. Many things in life are serendipitous. If you have an open and educated mind, you can hook into beautiful things. But only if your mind is honed. That leads to many happy things."



Louise Tracy '37 says, "don't miss Meteora—the scenery is spectacular."...Dr. Ernest "Bud" Frost '38 is trying to adjust to living alone after 52 years of being married to Ruth Fuller Frost '36. He has fond memories of Professor Colgan....At a surprise party given last year by their three children, John '38 and Edna Slater Pullen '40 were honored on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary....Unsolved mystery: How is it that no mention was made in my column (Nov. '93) of the fact that Walter B. Rideout '38 received the Outstanding Educator Award from Colby in June? Who wants to know? Jeanette Drisko Rideout '39, that's who. And who can blame her? President Cotter said kind things about Walter, to which Walter responded warmly. For his distinguished work, Walter received a Colby chair....Leila Ross Hyman '39 wrote that she had "Just returned from a 17-day tour of the Baltic states and three Russian cities: St. Petersburg, Novgorod and Moscow, where I saw Lenin's tomb and the burned White House!"...Gilbert Hutchinson '39 and his wife, Micky (Marion Crawford Hutchinson '39), keep very busy in retirement, visiting family all over the country. Gil is an avid photographer, and Micky, whose love of poetry is just as avid, has had a number of her poems published....Tom Vose '39 and his wife will be at the 55th reunion of his class....When Jean Burr Smith '39 wanted to return to teaching, she found that the lack of a course in American history stood in her way. The subject had been a part of many courses she had taken, but none had the exact name. On speaking to the man in charge of certification in Connecticut, she learned that the requirement was a hold-over from the McCarthy era and that there was nothing that he could do about it. Jean appealed to Professor Walter Breckenridge, however, who wrote: "The economics course Jean Burr Smith had with me at Colby was American in its inception, its developments, its conclusions." Jean got her certification. Jean says "yes"—they would come to the 55th reunion....Margaret Johnson

Kenoyer '40 hates to see Latin and English grammar structures fall by the wayside. Computers are great, she says, but students need the basics for good writing....Via Marjorie Gould Shuman '37, recent proprietor of this column: Virginia Gray Schwab '40 recently spent two weeks on Prince Edward Island with a former Navy friend and went to Bath, England, to visit another Navy friend. All three have lost their husbands recently. Virginia says she is in good health but is still lonely without Herb. Marjorie and her husband, Ed Shuman '38, visited Hilltop, a beautiful retirement development in New London, N.H., where they found one of Marjorie's former roommates, Janet "Jay" Goodridge Sawyer '37, and her husband, Richard Sawyer '35. The Sawyers are happy to be within driving distance of their daughter and grandchildren. In August, Marjorie and Ed attended a golden wedding party put on by the children and a brother of Lewis Weeks '42 and his wife, Betty, in Potsdam, N.Y. Lewis's sister, Elizabeth "Betty" Weeks '34, from Claremont, Calif., and Hannawa Falls, N.Y., was present as was Lewis's roommate, Frank Pineo '42, and his wife. Lew is a retired professor of English at Clarkson College in Potsdam....Nathanael Gupitill '39, president of his class, has had a quadruple bypass heart operation, from which he is recuperating slowly but satisfactorily. He sounded great on the phone with me....From Portola Valley, Calif., M.D. Leland Burrill '39 says: "Welcome mat is always out. Just call." Last March he invited friends from all over the country to help them celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. Ninety-four came. Mary Palmer Mills '33 represented Colby....Belated felicitations to Ken '39 and Doris Peterson Stanley '41 on their golden wedding anniversary back in 1991. Ken is recuperating from several strokes, so Doris wrote for both of them. She has fond comments on Dean Runnals, Dean Marriner, Professor Lougee, "Pop" Newman and Dr. Wilkinson. In Wilkie's course, Ken had the job of ringing the bell between classes and wasn't

able to stay for the entire class. With Doris's "accurate notes, which Ken studied from, Ken received an A as a final grade while I [Doris] only got a B. The irony of it all!"...Constance Tilley '40 recommends Truman by David McCullough. (F.E.: If you can lift the Truman book, you are in excellent shape.) She recalls a four-day bus trip with 39 others to Monhok Mountain Inn in New Paltz, N.Y., and Bear Mountain State Park....I am deeply saddened to report the death on October 8, 1993, of Barbara Skehan McDonough '41. In a long list of extracurricular activities, Barbara was queen of the 1939 Winter Carnival and served with me and Bob Canders '39 as a newscaster on "Colby at the Microphone" on radio station WLBZ in Bangor. She brought warmth and talent to any group she joined. ♦

## FORTIES

Last summer, Virginia Moore Fremont '41 saw her roommate, Marjorie Arey O'Connor '41, in Kennebunk, Maine, for the first time since 1939. She writes, "Very special memory of visiting the great Dr. William T. Bovie in Fairfield (1938) with Diana Wiesenthal Opton '41. We were enthralled by all Dr. Bovie's medical slides and stories...[and by] his use of the electric knife." By coincidence, I have here before me a card from Bill Bovie '39, son of the above Dr. Bovie—who invented the electric knife, now a standard tool in surgery. Bill says he flunked German at Colby but now has a European penpal with whom he writes back and forth—in German....John Colby Eaton '41 and his wife, Barbara, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last November at the Millett Alumni House on the Colby campus. Among the approximately 75 in attendance were best man and brother Fletcher Eaton '39 and maid of honor and sister Beverly Holmes Center '48. I dare not attempt a list of all the other Colbyites who were there for fear of leaving someone out....With six daughters and 11 grandchildren, M.D. Robert McDonnell '42 is still working part time. However, he

discontinued neurosurgery in 1992 because of age. He says he would like to see the return of fraternities....Emanuel "Manny" Fruman '42 had planned to retire but after one week found that "dat ole rockin' chair" couldn't hold him. So now he is director of sales for a basement waterproofing company in Plains, Pa. I had a nice chat with Manny in mid-October while visiting relatives in the nearby town of Mt. Gretna....Jean Cannell MacRae '42 "demolished" her shoulder and broke her right foot in a fall last April. But her husband, Wes '42, has made a great nurse and house husband....Does anyone know the whereabouts of Mrs. Trevor E. (June Van Der Veer) Lamb '42? Her roommate Marlee Bragdon Monroe '42 wants to know. Her other roommate, Celia Rather Hutchinson '42, is a widow living in Arizona. Mrs. Monroe recalls racing to class on a snowy day with her pajamas rolled up under her coat. Her icy boots skidded on the classroom floor as she made her high-speed entry and she landed on her back, with the pajama legs down and very obvious....Oren Shiro '42, new president of the Fifty-Plus Club, complains that a bad back has kept him from playing golf much during the past year but, says he, "I have shot my age or better 162 times since 1987." Oren was looking the athlete of old when I saw him at the Manor Restaurant in Waterville on November 27, 1993....Eleanor Smart Braummuller '43 was presented with a Colby Brick at her 50th reunion last June. She expresses deep gratitude to all her classmates who cooperated to make it possible over the 20 years of her service as class correspondent and hopes that the inspiring and successful reunion of 1993 can be repeated in 1998....Ronald Reed '43 recalls Professor Eustis erasing the blackboard with the sleeve of his blue serge suit. He writes, "Went on tour of the Canadian Rockies. SPECTACULAR!"...At her 50th reunion, Hilda Niehoff True '43 and classmates joined to give an eight-foot sculpture of the White Mule to Colby. It will be placed and dedicated in the fall of 1994. ♦

# THE FORTIES

## Correspondents:

1944

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Louis M. Deraney

# 44

**TO ALL CLASSES:** If you matriculated in 1940 and began your Colby studies in September of that year, you are cordially invited to join the Class of 1944 at its 50th reunion, June 2-5, 1994. Since the College is privileged to have President Bush as the commencement speaker in May 1994, you may want to arrive on campus two weeks before our 50th and enjoy the Class of 1944's commencement ceremonies, then return on June 2 to meet with the Class of 1944. Commencement may be of special interest to those among us who joined the Navy V-6 program during World War II. As you may be aware, President Bush was a Navy pilot and was in that program. . . . Col. **Frederick S. Wood**, retired from the USMC since 1972, is now employed as an administrator of a nursing home in Chambersburg, Pa. His son is pursuing his Ph.D. at Pittsburgh University and wants to be a college professor. Fred is recovering from a hip problem and hopes to resume his golf activities soon. As for the upcoming 50th reunion, Fred assures me that he will make every effort to be there. So will the following: **Vivian Maxwell Brown, Alden Wagner, Doris (Blanchard '45) and Bill Hutcheson, Nancy Curtis Lawrence, Wendell Phillips '48, Phil Nutting, Ralph Braudy, Janice Tappin Lowell, Joy Paddison Cook, Remo Verrengia, Eugene Struckhoff, George Conley, Barbara Blaisdell Libby, Ralph Hilton, Harris Graf, Donald Johnson, Mitch Jaworski '47, Shirley Ellice Lord, Harold Vigue, Harold Joseph, Harry Levin, Joseph Marshall, Doc Hannigan, Mary**

**Weeks Drummond, Louise Callahan Johnson, Jean Hayes Wassel, Richard Jones, Jo Pitts McAlary, Malcolm McQuillan, Evelyn Gates Moriarty, Rev. Richard Mountford, James Springer, Frank Strup, John Turner, Efthim Economu, Albert Allis, Burton Shiro and Richard Nawfel.** If your name has been overlooked, forgive the oversight—but be there! . . . Thomas P. Norton '43, my master at ATO House and co-manager of the championship All-Maine football team in our era, happened to be home for the Thanksgiving holiday and informed me that he had recently returned to his home base in Needham, Mass., and was returning to his southern abode after the holiday. Tom, in retirement, lives the life of a vagabond in New England, Florida and points in between. One of his children (two boys and one girl) lives in Richmond, Va., and two live in Needham. Tom has an apartment in Marco, Fla., and is in either Virginia, Massachusetts or Florida at any given time of the year. He also has assured me he'll make a strong effort to be at our 50th.

. . . Bill Hutcheson, also of Needham, is healing well after major surgery on his knee. He and Doris also are planning to join us in June. Bill hopes that he will be completely healed and able to resume his golf swings by then. . . . For the past several years I have been diligently writing the column about your current doings and escapades. Although many of you responded to the several questionnaires that went out, many did not. I can only plead that you write to me—I welcome any news of your whereabouts. It is my sincere wish that whoever you are and wherever you might be, you join your classmates of 50 long years past and help make this 50th the great-

est reunion ever. The "Judge" has spoken! ♦

Correspondent:  
Dorothy Sanford McCunn

# 45

Many thanks to those of you who responded to my November questionnaire. **Joan St. James**, of Worthington, Ohio, writes that she has been taking ballroom dancing lessons and, much to her surprise, has been winning amateur dance competitions in Orlando, Houston, Baltimore, Cleveland and New Orleans—and still had one competition ahead of her that was to be televised. When Joan reminisces about Colby, she remembers the Blue Beetle, snow, Miss Runnals and "Wilkie." Her travel plans include a trip to Australia, Indonesia and Singapore in April '94 and in October '94 a trip to Israel. Keep your dancing shoes on! . . . **Arnold Grossman, D.D.S.**, living in Falmouth, Mass., writes that his three grown children all are married and have careers—as a psychologist, an attorney and a dentist. One of these three is Thomas '79. Arnold, who has lectured on dentistry in China, Russia and Israel, is retired from teaching at Tufts Dental School and also from private practice and is having a new house built on Cape Cod. His memories of Colby include the old campus across from the railroad station, busing to Mayflower Hill and a lot of good times. Arnold is looking forward to our next class reunion, the big one only a little over a year away. . . . I had a nice phone call from **Adele Grindrod Bates**, who phoned just to keep in touch and see how things are progressing. It was nice to hear from her. Adele had returned recently from trips to Cape Cod and to Washington, D.C., where

she spent a lot of time at the Smithsonian and viewing the other sights of D.C. . . . I see that **Grace Keefer Parker** was a guest speaker at the church I formerly attended on Long Island. Grace is the vice president of the Long Island district of United Methodist Women—this in addition to all her other activities. If I were still living on Long Island, I would have attended. . . . I'll keep the rest of the news for the next column. Keep up your good work. Responses are always needed and always welcome. ♦

Correspondent:  
Nancy Jacobsen

**46** Here are Colby favorite memories from class members as well as a mixture of what we've learned in 40-plus years. **Connie Choate Trahan** remembers, with pleasure, Professor Weeks's chemistry classes. Her husband, Robert, is retired military, and Connie says her college education enabled her to enjoy to a greater degree the family's military travels. . . . **Hannah Karp Laipson** thinks fondly of the Sunday evening musicals at President Bixler's house on College Avenue. . . . **Paul Adams** remembers Pop Newman fondly and has this advice after 40 years: "Relax and retire as early as you can."

. . . **Benjamin Bubar** recalls the shuttle and "shuffling" between the downtown campus and Mayflower Hill for classes. Ben has kept up his lifetime interest in politics. Remember, Ben was the candidate for U.S. President in one election, running for the third oldest party in the U.S., the Prohibition Party. . . . **Norma Taraldsen Billings**, who has retired as a social worker, has found that "there just isn't enough time to do all the projects I'd like to finish, read all the books I'd like to, see all the places I want to visit and learn a few things I'd like to know, such as balancing my checkbook without finding any errors." Norma has a long-time interest in genealogy, does quilting and gardening and enjoys housework-avoidance and long walks in Seal Harbor, Maine. . . . My next report will

come from phone calls, so be ready. ♦

Correspondent:  
Beverly Benner Cassara

**47** Thank you—the letters are coming in pretty well, but still there is a little more than half the class from whom I have not heard since I took over this job. I'll keep looking to hear from those persons. Since it seems women answer more than men, I am pleased as punch to devote this column

that nowadays he finds it necessary "to be very careful in talking to women to be sure they don't take comments the wrong way." We all appreciate that, Tom. . . . **Edward S. Sherwood** retired from pediatrics eight years ago and three years ago moved to Vermont, where he plays in a bagpipe band and is a trustee for the library and the health center. He recently attended the Navy V-12 reunion in Norfolk. . . . **Cecil E. Burns** has retired from his position as personnel director at Lear Seigler Corp. He was a school board member and chair of the

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World War II veteran **Wendell Phillips '48** was quoted in an Armistice Day article in New Jersey's *News Weekly*. Phillips, commander of the American Legion post in Mogrestown, N.J., landed on Omaha Beach with forces that contributed heavily to the defeat of Germany. . . . **Gene Hunter '48** was featured in a *Portland Press Herald* "Maine Milestones" story. A long-time Maine resident, Hunter was lauded for his nearly three decades of involvement in high school and junior high school basketball programs. His teams won 417 games and three state titles.

## MILEPOSTS

**Deaths:** **I. Arthur Russakoff '45** in Waterville, Maine, at 72. . . . **Lionel A. Goulet '49** in York, Maine, at 67.

to interesting news from five men. . . . **Stanley H. Levine** says, "it should make you and the Colby Class of 1947 chuckle to learn I earned a master of fine arts degree this past June at the Savannah College of Art and Design in my 70th year! My thesis concerning the dating of many buildings in Savannah's historic district after numerous disastrous fires swept through the area over the centuries was accepted by the Georgia Historical Society and the Savannah Public Library. Now I can look up myself on their computers when I have nothing else to do." . . . **Tom Burke**, still working part time, runs the Neighborhood Watch for his community in San Diego. He recently enjoyed an extended trip to Alaska and the Yukon. I was interested to hear his comment

**SAD** #43 in Rumford but moved to Florida in 1992. He says he is a strong supporter of women's lib. Cecil comes back to Maine for four months in the summer. . . . **David Weber** performs feats like climbing Mt. Shasta in record time and gets much satisfaction from his volunteer work with the California Historical Society, the Book Club of California, the Audubon Society, Sierra Club, and the Roxburghe Club. His recent travels have taken him to India, Hong Kong, Spain, Alaska, Baltimore, Scotland, Texas and Peaks Island in Casco Bay, Maine. Most important, he has established an endowed book fund for the Colby library in his parents' memory. . . . I'm looking for more of such interesting bios. Thanks. ♦

Correspondents:  
David and Dorothy Marson

**48** **Ruth Rogers Doering** writes from Schenectady, N.Y., that she is an instructor at the Spencer Business School in computer literacy and accounting. She has three children, all married, three grandchildren and three step-grandchildren. A daughter and son-in-law are Air Force officers at Colorado Springs, a son is associate professor of physics at Clarkson and a daughter is a Ph.D. candidate in math at the University of Wyoming. She returned to Colby for our 45th reunion and recently traveled to Alaska, Quebec (Gaspé, Quebec City) and Northern Ontario and Hudson Bay. She says her favorite professors were William Wilkinson (history) and Alan Galbraith and Kye Pinette Zukowski '37 (math). . . . **David Choate**, who writes to us from Englewood, Colo., sent us a unique business card that included his picture. He and his wife, Diane, have two grandchildren. Dave says that his daughter, Emily, got married at a mountain overlook. He walked her down the aisle, gave her away and conducted the service—a triple threat, he says, and we are inclined to agree. His career changes include clergyman, public administrator and real estate broker. Recently he traveled to China and anticipates trips to Europe and Costa Rica. His advice: stay healthy, enjoy life to the fullest, travel and try to put some money away for retirement. Dave says that anyone coming to Denver should give him a call at his office, 800-766-0201, and he will spring for dinner. Not a bad offer. We hope someone takes him upon it. . . . I received a very nice note from **Everett and Millie Hammond Bauer**. They are both retired and living in Attleboro, Mass. Millie attended our 35th and 40th but missed the 45th. That is a good record, but we missed her last spring. They have two children of whom they are rightfully proud. Millie, thank you for the very thoughtful personal note. Dorothy and I really appreciated it. . . . Heard from David's

old roommate, **Howie Clement**. Remember Headman Hall and Howie, **Cloyd Aarseth** and David sharing the proctor's suite? Howie and his wife, Norma, live in Kalispell, Mont. They are both very active playing tennis, bike riding, hiking, golfing, fishing and sailing and enjoying the outdoor life. Howie says he returned to Colby once in 1984. Come back for the 50th in 1998 and you will feel right at home! (Yes, Howie, we did have a class picture taken, and we are sure the Alumni Office could provide you with one. We must warn you, though, that there are some changes in your classmates. Even David doesn't have quite as much hair.) The Clements have two children and a 19-year-old Siamese cat. The outdoors sounds great, but Howie wrote that it rained for 31 straight days in July. Add swimming to his activities! . . . **Ed Kaplan** writes from retirement in Boca Raton, Fla., that he has two sons and five grandchildren. He walks, golfs and swims and states that he has "no talent whatsoever" to express himself artistically. He says that he would love to hear from anyone visiting the area and offered his telephone number (407-451-1547). (We hope you get a great response, Ed. Dorothy and I are planning to spend next winter with you in Boca Raton.

