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David C. Weber had a busy year volunteering in his retirement community, acting in two plays, leading monthly nature walks, and drafting a book on collegiate library management summarizing the challenges he faced in 45 years as an academic librarian. His family grew with his seventh, eighth, and ninth great-grandsons—Leo, Connor, and Hector—all near him in Southern California. A time-consuming and greatly rewarding project was working with his daughter who, at 50, embarked on a career as a big rig coast-to-coast truck driver. For three years she sent Facebook updates with tales of wild adventures driving to ports mostly from southern California to East Coast states. These adventures required weeks of time assembling her reports into a detailed, illustrated book, designed by David and available as Rockin’ in a Big Rig: Grammie’s Log by Sarah Weber. “Following my successful library career, what a delight to work three years with her on this acclaimed publication widely available,” he writes. Classmates may also be interested in David’s 2016 illustrated publication Our Final Chapter: Life in Regents Point, a Continuing Care Community, a booklet promoting his community. Request an e-book from David at dceweber01@cox.net. David’s next excursion is to Cuba with his wife early this year. Later in the spring, they’ll visit his artistic sister, Dorothy Weber Trogdon ’47, on Orcas Island, Wash. After her architectural career, she turned to poetry, her latest being The Presence Of Absence: Poems, published by Langtree Press, Camden, Maine.

1948
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Here I am back at the keyboard, hoping I get a big response from our classmates for this column of the Class of 1948. Alas the news is somewhat meager. However, we can all count on Elizabeth Dyer Brewer to provide news. She wrote that she’s still in Memphis but is planning her annual trip to Naples, Fla. She sees her brother, Richard R. Dyer ’42, in Fort Myers and her sister, Nancy Dyer Bacon, who attended Colby for one year before transferring. • I have a continuing correspondence with Howell Clement, who lives in Kalispell, Mont., and wrote that it was snowing there Nov. 30. We communicate about four or five times a year and it’s great to maintain contact with my summer-of-1944 roommate. Following that semester I enlisted in the Navy. • I called Frannie Hyde Stephan the other day and we made a tentative date to get together following the holidays. Frannie lives on Singer Island, about five or six miles from my home in Jupiter. Both of us were cheerleaders at the football games back in ’47. The team did not have a good season but we had a great time cheering them on to...a victory? However, I think it was 1947 that Colby upset a Bates team that had played in the “Glass Bowl” the preceding year. The post-game celebration was really fun with an impromptu parade through downtown Waterville. • Start thinking about writing to me for the edition of Colby Magazine that will follow the one you’re now reading. Thank you!

1949
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My last column was full and then some, but this time around we’re back to reality. However, Osborne Ellis transmitted the following: “On Wednesday, July 27, a Colby mini-reunion of sorts occurred in Winslow, Maine. Three classmaters of the Class of 1949 had lunch at the Lobster Trap restaurant in Winslow. Mary Helen Wilson Miller, Mary Lou Roberts Friberg, and Virginia Young Ellis got together to giggle and laugh about their experiences at Colby so many years ago. Their time was two years on the old downtown campus and the last two on Mayflower Hill. The trio seemed happy in spite of the fact that they missed their bridge “fourth”—Jean Maloof Naman, who now lives in Florida. The happiness of being together even for such a short period was evident. They were accompanied by their husbands—the same ones they married those many long years ago. Mary Helen by Roland, a retired Lutheran minister, married more than 65 years; Lou by Bobby, a retired coach and athletic director, married 67 years; and Virginia by Osborne, a retired civil engineer, also married 67 years. The Millers live in Ontario, the Fribergs in Temple, Maine, and the Ellisies in Winslow.” • Bud Nannig reports that he and Frankie still live in Rhode Island, with all four children and their families living close by. Those families consist of nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Their oldest son, Doug, went to Colby! Bud was for several years president of the Cocumscussoc Association, owner of Smith’s Castle built by Roger Williams and Richard Smith of Rhode Island in 1676 and now the oldest plantation house in the U.S. He and Frankie have travelled extensively to many parts of the world, including around Cape Horn. Bud recently read a book about the 1979 Fastnet Race in Ireland where 200-300 racing boats were caught in a violent storm in which several boats and many sailors were lost. Later he discovered the storm originated in the U.S. and that he and Frankie had indeed been caught in this same unusual storm for three days while safely moored in Menemsha Pond, Martha’s Vineyard. Another item for the small-world category! • With help from more of you, we can have a longer column next time around. Please write!

1950
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June and Charles Smith have moved to Ashbury Heights, a senior center in suburban Pittsburgh, to be near their son and daughter. Charles conducts a weekly Bible study there. • A new correspondent is still needed for this class. If you’re interested, please send an email to classnews1950@colby.edu or call Colby Magazine at 207-859-4356 to volunteer.

1951
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Hi ho to the greatest class in Colby’s history. I guess you’re busy planning for the new year, but there’s always some news. I spoke with George Wales the day he returned from hip surgery. He has a new hip and is recovering well. His son Craig called to report that everything went well. Lorraine (Arcese ’54) is with him at the Denison College campus in Granville, Ohio. • We miss our hero Ted Shire, who passed away in January 2015. He was an All-American and All-Maine hero. • John Linscott enjoys the winter months in North Carolina and Maine in the summer. Keep on playin’, John. • I hear from Walt Russell, who is busy trying to make America great again. He always made Colby a great part of his life and wants to hear from classmates. • Jane and I are off to Naples, Fla., again in February and I will contact George Wasserberger, who lives there now. He moved from New Hope, Pa. I still enjoy golf and look forward to playing more soon. I hope to turn 90 in July but feel like I’m 50 again. • All the best to a great class, and remember to give back to Colby.

1952
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Greetings from wintry Vermont! I appreciated hearing from these classmates. First, from Evelyn Walker Mack. “Sold my house, where I lived for more than 50 years, and moved to a senior living facility. It’s new and I moved in on the third day it was open. It is a new experience, but I like it so far.” Best of luck to Evelyn in her new life. • Paul and Mimi Russell Aldrich also sold their home (and boat) and moved to Highland Green in Topsham, Maine. While they miss their country home, they were grateful for the grounds crew that plowed this winter’s storms. Last year they attend weddings of two grandchildren and spent time with their four great-grandchildren. “These events didn’t make us feel old,” Paul wrote, “but the retirement of our oldest daughter and her husband surely put our lives in perspective.” • Art White writes, “I did not sell my house after all and I’m happily staying in Bath, Maine. I’m pleased because I like the town and the friends I’ve made here. They also have a very fine golf course! I also have a new companion living with me. Mary and I were in high school together and, although we haven’t been in touch for 70 years, we’ve reconnected in what is a very happy way. We may see you at Colby gatherings!” What nice news, Art. • Carl and Muffie Morgan Leaf celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at the Coonamessett Inn Sept. 15. It was a lovely get together. Judy and Herb Nagle, George Lebherz, and Sheila and Don Hailer were there with them. • And finally from yours truly. As you may be aware, I’ve been your class correspondent for the past 15 years and have really enjoyed the opportunity to hear from so many of you and pass along your news to our classmates. It’s now time, however, for me to turn this over to someone else. I’ve been having heart problems for some time and it’s really necessary for me to cut back. I sincerely hope that someone will be willing to take over this pleasant task. You may contact Laura Meader at classnotes1952@colby.edu.
Colby Magazine at classnews1952@colby.edu, who will facilitate the transition (and also keep our class connected). So I will close now with thanks and best wishes to you all.

1953
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I have just a few notes as 2017 begins. ● Nelson Beveridge calls me now and then when he hears from friends. This time he had news from George Pirie just after his trip to Scandinavia. His wife became quite ill during the trip, so they decided to sell their condo in Waikoloa, Hawaii, and return to their home in Athens, Ga. Nelson called a little later to say that Colette had died of a cancerous brain tumor. George and Colette had married 60 years, having had a wonderful life with six children, 14 grandchildren, and one great-grandson. George keeps in contact with Nelson, Don Harrington, Al Lamont ’52, Ted Summers ’55, and Ed Fraktman. George would welcome phone calls from friends. You can reach him at 706-461-1296. We had a couple of nice conversations. He asked, in jest, if I’d like to buy his place in Hawaii, as at the time of the call I was trying to sell my property here in Massachusetts and buy in Falmouth, Maine. However, my buyer here backed out of this house sale just before the agreement date; and since the house in Maine was contingent on my sale here, it all fell apart. I’m here to stay. ● John Lee emails me quite often. The latest on his family was about his grandson Christopher who graduated from West Point in 2003. He earned a Harvard M.B.A. and now lives in New York. ● I will end this column with my own news that I had a pleasant day with my roommate, Diane Chamberlin Starcher ’54, in Maine with a nice lunch overlooking the square in Kennebunkport. We always catch up on family news and exchange Colby memories. Diane’s son has been looking to buy a summer place in southern Maine. I look forward to spending future time with her if they all come back to Maine for summers.