We assume the rates are favorable.) Ed recalls that at Colby he learned how to organize his time without parental supervision, and it was at Colby that he learned how to make the decision regarding his career. Although he has not been back since 1967, Ed writes that he has been impressed with the achievements Colby has made and that he is proud to be a Colby alumnus. We agree, Ed, and feel that the sentiment is shared by many of our classmates. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Anne Hagar Eustis**

**49** As Lon and I drove to Maine to spend Thanksgiving with our daughter, I was musing how things have switched—because I used to leave Maine for the Thanksgiving recess. As you all may remember, that was when construction of the Maine Turnpike was just beginning and the Maine Central/Boston and Maine railroad was the main mode of transportation for holidays. Not being particularly worldly, I was always impressed that they put on extra cars just for the college students! I remember the anticipation and excitement of those trips, traveling with friends, play-

ing cards and perhaps even making a feeble attempt to study! And that was when I learned from listening to the conductor that Bangor was really pronounced "Bangah"! . . . I was very relieved that several of you were shocked into immediate action upon receiving those electric pink postcards. **Alex Richard** writes that both he and his wife, Shirley, "are retired but continue to be active in community activities and events and in volunteer projects." One of Alex's memories is of a "'Doubleheader' in Yale arena while warming up for a hockey game vs. Yale." . . . **Fay Klafstad** Carpenter and her husband, Edward, have owned and operated the Rangeley Inn for 21 years as of January 3, 1994. Their daughters, Janet and Susan, have taken a very active part in running the business. Fay will not be able to attend our reunion due to a large convention scheduled at the inn the same weekend. We will miss you, Fay! . . . **Mary Hathaway** writes that she was "born to retire." Her volunteer work for the Kingston Library, Plymouth

County Wildland Trust and Massachusetts Retired Teachers Association has given her many busy moments. One day a week in Boston puts her in culture shock, but she has "happily directed the Big Dig and completion of the Prudential Mall connection to Copley Place"! In retrospect, Mary says she wishes she "had taken a course from President Bixler or at least gone to chapel. Wasn't he a wonderful person?" He certainly was in my book. . . . I am sorry to report that the Office of Alumni Relations has notified me of the death of two of our classmates: **Muriel Briggs Pitrat** on April 29, 1993, and **Paul E. Bourne** on July 4, 1993. They also have sent me notification that **Bernard J. Silva**, husband of **Jean Sheppard Silva**, died on September 8, 1993, of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's disease). Our heartfelt sympathies to you and your family, Jean, and to the families of Muriel Pitrat and Paul Bourne. . . . Remember the dates of our reunion, June 2-5, 1994. I shall look forward to seeing you all! ♦

Reunion Weekend  
June 2-5, 1994  
Celebrating are the Classes of '44 and '49

□ **Reunion '94** is a time of recognition as we will honor recipients of this year's Brick Awards, Marriner Distinguished Service Award and Distinguished Alumnus/a Award. □ **The Distinguished Alumnus/a Award for 1994**, for distinction in professional achievement, will be presented to **Robert N. Anthony '38**. Dr. Anthony's list of accomplishments is extensive. After receiving his M.B.A. from Harvard, he taught at the Harvard Business School from 1940 to 1982. His colleagues described him as "a man who has defined and developed the field of management control and given it its place in the business world." Anthony has worked with the Defense Department, served on many professional and honorary societies and is also author of nearly 100 articles and 17 books in the field of accounting and management control. □ **The Marriner Distinguished Service Award** for outstanding dedication and service to Colby will be given this year to **Jack Deering '55**. Deering has received a Colby Brick Award, is a past "C" Club Man of the Year, was an alumni club leader, class agent and alumni trustee and recruits actively as an alumni interviewer. He is known as "Mr. Colby" to generations of Portland folks. □ **The Brick Award** will be presented to the following alumni in recognition of their outstanding service to Colby: **Anne O'Hanion Szostak '72** was named a Young Alumni Trustee in 1974, has served as a career services volunteer, alumni club leader, class officer and alumni interviewer and is an overseer of the College. **Cherrie Dubois '69** has served on the Alumni Council Executive Committee and as a class agent, class correspondent, alumni interviewer and alumni club leader. **C. Pen Williamson '63** served as a class officer, Alumni Council member and alumni club leader and in the early 1980s was Colby's director of alumni relations and annual giving. **Cynthia Crockett Mendelson '59** has served on the Alumni Council and as a club leader and an alumni interviewer. **Kershaw E. Powell '51** was "C" Club Man of the Year in 1965 and has served as an Alumni Council member, career services volunteer and an alumni trustee.

# THE FIFTIES

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### Correspondent:

**Barbara Jefferson Walker**

**51** Harry Wiley, Scarborough, Maine, wrote of his life since "retirement." He has accepted a "consulting assignment" with AT&T that takes him to Belgium, Argentina and Australia. He is on the Maine Turnpike board of directors, has a multitude of church responsibilities, at the "drop of a hat" will take a pleasure drive to Quebec and is collecting resource material for writing a novel. . . . From librarian Sky Mott came a beautiful photo and news article about his historic Hamlin Memorial Library in Paris Hill, Maine. . . . Joan Withington Downes, a probate judge in Kent, Conn., also is involved with her library board and book committee, with the historical society and as a hospital volunteer. . . . Alyce Moskowitz Domenitz is active in the Scarsdale, N.Y., League of Women Voters, in the Association for the Education of Young Children and in recording for Books for the Blind. . . . Also in Scarsdale, N.Y., is Bruce Carswell, excited about his work in the telecommunications industry and pleased to have had an impact on a major company with employee workplace legislation. He says it is "hard to believe" the long list of his current activities,

leadership roles, boards and committees. He claims to play "lousy golf." . . . Gene Chartier, Carlsbad, Calif., boasts of a great-grandson! And, in order of importance, he writes of having bought a new O'Neill wetsuit for use in the Pacific Ocean and conducting a four-day business seminar at the University of Minnesota. He sings in two groups, "kills" opponents on the tennis court, collects food for people with AIDS, rides his bike up the Pacific Coast and is ridding himself of anxieties and neckties. Gene adds that he became a writer because of the influence of Prof. Chapman at Colby. . . . Clayton Bloomfield is retired in Santa Cruz, Calif., where he "is in the relentless pursuit of hedonism." . . . Connie Preble Anding retired from the travel industry and moved from Minnesota to Tucson, Ariz., where she finds the climate to be "pure heaven." She and her husband are planning a travel trailer trip to explore Mexico and to test their Spanish. . . . John Crawford has retired to Boulder, Colo., after 20 years in Dhaka, Saudi Arabia, with the National Oil Company. During Desert Storm, he entertained U.S. troops both in his home and at field locations. . . . Marjorie Shearman Burns, a member of the last nursing class to graduate from Colby, has retired from nursing at the San Jose, Calif., Medical Center. Her original intent was to remain a bedside nurse, but eventually she became the manager of the orthopedic/neurosurgical and general surgical units. She plays the organ and works with the children's music and drama programs of her church. Ever since learning it with the Colby Glee Club, Marjorie annually participates in a *Mesiah* sing-a-long. Her newest accomplishment is to have become computer literate! . . .

Audrey Bostwick teaches in the equestrian program at Delaware Valley College, officiates at horse shows and is chair of the licensed official committee for the American Driving Society. She is justifiably proud of her second place ribbon in the Hackney, George IV Phaeton Class at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto. Among Audrey's memories of Colby is hearing the Schweitzer organ as the installer was giving it the first trial. . . . Dick Bowen, Andover, Mass., after 25 years in municipal government administration, finished a J.D. at Suffolk Law School in 1985 and is now a public defender (juvenile). He is the grandfather of 10. . . . Joan Drew "Drewsie" Boone has retired from "Mass. taxes and politics to a life of fun and games" in Hernando, Fla. She returns to Maine every summer and along with other things keeps out of the rocking chair by oil painting. . . . As a certified genealogist, Fred Boyle, Springvale, Maine, "collects other people's ancestors." He is on a Red Cross disaster team as well as a multitude of boards and committees. Having taken vocal lessons, he is now a choir member. . . . Also in Springvale, Maine, is Harland Eastman. Since retiring from the U.S. Foreign Service in 1979 and returning from Tangier, Morocco, he has been buying, selling and collecting old and rare books and has written four books on local history (which sold over 9,000 copies). In his spare time, he sits as a trustee on many boards. He is pleased that his youngest child, an adopted Moroccan, graduated from Colby in 1990. . . . From Sarasota, Fla., class agent Ernie Fortin announces that Bob Archibald has been appointed assistant class agent. . . . Keep your news coming and remember that two issues will pass between my writing and your reading. ♦

## HEADLINERS

E. Annie Proulx '57's *The Shipping News* was awarded the National Book Award for fiction. The novel also won *The Irish Times* International Fiction Prize, which goes to a book written in English outside of Great Britain. These prestigious prizes follow last year's PEN/Faulkner Fiction Award for Proulx's first novel, *Postcards*. . . James Bishop Jr. '58 won the William Allen White gold medal from the University of Kansas for the best magazine story in a regional/city magazine. The same story—about Glen Canyon Dam—also won first prize at the Arizona Press Club's 1992 banquet

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Lois Carlson '54 is the new director of development at St. Joseph's College in Windham, Maine. . . During the January deep-freeze, an Associated Press reporter asked Joseph Perham '55 what he thought of the weather. Perham, who replied that he had seen much worse, added, "I remember one March when it was so cold we couldn't even hear ourselves talk." . . In the counterpoint section of the *Boston Sunday Globe*, an article by Allan Van Gestel '57, a partner in the Boston law firm of Goodwin, Procter & Hoar, discussed theories about the real identity of Shakespeare. Van Gestel took his debate to court, so to speak, in a mock trial in Faneuil Hall in Boston, where he argued the Earl of Warwick's claim to authorship of Shakespeare's plays versus an attorney for the Bard. . . Santa's helper John Edes '58 was swamped by phone calls from children in the days prior to Christmas, according to a story in Rhode Island's *Journal-Bulletin*. Edes left a message "from Santa Claus" on the answering machine at the home of a friend, whose 6-year-old daughter shared the number with friends at school. Edes received 23 calls from expectant children who wanted a direct line to Santa.



Lois Carlson '54

## MILEPOSTS

Deaths: Arlene Tobey Ratoff '52 in Exeter, N.H., at 63. . . John D. Elderkin '55 in Boothbay, Maine, at 60. . . Hewitt A. Wetherell '55 in Pocasset, Mass., at 61. . . Richard Dana Hall Jr. '58 in the Dominican Republic at 57.

Correspondent:  
Barbara Easterbrooks Mailey

**53** We have some news from a few '53ers not retired and from a couple who have left our working world. Robert A. Dow, who returned to Maine to preach, writes that he took a six-month sabbatical leave and traveled 14,000 miles in the States and Canada. He has done pastoral counseling in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Maine. Like many of us, bills and responsibilities keep him from "the rocker." . . From Madison, Wis., Dr. Folkert Belzer writes that he is employed as a professor and chairman of the department of surgery there. He says he has a close family unit—his wife, Marion, and children, Ingrid, John, Eric and Paul. . . Nelson Beveridge says that now that he is free of this class corre-

spondent job, he has more time for his two daughters and four stepchildren. The "rocking chair" has to wait for him because he still has bills, golf and leaf raking in that order. Some of his Colby memories: "all the friends I made and still keep in touch with, the Maine countryside;" and the first thoughts of Colby today: "that I probably couldn't get in, that it's such an elite community." . . I want to report activities of a couple of classmates who have retired. First, Kent Dickerman, who lives with his wife, Ariel, at 957 Fairmount Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105. He keeps in good health by playing tennis and other sports. However, his main interest is becoming a ham radio operator. He would like to know if there are any other "hams" in the class of '53. His call letters are NQXTN. He would love to have your call letters and frequency and time of day operation.

. . . The other retiree is George Pirie. He and his wife, Collette, did some extensive traveling after our 40th reunion in June '93. They visited England and Scotland for a month, then traveled to Athens for a few days, then spent August in Hawaii before returning home. He says, "retirement is tough—you never seem to get a day off." So long for now, retirees and non-retirees. ♦

Correspondent:  
Marlene Hurd Jabar

**54** Well, the Colby-Bowdoin football game ended with a 21-21 tie. Tailgating has been fun this year because Tony and I have renewed old (former) friendships. (Most of the alumni who follow Colby sports are from other classes, but when one gets our age the classes all meld together.) The game was

in Brunswick this year, so it is apropos that a note from Ellie Turner Swanson begins the class correspondence. Ellie, who lives on Mere Pont Road in Brunswick, writes that her daughter Holly '86 is now a pediatric resident at Maine Medical Center. Ellie has been elected to the Brunswick town council as a "strong" environmental advocate. . . Susan Johnson wrote that one of her memories of Colby is of her freshman year, when she met President Bixler on the path from the chapel to the Women's Union, and he said: "Hi, Sue! How are things in Bethel?" He not only knew Sue's name but remembered her hometown in Connecticut. (I'm sure relating this will bring back memories to many of you about President Bixler. It reminded me of when Tony and I would be studying—I use the term loosely—and President Bixler would stop and speak in Arabic to Tony.) Sue's (and C. Freeman Sleeper's) daughter, Debbie, was married a year ago. They had a big family reunion: Debbie and brother Mark Sleeper are both in grad school, Paul Sleeper has three children and Jonathan Sleeper continues his career as a software engineer. Sue has been laid off from her job, but as she says, she is enthusiastically and energetically pursuing a new career. . . Philip Reiner-Deutsch, still a travel clerk for Amtrak, does not know if he'll retire or not. Philip remembers getting together with "an eccentric mix of other independent types in Pepper Hall." He also writes that he never anticipated abandoning the weather service field for dispatching buses for a railroad. . . David and Betsy Powley Wallingford are really enjoying being grandparents. Their son Jeff (they have two other sons, Chris and Todd—both unmarried) and his wife, Lauren, had a girl, Krista. David is also enjoying having more time to himself—relaxing, pursuing hobbies, vacationing and traveling. He and Betsy spent two weeks in Hong Kong and mainland China in September '92. . . Georgia Roy Eustis, always relating interesting incidents that happened to her, has really done it this time. Georgia spent sev-



eral days in her own ICU because she almost asphyxiated herself by carbon monoxide poisoning from a kerosene heater. Yup, she was trying to beat Central Maine Power out of a bill of \$250 a month. Besides almost killing herself, Gig writes that she would like to finish the novel she started in '87. She has enjoyed the research and personal interviews in pursuit of this task. Gig also remembers being able to drink all the milk you wanted at Colby (I hate milk), the blizzard of '52 (so do I, because **Ruth Brindley Cheney** had to stay at my house for three days and we ran out of cigarettes), the housemother who insisted "Abide With Me" be sung nightly all year, the smell of sulfur from Scott Paper, Colbyette tours, lasting friendships—and also the following: "At the freshman social, **Sherman Saperstein** was the first one to ask me to dance, and he told me I looked so old that he thought I was a senior. If he tells me that at the 40th reunion, he's in for B-I-G TROUBLE!" See you in June! ♦

Correspondent:  
**Margaret Smith Henry**

**58** A wonderful fringe benefit of this job is receiving phone calls in response to questionnaires. No sooner did that orange sheet reach you than I heard from **Marian Woodsome Ludwig**. We'd had a nice visit at the reunion last June, but the follow-up phone conversation made the years—ahem! 35 years—roll away. In order to see her seven grandchildren, Marian has to travel to New Jersey, Maine and a town near Hamburg, Germany. When she graduated, Marian did not anticipate being a teacher of young children, but today she is teaching music to about 700 children in K-3 in schools near her home in Lunenburg, Mass., an unexpected career that she finds very rewarding. . . . **Jim Bishop** writes from Sedona, Ariz., that he is currently an author and a college instructor. This is his fifth career since leaving Colby (journalist, federal official, solar energy lobbyist and screenwriter). Jim never antici-

pated being in government—he worked for the Carter White House in 1977-79—and he never anticipated fathering three quite accomplished children: Annie received her M.A. from Columbia and is in the Peace Corps, Jeb has worked for Mother Teresa and is now a paralegal in Washington, D.C., and Bill, who is fluent in Chinese, is in a master's program at Johns Hopkins. Jim will publish *Epitaph for a Desert Anarchist: Life and Legacy of Edward Abbey* in the spring of 1994. . . . **Ann Willcox Loftin** is president of her own promotional products company, IDEAS, INC. She and her husband, Don, who is "retired but does more now than he ever did," live on Sullivan's Island, S.C. Even in November 1993, she wrote, they were still repairing from Hurricane Hugo. Because her company has customers in 36 states, Ann and Don have traveled much in the United States—Texas every year, Wyoming this year, Connecticut and Alabama last year and, in 1995, Alaska by motor-home up the highway. Ann never anticipated being married three times or running her own business or living at the beach. She says "hello" to **Chris, Embeth and Polly**. . . . **Burt Angrist** is a physician at New York University Medical Center. He and his wife, Anka, who is a grant writer, have a 13-year-old daughter, Laurel. ("We got started late.") Burt, who has done medical research on the biological aspects of psychiatric disorders, says he never anticipated becoming a nut about outdoor activities—rock climbing, canoe trips, backpacking! . . . **Janice Klem Benicek** is a coordinator for Literacy Volunteers of Greater Worcester (Mass.), a branch of Literacy Volunteers of America. Janice has moved into an "active adult community" where she owns her own home, but the community as a whole is operated like a condominium and that means NO yardwork, NO snow removal, NO exterior maintenance of any kind—"what joy and freedom from unwanted responsibilities." Janice is rightly proud of having started and managed a thrift store at her church for the past 10 years

that has generated many thousands of dollars and benefited the church and outside charitable needs. She also has housed three refugee families and helped them find homes and become acclimated to life in the United States. . . . **Daniel Yett** is a diplomat for the U.S. Information Agency in Mogadishu. His wife, Beverly, also a diplomat, is with the Department of State. After three years in Rio de Janeiro, Dan transferred to Mogadishu, where he is the U.S. liaison officer in the equivalent of our embassy. He'll be there until July-August of 1994—or the collapse of the U.N. mission in Somalia, whichever comes first. He writes, "Life in a war zone is VERY different!" . . . Since her visit back to Colby at the 35th reunion, **Barbara Newhall Stevens** reports a big and very happy change. She was married on September 3, 1993, to John Stevens, a marketing manager with Emerson Electric Corp., and moved into his home in Upper Montclair, N.J. They had dated throughout junior and senior high school and met again at a high school friend's daughter's wedding two years ago—and "the rest is history!" . . . If you care to update any information, or correct any, please feel free to write to me. I heard from many of you and from your responses put together the class letter as well as this column. But I can always use more, and timely, information. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Ann Marie Segrave Lieber**

**59** We've had another reunion planning session, with essentially the same cast of characters as listed in my November column, and special events are indeed in store. Part of the evening involved fund-raising phone calls. As a group we collected pledges of about \$2,500 toward our goal of \$50,000 (watch out, Ed Goldberg, we're looking to meet your challenge!). That was gratifying, but hearing those familiar voices and talking about old times proved to be FUNdraising as well. . . . **Fred Stutzmann** has 10 children and

12 grandchildren. Can anyone beat, or even match, that outstanding performance? . . . **Melly McKevett Grolljahn** has overcome some pretty daunting situations (personal, family and economic) with characteristic good spirits. Somehow she has managed to maintain a good perspective on life, and her sense of humor is intact. She sees **Kiki Kies Madden** fairly regularly, and both of them intend to be at our 35th. . . . Received a lovely letter from **Carol "Kristy" Kristiansen Bittner**, who lives about five miles away from those horrendous California fires. She teaches a sweet and funny group of first graders, who keep her smiling with comments like "When we get old we'll have old skin like yours!" Kristy saw **Sally Weber Girard** in Santa Barbara recently and says she looks great. . . . Our most sincere condolences to the families and friends of our classmates **Bruce McFarland** and **John Martin**, both of whom passed away during the last year. . . . Keep those cards and letters coming, folks, and I'll keep giving you the true scoop on all your old friends. . . . See you on the Hill in June, I hope! ♦

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## Think Globally

Elizabeth Kistler Wallace '53 has always been a woman on the move. A fourth-generation Californian whose ancestors trekked westward by covered wagon in the 1850s, she recalls a youthful interest in international affairs and travel stimulated by a year at a Swiss high school. "Once you have that educational experience you have your life changed," she said. "It made me more of an internationalist."

Now in her ninth year at the International Visitors Center in San Francisco, Wallace orchestrates visits by 1,800 up-and-coming leaders each year who have been invited to visit the United States. Recent visitors to her center—the largest of 100 around the country—have included educators from Brazil and Finland, journalists from Liberia and Montenegro, economists from Poland and Italy, an attorney from Colombia, human rights activists from Pakistan, a museum curator from South Korea, a librarian from Argentina and elected officials from Mexico, Australia, France and Spain. "And we're in a slow period now," Wallace said.

Helped by a paid staff of seven, 55 office volunteers and 1,000 center members, Wallace links up the visitors with their professional counterparts in the Bay area during their three-to-five day stops in San Francisco. The U.S. government foots the bill for the visitors' month-long tours of the country, while the centers are funded mostly by corporate and individual gifts, ensuring that Wallace keeps busy as a fund raiser as well.