1954
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Judy Thompson Lowe spent Thanksgiving with daughter Meg and spouse. She made her seventh baseball trip to see a Red Sox-Minneapolis Twins baseball game. She’s keeping reasonably healthy but deals with vestibular ataxia, a hearing problem that affects balance but has not kept her from her docent duties at the Museum of Natural History. ● For the past decade, Dick Leenburger has served as president of the Purchase (SUNY) College Affiliates, providing grants to qualifying students. He and wife Julie spend summers in the Berkshire Hills of western Massachusetts and recently spent a week in Nova Scotia. Dick recommends She’s Not There: A Life in Two Genders by Jennifer Finney Boylan, who, first as Jim Boylan, taught English at Colby. ● Here are some highlights from Al Packard’s long letter covering the last 60 years. Spent two years in the U.S. Army medical corps; taught science classes at Fort Lauderdale High School, filling evenings and weekends with a county arts group; in 1962 started working at PanAm/RCA/ CST at Patrick Air Force Base as a software programming engineer; retired from PAFB in 2001 but continued involvement with a dance studio in Cocoa Beach; currently keep busy as business manager and jack of all trades for my summer camps, which involve children with theater; in the mid-80s became active in the Mormon church, singing in the choir and filling in as organist as well as considerable involvement with the Sunday school program; have been teaching a Spanish class one day a week at a senior center; get back “home” to Maine every other year to visit family and Nancy Weller Brown, who lives a “couple of miles around the corner.” My note: in the “centipede” of our reunion button, Al is the guy in the front of the pack and yours truly is the guy pushing at the back. ● Ned Shenton, after his wife passed away in 2015, sold his house in Lexington, Mass., and moved to his house on Peaks Island, Maine, where he’s re-established himself as a Mainer. He’s issued an open invitation to classmates to visit “this remarkable spot” 20 minutes by ferry from Portland. Ned is thoroughly enjoying life “the way it should be” with lots of time to work on a memoir. Mira Ptacin, noted author who lives on the island, interviewed Ned for an article for Down East Magazine. ● Judy Jenkins Totman recommends Anne Perry, who has two mystery series, one set in Victorian England, the other during World War I. Judy is “getting along” because of a team of excellent doctors who are “keeping me above ground.” ● I spent Thanksgiving with my daughter, Sara, in Brunswick, Maine. We had dinner with Mark Wilson ’89 in Bath and lunch with Art White ’52, with whom I played baseball at Colby and with whom I taught and coached for 26 years at Hotchkiss School. Art is the best all-around athlete I have ever known. My recent reads are by Lee Child, David Baldacci, and Jeffery Archer. ● Keep the news flowing. I know classmates enjoy hearing about old friends.

1955
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Happy New Year! Do you realize our class graduated 61 years ago? Just search Class of 1955 Colby on your computer and you’re right back on campus. It’s an honor to be the next class correspondent. Thanks to Katie Flynn Carrigan for the years she put in. We appreciate all the work you did. Now it’s my turn. For 40 years, my husband and I kept busy publishing the only magazine in town. In between we raised four children and two grandchildren. Now we swim, travel, and go to the COA. This March we’re going back to Sanibel Island, Fla. Is any one else going there? ● Sid Farr wrote in: “I’ve enjoyed traveling from Waterville to see my children and grandchildren and recently returned from Arizona to see son Scott and his family. I spent Thanksgiving and Christmas with my daughter Sally and her family in New Hampshire. Recently, I read Earl Smith’s delightful book Head of Falls, which is set in the mid-1950s in Waterville. I think it would bring back warm memories to our classmates. Earl, a Waterville native and a Colby staff member for many years, is dean of the college emeritus and college historian.” ● Lee Fernandez retired last year as an ad-rep for the American Nuclear Society. Traveling in the third world, he’s completed a ninth trip into Myanmar on cargo-boat and motorbike. Tour guiding, books, and the arts fill his days. He fondly remembers dining with Betty and Peter Ré just a few years ago in Waterville. ● Let me know what you’re up to for our next column.

1956
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Gloria Livelli Moscastello attended Colby for one year (1952-53) then received her bachelor’s and master’s in early childhood from Nework State (now Kean University) and taught in New Jersey for 10 years and in northern Virginia for 11. Her husband worked for the Department of Defense in Brooklyn, then in Virginia, until retirement. They live now in Gainesville, Va., at Heritage Hunt, an over-55 community. Though NJs natives, they’ve been in northern Virginia for 49 years. Gloria fondly remembers her Foss friends Carol Sunderland, Susan Winter Smith, Nancy Mather, and Katie Coon Dunlop. ● Sheila McLaughlin Fiekamp-Dillon missed our 60th but managed a mini-reunion over Labor Day with Janet Stubbings Walsh, Susan Miller Hunt, Rosemary Crouchamei Sortor, and later with Janet Nordgren Meryweather. After visiting her daughter and extended family in South Hadley, Mass., she headed to Washington, D.C., and then to Charlotteville, Va., where all five of her children and most of the grandchildren attended the marriage of her eldest granddaughter, Marina. Sheila’s husband, Brian, was unable to attend due to medical reasons; they also had to cancel their planned Asian cruise. ● Frank Huntress sends his congratulations to Don “Rube” Rice for receiving Colby’s C Club Person of the Year Award last October. Other class members, for their contributions to the College, have likewise been honored in the past. Frank was in London and Westminster Abbey for Christmas and tried to contact Yvonne Noble Davies in Kent. ● In May Lois Latimer Pan, Cookie Kiger Allen, and Joanna McCurdy Bruno got together at the James Michener Museum in Pennsylvania.