"We are the citizen arm of the diplomatic corps," Wallace said. "We help to make friends for the United States and the world, as well as establishing long-term economic, business and professional ties." She notes that since the program was established 45 years ago, more than 135 of its invited participants have gone on to become heads of state, including Britain's Margaret Thatcher, Germany's Willy Brandt and South Africa's F.W. de Klerk. She pointed out that Anwar Sadat's visit, which included meetings with American Jews and Arabs whom "he saw could get along," preceded his dramatic signing of a peace accord with Israel.

Wallace says that the program allows visitors "a chance to become acquainted with the United States as we know it" by

spending time with professionals at work and ordinary citizens in a variety of settings. The visitors receive what she calls a "balanced view" of America, including urban and rural settings. For her part, Wallace enjoys giving dinner parties at her home in Mill Valley, where she lives with her husband, Russell Wallace '52.

"You have to be interested in people and what they are thinking,"

Wallace said in describing her job. Asked to name a personal quality that enables her to do her work, she unhesitatingly replied, "energy." A French and education major at Colby, she took an array of international relations courses, earned additional credits in the Colby-Swarthmore summer program and completed her degree in just three years, one of the first Colby students to do so. Her motivation? "I was already taking accelerated courses and was very interested in a fellow named Russ Wallace," she said with a chuckle.

After they earned their degrees in 1952 and got married, Wallace worked briefly

for TWA in New York and then went to Germany, where she tutored Spanish-speaking GIs in English and Russell served in the Army. Later, as her husband earned his M.B.A. and set out on a business career that took them back to California, she was busy rearing three sons and doing lots of volunteer work, usually with an international focus. She served on the state and national boards of the American Association of University Women, chaired its International Relations Committee and was appointed by Secretary of State William Rogers to the U.S. National Commission for UNESCO. When her children were grown, she returned to work, first in international sales for a couple of software companies and then at the visitors center.

Wallace (pictured here at right with Consul General and Mrs. El Orabi of Egypt) says her job is satisfying because "each day is different" and "this is an important thing to do for my country." Acknowledging that the public is more concerned with problems such as crime, AIDS and the homeless than with improving foreign relations, Wallace points out that her work has important long-range goals.

"Just as we want to be secure in our streets, we want our country to be secure in our world," she said. "We need both to understand our world and to have foreigners understand us."



# THE SIXTIES

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**Katherine P. White**

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My travels took me to the Baltimore, Md., area, where I stayed with Fred '59 and Carol Anderson Panciera in Phoenix. Carol and Fred moved there over a year ago when Fred changed jobs. Now they are near to their daughters and three grandchildren. Since they live near a wooded reservoir, I was treated to watching twin fawns gamboling on the lawn. . . . When I called Ken Nigro, he reported that he is very busy managing the fantasy camps and cruises for the Baltimore Orioles. Sounds like fun. You go to the camp and get to play ball with former stars and other players for the Orioles, just like you always wanted to do when you were a kid. After Colby, Ken started as a sports reporter, first in New Jersey and then for the *Baltimore Sun* reporting on the Orioles. This actually led to working for the club. Now he lives almost entirely in Sarasota, Fla., so I guess I was lucky to catch him. . . . While in New Orleans, I called John Bailey at Pontchartrain Travel, which he owns, but he was practicing what he preaches and was traveling out of

town. . . . On a personal note, our exhibit of carved American folk art canes will be in Lexington, Mass., at the Museum of Our National Heritage. My husband and I will give a lecture and slide presentation called "Canes that Poke into History" on Sunday, March 13 at 3:30 p.m. A reception will follow. It's a terrific museum, and it would be great to see some familiar faces. All are welcome.

Correspondent:  
**Penelope Dietz Sullivan**

61 Your responses to the call for fresh news have been pouring in. Therefore, by the time you read this, you will, I hope, have received a class newsletter—in which I used up all the news I had received to date. So, I have to depend on each of you to send me new news as soon as you get the letter saying that you are part of a very select group being solicited for your news. Got it? . . . Carol Davidson Jack writes from Hopewell Junction, N.Y., that she is a happy grandmother who jets to L.A. as often as possible to visit her new grandson. She and her husband, Richard, who works for Texaco, are looking forward to his retirement in March. They plan to travel cross-country for a year, then settle in Maine near the coast. In the meantime, they have been skiing out west each March as well as vacationing at Cape Cod, Boston and Maine. They also travel to Colorado, California and Florida to visit relatives. She keeps up with Bebe Clark Mutz, Peg Bartlett Gray and Lee Kennedy Laugesen. She didn't even mention that her nickname, if in my old age I remember it correctly, used to be "Patch"—wonder if she will tell us what it meant. Speaking of

Bebe, Paul and I had the pleasure of attending the wedding of her daughter, Meg Galloway '87, to Marc Pearce. It was a beautiful, fun wedding that included about 20 members of the Class of 1987 and the two of us from 1961. . . . Ginny Murphy Cragin and her husband, Ed '62, are living in Pelham, N.Y., where they are still in the process of launching their family: Amy attends Davidson College, Brad is at the Taft School and twins Lael and Susan are at Deerfield. One of Ginny's fondest Colby memories is of a superb rendition of Schubert's "Impromptu Op. 90 No. 4" by Carole Ann Pope Wilcox back in Mary Low. Ginny is now in her third year of piano lessons, so watch out Carole Ann! She also serves on the board of the Onaway Camp Trust, which runs "an outstanding camp in New Hampshire" that is featured in the '93-'94 edition of *Choosing The Right Camp*. . . . Jeanette Benn Anderson sent me her Christmas letter, which tells of the value of the vitamin-nutrition program she is on and how it has made a tremendous difference for her. She and her husband, Bob, are enjoying their Maine lake house, which is built on the site of the camp of her father, who was in the Colby Class of '25. They also enjoyed a memorable occasion last April. After their daughter was married in Charlotte, N.C., the group of relatives who had come to the wedding traveled together to Nashville. Jeanette has kept in contact with her Chi O daughter Cindy Lamb Johnson '62 and hears from Diane Scrafton Ferreira. . . . Janet Haskins Mandaville reports from Portland, Ore., that she has been spending her time having interesting experiences in Australia. She was planning on escorting tours into the Outback and country towns, with a focus on wildlife

and cross-cultural experiences. Since she is a writer, we look forward to hearing more. She also is enjoying her grandchild, born to her eldest daughter. . . . **Donna Sample Sparks** is a manager at Boeing in Seattle who also has become a potter: she now relieves stress by making "adult mud pies." She was looking forward to a trek to Maine, then Ireland, to help celebrate her parents' 55th wedding anniversary. . . . During the four years Paul and I lived in Connecticut, **Carolyn Evans Consolino** and I meant to get together. Well, c'est la vie. As most of you know, her husband, Joe '58, passed away in 1988. She had four graduations in June 1992: Jeff from Cornell with an M.B.A. as #1 out of 247!, Sarah with a master's in teaching from Manhattanville, Bill with a B.A. from Hobart and David from New Canaan High (and now at Colgate). She got to visit with **Jill Williams Hooper** in July (Jill—what are you up to?) and is looking forward to our 35th. . . . Just to be sure that I don't get accused of sexual harassment because I have no news from males in the class, I will finish with news from **Dave Tourangeau**, who writes from Tokyo that at 5'10" he is able to look over "13 million of his closest friends." He has contact with "Dopey, Gumba, Red, Heighto and Hooper" (I have a prize for anyone who remembers to whom all those monikers belong). He is working very hard and enjoying learning a new culture. If you get to Tokyo, he wants you to call him and Marjorie at 3442-7818. They plan to make it to the 35th. Some people will do anything to win the prize for coming the farthest. Sorry, Scraf, he will have you beat. Hawaii won't win for you in '96. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Judith Hoagland Bristol**

**62** It's a different world from our years at Colby. I was just glancing through the latest *Colby Echo* with the following headlines: "Model Mugging Teaches Self-Defense" and "Student Indicted for Manslaughter in N.J."

So sad and depressing. I'm at the age—which I know you all are, too—where I'm not sure how we can fix things, or if we can. . . . I did hear from **Chris Wood** that **Joan (Tinker)** is very sick with cancer. And although her spirits are pretty good, she has some disability to her left side due to the tumor affecting the motor area of her brain. Chris said that they have hope and two very supporting sons and a daughter-in-law—Christopher, 25, who was married in March, and Joshua, 21, a senior at Syracuse. Chris is an attorney, and Joan is a database programmer/operator. (Chris also said that they saw **Hope Hutchins Benton** on Gasparilla Island, Fla., last spring. Hope's house is called Bangor House. He said that the minute they saw it they knew who owned it.) How's about some cards and phone calls to Joan and Chris, Box 312, 10 Bodine Avenue, Peapack, NJ 07977. We all have such wonderful memories of one another. I think of you, Joan, as being always perfectly groomed—very preppie with a special spark. You will both be in my prayers for sure during this difficult time. . . . **Tony Mainero** is in career counseling—he's a senior vice president and general manager at Lee Hescht Harrison, Inc. His wife, Cathy, is a director of religious education. The Maineros have four children: Kim, 26, Kristen, 24, Stephen, 21, and Kathy Leigh, 17. Tony says that he has been blessed with a wonderful life—"a great lady who has put up with [him] for 28 years and four extraordinary children." Tony is an ordained minister, so in addition to his lay career, he spends additional time preaching each weekend and in his ministry. Tony says he never intends to retire since life is too much of an adventure to stop. They cruise the Caribbean each year and summer in Wells. Tony said he had dinner recently with Ginny (Murphy '61) and Ed Cragin. He also keeps up with **Bruce Marshall** in Washington, D.C., and **Peter Duggan** in Columbus, Ohio. . . . **Gerry Tays** changed jobs in July and moved from the National Park Service in Washington, D.C., to Washington state. Gerry is now superintendent

of Coulee Dam National Recreation Area. His wife, Nancy, is a nurse and has been in real estate but is now unemployed. The Tays have two children and two grandchildren. Gerry said that he talked recently with Dr. Donaldson Koons—retired from Colby's Geology Department—regarding a project that he is working on and that he used to run into **Lael Swinney Stegall** occasionally in Washington, D.C. I think lots of us would like to see your part of the country now, Gerry. . . . Speaking of travel, Harry and I just returned from Hawaii—the big island, where we shared a gorgeous house with seven other of our Houston friends for a week. It was a horrible time for me to be gone, but Puako Beach was spectacular (Puako is toward Waimea and you fly in to Kona). Other than that, I am being "conferenced out," since my school was named one of the 18 mentor high schools in Texas. We are considered one of the leaders in restructuring—those of you not in education need to know in case you didn't that what we have been doing is no longer working. Of course you can go back to my first paragraph about Colby and read your own daily newspaper about society and understand why. . . . I do want to hear from you. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Bearna Haines Chase**

**63** After some initial delay and confusion this time with the mailing of the questionnaire, I am suddenly awash in mail and news from classmates. I shall try to include some tidbits from each of you who took the time to write. Your replies are much appreciated. I only wish I had the space to share all that you have written. . . . **Steve Danforth** has been a French teacher at Camden-Rockport High School for 23 years, a job that he enjoys and that keeps him young. He and his wife, Sharon—to whom he has been married for 30 years (!)—have two children, Darcie and Darren, both young adults. Steve has just returned from a trip to Russia and is planning to visit

France. . . . **Steve Eittreim**, a marine geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey in Palo Alto, enjoys his job but finds that getting support for scientific research from the federal government is like "getting the O.K. from your boss at McDonald's to cook Chateaubriand!" Though gray of hair, Steve enjoys the active California life, biking to work, tennis, etc. and recently returned from a wonderful sailing vacation in the Virgin Islands. He and his wife, Carole, have three kids. . . . **JoAnn Wince French**, my able predecessor and advisor, is regional credit manager (northeast) for General Electric Lighting. She travels often for her job and recently vacationed in Cancun. She writes that she got the best tan she's had since she was 12! . . . **Maggie Briggs Grabowski**, nearly a neighbor of mine in Bennington, Vt., writes of the various activities of her clan, eight offspring and husband Gene. Only one son, Ben, is still at home, and Maggie now chooses to sub in the guidance office of the local middle school, work at the "Apple Barn," a local emporium, and pursue her hobby of gardening. When her nest is finally empty, she is considering attending graduate school. Go for it, Maggie! . . . Household manager and "perpetual Boy Scout volunteer" **Arlene Jenkins Graber** filled both sides of her questionnaire with news. Two of her four children, her elderly mother and her work-at-home consultant husband keep her house abuzz. Arlene is a cubmaster (in Scouting for 17 years), loves tracing genealogy and pursues an interest in the Abenakis of New England. . . . Well, the editor only allows me one and a half pages, and I still have news from **Janet MacColl Krakauer**, **Midge Walton Holmes** and **Cindy Smith Whitaker**. Stay tuned till the next issue of *Colby* for "the rest of the story." ♦

Correspondent:  
**Sara Shaw Rhoades**

**64** More news of classmates from the recent, unexpected questionnaire. **Paul Tessier** retired from

the Army in 1992 and is working as a clinical supervisor at the Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers in Waterville. He has been up to his earlobes in college students in his family: Lisa, Columbus College '88, now in med school; Michelle, Auburn University '89; Remi, Columbus '89 and Kevin, now at the University of Maine. . . . Larry Symington

is an associate technical director at the U.S. Army Natick Research, Development and Engineering Center in Massachusetts. He has a son in Bourne, Massachusetts, beginning a unique course in building conservation technology (rebuilding old buildings) and a daughter at UMass-Amherst. Good to hear from this long silent classmate! . . . Ted

Malley, whose occupation is always something of a mystery, currently lists himself as a "fish spotter." His three children (14, 13 and 6) seem to be entertaining him, although he reports the major change in his life as "brain shrunk to size of a pea (and still shrinking)." . . . Bob Woodward responded but reported no changes at all—but we

do hope his piano playing has improved. . . . Speaking of piano playing, Joan Philipps Thompson is still writing and still contemplating reunion '94. Yes, Joan, we want you and Karen Knudsen Day there! . . . Bill Dowden has a granddaughter! . . . And Barney Hallowell has "a daughter who transferred and graduated from Colby and a son who was admit-

## Citizen Campaigner

"I've always had to be busy all the time," said Pauline Ryder Kezer '63 as she began her campaign in January to become Connecticut's first Republican woman governor. "I was always into everything."

As she prepares to take her campaign across Connecticut, Kezer says she expects to face a field crowded with rivals. Between incumbent Gov. Lowell Weicker's decision not to seek re-election and the state's economic woes (Connecticut lost 200,000 jobs over the last three years), the race is considered up for grabs. Kezer, now Connecticut's secretary of the state, was first to announce for her party's nomination. The first Republican to serve as secretary of the state in more than 30 years, Kezer "set out to change the way this section of government works," encouraging voter participation and civic education and streamlining the processing of business records. Looking ahead to the race for governor, she calls for "a new type of leadership" to control the growth in spending, lower the income tax rate, get tougher on crime and improve the educational system.

Kezer's entry into the race is the result of a career nurtured more by energetic activism than by political ambition. At Colby she majored in psychology ("which has given me great insight to watch and see how people act," she said), and she fondly recalls classes with professor Allan Scott and ecology field trips. A scholarship student who served lunch every day in Mary Low, she was active in sports and became president of her sorority. She married Ken Kezer, her high school sweetheart, and moved to Connecticut, where she raised three children and threw herself into an array of volunteer activities. She tutored teenaged mothers at a center in New Britain for 14 years, served on the local wetlands commission and, a former Girl Scout, just finished a nine-year stint on that organization's national board.

In 1978, at age 36, Kezer ran for state representative, spurred by her experience in environmental and women's issues.

"I didn't know anything about political campaigning, but I did



know about volunteering," she said. Scanning voter lists, she would "see people I knew on almost every street, and I'd call them and ask them to talk to five neighbors about my campaign." Her grassroots efforts enabled her to edge a former mayor in the primary and squeak by a Democrat by 112 votes in the general election.

After eight years as a legislator, including a stint as assistant majority leader, Kezer ran for secretary of the state in 1986—and lost. She put the four years to good use both politically, serving as vice chair of the state Republican party and as a fellow at Harvard's Institute of Politics, and personally, stepping back and looking at her life.

"I've always had energy and determination," she said. "I felt I wanted to make a difference." The day after she completed her Harvard studies in May 1990 she announced her campaign for secretary of the state, and though outspent \$200,000 to \$39,000

("I've campaigned on less money than anybody dreams of," she said) she upset the incumbent who had defeated her four years before. She was the only Republican to win statewide office.

When starting a new campaign, Kezer gets out her old brochures and reads them to make sure she's still doing what she promised. Her first flyer trumpeted that "Pauline Kezer listens and cares." She still does. Recently she got a phone call from a New Britain woman who, as a teenaged mother 17 years earlier, had been helped by Kezer. "What a difference you made," said the caller, explaining that she now was married and had a job and that her daughter was going to high school and avoiding trouble. Reflecting on the call, Kezer said, "These are the things that propel us forward."

Along with such favorite diversions as reading historical novels and attending high school basketball games with her husband, a teacher, Kezer says she likes to find new things that challenge her. Last year she signed up for an Outward Bound trip that culminated in a climb up a 14,000-foot mountain. "I had never climbed before," Kezer said, "but I got up there."

## NEWSMAKERS

Anthony Kramer '62 made a successful bid for re-election to the District 180 School Board in Hinsdale, Ill. . . . Connecticut art gallery president and director Philip Jones '62 was written up in the *Farmington Valley Herald* for his extensive involvement in visual and performing arts. Jones's Arts Exclusive Gallery also features frequent performances by the Hartford Ballet and the Hartford Symphony. Currently he is planning a new art complex that will include a gallery, museum and arts center. . . . Artist Peter Ketchum '63 showed his "Painted Pictures/Lost Souls" at the Moviehouse Gallery in Millerton, N.Y. Ketchum mounts old photographs on canvas and paints over them with acrylics, oils, photodyes, pencil and pen and ink. . . . Heublin Inc.'s wines executive Robert M. Furek '64 was interviewed by *Market Watch*, a magazine for the wine, spirits and beer industries. The article focused on innovations in the wine business that are bringing a renewed popularity to the beverage. . . . Speaking at Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania, historian and biographer Doris Kearns Goodwin '64 compared health issues prevalent in the Kennedy, Johnson and Clinton administrations. She also appeared on *Nightline* with Ted Koppel following the release to the public of audio tapes of President Johnson. . . . A Portland, Maine, *Press Herald* story quoted opinions researcher Peter Hart '64, whose surveys showed that Attorney General Janet Reno was supported by a 3-1 majority of those interviewed following the FBI's ill-fated assault on the Branch Davidian compound near



Adam Wilson '69

Waco, Texas. . . . Joan Philipps Thompson '64 "has found her voice," declared the Marblehead (Mass.) *Reporter of The Mudpack and Me*, the author's first foray into fiction for the 9-13 age group. Thompson previously had published three adult novels. . . . James McCabe '65 represented Colby at the Founders Day Convocation at Ursinus College in Bryn Mawr, Pa. . . . Col. Gerald McElroy '65 was the subject of an article in the *Vineland, N.J., Daily Journal* following his retirement after 28 years of service in the Air Force. . . . James N. Drawbridge Jr. '66 has been appointed vice president for institutional advancement at New England College in Henniker, N.H. . . . Carol Lordi '66 has moved to Hitachi Data Systems in Santa Clara, Calif. . . . Oil landscapes by Wendy Ann Christensen '67 were shown at Ursuline College's Wasmer Gallery as part of the gallery's "Color and Light and Life" exhibition. . . . Frances Richter Comstock '67 recently joined Century 21 Taylor and Love, Inc. in Westfield, N.J. . . . Rolls Royce Motor Cars Inc. president Howard Mosher '68 was recognized in an article in the Beverly Hills, Calif., *Courier* for his many years of dedication to the auto industry. Mosher joined Rolls Royce in 1984 as general marketing manager and participated in the development of the Bentley Turbo R for the U.S. market. He is responsible for the entire Rolls Royce operation in North America. . . . Dale Kuhnert '68 has been promoted to editor-in-chief of *Down East* magazine in Rockport, Maine. . . . Maine's Art Commission director, Alden Wilson '69, was honored by the New England Foundation for the Arts with the Gary Young Award for his contributions to the state arts council movement and leadership in the arts.

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## MILEPOSTS

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ted but chose not to attend. My dealings with Colby in both cases have been wonderful. It's a better place, I think, than when I was a student." Come back, classmates, to see, to feel, to celebrate what was and what is and what will be in ourselves and our common roots. ♦

Correspondent:  
Richard W. Bankart

**65** PRESSREPORT! Bud Marvin, president of Manpower of NH/VT Inc., was recently elected a director of the Manchester, N.H., Chamber of Commerce. Bud was also elected vice chairman of the health system holding company that owns the Catholic Medical Center in Manchester. Bud was chairman of the center for the past three years. . . . Chad '64 and Gayle Lenz Mitchell toured Bryce Canyon, Grand Canyon and Zion

National Park last summer while visiting their daughter, Julie, a senior at the Air Force Academy. Gayle and Chad are co-presidents of the Eastern Massachusetts Cadet Parents Association. Gayle continues as a realtor with Hunneman & Co./Coldwell Banker in Northborough, Mass. . . . Susan Brown Musche is chairman of women's golf at Wannamoisett Country Club and handicap chairman for Rhode Island women's state golf association. . . . Pam Pierson Parziale reports a visit from Skip Harrington '66 (he's in our freshman "Faces and Places"), who was visiting family in the Harpers Ferry area. "What a surprise! He had a great time in all the antique stores (Skip lives in Winterport, Maine). I gave him a tour of our pottery. Anyone else coming south on I-81 has a place to stay and visit at the Sycamore Pottery, Kearneysville, W.V." . . . Jim Quirk continues as professor

of computer science at Kentucky Wesleyan College, Owensboro, Ky. . . . Colby commencement festivities will bring Nancy and Rod Gould to the campus to attend daughter Jody's graduation with the Class of '94. . . . Dan Durgin retires this June after 29 years in the education field, most recently as superintendent of schools in Kittery, Maine. While he still continues to live in Kittery, he looks forward to winters in Bermuda. . . . Randy "I seem to live in a whirlwind of activity" Holden, professor of music at the University of Louisville School of Music, was re-elected president of the National Opera Association for a two-year term. This group includes opera directors from colleges across the country. . . . Class grandchildren mentions too numerous to count. How is this possible for a class so recently graduated? . . . Happy Mud Season. . . . Hail, Colby, Hail! ♦

Correspondent:  
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**66** Not one shred of evidence supports the notion that life is serious. Carol Lordi has retired and accepted a new position—what? After many years with IBM, Carol accepted an invitation common to the computer industry lately to help reduce headcount by voluntarily accepting an early retirement package. She was quickly offered the position of vice president of systems engineering and service by Hitachi Data Systems on the West Coast. The new job and new location were too much for her to pass up. This wraps up a successful year for Carol, for not only was her success in business widely recognized, she also won honors with the Gold Rule Award from JC Penney Corp. as well as from the local paper, *The Fairfield Advo-*



cate, for her community service in support of cancer patients. . . . **Linda Mitchell Potter** reports that the mid-way reunion more or less collapsed over the last two weeks as the 30-40 commitments shrunk to 10-12 by Homecoming Weekend. Seems many of us, myself included, developed unmanageable fall schedules, and the trip to Colby had to be eliminated. Linda says that those who did make it had a great time but wished that more people had been able to come. Linda also reports that they have just paid their 42nd consecutive semester bill for higher education, but the end is in sight. It will take a major life adjustment to get used to not paying tuition bills, but it is a challenge they are looking forward to. . . . **Lorna Dale**, after spending her life living in various places and teaching Spanish, has settled back among her family in Maine. Her passion is reading, which she describes as moving through phases, the most current being mysteries. . . . Did any of you notice that Bob Dole's opening remark at Colby's commencement made the campus comedy section of the December issue of *Reader's Digest*? He opened by saying, "Being a commencement speaker is like being a corpse at a funeral. They need you in order to hold the event but nobody expects you to say very much." . . . **Sue Ebinger Spencer** recently sold her restaurant and is in a state of semi-retirement, at least until the next idea comes along. . . . **Linda Hall Lord** has redefined the concept of being active. She just completed a stint as the interactive coordinator/distance education consultant for Maine's Department of Education; she is on the executive board of the Maine Educational Media Association, on the State Board of Education Task Force on Learning Outcomes, on the Department of Education Advisory Council for Educational Technology and is a director of the Trout Foundation, Yarmouth, Maine, which awards small grants to small rural schools over a three-county area. (I'm happy she explained that; initially I was thinking it was great that with all her educational involvement she still found time to do some fly

fishing—but I stand corrected.) . . . **Terry Saunders Lane** was recently given an award by Boston University in recognition of her contributions to the School of Social Work. . . . **Gary Barnes** reports that after recently moving to Sharon, Vt., he decided to renounce his world citizenship for being able to vote in Vermont—where his vote counts. Ayuh. . . . As for me, I seem to be moving in reverse, having just been elected president of the Milford Community Athletic Association, again. I thought I had retired from that three years ago after all my kids moved through the program. In its 37 years of existence, this is only the second time that a former president has returned, and I know I am the only grandfather to hold the position. It is interesting to walk through the supermarket and have people approach you to tell you that you must be out of your mind. However, running a volunteer organization that provides programs to over 1,400 kids does have its rewards as well as frustrations. . . . The trouble with life is that you are halfway through it before you realize it's a "do-it-yourself" thing. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Robert Gracia**

**67** I had the pleasure of talking with **Ruth Seagull Sinton** recently as she followed up on her plan to organize a midterm Boston-area gathering. Ruth is very excited about her position as assistant to the provost at Brown University, where she coordinates a program to increase student commitment to education and academic careers. The program, a cooperative effort among Ivy League faculties, draws under-represented students from historically black colleges. As one would expect, Ruth brings a certain passion along with her skill to this task. . . . **Jeanne Philson Somers** suffered a broken ankle in an unfortunate fall and recuperated by going on a cruise with her father and two sisters. Jeanne writes that she is now ready to face the real world again. . . . **John Cooper** tells me that he will soon

be "Grampy John" as his elder daughter is soon to bestow upon him the dignity of grandparenthood. Best wishes to the Coopers and to one very fortunate soon-to-be-grandchild. . . . Speaking of children, as you search for interesting gift items you might come upon *Baku Baku the Dream Eater*. This Oriental mythical animal sees bad dreams and eats them up, thus preventing sleep disturbances for both child and parent, or grandparent as the case may be. **Natalie Furlong Graceffa** has designed this little peace-maker and plans to have it marketed this year. . . . Wayland, Mass., High School's class of '63 held its 30th reunion last May, providing an opportunity for **Nancy Heilmann Guite**, **Judy Gerrie Heine** and **Pat Jenks** to hold a mini-Colby '67 reunion. Nancy and Judy joined the hardy band on Mayflower Hill last June but had not seen Pat since 1965, when she left Colby. Nancy teaches elementary school and is an active hockey mother—next year her son moves to a checking hockey league. Pat works for an insurance company in Lewiston and teaches an art course at UMaine's extension campus. Ideally, she would like to teach art in a setting that would allow students to explore their creative thinking processes and then express their ideas in a variety of media. But since funding for the arts and art education has not been a high priority politically, she has been working on her own pieces and showing at local galleries. Judy has been selected as a teaching fellow at the Thomas J. Watson Jr. Institute for International Studies at Brown in cooperation with Brown's Institute for Secondary Education. This summer she will work with other teachers to develop student materials on current U.S. foreign policy issues. Next year, along with her regular teaching duties at Canton (Mass.) High, she will conduct workshops at a variety of social studies conferences to familiarize teachers with curriculum materials and strategies that engage students in critical thinking. . . . In the mini-reunion vein, a sturdy group of Alpine enthusiasts took the Comstocks up on their offer and spent a weekend

last April skiing, visiting and sightseeing. The event began with **Bob and Fran Richter Comstock** welcoming **Paul Cronin** and wife Susan, followed by **Linda (Mitchell '66) and Lee Potter**. **Mike Picher** arrived before too long, as did **Tim Crowell**. The next day **Bob Field** and **Sue Brown Coolbaugh** rounded out the group, and from all accounts the event was an unqualified success. . . . As usual, Judy and I urge you to send us any news you may have. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Mary Jo Calabrese Baur**

**68** **Linda Reynolds Gill**, an inclusion-special needs teacher in Cohasset, Mass., was involved with a presentation at the State Council for Exceptional Children on strategies for teaching those children in a regular classroom. Her oldest son, Sean, spent a summer term abroad studying national health systems in three European countries. Her twin sons, seniors at Thayer Academy, were busy along with Linda and her husband, David, visiting colleges last fall. . . . **Steve Freyer**, manager of pro athletes and broadcasters, is currently chairman of the Boston Organizing Committee, which hopes to bring the summer Olympics to Boston in the first decade of the 21st century. . . . **Alan Gray** writes that he and his family are in the process of building their own home, which he is finding a true "lesson in life." Good luck, Alan. . . . **Stewart Armstrong**, his wife and daughter recently moved back into their home in Pembroke, N.H., after being away for three years. Stu enjoys his work as a school principal and is in the second year of his doctoral program in education. . . . **Walter Greist** of North Haven, Conn., operates a community-supported agriculture farm that markets or-

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ganically grown vegetables. . . . Jeffrey Goodwin has a new position as director of government relations for GHI, a not-for-profit health insurer in New York. He's part of an industry that is presented with many challenges from both the government and the marketplace. . . . Thanks to all who wrote. Till next time. ♦

Correspondent:  
Anna Thompson Bragg

**69** The class reunion committee has been working extremely hard under the guidance of Laurie Killoch Wiggins, our class president. She has been very organized and appears to have everything under control. I hope we'll have a lot of classmates in Waterville the first weekend in June. Make your plans to attend! . . . While making some calls concerning the reunion, I talked with Louise Devine Barnes, who is living in Portland, Maine. She has just changed jobs after working for 19 years at Westbrook Junior High School as a counselor. She is now at the high school and is enjoying the change of pace at the higher level. She is also in the process of building a new home, so she is experiencing all kinds of "newness" in her life. . . . Another educator in our class is Penelope Post Crockett, who is an English teacher and department head at Camden-Rockport High School, where she has been employed for 25 years. She was the girl's ski team coach until 1981 and is now the cross-country coach. For several years she coached both teams but found her time was quite limited from fall until the end of ski season. She said one team is quite enough! Her husband is the boy's cross-country coach, so I'm sure they don't lack for conversation at their house. . . . A third teacher is Lee Cox Graham, who is living in Weld, Maine. Lee teaches English and history at Dirigo High School in Dixfield, where she has been teaching for seven years. Prior to that she spent all her time raising her children. . . . My best to everyone for an excellent summer. Again, please make plans to attend our reunion. It will be time well spent. ♦

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**71** This column is dedicated to all of my classmates who still maintain Colby friendships after 20-something years. **Jim Hawkins** saw **Dave Myles** recently and maintains contact with **Mark and Linda Ruggles Hiler**. Jim reports from Attleboro, Mass., that he has completed his fifth ironman-distance triathlon in Montreal. Yes, that's a two and one-half mile swim, followed by a 112-mile bicycle race and a 26.2 mile run! (It's easy to add that Jim is certainly more fit than most of us!) ... **Leslie Anderson** writes from Somerville, Mass., that she's in contact with **Larry Rider '73** and **Deb Smiley '70**; with **Debbie Messer Zlatin**, who is hospice coordinator at Windham Community Memorial Hospital in Willimantic, Conn.; with **Pat Trow Parent**, who is living in Surry, N.H.; with **Mary Jukes Howard**, of Devon, Pa.; with **Jan Blatchford Gordon**, who lives in Hampton Falls, N.H., and works in Raytheon's personnel department; and with **Sue Farwell**, who resides in Belmont, Mass., with her Colby husband, **John Philson**, and two great children. Sue runs an organic natural food co-op (out of their home) and is on the board of trustees for a local hospital. John is a financial services and computer consultant with Eastmark Consulting Co. of Boston. He enjoys singing with the Arlington-Belmont chamber chorus. John's work involves a lot of travel, and as a result the family

spent the summer in San Diego. Sue sends greetings to **Olga Lange Willmann** and asks her to please get in touch. ... I've heard from several members of this large Colby group: **Bruce '72** and **Nancy Neckes Dumart**, who are enjoying their new home and family (Clark Harrison, 2) in Shrewsbury, Mass.; **Dave and Debbie Bittenbender Collins**, living in Yarmouth, Maine; **Bill Glennon**, a real estate appraiser living in Quincy, Mass.; **Ken Kenworthy**, owner/chef of Catering by Kenworthy, in South Glastonbury, Conn.; **Linda Chester**, a Latin teacher from Hudson, Mass., who recently adopted a son from Ecuador; **Judy White Brennan**, a registered nurse living in Middletown, R.I.; **Carol Fall Leslie**, a homemaker in Winslow, Maine; **Karen Mahanke Brown**; and **Roz Wersman Cooper**, education director for Temple Beth in Charlotte, N.C. ... **Dr. Bruce Black**, a principal research biologist with American Cyanamid in Pennsylvania, recently saw **Dr. Jeff Nordstrom**, an associate professor of biology at Fordham University in New York, at a Texas A&M conference. ... **Marion Agnew Baker**, who lives in Williamsburg, Va., and has two lovely children, **Jameson, 8**, and **Gretchen, 5**, maintains contact with **Hanria Halpern Holden**, who lives in Truckee, Calif., and with **Peggy Wiehl Gilfoy** in Sherborn, Mass. ... **Dave Nelson** is general manager at the Comfort Inn in Avon at the base of Beaver Creek in Colorado (10 miles west of Vail). His wife, **Janet**, is a waitress at the seafood restaurant **Montauk** for the winter season. P.S.: This year's restaurant recommendations include **Scioleti's** in Westboro, Mass.; **Picante**, in Davis Square, Somerville; **Ben's** in Tampa, Fla.; **Lemon Grass**; the **Black Swan**;

the **Inn** at Woodstock in Connecticut; **Locke Ober**; **Legal Seafood**; the **Village Inn** on the **Belgrade Lakes**; the **Hillbrook Inn** on **Bullskin Run** in Charlestown, W.V.; the **Balsam's Resort** in **Dixville Notch, N.H.**; and the **Algonquin Club** in Boston. ... If you'd like to know what happened to your friends, classmates and roommates, please just send me a note, return your class survey or call and leave a message on my answering machine. As the project manager for *Strength in Diversity, Worcester's Finnish Community*, a collection of photographs and recollections based upon a recent exhibition at the Worcester Historical Museum, I'm pretty busy these days. I'm hopeful that this "Jan Plan" project will be ready to print in the spring! Until next time, BE BRAVE. ♦

Correspondent:  
Janet Holm Gerber

**72** **Fred Valone** updates us on his study to become a Catholic priest. He entered the seminary four and a half years ago, leaving a position as a research chemist at **Texaco**. In May 1994 he expects to be ordained to the priesthood and begin work in the diocese of **Galveston-Houston**. ... With a 15-year-old son looking at colleges, **Maryanna Buck Abren** can't believe that "it's come full cycle so soon." She has been a fourth grade teacher for 20 years. ... **John Bunker** feels successful since graduation for, among other things, having "learned to listen." His interests include playing piano, growing fruit trees, teaching woodworking at a summer camp and doing a jazz radio show. ... A 20th wedding anniversary was celebrated by **Tom and Ellen Woods**

Sidar on Sanibel Island, Fla. Tom has been at L.L. Bean for 17 years, currently as vice president of the creative department. Ellen says Tom's job has enabled them to "live the good life in Maine and raise our sons in a small Maine coastal town." ... Affiliated with the competition, Liz Joslin Malinowski lives in Dodgeville, Wis., where her husband, Emil, is director of manufacturing for Land's End. Liz has done some teaching and has been a church organist and a choir director "but most importantly a busy parent! This brings me great pride, joy and satisfaction." And Liz "would love to say 'hey' to Skipper Schirmer '71." ... Christopher Cintavey, son of Kathleen Otterson Cintavey, entered Colby last fall as a freshman. Over the years Kathleen has had many prominent roles in her Ohio education system in addition to classroom teaching (high school English, French and reading). Recently she worked on projects researching and affecting youth antisocial behavior. She looked at solutions within the classroom setting and the juvenile court system and finally decided the home was the most effective situation for addressing youth problems. She writes, "I began to plan for my son's life the minute I suspected he might come into being. If that philosophy could somehow become more widespread, perhaps homes would not be so far down on the list of solutions." ... Barbara Moody wrote that she "bought a lovely house on a river in Manchester, N.H., where I can cook and be happy." ... I'd like to end with a tribute to Danny Smith, a quiet member of our class who has retained a selfless and quiet style in his genealogical career in Gardiner, Maine. In his field he is best known for his publication *The Yellow House Papers*, which richly describes the enormous collection of writings found in the Gardiner home of children's author Laura Richards. Danny says the collection "mirrors the attenuation of the genteel tradition of literature and philanthropy in New England and New York from the close of the American Revolution until the end of

the Second World War." The collection is now in the Colby archives. Danny became interested in the project because he is a very close friend of Betty Wiggins, the last surviving daughter of Laura Richards. From an article about Danny in *Maine Times*: "at 42, the survivor of eight orthopedic operations and several bouts with cancer, Smith finds himself not surprisingly preoccupied with time, mortality and people's lives beneath the public image they project. His focus is to resuscitate lives otherwise grown cold, interpreting them for a new generation." ... In past years Smith has become more actively involved in Gardiner history and preservation, becoming a pillar of the Gardiner Library Association as a researcher, compiler, lecturer, typist of his own manuscripts, fund raiser and, most important, a person who completes what he undertakes." ♦

Correspondent:  
Margaret McPartland Bean

**73** Greetings! I have enjoyed hearing from you and appreciate your thoughtful and insightful comments. We are a very interesting group! ... Ellen Kornetsky is in the process of changing her career goals from public affairs to social work and enjoys her course work at the University of New England. She has located her birth mother, traveled to the Soviet Union and worked as a volunteer with AIDS patients. ... Lois Leonard Stock also is making changes, deciding to work doing her art, not teaching or administering it. She sings in the Portland Community Chorus and does volunteer work at the Maine Center for the Blind. ... Dennis Powers has spent the last 20 years working in the gaming industry in Las Vegas, Lake Tahoe, Reno and Atlantic City. He has two daughters and enjoys coaching girls' soccer. ... Judy McDivitt is an assistant professor of health communication at the Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine in Louisiana. She has found the change from researcher to professor to be

challenging! ... Joane Rylander took a month-long trip to Hungary and Rumania, where she sang and danced with and for the natives, collected beautiful folk costumes—and even visited Dracula's birthplace. She participates in international folk dancing and teaches a class in Balkan singing. ... Jeff Stone has earned an M.B.A. in health care management and works as a network representative with Pilgrim Health Care in Norwell, Mass. ... Malcolm "Jim" Perkins teaches math and has been working to restructure his high school into a theme magnet school integrating math, science, video and computers. ... Norm and Pat Flanagan Olsen are in Tel Aviv, where Norm is a diplomat responsible for development in the Gaza Strip. The signing of the Israel-PLO peace accord in September catapulted his program to center stage, and he is enjoying the opportunity to help develop U.S. policy in the region. Pat is busy studying Hebrew and working on community projects, which range from the recreation center to the school board. ... Some of the things we as a group remember from Colby are: the cold winters, good friends who are still good friends, Monopoly and Hearts games in the DKE living room, pecan pie, Saturday steaks, skitchwiches in the old Spa, the Foss/Woodman crowd, interactions in Mary Low, the view from the water tower and the morning sun after an ice storm. I was interested that so many of us mention words like "fulfillment," "rewarding" and "sense of community" as we describe our lives. Keep in touch! ♦