50s NEWSMAKERS
A story in the January 201 Down East Magazine featured Ned Shenton ’54 and his quest to preserve the legacy of his father, Ed Shenton, “one of the foremost illustrators during the golden days of book publishing”–the 1930s—Down East reports. Ned Shenton wants to “get the work in front of a larger audience ... to give it its proper place in the world.” His father illustrated editions of the works of F. Scott Fitzgerald, Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, and many others.
and later will travel to London to participate in a Road Scholar program. Vonnie Noble Davies, married to a Brit and living in England for many years, will visit them in London. • Last year Julie Brush Wheeler was in Maine to visit family and friends and stopped at Colby to experience the remarkable art museum and Alfond-Lunder Family Pavilion. She and her husband still stay in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, for six weeks each winter. If any alumni are there in February or March, contact them at andjl@spirited.com. • Brian Stompe has ridden a whale! Having launched his 16-foot aluminum boat at Fort Baker to go salmon fishing, he passed under the GG Bridge and saw two breached humpback whales. Another whale suddenly surfaced under the front of his boat and lifted it three feet on its back. Standing, Brian maneuvered his boat down to a hard landing and the whale, unhurt, swam off waving his huge tail. Brian headed for home with two Chinook salmon. The home garden is producing and his crab catches feed family and friends. • Lynne and Harry Wey spend time each summer on Southport Island and catch up with Barbara Nardozi Saxon who reunites old friends Heppy Reed Powers, Judi Pennock Lilley, and Mary Danforth Lozier. Warren ’57 and Babs Failltins Kinsman from Ellsworth, and Rosie Crouthamel Sortor. They’re also in touch with John Jubinsky, Diane (Schnauffer ’57) and Larry Zulliger, Andy Anderson, Jean Van Curan Pugh ’55, and Hope Palmer Bramhall. • In September, at Janet Nordgren Meryweather’s summer camp in Spencer, Mass., Kathy McConaughy Zambello reunited with Sheila McLaughlin Freckmann-Dillon, Janet Stabbs Walsh, Rosie Crouthamel Sortor, and Susan Miller Hunt. In August, at the Farnsworth Museum in Rockland, Janet spent the day with Ruthann Simmonds Mac Kinnon and Lucy Blainey Groening. • Katie Coon Dunlop was co-chair of fundraising for the restoration of the Greek Revival columns of the Smithfield Presbyterian Church, which is on the National Register of Historic Places. She also gave permission to James Patterson and Maxine Paestro, Katie’s friend and client, to use her name in their latest novel, Woman of God. She planned a trip to Palm Beach in January. • Janet Nordgren Meryweather and Hope Palmer Bramhall celebrated Kathy McConaughy Zambello’s birthday in November. Janet was busy with family (25) during the holidays and expected her eighth great-grandson (Seattle area). She again heads to Nokomis and Captive, Fla., for the winter.

1957

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Well “fifty-seveners,” IT is creeping up on us with greater speed! And IT would be our 60th reunion from Colby, a figure that seems an impossibility to even imagine. But until June 1-4 arrives, we have a bit of news to report. • Arlette and Mac Harring are putting their endless energy into high gear and last June traveled to Paris for three days, followed by a week-long bicycle tour of the beautiful countryside of Normandy and Brittany with Vermont Bicycle Tours. Theirs was a group of 15 riders and Mac was the only one who remembered World War II. Trailer travels during the summer through rural Pennsylvania and West Virginia made the Harrings not at all surprised by the fall election results. • Ron Rasmussen keeps in touch with his Colby roommate, John Koehler, who lives in Auburn, Va. Ron enjoys the competition of Fantasy Football (he won the championship for the third year in a row—no small feat) and doing Sudoku puzzles. His autobiography is now complete, giving him more time to communicate with his expanding family, now including two grandsons and a baby granddaughter. • Allan van Gestel still works as a mediator/arbitrator, with at least two cases scheduled for 2017. We’ll be happy as long as he can make his way north, up the Maine turnpike, in early June. • Upon turning 80 and enjoying having his family and 10 grandchildren fly from all over the world to help him celebrate, Don Dinwoodie received news that he has Parkinson-plus. He intends to plunge forward and add boxing, yoga, table tennis, and pickle ball to his already busy retirement activities and use this as an opportunity to grow and move forward. Don has also joined the boards of his AARP chapter and the Old Log Schoolhouse and will put his positive attitude to the best of use. • Bev (Jackson ’60) and Tony Glackler moved into a continuing care residential community about a mile from the house they lived in for more than 50 years. Both are still healthy and active and live independently, but feel secure with full health care facilities onsite. • So, the news for this issue is definitely mixed, but everyone is putting their best foot forward. Attitude is everything and a great one always pays off.