Correspondent:  
Stephen B. Collins

**74** Early returns from our latest mailing were just beginning to flow when the deadline rolled around. Good to hear from everyone who responded. Lisa and Rob Burgess sent the address of the new house they just built in Brunswick, Maine (64 Friendship St.). I got to help them move in during December—just in time for their

first baby, due for a late 1993 arrival. ... Laurel Bedig writes from D.C. to say, "I am practicing environmental law at a large Washington, D.C., law firm and enjoying the Clinton Administration" and "Molly Steffey—are you going to our 20th year class reunion?" (It's June 3–5, Molly.) ... David and Sue Alexander Burnham recently bought a circa 1813 low-posted cape in West Bethel, Maine. "Can't shake the restaurant business—stop by Mothers in Bethel if you're sking Sunday River," she writes. ... Bill '77 and Nancy Spangler Tiernan also moved last year—just down the street in Amherst, Mass. She graduated from nursing school in May, passed the licensing exam in October and started as an RN in oncology and orthopedics at Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northampton in December. "Good luck, patients!" she writes, brimming with confidence. ... Mark Curtis in Manchester, Maine, reports he had a good golf year. "Like to see all my old LCA buddies at the reunion," he said. ... Diana Stork-Rockwell is still in Daly City, Calif., and just released a new album for solo harp called *Harpdancing*. In December she was working on a major holiday production featuring harps from all over the world. ... Phyllis Hasegawa Auger also sends an address—in Tigard, Ore. (15149 SW Ashley Dr.)—"our new and last house." ... From Coral Gables, Fla., David Famulari reports a career move. After 13 years as a commercial fisherman on Georges Bank (out of Newport, R.I.) he got a law degree from the University of Miami and is now practicing maritime law in south Florida, where he's lived with wife, Nancy, and son, Leo, since 1987. ... Leo and Leslie Nickerson Bowers are in Hampton, Va. Leslie started teaching again—high school English in Newport News. ... Katherine E. Dew, who teaches entrepreneurship at the University of Miami and recently published her second book on small business, is back in school for a Ph.D. in administration/management at Walden. "A big shift in gears, but fun!" she wrote. ♦

Correspondent:  
Susan Gearhart Wuest

**75** Congratulations to Edward "Ted" Snyder, associate professor of business economics at the University of Michigan School of Business Administration, on being appointed to a three-year term as director of the William Davidson Institute. The institute, founded in 1992, was established to help nations around the world make successful transitions from command to market-oriented economies. Ted also serves as chair of the business economics group at the business school, where he has taught since 1982. . . . **Leon Fishlyn** is an optometrist in Leominster, Mass. He and his wife, pediatrician Deborah Shipman, have two children, Nathan, 11, and Sarah, 7. They all enjoy skiing in the winter and have "bought a house on the Cape to relax with family and

friends." As to what he is doing now that he never thought he would, Leon's reply was: wearing a tie to work! . . . **Valerie Hink** wrote from Tucson, Ariz., where she is an attorney and mother. She and her husband, conservation biologist Andy Laurenzi, are now parents of two: Adrian Andrew, born July 1990, and Julia Marie, born October 1993. Since June 1989, Valerie has been working as an immigration attorney, seeking political asylum for Central American refugees. She has found that being a parent completely rearranges priorities. As to what she is doing that she never thought she would, staying home for several months with a baby is right up there with allowing her son to eat candy once a day (this was written one month after Halloween) and clipping grocery coupons! . . . In Sarasota, Fla., **Barbara Miller Deuschle** and husband Mark have been foster parents for three years. As of December, their current foster

child, Sky, was 18 months old and "a firecracker." Barb is in her third year of home-schooling their son, Christopher, 8. She finds it demanding but is happy with the situation. For Barb, "parenting is IT—no endeavor could be more important or more demanding." . . . **Bob Duchesne** wrote that **Carole Foss** is living with them while finishing her Ph.D. at the University of Maine. For the third year in a row, Bob was a finalist for Air Personality of the Year on the Country Music Association Award Show broadcast on CBS—and for the third year in a row, he lost. (We'll all have to listen for Bob's name the next time!) . . . **Geologist Rick Gleason**, manager of Hazardous Waste Services for Ebasco Services, Inc. in Mansfield, Mass., works every day with **Boyd Allen III**. Small world! As to my query about being a parent, Rick commented that his 12-year-old daughter and 8-year-old son are "wonderful kids—he enjoys their

companionship and watching them enjoy life! They maintain my kid's perspective on life." ♦

Correspondent:  
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**76** After missing a column because of a dearth of news, I am glad to be back with some pithy revelations from our classmates. I wrote post cards to everyone last fall, and several people responded with heartfelt letters. I will share them all in the next few columns. . . . **Dan Shepard** wrote from Houston: "I am happy in Houston with wife Laura and two beautiful children, Jack, 3, and Lilah, 1. We are more than busy with children, work, travel, home and our lives together. See you in '96." . . . **Rick Anzele** celebrated his 20th wedding anniversary last August. He and Tina were married after freshman year, and their first daughter, Amy, was

## NEWSMAKERS

**James Vigue '72**, owner of the Waterville, Maine-based brokerage firm Firstmark Corp., was featured in the *Maine Sunday Telegram* for making Firstmark the largest securities broker based in Maine. Vigue, who entered the business world by selling foot-long hot dogs out of his Colby residence hall, has built his company into an enterprise worth \$3.1 million in a little over a decade. . . . **Bruce Frisbie '72** has been named director/associate treasurer of the financial services division of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company of Springfield, Mass. . . . Registered Maine guide and fishing enthusiast **Paul McGurran '72** is the new gear columnist for *Fly Rod and Reel* magazine. . . . Mine owner and jeweler **Jan Brownstein '72** announced plans for a commercial mining venture in the Kimball Mine in Maine's rural Oxford County. Brownstein said the vein of aquamarine gemstone known to lie in the mine is probably the only one in New England with such clarity of color. . . . **Cheryl Gorman '74** represented Colby at the inauguration of Jacqueline Liebergott as president of Emerson College. . . . **Elizabeth Allen '74** appeared on CNN discussing Asian financial markets. . . . Account executive **Lynn Bruce '75** has joined the S.T. Vreeland advertising firm in Yarmouth, Maine. . . . **Kenneth Johnson '76** is the newly elected vice



James Vigue '72

president of the Maine chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. . . . Composer **Arthur Levering '76** has received a composer fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts. Levering, whose work has been performed recently in Boston, London and Rome, also was the recipient of the 1992 Lee Ertleson Composer's Award. . . . "Remember Me," the second album by bluegrass duo **Tim O'Brien '76** and his sister, **Mollie**, was "one of the finest country-folk albums of last year," said *The Washington Post*. . . . Real estate advice from **Richard Healey '77**, president of Foster-Healy Real Estate, was featured "In the Spotlight" section of the Fitchburg, Mass., *Sentinel and Enterprise*. . . . **Steven Plomaritis '78** provided the first care for figure skater **Nancy Kerrigan** after she was attacked and injured in Detroit in January. A Michigan orthopedic surgeon, Plomaritis was retained by the United States Figure Skating Association to provide orthopedic care during the association's national championships.

## MILEPOSTS

**Births:** A son, **William Giovanni**, to **Giovanni Apicella** and **Elizabeth Corydon-Apicella '74**. . . . A daughter, **Julia Maria**, to **Andy Laurenzi** and **Valerie Hink '75**. . . . A son, **Alexandru Radu Cristian**, to **Mirela** and **Perley J. Sasu-Clark '76**. . . . A daughter, **Stephanie Nicole**, to **Charlyn** and **Stephen Sparkes '78**.

**Marriages:** **Alexander Price '78** to **Cynthia Taylor**, in Northampton, Mass.

**Deaths:** **Severo Ochoa, D.Sc. '75**, in Madrid, Spain, at 88. . . . **Henry Allen, D.Sc. '76**, in Ipswich, Mass., at 77.

## The Business of Business

"We know the economics and business side, but to be effective we have to bring in people who know languages, history, culture, politics, Chinese studies and so on," said Edward "Ted" Snyder '75, who last summer was named director of the William Davidson Institute, an organization that studies businesses in other countries in order to teach them how to survive in a free-market economy.

Founded in 1992 as an independent entity, the Davidson Institute draws upon the resources of the University of Michigan School of Business, where Snyder, an associate professor, teaches business economics and public policy to M.B.A. students. The institute is more hands-on than the business school, Snyder says, and applies economics to a broader range of problems as it establishes partnerships with industries in countries such as Russia, Poland, the Czech Republic and China.

A team of three or four Michigan M.B.A. candidates and area studies master's degree students works with the senior managers of an enterprise to identify a problem or process that the managers would like to have evaluated or improved. Most of the students have three or four years of work experience, and teams usually include two speakers of the language.

"Our role isn't just helping with a process but doing our homework so we know what challenges the companies face," said Snyder. By the time middle- and senior-level managers come to Ann Arbor for a three-week executive educational program designed to improve their efficiency, he added, "we know the managers, we know their problems. The team really sets that up."

The institute was founded with a \$30 million financial commitment from Guardian Industries Corporation, a private company whose president and CEO, William Davidson, Snyder characterizes as a tough businessman and idealist with a long list of philanthropies. Snyder views the \$1.5 million a year for 20 years as "seed money."

"We're like a little ship scooting around right now," he said. Even though he calls the institute "a little start-up company with some financial backing," Snyder says its successes already include helping reduce inventory levels for a Chinese automobile manu-

facturer and helping design an incentive system for a Polish company that manufactures environmentally sound boilers.

"The active planning we do is not one hundred percent successful," Snyder said, "but is right philosophically."

Developing market economics and systems that support market principles also give firms a strong political voice, says Snyder, who hopes the companies "will be examples for positive change." Speeding social and political progress in transitional economies goes hand in hand with the market side. "That's the moral side of what we're doing," he said.

An economics and government major at Colby, Snyder earned an

M.A. in public policy and a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Chicago and says his specialization in industrial organization is an extension of his work in applied economics. "It's a new arena, it's a different setting, but I still use the economics," he said. "That's all I know."

Professor of Economics James Meehan—Snyder says he was "trained by Meehan"—calls Snyder "a very good economist and administrator and a solid scholar, too. He knows a lot about institutions. He's got the credentials and good personal skills." Still holder of Colby's triple jump record, Snyder thinks his experience in athletics, English courses and a physics Jan Plan was also good background for his work, which he calls "a reflection of the liberal arts vision."

"It's very intense, because the problems are real," he said. "Whether we help, matters."

Working at the institute sometimes calls for 17-hour days, Snyder says, but not always having the luxury of time to think clearly about business problems has "confirmed

everything I've felt for a long time—the power of economics and being able to apply fundamental concepts." He says he zeroes in on issues with "intuition grounded in economics."

Snyder's directorship has taken him to Poland, Russia and the Czech Republic. In February he was off to India, studying key industries from the users' perspectives and building a database of knowledge about companies in the hope of developing financial support.

"I want this place to become the world's leading institute on transitional economies," Snyder said. "That's achievable."



born the morning of our graduation. Amy is now a senior at Skowhegan High and considering Colby for next year. Rick's daughter Heather is a freshman in high school, and he has a son, Richard III. Rick taught high school math for four years imme-

diately following college and eventually moved into the computer industry. He is a systems analyst and co-owner of a computer software business that specializes in nursing home applications. Last summer, with the help of a friend, Rick built a new

two-story, four-bedroom home for his family. They enjoy the outdoor life: fishing from their boat, crabbing from the docks in Camden or ice fishing. Rick concluded, "I enjoy my life and family very much and appreciate this opportunity to share them with

you." Nicely spoken, Rick... Bain Pollard called us one night to catch up. We had last seen Bain at a party for the late Jimmy Hayes two years ago and were happy to hear how well he and his family were. Bain's update included details about his chil-



dren: Becky, an All-American cheerleader at 16, Tommy, an eighth grader, and 10-year-old Kara. Tommy's first summer job was raking blueberries with our acquaintance Ray Merrill '75. Bain and a partner are opening a new convenience store/gas station in Bucksport that will join the existing businesses in Southwest Harbor and form Bain's "mini-conglomerate." . . . **Melissa Day Vokey** wrote a wonderfully long letter that I will try to condense accurately without losing the flavor. She and Mark celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary in Paris. Melissa's high school French was passable, and the trip was a wonderful experience. Their children are growing up: Caroline is 13, Nick is 11 and Cam is 6. Melissa said, "That makes me wistful sometimes, but most of the time I'm excited about having some extra time for my own growth. I'm in my second year of working on an M.B.A. at Simmons. I love learning again and wish that I could get paid for going to school and that compensation was tied to achievement, because I am doing much better than I ever did as an undergrad." Melissa, I know exactly what you are saying! Melissa and her family reside in Newburyport, Mass., where she has become a member of the board of directors of the Women's Crisis Center. She wrote, "Violence to women and children is a danger present even in this little paradise. . . . It is imperative that all of our children learn that violence cannot be a part of everyday life." . . . I will include more of our classmates' letters next time. Meanwhile, would more of you consider picking up a pen and sharing some of your thoughts with us? We would look forward to hearing from some of those old friends with whom we have lost touch. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Leslie A. Ramsay**

**77** It's Thanksgiving as I write, and I have already put an extra leaf or two in our special table and set places for **Joanne Karlin Giudicelli**, **Ellen O'Brien Neily**,

**Sherrie Perkins**, **Mona Pinette**, **Steve Potter**, **Jonathan Reisman**, **Mark Richardson**, **Steve Roy** and **Patti Stoll**. And Massasoit just brought me a bittersweet vine wreath. So, writing to you all next March . . . Ellen was one of the first people I met Freshman Week, and I heard of her passion for ballet then. (I've been told I have a good memory!) Ballet is as precise in its own way as dentistry, and Ellen has managed to combine the two creatively. Writing on the would-be pain of a mid-life crisis, Ellen has "watched many friends go through it, and from that I think the key thing is to recognize it for what it is and look to the future and not make any big changes in your life while you are going through a crisis. In other words, just get through it, focus outwardly and go on." I like Ellen's positive attitude. Ellen also writes that she expresses herself artistically through music, dance and theater. And I hear Ellen's and Michael's Thanksgiving prayer from the Midwest for their Alice, 8, George, 4, and James, 2. . . . Sherrie Perkins writes succinctly about the effect of women's liberation on her life: "I am it . . . got married and am able to handle a full-time job (academic medicine) and family." . . . Remember **Mona Pinette** from Berlin, N.H.? She writes that she is glad to be back, close to her family and the mountains. . . . **Joanne Karlin Giudicelli** never imagined she'd be a parent to all boys (three in her family unit), and the effects of women's liberation for her are "awareness of women's issues and accepting the differences in the genders." I read between the lines, also, that there are always lessons in life. Joanne is keen on competitive soccer and tennis. . . . Kudos to **Steve Potter**, who is head of maintenance of the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association and lives in Provincetown, Mass. His loved ones are a girl and two cats. Is Steve doing what he expected to do when he left Colby? He wrote, "Work in my major—environmental/biology." That he is. . . . **Jonathan Reisman** loves living in Cooper, Maine, with his wife, Ernestine, and sons Asher Jacob and Abram Levi. He is associate professor of economics

and public policy at UMaine-Machias, and she is executive director of the Washington County children's program. . . . **Mark Richardson**, in Roswell, Ga., is a health care consultant. His Liz must love her own occupation as child photographer, with their two little girls, Colleen, 5, and Meagan, 2, as inspiration. . . . **Steve Roy** went back to school to earn a master's degree in social work and, as part of a team, started to study abuse. He has two dears to come home to, Daniel, 12, and Derek, 8. . . . Now here's **Patti Stoll**, whom **Mona** wrote so warmly of, still as perky and down-to-earth as ever. Her definition of success is "managing a demanding job while balancing a family life and still maintaining a sense of humor, a relaxing household and time for fun." **Patti** is a lender at the Bank of Boston. **Patti's** and **Michael's** **Samantha** is now 6, **Gabriel** is 4. So now let's all—as I said the other night—how our heads, fold our hands and give thanks. More to come. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Nicholas Levintov**

**78** Thank you all so much for the excellent responses to the surveys I sent out! I now have more information than I know what to do with . . . so, if you wrote me and fail to see your name or an embarrassing personal fact below, please be patient! Freshman dormmate **Joe Kerwin** says all is copacetic in Gorham, Maine. With three daughters and a chiropractic practice, how could it not be? **Joe** loves the Maine lifestyle but still has time to serve as the current president of the local chamber of commerce. . . . **Stephen Sparkes** claims that the left coast is where it's at, specifically Corvallis, Ore. **Steve**, who has three boys plus a girl due to arrive at press time, played semipro basketball last summer and would like to see more "action photographs" in this column. We may be able to work something out here. **Steve** is very active in community activities and is director of the Phoenix Foundation. . . . Need a tooth yanked in Disneyland? Call **Pete**

**Sheerin**, Beverly Hills dentist. **Pete** mentioned his worries over the wildfires plaguing southern California last year and also made a strong pitch for term limits for our government leaders. Maybe we could move those wildfires to Washington? . . . The highlight of **Lisa Klein Boldt's** summer was a two-week vacation with husband **Michael** and 2-year-old **Ian** on **Sipson Island**, Mass., where they spent time with **Ted '76** and **Rae Caravaty Shanahan**. **Lisa** claims to drive miles from her home in **Vernon, N.J.**, looking for playgrounds where **Ian** can run around. All I can say is, I know the problem! **Lisa** worked for the Clinton-Gore campaign in her spare time, and she would love to return to New England and the land of cross-country skiing. . . . **Paula Jones** has switched from teaching college math to being an actuary. **Paula** moved back to Connecticut this year and would like to hear from **Lynn Baldwin Dallas** and **Donna Dietzko Vincenti** as well as anyone in the Hartford area. . . . **Doug Kaplan** now has a law practice in Cape Elizabeth, Maine, and wishes that he had discovered Maine sooner. **Doug** gave journalists a low rating in my survey, which may explain why he didn't write to the previous class correspondent (ahem). Nice to hear from you, **Doug**. . . . Another entry in the attorney-in-Maine category is **Al MacEwan**, who lives in Falmouth and is a partner with **Verrill** and **Dana** in Portland. **Al's** wife, **Holly**, manages nurse recruitment at the Maine Medical Center, and they have a new daughter, **Ellie**. **Al** also sings high praise for the Maine coast, and he looks forward to the challenge of parenting. . . . Last, but not least, **Sue Pollis Reed**, also a Falmouth resident, reports that she cruised the Maine coast this summer in a 26-foot sloop and that 2-year-old **Perrin** cruised from a harness—talk about the challenge of parenting! **Sue** is into things Japanese and plans a family trip there next year. Maybe she could look up **Rob Stevenson**, last seen in Tokyo, where he was a manager for a chemical company. **Rob**, are you out there? . . . That's all the space for this go-round. Please keep those letters and cards coming! ♦

Correspondent:  
Emily Grout Sprague

**79** By now many of you have heard about our plans for reunion in June of '94. Bob Lizza and his phone-a-thon committee of **Katie Cofsky** and **Sara Frolio O'Leary** reached about 100 of our classmates and received some excellent pledges of reunion attendance and contributions to our class gift to the Alumni Fund. Thank you, Bob, Sara and Katie, and thanks to the Class of '79 for your support of the reunion and class gift. All this phoning and reunion planning gives us an excellent chance to catch up on some class news. It seems that this time around two themes predominate—parenthood and the legal profession. Those of you who are doing something else, please write to me and help me round out the class profile! . . . In the new child category: Trish and Bob Lizza (who is an attorney) have added to their family with the arrival of Patrick, who joins his 2-year-old brother, Charlie. Bob told us about Sue and **Matt Smith's** first child, Timothy, who is 2 already! . . . **Flore Blaise** married Dave Williams '77 in New York City and welcomed their baby, Sabine, in June of '93. Our last job information about Flore had her listed as an assistant VP for Sumitomo Bank Ltd. . . . **Cheri Bailey Powers** and her husband also have a new baby daughter, who joined an older sister in June of '93. Cheri is at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland. Please write, Cheri, and fill us in on specifics. And congratulations to all the new parents. . . . **Betsy Bucklin Gray** did a lot of my job this month by chatting with people, taking notes while they talked and then passing the

info along to me. Among the items she gathered is news of **Cindy Flandreau Helfrich**, who is in Belvedere, Calif., with her husband, Jim, and their two sons and a daughter, ages 2, 3 and 5. Cindy is spending her time looking after all of them and serving as the vice president of her children's nursery school board and serving on the board of the Discovery Museum. Cindy mentioned that her sister, Suzy, is married to **Gary McCarthy**. Gary and Suzy are living in Connecticut and are expecting their third child. . . . **S. Karl Mohel**, formerly known to the Class of '79 as "Sid," is a partner in a Toms River, N.J., law firm, where he specializes in criminal law. Karl, who was formerly an assistant prosecutor for Orange County, relaxes after trials in his new home on several acres of the New Jersey pine barrens. "Sid" said that he was planning on attending reunion. . . . **Kathy Bleakney Pawley** is not so sure about the long trip from Roanoke, Va., to Colby. (I think she needs some encouragement.) Kathy also is a lawyer, specializing in banking and corporate law. She and her husband, Keenan, have a son, Sean, 1. Come on, Kathy, bring Sean to Colby for the weekend; let him get to know his future classmates in the Colby Class of 2014! . . . **Sue Oram** has joined the law firm of Issacson and Raymond, where John Geismar '78 practices with his father-in-law (who is the Raymond in the firm's name and the father of **Susan Raymond Geismar**, who is an admissions counselor at Bates). Sue and John are planning to attend reunion with their three children. That's it for this time. Please make plans and mark your calendars for Reunion '94—the first weekend in June. ♦

THE COLBY "C" CLUB WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL SPRING AWARDS DINNER ON MAY 2, 1994, AT THE PORTLAND REGENCY HOTEL.

THE DINNER WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED BY AWARDS GIVEN TO CURRENT STUDENT-ATHLETES AT COLBY AS WELL AS TO THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENT OF THE CARL E. NELSON AWARD. RECEIVING THE NELSON AWARD THIS YEAR IS EUGENE A. HUNTER '48, WHO HAS COACHED BASKETBALL FOR 26 SEASONS AT FIVE SCHOOLS, COMPILING A 417-172 RECORD AND A .707 WINNING PERCENTAGE. HUNTER WAS THE FIRST MAINE COACH TO WIN CLASS A TITLES AT DIFFERENT SCHOOLS AND IS STILL THE ONLY COACH IN MAINE HISTORY TO HAVE WON MAJOR SCHOOL TITLES IN TWO STATES.

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**80** Greg Mills, associate director of Bankers Trust Financial Services in New York City, bought a home last June in Florham Park, N.J., with his fiancée, Susan Young. . . . Beverly, Mass., resident Robin MacLeod Goodridge and husband Alan welcomed their second daughter into the world last May. Robin says she enjoys the challenge of adjusting to a family of four but also savors her "mental health day" doing appraisals once a week at Descenza Diamonds in Framingham, Mass. . . . Last June Peter Asher, executive correspondent for First Chicago Trust Co., married Angela Mucci in Brooklyn, N.Y., and embarked on a two-week honeymoon to Athens and the Greek islands. They live in Brooklyn with their cat, Inga, and enjoy community theater, ballroom dancing and walks through the park in their free time. . . . Living in Durham, Maine, with her husband and 10-year-old daughter, Elaine, Elizabeth Bailey Stuart is enrolled in a social work master's program at the University of New England. She'd like to find out what's up with Pam Bembridge Murphy and Robert Schulze. . . . What has Grace Koppelman Drown done that she never thought she'd do when she left Colby? Stayed in Maine, moved eight times in 12 years, built a house (in Leeds), had two adorable kids (most recently, Polly, last June) and decided to

be a stay-at-home mom. She's still involved, as secretary, with the Maine Science Teachers Association; husband Scott '78 is principal of an elementary school in Lisbon Falls. . . . Elizabeth Yanagihara Horwitz is busy with children, Michael, 8, and Alison, 5, both of whom are taking after her musical talent and playing the violin. She's volunteering at the Northeast Wisconsin Children's Museum and at Japanese language and culture classes, among other activities. . . . When he's not working as a broker at Sigel Insurance Co. in Collegeville, Pa., Glen Coral tries to find time to do the "seven-year makeover" on the house, spend time with his two sons and fit in an occasional appearance on the golf course. . . . Kevin Davey is enjoying being able to play softball year-round in San Jose, Calif., and is out on the field three nights a week. During the day he's manager of technical support for CLI Video-Teleconferencing. Kevin and his wife, Nancy, have two sons, Sean, 7, and Patrick, 2. . . . John Flerlage travels down from York, Maine, to be a pilot for Delta out of Boston's Logan Airport. He's also a major in the Marine Corps Reserve with the "Flying Gators" in Jacksonville, Fla. This past New Year's Eve for him meant celebrating the second birthday of his daughter, Lisa. John and his wife, Carol, also have a 5-year-old son, Davy. . . . After working 10 years at home for her husband's golf business, Caroline Weeks DiProspero is in the classroom as a one-on-one aide for a special needs child in Watertown, Conn. She's been inspired by the work of Cindy Smith Whitaker '63, in whose second grade classroom she spends part of her day. Caroline enjoys serving on the school's PTO, watching her 7-year-old

daughter's soccer games and teaching Sunday school. ♦

Correspondent:

Beth Pniewski Wilson

**81** Joe Kelliher, who took a five-month bike trip across the Australian outback and throughout much of Southeast Asia, graduated from the New England School of Acupuncture last May and passed the national licensing exam last summer. If all goes well, he will open the Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Center of Reading, Mass. Joe writes that he attended Dave Bolger's wedding to Julie Rosenblatt last August on Whidbey Island in Puget Sound. Dave will be starting a teaching certificate program. At the wedding Joe also saw Frank Wirmusky, who is an educational consultant in New York City and teaches part time at NYU. . . . Amy Haselton just finished a stint as interim director of a Planned Parenthood chapter in San Raphael, Calif., and returned to her regular position as director of education for the San Diego chapter. . . . Jane Hartzell is an R.N. working for the Visiting Nurses Association in the Burlington, Vt., area. . . . Neil Moynihan is an emergency room M.D. in South Windsor, Conn., and has two daughters, Kate and Elizabeth. . . . Joanne Terry Swanson is living in Ashville, N.C., with her husband, John, and brand new baby, Anna. . . . Wayne and Jan Johnson Gombatz are living in Kirkland, Wash. Wayne is a research scientist for Bristol-Myers Squibb, and Jan is with Infosystems Architects as an independent computer consultant. They have two children, Carolyn and Richard, and two Chesapeake retrievers. Last winter they planned ski trips to Jack-

son, Wyo., and Snowbird, Utah, where they were planning on attending **Ken Sharples's** wedding to Lucie Pastoriza. Wayne and Jan write that Ken and Jeff Protentis have stopped by to visit them when on business in Seattle. . . . Another classmate living in the Seattle area is **Whit Symmes**, owner of Moss Alley Motors. He and his wife, Marianne Jones, who is assistant director of the Washington Commission for the Humanities, have a daughter, Elley Margaret Symmes. Whit writes that he is also working as a jazz vocalist with a piano trio in the area and is also playing the piano at weddings. He completed a B.F.A. in jazz music in 1989 at the Cornish College of the Arts in Seattle. . . . **Karen Pfeiffer Jones** is living in West Harrison, N.Y., with her husband, Owen, and their son, Andrew Elston, who was born May 8, 1992. Karen and Owen are both information specialists with McKinsey and Co. and have been job sharing since Andy's arrival. . . . **Ted and Lisa Gale Taylor** have moved to Carmel, Ind., outside Indianapolis. Ted is the office manager for ABB Environmental Services, and Lisa is a senior geologist there, too. They have a son, Cameron, born on August 5, 1990. Ted writes that he sees **Rick Schaub** in Dayton, Ohio, regularly. . . . **Randy Newbury** and his wife, Stacy, are living in Modesto, Calif. Randy graduated from physical therapy school at Emory University in Atlanta back in 1989 and is now working in physical rehabilitation. They have a son, Nathan, and another son was expected last January. Sandy and Stacy were able to get away to Hawaii for their 10th anniversary. They also had a European trip. . . . **Jim and Laura Littlefield Bourne** are living in Arlington, Va. Jim is an analyst with the U.S. EPA Office of Underground Drinking Water, and Laura is a manager of legislative affairs. Jim canoed the Noatak River in northwest Alaska for three weeks back in the summer of 1992! Jim and Laura have seen **Lisa Nolan** and **Karen Orloff Maddox**. . . . Some of the surveys I sent late last year are trickling in. Please write! ♦

Correspondent:  
**Mimi Rasmussen**

**82 Karen Varnum Matt** and her husband, Paul, moved for the third time in six years this past July—which is quite a job with two active boys, Sean, 5, and Stephen, 3. Karen adds part-time work at the local YMCA as an early childhood instructor. She is also a calligrapher, a member of the Junior League of Worcester and the editor and PR representative for an organization involved in projects that improve the quality of life for inner-city people. Karen also has worked in a bank and as a fund-raising director for a national health agency. Before our 20th reunion, Karen hopes to add running her own public relations firm to her list! . . . **Deborah A. Nader's** most recent change is her marriage to Tom Hartshorn on July 17, 1993. She has a kindergarten and first grade teaching job at the George Elementary School in Vermont. Since graduation Deborah has spent five months driving across country on a motorcycle, has been skiing out west on three different trips, hiked the Grand Canyon in a day, rock climbed, run races and been a ski instructor and a bicycle tour leader. She also has managed to get her master's degree in early childhood education! She tries to see Ann and **Iain Hoeft** in Middlebury, Vt., whenever she can. . . . **Kathleen Nicholson Massey** is an associate at the law firm of Cravath, Swaine & Moore in New York. Kathleen was married in June of 1992 to long-time friend Stephen John Massey. He was a lawyer with a Ph.D. in philosophy and bachelor's degrees from Notre Dame and Oxford who taught law at New York Law School until his death from cancer in September 1992. Although married for a short time, they had known each other for years. . . . **Susan Reese Krevat**, married to Matt '80, is busy with her three children, Bethany (born 2/89), Derek (4/91) and Andrew (4/93). She wishes that she had more time to keep in touch with people. . . . **Matt Figel** is an in-

vestment banker in Manhattan Beach, Calif. Last March he and his wife, Linda McLaughlin, had a daughter, Sara McLaughlin Figel. Congrats! Matt has heard rumors out in California that **Jeff Brown** has become a Zulu warrior living in South Africa—any truth to this? Matt also would like to remind classmates to give to the Alumni Fund! . . . **Dave Martin** and wife Bonnie have a daughter, Elizabeth, born July 16—another member of the Class of 2014! . . . **Rebecca Badger Fisher** is happy with her new job as a systems analyst at Healthnet in Los Angeles, Calif. She and her husband, Paul, were expecting their first child at the time this column was due. . . . **Ann Renner Stillwater** writes from Ohio (I loved the post card, Ann!) that she is a public health nurse with the Tuscarawas County Health Dept. Her husband is hard at work converting their barn into a house—while they are still living in it. Three-year-old Robin is in preschool, and 7-year-old Chris is in the second grade. Ann welcomes anybody to visit! . . . In 1992, after almost nine years in London, **Suzy Teare Morris** moved to Dubai, where her husband, John, is manager of the Merrill Lynch office. Suzy has her own business there—black and white child photography—and they have three daughters, Logan, Nellie, and Cathryn (6, 4, 2). Since they live so far away, they come back to the States only once a year during the summer-time, when Suzy sees **Janice McKeown**, who keeps her informed. Janice herself writes to say that she moved to Arlington, Va., in March of '92 and is having fun traveling throughout the Mid-Atlantic states in her Rockport van as a retail training rep for the Rockport Shoe Co. She misses her New England friends but has a whole group in the Baltimore, Md., area—**Cathy "Smitty" Smith Badmington**, **Sarah "Foxy" Fox Whalen** and **Carter Knipp**. Janice also ran into **Donna Fabiani** at a "D.C. Cares" meeting. . . . **Paul McGovern** has moved from Boston to London to Omaha, Neb. He and wife Laurie have one son, John Paul. . . . **Helen Dooley Jursek**

and husband Ted have two children, Kevin Dooley (4/15/91) and Christopher Martin (6/28/92), and last December were expecting their third child. Helen received her law degree from the New England School of Law and will return to work on a part-time basis in 1994. She loves being a mother but misses the free time and the intellectual stimulation of volunteer work. . . . I wrote up information from people in the order that I received it. Thanks to everyone who contributed. My next deadline is May 1—I hope to hear from more of you before then. Happy Winter! ♦

Correspondent:  
**Sally Lovegren Merchant**

**83** My mailbox yielded some news from various corners of the country. **Janey Reimer DiMarco** wrote from Winnetka, Ill., having moved back to the Chicago area. Her son, Andrew, joined the family in May 1993. His sister, Eliza, was then 3. Janey mentioned that she keeps contact with **Wendy Wittels Renz**. . . . **Delisa Laterzo** and husband William Ritzel moved to Charlotte, N.C., four years ago. Their son, Austin Anthony, was born in October 1993. Delisa has returned to her job as director of client services at Wray-Ward-Laseter Advertising, one of Charlotte's largest advertising agencies. Thanks for the news, Delisa. . . . From Scarborough, Maine, came Ann and **Jamie Town's** letter. Their son, Dylan, is now a year old. Jamie is in his 12th year at Winter Co. as regional sales director, responsible for locations in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Vermont. Jamie said that **Ken Emery** was engaged and living in Dallas. . . . **Mary Lou (Waterman '86)** and **Mark Tolette** were expecting in February—let us know, guys! . . . Finally, in Simi Valley, Calif., George, little Peter and **Liz Murphy Kloak** were happy to write of the birth of Lucille ("Lucie") Therese in October 1993. Liz was in Boston and Chicago for the Christmas holidays and was contemplating going back to work in January, but she

may have been tempted to stay closer to home with those two children. We'll see. . . . We have not sent out a questionnaire recently, so I don't have a store of information on which to draw. But you may imagine yourself opening up the Colby mail someday with a 1983 class info-gathering-type form asking: "How are you? What are you doing now and where are you? Are you still living with \_\_\_\_? Are you married and do you have any children? How can we get in touch with you now? You were working as a \_\_\_\_ last I knew; is that what you are doing now? Do you enjoy it? What things have you been doing that you never dreamed you would do? Are there areas of your life that you are most proud of? In what area(s) do you feel you need help? Do you ever wish you could get a Colby group together to talk about these things? If so, how would you do it? What kind of support from afar could we lend

to you? Are there Colby classmates with whom you keep in touch? What news of them can you share with us? If you do not feel comfortable speaking about your successes and your failures in life, how could we let you know that we care about you and want to hear from you? If you haven't sent a letter to your class correspondent this year, what is your excuse? If you have sent letters, do you realize these are greatly appreciated and there can never be too many? How would you handle the position of correspondent if it were yours? What suggestions can you offer to aid the correspondent?" Take these questions and the unasked ones and send some letters my way. We all have lots of questions during the day—tangible and technical questions as well as the intangible personal questions for which there seem to be no answers. Most of us are in this category. One of my goals as your class correspon-

dent is to make you aware that this column is not solely about reporting your success in life. We recognize that sometimes what seems most painfully obvious are the perceived failures or unknowns as we go along. To this end, our column is printed five times yearly and offers each one of us the chance to share and give of ourselves to bring hope into the days of those who read it. Perhaps you have something to share or have questions you would like to ask. Challenge yourself to use this column toward an end never thought possible: reuniting a group that has grown older, that seldom contacts or may never see each other but that spent enough time together to care. Challenge yourself to use your creativity to add to our column and to the class memorabilia. Take care, and I can't wait to hear from you! ♦

Correspondent:  
Amy E. Carlson

**84** Hello, everyone! My apologies for not having written for so long. By the time you read this column, I hope you will have received my latest questionnaire and have taken a few moments to let me know what you've been up to. I received a wonderful letter from Peter Saccocia this summer. After graduating from Colby, Pete moved to Minneapolis, where he received his M.S. (1987) and Ph.D. (1991) in geochemistry from the University of Minnesota. Pete is currently a scientist at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in Woods Hole, Mass., and is enjoying living on Cape Cod. . . . Some new additions to classmates' families: Maureen Betro and Jeff Barrett had their third child, Stephanie Maureen, on May 10, 1993. In

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Program director of the Wellesley, Mass., community Children's Center and actress Darlene Howland Currier '81 received great reviews from the *Wellesley Townsman* for her portrayal of Maria in *The Sound of Music* at the Turtle Lane Playhouse in Newton, Mass. . . . Charles Rousseau '83 has earned the chartered financial consultant professional designation from American College, Bryn Mawr, Pa. Certification requires a prescribed program of study and examinations. . . . Essex Junction (Vt.) High School science teacher Adam Weiss '83 has been involved in the University of Vermont's HELIX program, which connects teachers with current genetics research. He also participated in a "genetics" program through Ball State University. In his 10 years of teaching high school biology, Weiss said in an *Essex Reporter* story, he has found genetics an "unbelievably exciting field." . . . Director of New York's Transportation Alternatives Jon Orcutt '85 led a protest bike ride through downtown Manhattan last September. The *New Yorker's* bemused report of the event, the fifth in a series of monthly mobile demonstrations designed to promote an "Auto-Free New York," said the plucky bikers made their point by creating a minor traffic jam along Central Park South. . . . Cartoonist Lincoln Peirce '85 returned to his alma mater, Oyster River Middle School in Durham, N.H., to give students tips about creating comic strips. Peirce is the creator of the comic strip "Big Nate." . . . Oscar Weekes '85 has joined the Boston law firm of Peabody & Brown as an associate in the litigation department. Weekes is also on the



Oscar Weekes '85

board of editors of *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*. . . . A photograph of Julie Smith '86 and Tim Oakes '87 appeared on the front page of the English-language *China Daily* last December. Oakes teaches at Guizhou Normal University in Guiyang and Smith teaches ESL in Chengdu. . . . Richard Hastings '87 passed the Massachusetts bar examination and is now employed at the law offices of Paul V. Giannetti of Hudson, Mass. . . . The Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants honored Robert Gallagher '89 with the American Institute of CPA's Elijah Watt Sells Award with High Distinction. Gallagher, an associate at Coopers & Lybrand in Hartford, received the national award for achieving excellence on the November 1992 Uniform CPA Examination.

## MILEPOSTS

**Marriages:** Robert Bernardo '84 to Stephanie Chrupcala in Warren, R.I. . . . Beverly Rice '85 to Frank Tedeschi in Hudson, N.H. . . . Mary Beth Boland '85 to Thomas Haut in Andover, Mass. . . . Edward L. Maggiamco Jr. '85 to Kristin Klitzner in Warwick, R.I. . . . Deanna Cook '88 to Douglas McDonald '88 in Woodstock, Vt. . . . Jeffrey Huebschmann '88 to Suzanne Silvern in Gloucester, Mass. . . . Hillary Barnes '89 to Robert Hoopes Jr. in Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. . . . Cindy Cohen '89 to David Fernandez '89 in Raymond, Maine. . . . Susan Pine Scott '89 to H. Frederick Stucker in Bryn Mawr, Pa. . . . Jeffrey Smith '89 to Ilina Das in Minneapolis, Minn.