1958

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Archie Twitchell and his wife are working on their bucket lists. The first list focuses on major cities—Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Seattle, Portland, etc. They have yet to visit New York, Washington, and San Francisco. A new list includes national parks. They visited the Tetons, Yellowstone, and Glacier in September and enjoyed the scenery. The parks were crowded but they used the disabled sign for their car and got around easily. “Next is the Grand Canyon, which we’ll do in May, ‘God willing and the creek don’t rise,’ as they say here in Kentucky.” • Judy Brown Dickerson has moved to Portland, Ore. “Life is different living near the city.” She has big travel plans: a snorkel trip to Belize in the fall, a journey around the world in the winter, then on to Norway and England in the spring. “And hopefully home here for a bit after that. It’s great being near grandchildren!” • One more item in the travel department. Burt Angrist, his wife, and daughter had a great trip to Alaska. “The scenery was breathtaking and we saw some wonderful wildlife. Any classmates with similar interests might want to put Alaska on their list.” • Marty Burger had a great sailing season, racing with his son and friends on Long Island Sound on his Pearson 31. He’ll purchase new sails for next season and hopes to do better than middle of the pack. He’s in contact with frat brothers Bob Saltz, Peter Doran, and Alsie Dean. “We’re all going to make our 60th reunion, even though the Tau Delta House, now known as Grossman Hall, is being expanded into a glass structure for a new care center.” • Kate Knight Hall sadly reports that her dear friend, Ann Wieland Spaeth, died in June. She was at Colby only for her freshman and sophomore years but remained involved with the College and came to our 50th reunion with her husband, Karl. “She was a beautiful athlete, and she and I helped get the women’s field hockey program started.” Kate lost her husband, Danny Dannenbaum, in 2015 and later moved to a smaller apartment in Philadelphia. “I love being in the city and walking everywhere—the movies, incredible restaurants, the Curtis Institute of Music, and concerts by the Philadelphia Orchestra.” She serves on committees for these musical organizations and supports other nonprofits that provide music education to low-income students and promote promising young musicians. In the summer Kate is at Danny’s house on Penobscot Bay, where she’s visited by family. • On March 31 Ron Moran will be inducted into Clemson University’s CAAH Hall of Fame and is “sort of overwhelmed by such a distinction.” He continues to write—his most recent book of poems, Eye of the World, was published by Clemson University Press in 2016. He still gives readings of his works, though he thinks lately, “Those are activities for ones younger than this ole dawg.” • As promised, a bit more news from Al Dean. The family held its annual reunion in West Dennis on Cape Cod in July and on Martha’s Vineyard the year before. “Each summer we look for a new location that has waterfront, five bedrooms minimum, and two king-sized beds. Not easy to find for 13 of us.” On another note, Al is back on the air every Wednesday afternoon (3-6) at WICN 90.5 in Worcester, now in his 17th year there. “We’re the last station in the Northeast to broadcast 20 hours of jazz, big band, and swing every day. We stream all over the world so perhaps you could tune in.” • As always, best wishes to all. Keep the next reunion in mind, and let’s hear from some new correspondents!

1959

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There is no news in this column because for the first time since I took on the job of class correspondent, I did not hear from any classmates. So please send me something anytime at the email address above or write to me at 27 Haven Way, Ashland, MA 01721. I can’t write something from nothing. I’m sure you must have some interesting news. Thank you, and happy new year!

1960

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While Jock and Pat Walker Knowles are still coming to grips with the loss of their beautiful daughter, Callie (Colby ’89), they’re trying to get out and be with friends. Without their Colby friends, and those at home and afield, they would be lost. They recently met Hilary and Dick Lucier for dinner and had rendezvous with Bryna and Steve Curley at an inn in Mattapoisett. Last fall Jock played in a Colby hockey golf tournament with Peter Leofanti ’62 and Doug Mulcahy ’62. Some of their old coaches were there, including Jack Kelley. Jock and Pat have been heartened by the many donations from friends to the Caroline “Callie” Knowles Clapp ’89 Memorial Fund. • Ken Nigro is in good health so far and looked forward to his annual baseball cruise in January. Otherwise, his only goal is to stay healthy and keep reading the newspaper—not books.
Ken still buys three newspapers a day and now predicts they will outlast him. That’s all he hopes for. ● Juan and Jane Holden Huerta spent Thanksgiving in Las Vegas with sons Juan ’92 and Jon ’95 and their families. They’re happy grandparents of three little girls all under 5—they do keep Jane and Juan young! For years, Jane has had a trip through the Panama Canal on her bucket list, so they spent Christmas and New Years on a cruise that went through the canal. ● Jane and Ralph Galante moved from Florida to Centennial, Colo., for the winter months. Their daughter resides in Centennial, and they decided after Jane was diagnosed with Parkinson’s that Ralph might need a little help. They now winter in Colorado and summer at their lake house at Merrymeeting Lake in New Durham, N.H. One of these days Ralph is going to pay a visit to our beautiful school in Maine.

● Ralph Nelson was quite saddened to hear that Eunie Bucholz Spooner died in April. They had a long, although not frequent, correspondence over the last 30 years. He now envisions her free to run the fields and hike the trails as she did before her auto accident. In spite of significant obstacles, she lived a very productive life of outreach and compassion.

1961

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Liz (Rowe ’63) and Bev Lapham sent news from Vero Beach, Fla., where they ‘get away’ and were visited by daughter Wendy Lapham ’86. They travel to Florida only briefly as Bev is an elected Meredith, N.H. selectman. They had their 10th gathering of the ‘Colby varsity’ at their home in Meredith, N.H., Sept. 13-15. It’s a continuation of mini-reunions that Norman and Charlotte “CICI” Clifton Lee started more than 30 years ago. In attendance were DeeAnn and Sandy Arens, Skeeter ’59 and Karen Begann Megathlin ’63, Mary Ellen and Wayne Fillback ’64, Sandy and Nancy Cunneen Boardman, CICI Clifton Lee, Scotty MacLeod Folger, and Penny and Henry Lapham ’60. Mary and Denny Dionne are also regulars but couldn’t make it this year (see following news from Denny). Liz says, “Our gatherings of Colby folk in NH are so precious to everyone.” A picture of the varsity team, and a picture of Liz, Bev, and Wendy, is at alumni.colby.edu under the “Stay Connected” tab.