**Births:** A son, Sam, to Kim and Jon Schwartz '82. . . . A daughter, Shannon Elizabeth, to Daniel and Suzanne Orcutt Kelly '85. . . . A daughter, Jessica Marie, to Laurence and Elizabeth Harrison Cutcliffe '87. . . . A daughter, Eliza Scout, to Jeff and Mary Federle Porter '88.

addition to caring for Stephanie and her two older brothers, Maureen has been busy overseeing the construction of their new home in Marion, Mass. Mary Lou McCulloch and Lt. David Jones had their second son, Cameron Carr, on May 20, 1993. Dave is currently stationed at VX-1 at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, Md. When she is not caring for Cameron and his older brother, Duncan, Mary Lou is very active in the Wives' Club and its community service activities. . . . **Maura Cassidy** writes that she has become a world traveler. In 1988 she left the field of architecture and started working for Continental Airlines at Logan Airport in Boston. The flexibility of the job has allowed her the opportunity to travel about 10 weeks a year. Most recently, Maura decided to take a company-offered leave of absence, which allows her to keep her flight benefits and to travel even more. She planned to travel from September 1993 through September 1994 to such destinations as China, the former Soviet Union and the South Pacific for some diving. Maura welcomes calls from anyone seeking travel advice or wanting to come with her on her adventures. . . . As for me, I received my M.B.A. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill last May. I spent the summer at the Penland Art School in Penland, N.C., traveled a little and enjoyed a wonderful month in New England before moving back to North Carolina at the end of August to start work for Northern Telecom. I hope I won't have too much of a southern accent when I see you all at our 10th-year reunion, June 3 to 5, 1994. Mark your calendars! ♦

Correspondent:  
Mary Alice Weller-Mayan

**85 Imogen Mintzer** Church received an advanced degree at San Jose State University. Imogen, who is a residential life coordinator at UCSC, piloted a program on peer education for substance use and abuse. . . . Cici

**Bevin Gordon** moved to Boston when her husband, Chris, began his master's degree at MIT. She joined Cone Communications, where she manages the sports/fitness division with clients such as Rollerblade, Cannondale, Sunday River and others. . . . **Tom Donahue**, a transportation planner/transit programs manager at the Maryland Department of Transportation, is planning and negotiating agreements to complete a 103-mile metrorail system. Tom is married to Sharon Lee Smith (sister of Russell Smith '84) and is living near Washington, D.C. . . . **Lt. Joel Paine** got married on October 2, 1992—three days before leaving on another six-month cruise. His wife, Cyndi, joined him in France for a Christmas time honeymoon in Chamonix. Joel is living in Jacksonville, Fla., teaching electronic warfare to F/A-18 pilots and racking up some hours in the Hornet. . . . **Eric Trucksess** took a job with The Related Capital Company in New York City in the real estate investment field. . . . **Dennis Fisher** wrote a book called *Latitude Hooks and Azimuth Rings* and sold it to International Marine, a division of McGraw-Hill. It is basically a guide to building and using traditional navigational instruments: compasses, sextants and all sorts of obscure widgets. It is due out in paperback sometime in '94. Congrats, Dennis! . . . **James Gill's** world traveling adventure is basically over, and he has ended up in London, England. He is working for a British computer company that buys equipment in the U.S. and U.K. and then exports it to Europe, the Middle East, Russia and Asia. On campus James gave a talk sponsored by the Colby Career Services Office called "Building a Résumé with a Backpack." He told students how to present travel experience and differentiate themselves from other job candidates. . . . Last, but not least, **Meghan Casey** had a beautiful baby girl on October 18, 1993. Her name is Katherine Fallon, but we call her Fallon. She was 8 lb. 8 oz. at birth and is a real joy. . . . Have a great spring and drop me a line if you get a chance. ♦

Correspondent:  
Lucy Lennon Tucker

**87** A heartfelt thank-you to all of you who took the time to fill out the questionnaires and mail them back to me! The funny thing is, I've heard from only about an eighth of the class! I'll fill this column and the next with the last few I've received, but then I'm all out of news. . . . **Keith O'Leary** is living in Melrose, Mass. He received his M.B.A. from Northeastern in December 1992 and opened his own Mexican restaurant, El Caliente Cafe, in Gloucester. Entrepreneurial ventures are keeping Keith busy, but when he has spare time he likes to fit in a few rounds of golf. . . . **Pam Blanchard** graduated from Harvard Graduate School of Education's one-year master's program in June of '93, then moved to New Hampshire, where she is the associate director of admissions at Cardigan Mt. School, an all-boys boarding school, grades 6-9. Pam also teaches one sixth and one seventh grade math class. Pam's living in a beautiful large old farmhouse with a brook and lots of land and is enjoying the change from Boston. . . . As Pam left Boston recently, **Angela Piscitello Lurie** arrived to pursue her M.B.A. at Harvard's School of Business and expects to complete her degree in June of 1995. For her move to Boston, Angela left her position at Bearing Securities. She is very excited about the new challenges ahead of her. . . . **Kris Kelley** married Matt Wilkinson on June 19 last year. Kris is living in Mountain View, Calif., where she is a senior financial analyst with Project Lead. Her husband is in the same field but with a different company. When not planning for the wedding, Kris spent most of her weekends traveling with Matt to visit family and friends. She wrote that she was looking forward to spending more time at home as things quiet down after the wedding. . . . **Priscilla Phinney** wrote from Massachusetts, where she is working as a grants coordinator for Conservation Law Foundation,

a non-profit environmental advocacy organization in Boston. When not at work, Priscilla spends her time volunteering for Boston's Habitat for Humanity, the volunteer organization that builds housing for low-income people. She also spends time helping her boyfriend start up his own physical therapy clinic. . . . **Liz Daly Rosenberry** wrote me from Seattle, Wash., where she is living with husband Flip. Liz and Flip got married in 1990 and left Boston for Seattle in 1991. Liz loves the Pacific Northwest, where she is busy working as a graphic artist for Microsoft and Flip is executive director for Seattle Young People's Project. . . . Newlywed **Susan Lawrence-Smith Weissman** married Jon in October of 1993. Sue finished up her Ph.D. in microbiology and accepted a research fellowship in the molecular physiology department at the University of Virginia. Sue wrote that she's encouraged by the increase in female faculty in the sciences at Colby, as she would one day like to teach at a liberal arts college. . . . **Lori Otten's** wedding followed on the heels of Sue's as she married Blake Miraglia in November. Over the past few years, Lori has spent time running a print shop with her brother and then doing financial planning with IDS/American Express. Lori now owns a check cashing store in Atlanta, Ga. She met Blake at a check cashing convention and after the wedding will move to San Francisco, where he currently lives. . . . **Maureen Firth** wrote from Bridgton, Maine, where she is a veterinarian. She received her M.S. in 1990 in animal science from UNH and went on to receive her V.M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in May of '93. Maureen is very grateful for the science education she received at Colby and believes it was unbeatable! . . . **Jim Louis** wrote from Ossining, N.Y., where he is practicing law and living with his wife, Pam, and his dog, Madeleine. Jim graduated from Syracuse University Law School in 1991 and got married in September of 1992. Jim is another alum who stated that he really appreciated his four years at Colby



and the opportunity to spend time with great people on a beautiful campus. . . . Why not write me a quick note? Not only will I appreciate it, but so will the rest of your class. Thanks in advance! ♦

Correspondent:  
Deborah A. Greene

**89** Hello, classmates! I hope this column finds you well and gearing up for our fifth-year (yes, it's already been five years!) reunion, mere months away, June 3-5: the return to Mayflower Hill! Please come. . . . This month brings news from **Melinda Pittis**, who is teaching high school chemistry, earth science and biology at the Lexington School for the Deaf in Queens, N.Y. Melinda completed an M.S. in high school science education at a joint program of the University of Rochester and the National Technical Institute for the Deaf. NTID is one of only two colleges in the country for deaf students and enabled Melinda to spend two years totally immersed in deaf culture. Melinda also wrote that "**Amy Curtis's** wedding was a blast. We even had some entertainment from half the Colby Eight!" Well, I think I'm missing a few details, but that's all the news for now. Remember: June 3-5: reunion! ♦

### Reunion Weekend

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# What's New?

Share your news and views with your classmates! Please write in the blank space and send this form to the Alumni Office for forwarding to your class correspondent.

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# THE NINETIES

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Correspondent:

Laura Senior

**90** Greetings, fellow '90ers! Jen Milsop and Jon Millard got married on Columbus Day weekend last fall and are now living in Farmington, Mich. Jen is working in a new position for Sears, and Jon is working for National Bank of Detroit, a commercial banking firm. **Maureen McGlynn** was the maid of honor at the wedding; she's working on her Ph.D. in economics at Notre Dame. Also in the wedding party were **Dawn Pitcher** and **Dave Batchelder**. Dawn is studying to be a physician's assistant at Northeastern University, and Dave is working as a sales rep for AT&T. **Anna Brookes** and **Tracy Roy** were also bridesmaids in Jen's wedding. Anna is working for the Red Cross

as a disaster reservist (when I spoke with her in October she was just finishing up an assignment in the Midwest, helping victims of last summer's floods). Tracy is working for a health care consulting company in New York City. . . . **Erica Hoffmeister** announced her engagement to David Paul Supple, a graduate of Holy Cross. Erica received her master's in education from Lesley College last spring and taught first grade last year in Needham, Mass. Her fiancé is a lieutenant in the Navy and currently stationed in Jacksonville, Fla. . . .

**Beth James** sent in news of people that she's kept up with over the past few years, such as **Kim Gilbo** and **Steve Warner '89**, who got married on October 8 and are living in Kalamazoo, Mich. Beth also tells me that **Brian Cooley** is living in Boston and working on his M.B.A. . . . **Randy Grover** will be finishing his work at the New England College of Optometry this spring—he spent some time last fall working at an externship in Texas. . . . **Lisa Bove** has gotten an assignment as a physician's assistant in North Carolina and is planning an August wedding with Michael Baker. . . . **Kara Carlson** received her master's degree from the University of Rochester and is now teaching at Nantucket High School. . . . Lots of news about classmates on the road to becoming "legal eagles." **Stephanie (Vore '91)** and **Paul Apple** are living in Lexington, Ky., while Paul finishes his last year of law school. Stephanie is working on a temporary basis for various companies in the area (and is getting teased a lot about her "accent"). Paul is preparing to take the bar exam in July. **Deborah Rebore** is in her second year of law school in Washington, D.C. **Stephanie Lucas** is in her first year of law

school, also in Washington, though not at the same school as Deborah. **B.J. Evans** just finished law school and is working at a law firm in Pennsylvania while he awaits the results of his bar exam. . . . I've heard from quite a few of you over the past few months, and many of you have mentioned plans for our fifth-year reunion (no, it's not all that far away). In the meantime, keep the news coming! ♦

Correspondent:

Katie Martin

**92** Classmates, I hope 1994 is a good year for all. You continue to be big newsmakers, and the letters still stream in. Keep up the goodwork. . . . A recent post card from **Chad Brown** informed me that after a year of odd jobs, including a stint as road manager for Team Shaklee Olympic Cyclists, he has landed a job as a research analyst at the Freedonia Group in Shaker Heights, Ohio, where he is also living. He is eager to meet other Colby people, so if you're nearby, give him a call! . . . **Mike Groff** wrote me from his home in Canby, Ore. He, too, has spent the last year floundering around and ended up at the University of Portland in pursuit of an M.A. in communications and international relations. On top of his studies, he manages to hold down two part-time jobs—assistant coach for a high school speech and debate team and Semester-at-Sea recruiter for the state of Oregon. He spent part of his junior year on that program, so it's right up his alley! . . . **Eric** and **Adria Lowell Turner** sent me a picture from their June 19 wedding. (Sorry we couldn't print the picture.) It looks like a lot of Colby

people were there, including **Jamie Zinman**, **Jill Collett**, **Deb Stinchfield**, **Greg Mahoney**, **Sarah Burns**, **Brian Mulvey**, **Amanda Bishop**, **Bessie Moss**, **Kristen Russo**, **Erica Gregg**, **Derek Bettencourt**, **Kevin Smith**, **Bill Foster**, **Dave Dore**, **Todd Ver Hoeven**, **Jim Burke**, **Jason Gleeson**, **Tim Sullivan**, **Liz Frado**, **Scott Phillips**, **Bruce Reed**, **Mark Flaherty**, **Tim Groves**, **Ted Bosco** and **Jason Mazzola**. Also there were **Keith Gleason '94**, **Jason Dorion '93**, **Mitch Rogers '93** and **Rob Carbone '93**. Phew! . . . My most recent correspondence came from **J.C. Klick** just today. He is involved in neuroanatomy research at the VA Hospital in Bedford, Mass. He was just accepted to med school, which he'll be starting next fall, although he didn't tell me where. He gave me lots of other Colby news: **Chris Malcomb** recently returned from several months of teaching and traveling in Southeast Asia and also spent some time working in England; he is now living in Newton, Mass. **Andy Wellnitz** is working for Banyan Systems, a software company in Westboro, Mass., and lives in Brighton with **Brian Monks '91**. **Jim Albright** is in his second year of med school at Hahnemann University in Philadelphia. **Augie Cenne** is working at the corporate headquarters of Circuit City in Richmond, Va. **Andy Wallace** is in law school at St. John's in New York City. **Pete Carney** is in law school at American University in D.C. and lives with **Adam Belanger**, who works for the National Institutes of Health and is preparing for the MCATs. **Randy Notes** is working in D.C. while taking premed classes at Georgetown. **Yong Kwon** is working in D.C. for National Leadership Conference. **Meredith Johnson** is taking pre-

med courses at Tufts. **Pete Hayden** is a student at Cornell Law School. **Karen Wu** is at UVA pursuing a master's in microbial ecology. **Farah Paradise** works for a law firm in Portland, Maine. **Tricia Baldridge** is at Franklin Pierce College getting her teacher certification. **Pete Hocknell** works for Roche Molecular Systems in New Jersey, where he develops tuberculosis test kits. **Jodi Adams** is in her first year at UVM Med. **Michelle Fortier**, who lives in N.Y.C. with **Mark Boles** and **Jim Condron**, just got engaged. Congratulations, Michelle! **Kim Zimmerman** lives in Concord, Mass., and is working at a homeless shelter in Lowell. **Dave** (now **Ben**) **Jorgensen** is still working at the Stu-A Office at Colby and continues to love life in Maine. **Kirt Frederickson** is a second-year student at the Medical College of Virginia. **Linda Brown** is a first-year student at Penn State Medical School. **J.C.** ran into **Karen Larson** at his five-year high school reunion. She

works at Liberty Mutual in Dover, N.H. He also saw **Kristin Nixon**, who is living and working in N.Y.C. **Joy Marean** is enrolled in a master's program at Columbia. **Bill Baldwin** works for Teach America in Louisiana, and **Felicia Gefvert** continues to work for TFA in D.C. **Caroline Earle** is in California getting her master's in international studies, and **Karen Dunn** is at BU Law. **Julie Eells** is in grad school and working at a computer company in Burlington, Vt. **Chris Frothingham** is taking premed classes and working in a hospital near Andover, Mass. Thanks for all the news! . . . Here's bits and pieces that I have heard: **Beth Welch** is now living in N.Y.C. and working as an assistant buyer at Tiffany's, and **Dave Moore** is now enrolled at Harvard Divinity School. Finally, along with all classmates, I would like to send my deepest sympathy to **Dave Edelman** on the tragic death of his sister, **Debbie**, in November. Our thoughts are with you, Dave. ♦

Correspondent:  
**Kristin L. Owens**

**93** Hello, Class of '93. I hope that each of you is keeping happily busy and planning on writing me soon. Here is some new information that I've gathered since the last issue. **Meg Winchester, Shawn Campbell, Anthony Couvillon, Deb Mades** and **Michele Ayan** are all living and working in the Boston area. . . . **Sally Zimmerli** is employed as a teacher's aide in Newton, Mass., **Laura Thompson** is in Lexington, Mass., and **Kristin Burati** is in Maynard, Mass. . . . **Mary Anne Sheridan** is employed by Bay Bank and is living in Belmont, Mass. . . . Our class president, **Jeff Baron**, has found full-time work with a prestigious public relations firm and is hanging in there after his apartment building in Brookline, Mass., burned down. . . . Those still in academia include **Mick Soth** in

California and **Kim Carlson** at Dickinson law school in Pennsylvania. . . . **Dave McCarthy** is the running backs coach at Western Connecticut State University. . . . **Jay Moore** and **Diane Decker** are in Colorado. . . . **Bill Hokanson** is living and working in Connecticut. . . . **Jorgen Bocklage** is living in Arlington, Va., and is employed by Penncorp Financial. . . . **Pat Robbins** is in North Whitefield, Maine, and **Libby Repass** is living and working in Portland. . . . **Skip Harris** is in New York, having completed an intensive scuba teacher's training course in Florida. **Bill Miller** is guiding tours for older folks in Italy as part of the Trinity College Elderhostel Program. That sums up what I know. Please write me with information. It's a great way to keep in touch with your classmates. Remember, deadlines for each column are three and a half months before the column appears in the *Colby* magazine. Hope to hear from each of you. ♦

## NEWSMAKERS

**Andrea Ciampa '90** recently graduated with honors from Suffolk University Law School in Boston, Mass. . . . The American Forest & Paper Association has announced the appointment of **Cinda Hartman Jones '90** as director of marketing for the American Wood Council, a product group of AF&PA. Jones will be responsible for implementing the communications programs for AWC. . . . **Peter Indovino '91** is the new branch manager for Enterprise Rent-a-Car in Wakefield, Mass. . . . **Kathleen Kaliff '91** has been appointed geography and science teacher at the St. Mary Academy-Bay View School in Providence, R.I. . . . **Michael J. Shaughnessy Jr. '91** received an M.S. in biology last December from Shippensburg University. . . . Legislative Assistant **Amy Walter '91** received the Women's Information Network's Young Women of Achievement Award, which honors young women from the Washington, D.C., area for their accomplishments in the workplace and the community. . . . **Kents Hill** hockey coach **Eric Turner '92** was quoted in a *Kennebec Journal* article concerning his star goalie, **Meghan Smith**. The fact that Smith is a girl playing on the boys' team is of no concern, **Turner** said. "Meghan feels comfortable with the coaching here because I don't care. If she's stopping the



Shirley Macbeth '93

shots she'll play." . . . **Andrea Krasker '93** has joined the staff of the *Ipswich Chronicle* in Ipswich Mass. The former *Echo* editor-in-chief is the reporter for Rowley, Mass. . . . **Schwartz Communications Inc.** in Wellesley, Mass., has appointed **Shirley Macbeth '93** assistant account executive. She worked previously at Tilbury House Publishers and Penwell Publishing Co. . . . **Dave Rea '93** has returned to the States after spending last summer in Tokyo working for the Japanese Diet as an assistant to Rep. Takeshi Iwayu. Rea currently is a legal assistant with Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll in Philadelphia, Pa. . . . Rookie basketball coach **Tobin Slavin '93** was the subject of a column in the Bangor (Me.) *Daily News*. Apart from the pressure of being fresh out of college and facing opposing coaches with years of experience, **Slavin** said he is fulfilling a long-time dream as coach of the Machias High School boys basketball team. "Sometimes I feel I'm the luckiest person in the world," he said. "If you can find something you love, and you can get fed and find a place to sleep, just that love will make you excel."

## MILEPOSTS

**Marriages:** **Erica Hoffmeister '90** to **David Supple** in Needham, Mass. . . . **J. Scott Rickards '90** to **M. Katherine Leonard** in Marblehead, Mass. . . . **Franc-Eric Wiedmer '90** to **Deborah Good** in Waterloo, N.Y. . . . **Katherine Rogers '93** to **William Roberts IV** in Dallas, Tex.

**Deaths:** **Thomas J. Watson Jr., L.H.D. '91**, in Greenwich, Conn., at 79.

## Tracking the Bears and Bulls

Last July when, according to Felise Glantz '91, "their stock was getting hit," the James River Company was determined to find out why. Armed with both her research on the reasons behind the stock's drop and the self-confidence to deliver the message, Glantz flew to the company's corporate headquarters in Richmond, Va.

"I provided an investor relations overview, made some suggestions and kicked butt in that meeting," said the 24-year old Glantz. "It was the biggest moment in my career."

Glantz recently was named a partner of the Carson Group, a New York firm that provides capital markets intelligence for James River and other major corporate clients, telling them why certain institutions are buying or selling their stock and how those actions are affecting its price.