● Denny Dionne writes: “Mary and I sailed from Miami to Cuba on the Adonia (Fathom Cruise Lines) and made three ports of call, including Havana, on a People-to-People excursion, which required spending time ashore meeting Cubans. We found them warm, friendly, and wanting to interact with Americans. Cuba still has a long way to go improving its infrastructure but has spots that are truly beautiful, including Santiago Du Cuba. We were grateful that President Obama lifted the ban on Cuban cigars and rum (if you catch my drift).” ● Billy Bainbridge currently works as medical director in a prison in the “boonies” of Pennsylvania but was looking forward to joining his sailboat in Florida.

● Quimby “Q” Robinson, Colby’s nearest neighbor in our class who popped by the 55th, wrote: ‘Just finished Hamilton by Ron Chernow, with more than 700 pages of wonderful writing and information. I tried to skim (as I did too much at Colby) but found each new subject just too captivating—much cheaper than the Broadway play anyway. My hope for winter is lots of good skiable snow here in Maine; hope you get some there, too, Scraf.” Yes, Q, as I write this column, Mauna Kea on the “big island” is about to experience the worst snow storm of the season.

1962

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Happy New Year Class of ’62! As I (Nancy MacKenzie Keating) sit at my computer writing this column, we’re about to have our first snow of the season, an experience I know you all will remember, if not fondly. Personally, I love to sit by the fireplace becoming mesmerized by the flames. And, as I close this update on the Class of ’62, just one more reminder that the 55th is coming. Hope to see many of you there!

1963

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Al and Rosemary Blankenship Hubbard celebrate their 55th anniversary this year. They grieve the loss of their grandson, Michael, at 19. He was a wonderful young man who accompanied Al, Rosemary, and Rosemary’s roommate, Donna Cobb Lawrence, to our 50th reunion. ● More than a year ago, Arlene Jenkins Graber’s husband, David, had a heart transplant at Beth Israel Hospital, a world-class heart center in Newark, N.J. The surgery and rehabilitation went really well. They joyfully spent seven weeks last summer at their island on Three Mile Pond, Windsor, Maine. Their four sons and families visited for fun, and bass fishing! Classmates “are always welcome if they enjoy rowing and canoeing to an island!” Just give Arlene a call at 781-344-850. “The adventure keeps us young!” ● Bill Smith’s eldest son is already planning his retirement in 12 years. “Six grandchildren growing up at light speed. Leaf raking, volunteer responsibilities, and doctors dominate life. Designing jet engine components only a memory. Best wishes to all!” ● For the fourth time, Connie Miller Manter has retired, “except for a few interesting projects and programs!” She had successful back surgery and looked forward to three months in Venice, Fla., with husband Walter. Connie says, “I’m in good shape for the shape I’m in!” ● After a very long hiatus, Coral Cramson’s memories of Colby are still warm and compelling. Colby provided her with a great foundation for the decades ahead. After graduation, she worked for a newspaper in Schenectady, then taught at a junior high and “segued into being a ski bum in Stowe, VT., where she met her Texan husband, resulting in children and grandchildren.” She enjoys retirement and appreciates what she has, including her “comfortable sofa with a window looking out to an Adirondack ridge to the west and a great public library to the east—just reading my borrowed tales.” ● David Hunt returned to Vietnam this winter for a most interesting trip, reliving in part the two years he served there (’69 and ’70) and drawing favorable impressions on what has happened since. Because his fascinating narrative is far too long for this column, he may resubmit it as a separate article in Colby Magazine.

● Donna Cobb Lawrence took a trip to South Africa, which included a safari for six days and nights at a reserve called Zulu Nyalala, a day trip to St. Lucia on the Indian Ocean, a visit to Victoria Falls, and four days in Cape Town. The animals were amazing as were the people, who were so friendly and welcoming. It’s a beautiful country despite its corrupt national government led by President Zuma. ● Carol and Lawrie Barr have been running a private nursing home for her mother, who turned 106 recently. In January 2014 his PSA level spiked to 250 (normal is 1-4). He has become friends with cancer doctors at Dana Farber and with neuropathic doctors. His real estate career followed a teaching career after his stint as executive direc-
tor of KDR National after Colby. He was disappointed that his 50th reunion visit was short-lived. Lawrie is class agent for his 1954 class at Brooks School and is chair of the Francistown Democratic Committee. • Tim Dakin writes, “I have nothing to report, but the subject of your email reminded me of something one of my eighth-grade instructors asked. Try to explain the following: ‘Time flies you cannot. They go by at such irregular intervals.’ The explanation is that you can’t time the flight of a fly. I suppose the fact that I can remember something like that explains a lot about me.” He sends his regards. • Since our last column, we’ve lost five dear classmates: Iza Mary Brown, Nathaniel Butler, Ralph Noel, Jeanne Anderson Pollock, and Diane Nelson Teubner. Their obituaries in the back in the magazine. We send our condolences to their families.

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Sherry Worthley Horton has authored Witness Chair: A Memoir of Art, Marriage, and Loss published last August that connects her experiences during the final year of her husband’s life to the historical events of the Salem witch trials. Sherry’s husband, artist Christopher Horton, worked on the design of 16 “chair” maquettes (small-scale models) in preparation for an art installation to commemorate the Salem witch trials of 1692. To read more about Sherry and her book visit sherrysortonwriter.com. • Looking forward to being in touch with classmates in Florida, John Brassen and wife Karen taught a home in Ft. Meyers to enjoy the “winter weather.” They’ll return to their Connecticut home for the summer and fall foliage. John writes editorials and teaches at a local college. • Joyce Arnold Kottra was inspired by the children’s maze at the Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens in Boothbay, Maine, to lead a project near her home in Woodstock, Ill. A beautiful labyrinth path and park have evolved, landscaped with native plants from garden club members’ yards—true a friendship garden.” • Bill Pollock writes, “My wife and best friend, Jeanne (Anderson ’63), passed away in October. She was pampering and watering her gardens and fell, breaking her hip and femur. Surgery and PT and OT were not enough and she passed away three weeks post-op.” We remember Jeanne as a Colby friend. • Pisa, Italy, is home for Barbara Kreps and she welcomes visits from classmates. Barbara teaches reading at a local school. Recently she met friends in Lisbon and traveled around the Iberian Peninsula. Back for a visit to the U.S., Barbara visited Susan Woodward in Tuscany. • Last spring Louise Brown Smith and her 11 grandchildren tapped their own maple trees in upstate New York. “The most important part of our lives,” Louise writes, “has been that our oldest son has been diagnosed with ALS. He’s a truth teller and slightly outrageous high school teacher, husband, dad, son, brother, and favorite uncle. We’re figuring out how to live in a good way. There’s a lot of grief and fear, but also love, support, and treasured moments.” • Dick Larschan traveled to London, Paris, and Rome last October; Washington, D.C., and California in November. • Last fall Marjorie Convery and her husband hosted a guest from New Zealand, a rugby coach for the University of Florida, who hosted them last year in a home exchange. Marjorie and Jim enjoy biking, golf, and hosting grandchildren at their home in northeast Florida. She and her sister vacationed in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, recently. Marj expresses sadness at the loss of Al Olivetti and was glad for the chance to visit with him at our 50th reunion. • Steve Schoeman is inspired by the thought “that we number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom. There is no wisdom in the tossing and turning, the shouting, and the noise of our world.” • Recently awarded the highest honor offered by Santa Clara University, Jerry Shapiro was named Faculty Senate Professor of the Year. Voted on by faculty in all disciplines, the award is for excellence in scholarship, teaching, and service. • Larry Dyhrberg and his wife, Michelle, have a daughter in college: “She favors her mother and regularly does her homework.” Their younger daughter is a high school senior, and Michelle teaches French in the middle school. Larry is a stay-at-home dad and cooks! He also plays golf, substitutes at the high school, and writes for a fiction workshop at the University of Southern Maine. • Martha Farrington Mayo has returned to her love of music by reconnecting with a community variety show in Bath, Maine, and she and a friend originated in the 1990s. Singing tenor has been Martha’s passion, and she remembers having Peter Re as her director at Colby. • Joanna Cleveland Caswell writes, “things are going well, but I miss my lifelong friend, Anita Hegmann McCray, who died last May.” Joanna and Anita met the second day of freshman year in Foss Hall and stayed connected ever since. • Due to space limitations, I have to edit some items or eliminate repeat news. Thanks for understanding.

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TEMPUS FUGIT. Yes time is flying and so are we. Classmates have been busy seeing the world and crossing places off their bucket lists. • Jean (Hoffmann ’66) and Neil Clishops went to England to revisit homes they once lived in, then continued to Europe and Iceland. • Nick Locsin and Susan spent time on Cape Breton and planned trips to Copenhagen and London for Christmas. Spring will include a visit to Croatia and summer, a trip to Spain. The Locsins saw Ira Hymoff and his wife, Jess, last summer and enjoyed a good catch-up on classmates. • Eliot Terborgh and Chris gathered their whole clan of 14 at a beachfront house at Mission Bay San Diego to celebrate their 50th. They had dinner with Eliot’s old roomie Myles Denny-Brown and his wife, Nise, in McLean, Va. • Jay Gronlund and his wife visited their daughter Melissa and family in Abu Dhabi last October. In November he saw Andrew ’64 and Nancy Greer Weiland and Barbara McGillicuddy Bolton and her husband at a Colby panel discussion in NYC. The Gronlunds saw classmates in Naples, Fla., this January. Jay still works at his consulting practice, The Pathfinder Group. • The Peter Mudgets are building a new home in Black Mountain, N.C., about 14 miles from their current Asheville home of the past 25 years. “It’s off the mountain, one-story living, and two blocks from the center of a small friendly town. It’s our alternative to a retirement community.” • The seasonal migration brought Bud Marvin and Ann back to Nokomis, Fla., from NH. They had dinner with Dave Hatch and Dale Rotterman Hass, who also live in Nokomis. Dave is active with the local GOP and Dale is a director with the homeowners association. Both enjoy “bicycling along the intercostal route, watching Boston sports teams, and dining in the local restaurants.” • Retirement provides time for other activities such as teaching. Nick Locsin teaches wooden-boat building at Maine Maritime Museum. Tom Donahue taught a section on world politics at Saginaw Valley State University in Saginaw, Mich., where his daughter is chair of the political science department. She cajoled her dad into replacing a “no show” new hire. Tomás relates, “I’ve spent the last several months enslaved to essays, quizzes, office hours, attendance keeping, and all the panoply of treachery that I did (happily, in truth) for 40 years but kinda, sorta, really DIDN’T MISS for the last 13 years of retirement.” • Your correspondent is also checking off places on the Travelers’ Century Club list of 230 world destinations. I’m up to 130 with the latest additions of Chile, Easter Island, Sumatra, Lesser Sunda Islands (Bali), and Tobago. • So what are your classmates reading? Neil Clippingham: Theodore Rex by Edmund Morris, part of a trilogy about Theodore Roosevelt. The Guns at Last Light by Rick Atkinson follows allies’ 1944 advance as they cruised down the Rhine. The biography books by Doris Kearns Goodwin ’64, Tim Clegg horn recommends Seveneves by Neal Stephenson. It posits the moon breaking into seven pieces and what happens. “The science is spot-on and the psychology, engineering make for a great story regardless of one’s background and major.” Your correspondent recommends The Art of the Deal by Donald J. Trump. Whether you voted for him or not, it’s a revealing look at the way his mind works at negotiating to get what he wants. • As reported elsewhere, our classmate Ralph Bunche died of leukemia last October. He had been fighting this for years. • Deja Vu. When we were first-year students (formerly freshmen) there were still three or so buildings on the “old campus” on Upper Main Street. So 55 years later Colby has bought five buildings on Main Street on the new “downtown campus.” Nearby is Silver Street Tavern. They sell pizza but I don’t know if guys named Ralphie or Junior are on staff. Hail, Colby, Hail!