"The big players on Wall Street can take millions of shares and move the stock," Glantz said. "We provide our clients with answers to what's going on with their stock." Such information, she says, is not only helpful to CEOs but could make the difference between their holding or losing control of their companies.

"We do it through an analytical approach," Glantz said, shedding a little light on a closely guarded process that involves scanning a database of more than 4,500 institutional investors and mutual funds, calling selected money managers and what she describes as "pulling together clues."

"It's like being an investigator," she said. "It's fun when my guess is correct."

Two years ago, Glantz was working as a legal assistant and thinking about law school. She answered a *New York Times* ad and found herself among 300 candidates for one of two jobs at the Carson Group. She remembers her response when she made it into the second round of interviews: "I ran out and bought a new suit but kept the tags in the pockets in case I ended up returning it."

Though she had never taken an economics course and "had never picked up *The Wall Street Journal*," she was hired—the first woman at the firm.

"Being a woman on Wall Street is hard," she said. "I was swallowed a lot at first but toughened up. I've learned that when you have your stuff and can prove it, they don't question your age or sex. The big joke is that I should spray paint my hair gray."

Calling the Carson Group "the right place to be at the right time," Glantz in two years has seen the staff grow from 11 to 50, all of them under 35. Glantz's hours are not unusual among Wall Street's young guns; she starts work at 7:30 a.m. and usually logs 12- to 14-hour days.

"I never want to be blindsided by a phone call," she said from her office overlooking Central Park. "When the market is open you have to be accountable." Amid large screens and television monitors updating the stock symbols and numbers in the market's frenetic pace, wall clocks moving to the time zones of different exchanges and "everybody yelling," Glantz acknowledges the "enormous stress and pressure" of her work but says she also finds it invigorating.

"Your mentality changes from being a scared animal to a hungry animal—that vulture mentality," she said. Her rewards have come from being named a partner, praise from clients and getting job offers in "the middle six-figure range" from other firms—offers she has politely turned down.

At the end of her days Glantz is so pent up with energy she always makes it a habit to walk home, which takes a half hour. On weekends she sees friends, but, she noted, "It's hard to get rid of my game face."

"Colby really groomed me and fine-tuned my skills," Glantz, a government major, said. "That shows you don't have to have a degree in my area to excel."

Describing herself as "a walking advertisement for a liberal arts education" who was able to add a different dimension when she arrived on Wall Street, Glantz more than holds her own in a sea of Ivy League and large university graduates. "Of all the people here," she said, "I think I have the most enthusiasm for my school."





## William Finkeldey '43, Broadcast Industry Executive

William Finkeldey '43, a radio and television program executive, died October 27 in Hanover, N.H., at 72. He was born in Palmerton, Pa., and attended elementary school and high school in Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y. He began his career as an announcer for WTVL radio in Waterville while he was a student at the College. After Colby, where he was an English and journalism major and editor of the *Echo*, he served in World War II as an intelligence officer on the staff of Gen. Douglas MacArthur. He returned to WTVL as a full-time performer-executive, then in 1947 became program director of WLAM in Lewiston, Maine. Later he became an account executive for Consolidated Television, which led him to CBS, RKO and other organizations in New York City and to his principal occupation as representative of the British Broadcasting Corporation's *Masterpiece Theater*, *Civilization*, *Fawlty Towers* and many other shows. In Hastings-on-Hudson he was chair of the Hastings School Board. A volunteer firefighter, he was captain of the Riverview Manor Hose Co. and an officer for the Society for the Preservation of Antique Fire Apparatus. In 1986 he moved to Hanover, where he was a volunteer at the Grafton County Senior Center. Survivors include his wife, Barbara, a daughter, Jane Finkeldey Stephenson '68, a son and a sister.

## Vivian Skinner Hill '16, Teacher, Bank Clerk

Vivian Skinner Hill '16, a teacher and bank employee, died October 17 in Portland, Maine, at 100. She was born in Norridgewock, Maine, and attended Portland schools. At the College she was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority and graduated as a member of Phi Beta Kappa with a major in mathematics. She went on to teach mathematics at Houlton and Bangor, Maine, high schools as well as New Bedford High School in Massachusetts. She worked as a bank clerk at Maine Savings Bank in Portland from 1933 to 1958. She retained her ties to Colby as a class agent and member of the Southwestern Maine Alumnae Association. She is survived by her son, Douglas R. Hill, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

## Malcolm E. Bennett '25, Insurance Actuary

Malcolm E. Bennett '25, an actuary, died March

8, 1993, in Sanford, Maine, at 90. He attended Sanford schools before entering Colby, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. He served with the Maine National Guard and in the Army field artillery during World War II. He worked for Ginn and Co. Publishers in Boston before becoming an actuary with the Travelers Insurance Co. in Hartford, Conn. He also served as an actuary with Scott and Williams in Laconia, N.H., and retired in 1967 from John Hancock Insurance Co. in Boston. Surviving is his brother, Roger Bennett.

## Everett A. Fransen '26, Teacher

Everett A. Fransen '26, a physical education instructor and coach, died May 19, 1993, at 92. He was a graduate of English High School in Lynn, Mass., and attended Springfield College before coming to Colby, where he was a member of the varsity track and baseball teams. He received his master's degree from Boston University in 1936. For 40 years he taught at English High School and coached seven sports and was involved in several areas of physical education. Survivors include his daughter, Barbara Fransen Briggs '49.

## Douglas C. Grearson '28, Salesman

Douglas C. Grearson '28, a salesman, died January 8 in Dedham, Mass. He was 86. Born in Calais, Maine, he attended Calais Academy and Hebron Academy prior to entering Colby. During the 25 years he was a salesman for Jordan Marsh, he also saw service as a lieutenant in the U. S. Naval Reserve and for a time also studied at Harvard. In 1953 he joined the John E. Lucy Shoe Co. Predeceased by his sister, Mary Louise Grearson Haley '31, he is survived by his wife, Adaline, his sister, Edith Grearson Moncy '26, and five children.

## Barbara Taylor Cahill '30, Business Executive

Barbara Taylor Cahill '30, a retail business executive, died September 11 in Southington, Conn., at 83. Born in Harmony, Maine, she was encouraged by her Harmony High School teacher, Lena Cooley Mayo '24, to attend the College. She began her career at R.H. Macy

in New York City, eventually becoming an assistant buyer at the store. She went on to work as a buyer at Stern's, Bamberger's and Loeser's, then moved to Abraham & Strauss, where she worked for 20 years. Surviving are her son, Taylor, two sisters and two brothers, two grandsons, nieces and nephews.

## Bertram L. Harding '30, Businessman

Bertram L. Harding '30, manager of several F.W. Woolworth stores in New England, died October 6 in Keene, N.H., at 86. He retired from the Berlin, N.H., Woolworth's in 1971. A native of Abington, Mass., he was a 42nd degree Mason, a member of the Bektash Temple Lodge in Concord, N.H., a Shriner and member of the Elks and Kiwanis clubs of New Hampshire. He leaves his wife, Doris, two sons and two daughters.

## Stephanie Bean Delaney '31, Teacher

A. Stephanie Bean Delaney '31, a teacher and guidance counselor, died September 9 in Saco, Maine, at 83. Born in Waterville, Maine, to Stephen '05 and Ethel Nicholson Bean '05, she was educated in Somerville and Boston, Mass. After taking a degree in English at Colby, where she was president of Chi Omega sorority and active in the Glee Club and dramatics, she did graduate work at Boston University. After the death of her husband in 1954, she resumed her career in education as a teacher and head of the English department in the North Reading, Mass., school system, which she also served as guidance director and director of pupil personnel services. She also taught art classes. She moved to Saco, Maine, in 1975. Surviving are three daughters, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## Edwin W. Maddocks '32, Real Estate Broker

Edwin W. Maddocks '32, a real estate broker, died December 10 in Waterville, Maine, at 83. He was born in Fairfield, Maine, and was a graduate of Lawrence High School. At Colby he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and received his degree in business ad-

ministration. He spent some 15 years with the Farmers Home Administration as an administrative loan officer in Augusta, Houlton and Bangor, Maine, and Springfield, Mass. He returned to Waterville in 1948 to start his own real estate brokerage firm. A Mason, he was a life member of the Siloam Lodge of Fairfield. Predeceased by his wife, Arlene, he is survived by two daughters, including Jane Maddocks Seib '57, and two grandchildren.

## William T. Bryant '34, Physicist

William T. Bryant '34, a physicist, died October 9 in Luray, Va., at 81. He was born in Bridgton, Maine. A member of Kappa Phi Kappa honor society at Colby, he earned a master's in physics from Boston University in 1935. He worked for the American Mutual Liability Insurance Co. before serving in the Pacific Theater during World War II as a combat intelligence officer. He then studied and taught physics at the University of Rhode Island and the University of Maryland. In 1949 he began work as a physicist with the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, D.C., then joined the Department of Defense's Harry Diamond Laboratories in 1953. He retired in 1974. Surviving are his wife, Mary, and three daughters.

## Sylvia Richardson Miller '35, Social Worker

Sylvia Richardson Miller '35, a social worker, died December 10 in Ocala, Fla. She was 79. Born in Clinton, Maine, she attended the Good Will-Hinkley School. After graduating from the College with a sociology major, she was employed in a child welfare program with the state of Maine and held positions in Calais, Houlton and Skowhegan. Following her marriage in 1939 to Robert N. Miller '36, she reared four sons and ran a ceramics business in Gorham, Maine. She leaves her husband, her sons and seven grandchildren.

## Joseph A. O. Chandonnet '36, Insurance Broker

Joseph A.O. Chandonnet '36, an insurance broker, died in Chelmsford, Mass., at 80. Born in Manchester, N.H., he moved with his family to Haverhill, Mass. He graduated from Haverhill High School and attended St. Anselm's preparatory school in Manchester. After Colby, where he majored in biology and participated in football, hockey and baseball, he received a degree from the Boston School of Anatomy and Embalming and operated a funeral parlor in Haverhill. From 1942 to 1946 he served as a captain in the United States Army. Following the war he worked as an insurance broker for Lester L. Burdick, Inc. of Boston until his retire-

ment in 1978. He leaves his wife, Agnes, two daughters and two sons.

## Philip E. Colman '38, Banker

Philip E. Colman '38, a banker, died November 11 in Bangor, Maine, at 79. He was born in Brewer and graduated from Brewer High School and Higgins Classical Institute. At the College he won prizes in several speaking contests, and in later years he was active in both the Higgins and Colby alumni associations. In 1947, after five years with the Internal Revenue Service, he joined the Merrill Trust Company and worked in several branch offices before transferring to the home office in Bangor, where he worked for 25 years as loan officer, trust officer and controller. A graduate of the Rutgers School of Banking, he was active in banking and civic affairs and was president and director of the Bangor chapter of the American Institute of Banking. Surviving are his wife, Marjorie, a daughter and two sons.

## Clarence Staples '38, Biologist

Clarence E. Staples '38, a biologist and educational program coordinator for Central Maine Power Co., died September 25 in Lewiston, Maine, at 78. Born in Carthage, Maine, he graduated from Dixfield High School and attended Hebron Academy before coming to the College to study biology. He also served on the Student Council, was a member of Kappa Phi Kappa and was president of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He earned his M.S. in fisheries biology and conservation from the University of New Hampshire while teaching science at Somerset Academy and Madison High School in Maine. He joined Central Maine Power Co., retiring in 1975 after 27 years of service as a biologist and educational program coordinator. He was active in many clubs and associations and was a licensed Maine Guide. Surviving are his wife, Ruth, and four children.

## Edson R. Small '40, Store Manager

Edson R. Small '40, a store manager, died November 4 in Oakland, Maine, at 75. He was born in Oakland and graduated from Williams High School in 1935. Later he attended Hebron Academy, where he won a mathematics scholarship to Colby. He served in the Army in Maine, California, Texas, Maryland and the Philippines. Upon his discharge in 1946 as a master sergeant, he became manager of the First National Store in Oakland. He spent 42 years with the corporation, managing stores in Waterville, Bath and Boothbay Harbor. He retired to Oakland in 1977 and operated a tree farm. He is sur-

vived by his wife, Phyllis, two sons, a daughter and a sister.

## Lubov Leonovich Waltz '41, Music Teacher

Lubov Leonovich Waltz '41, a music teacher, died September 27 in Exeter, N.H., at 73. A native of Berlin, N.H., she attended Colby for two years before transferring to the University of New Hampshire. After raising her two sons, she returned to school in 1961, studying music and teaching organ and music appreciation at Moravian College in Pennsylvania. She gave piano lessons and was an organist at the Christian Science churches in Bethlehem, Pa., and Basking Ridge, N.J. She is survived by her husband, Maynard '38, two sons, a brother and four grandchildren.

## I. Arthur Russakoff '45, Jeweler

I. Arthur Russakoff '45 died November 24 in Waterville, Maine, at 72. He was born in Skowhegan, Maine, and attended Roxbury, Mass., schools. He studied at the Julliard School of Music in New York City and also attended Tufts University in Boston and the University of Maine at Orono as well as Colby. In the 1940s he joined his father at Russakoff's Jewelers in Skowhegan and later became a partner in the business. A founding member of the Skowhegan Brass Quintet, he played in several Maine bands, including LoComotion, the Community Orchestra and the Wind Ensemble. He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.

## John M. Whitworth '58, Businessman

John M. Whitworth '58, a businessman and store manager, died August 10 in Bangor, Maine, at 62. A native of Vancouver, B.C., he attended Hebron Academy. He interrupted his Colby education in 1952 to serve four years in the Air Force. For 25 years he was employed with Sears Roebuck and Co. In 1983 he joined Porteous Mitchell and Braun in Bangor as a store manager. Surviving are his wife, Mary, three sons, a daughter, his mother, five grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

## Richard L. Hilton '60, Retailer

Richard L. Hilton '60, owner of an herbal retail business, died June 22 in Seaside, Calif., at 54. He was born in Portland, Maine, and graduated from Greely Institute in 1956. After completing an English major at Colby, he served four years in the Army as a public information writer. He attended San Jose State College and taught at Carmel High School and Monterey Peninsula College in



California. In 1980 he founded Herbal Effect, which supplied Monterey Peninsula restaurants with spices and herbs and operated a retail outlet. He is survived by his parents, Myron '32 and Rebecca Hilton, three brothers and two sisters.

## Severo Ochoa, Sc.D. '75, Nobel Prize Winner

Severo Ochoa, Sc.D. '75, a renowned biochemist and Nobel laureate, died November 1 in Madrid, Spain. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for physiology in 1959. The Severo Ochoa Centre for Molecular Biology, founded under his guidance and patronage, is one of Europe's leading centers of molecular biology. Upon his retirement from New York University in 1974, he worked on various aspects of protein synthesis at the Roche Institute in Nutley, N.J.

## Henry F. Allen, Sc.D. '76, Ophthalmologist

Henry F. Allen, Sc.D. '76, a distinguished ophthalmologist, died in his Ipswich, Mass., home at age 77. He was a sixth-generation surgeon, the great-grandson of Harriet Beecher Stowe and a descendent of the Warren family of doctors of Boston who helped to found Harvard Medical School. He was Henry Willard Williams Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology at Harvard Medical School and, from 1968 to 1973, was chief of ophthalmology at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. For 10 years he served as editor-in-chief of *Archives of Ophthalmology*, and for 25 years he directed Colby's Lancaster course in ophthalmology. The College awarded him a doctor of science degree in 1976. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Emily, and two daughters and a son.

## Thomas J. Watson Jr. L.H.D. '91, IBM President

Thomas J. Watson Jr. L.H.D. '91, former IBM president, died December 31 in Greenwich, Conn., at 79. A 1937 graduate of Brown University, he followed his father as head of the International Business Machines Corp. He led the company during the longest and most spectacular growth in modern business history and built the annual revenue to \$7.5 billion—success that prompted *Fortune* magazine to call him "the greatest capitalist who ever lived." He also served as ambassador to the Soviet Union during the Jimmy Carter administration. Survivors include his wife, Olive, and six children, including Thomas J. Watson III '67.

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## Honoring Teaching

I have just finished reading the 1992/93 President's Report (*Colby*, November) and would like to illuminate a glaring omission. The Class of 1993 began an important tradition with the premier presentation of the Senior Class Teaching Award. The award is presented annually to a member of the faculty, chosen by the senior class, for his or her outstanding teaching and support of Colby students. Upon receipt of the award, this faculty member must deliver the final Spotlight speech of the academic year.

Seeing that such an award—voted upon solely by students, celebrating the impact of one professor on those students—is the first of its kind at Colby, I believe that some prominent mention in either the report or the body of the magazine itself is warranted. I do not believe such a citation should be simply to recognize the establishment of the award or to outline the efforts of the class in establishing it, but more importantly to highlight the recipient. Charles Bassett, the overwhelming choice of our class, delighted a full chapel with his lecture. It is because of professors such as he, who bring the material in the classroom to life and earn the respect, admiration and friendship of all his students, that Colby students walk into "the real world" as well prepared as they do.

On behalf of the Class of 1993, I hope that this letter has finally given Professor Bassett the proper recognition he deserves.

Jeffrey S. Baron '93  
Brookline, Mass.

## Song of Praise

I was delighted to read the article on Robert DeCormier '43 (*Colby*, November).

My husband and I were privileged to work with Bob at the Berkshire Choral Institute last July. Bob and I discovered our Colby connection early in the week. He was pleased to meet a "music major" Colby graduate (me) and to learn that music study has grown at the College.

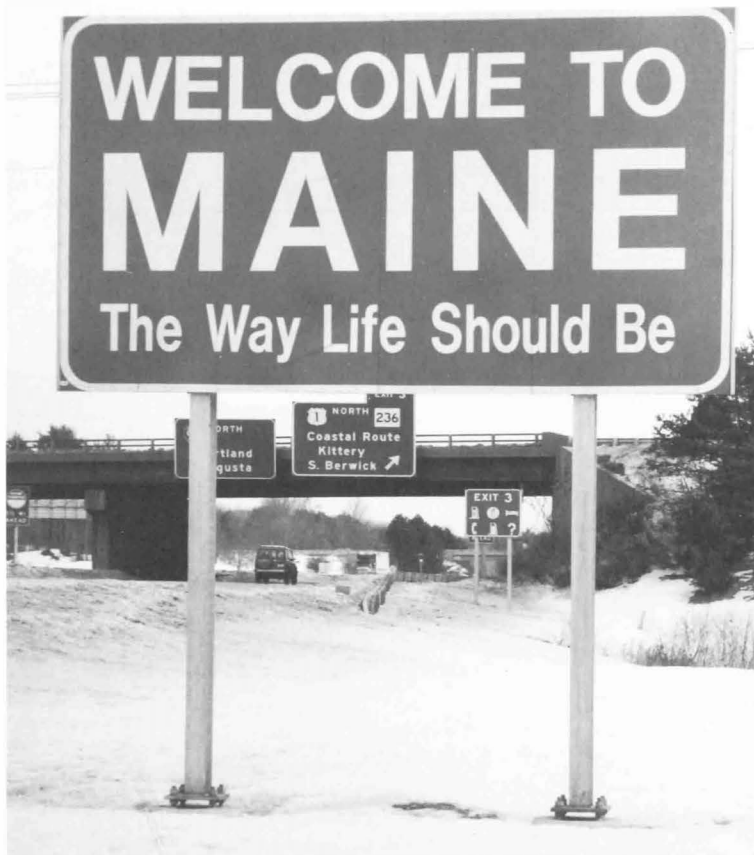
Bob retains his liberal arts approach to music and to life. This combines with his Juilliard training to produce a uniquely insightful interpretation of choral music.

Our week in the Berkshires culminated in a performance of Dvořák's *Requiem*. Learning and performing this piece under Bob DeCormier's direction was an exhilarating way to spend a week's vacation. He deserves the recognition given by being featured in *Colby*. Thanks!

Shirley Bieringer Rau '74  
Auburn, Me.

## Hunting for January's Colby?

Some alumni may not have received the January issue of *Colby* because of errors made by our mailing house. If you missed your copy and would like to receive one, please call the Alumni Office at 207-872-3190. A limited supply is available.



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