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Hey, nifty 50s! Here’s my first column. I’m on a flight to San Francisco for a business meeting, so this report will be from a 50,000-foot POV. About half of you praised the work of the 50th reunion committee and noted how great it was to see old pals. Janet and Jim Bither thought the planning was over the top. Jim reconnected on the golf course with Rick Lund, Ed Phillips, and Bayard Kenneth. • First-time responder Joanne Rydel Ackman felt reconnected by reunion. She’s thoroughly enjoying being a new grandmother along with Cape Cod sightings of Deb Anglim Higgins, Susan Ebinger Spencer, Brian Shacter, Terry Saunders Lane, Ginny Grellott Connolly, and Kate Hollinshead Dixon. • Ted Houghton, on the other hand, is still recuperating from the reunion 25-mile bike ride, which he hopes to do in time to attack the slopes
60s NEWSMAKERS

Shanti Arts published Witness Chair: A Memoir of Art, Marriage, and Loss by Sherry Worthley Horton ‘64. A reflection on her marriage and her husband’s battle with leukemia, it’s described as a “quietly searing account of the unseen.”

♦ Santa Clara University gave Professor of Counseling Psychology Jerry Shapiro ‘64 its 2016 Faculty Senate Professor Award. Shapiro was recognized by his peers for his “extensive and influential research and writing and his impressive teaching over his career.”

♦ David Noonan ‘69 was named Lawyer of the Year for Legal Malpractice Law-Defendants by 2017 Best Lawyers in America. Noonan, founding partner of NoonanLance in San Diego, was also named to the 2017 Best Lawyers list for his work in bet-the-company litigation and, as he has been since 1995, for commercial litigation.

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Sarah Shute Hale won’t be able to make the official 50th reunion, but during a recent trip to visit family in Maine, she got together with Susan Gerry Yambor and Lee Oestreicher ‘68 and spent a day on campus enjoying the very impressive art museum, the brilliant autumn leaves, and a delicious meal in the former Roberts Union dining hall. Lee was greatly relieved to note that not a single slice of pizza was hurled either at the walls or fellow diners during their meal. Sarah’s business, Arden Batik, now has a Facebook presence if you wonder what she has been doing in her retirement.

Jim Helmer checked in from Boulder, Colo. His wife, Nancy, died a few years ago, but he has two children, Narelle and Barrett. Narelle graduated from the University of Colorado, joined the Marines, then went to grad school at Boston University. She lives in Wilmington, N.C., and is married to a doctor. They have two grandchildren, Bodhi and Jude, “two of the nicest children I have ever known,” Jim writes. His son, Barrett, also graduated from the University of Colorado but did his graduate work at Georgetown. He lives in NYC and works for Credit Suisse. “I’ve done some traveling recently, to Norway and Tanzania. The wildlife of the western Serengeti don’t get wilder.”

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John Morgan is a first-time grandpa. His daughter Sarah Morgan Hooda ’07, and her current husband, Zoheb, welcomed their son, Zain, to the world Oct. 20, 2016. When John feels depressed about the new administration (English major!), he goes to grad school at Boston University. He lives in Wilmington, N.C., and is married to a doctor. They have two grandchildren, Bodhi and Jude, “two of the nicest children I have ever known,” Jim writes. His son, Barrett, also graduated from the University of Colorado but did his graduate work at Georgetown. He lives in NYC and works for Credit Suisse. “I’ve done some traveling recently, to Norway and Tanzania. The wildlife of the western Serengeti don’t get wilder.”

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Hi everyone! I hope you’ve had a good fall and winter season. ♦ Joy Nelb Ericson, who retired more than two years ago, still lives in Amherst, N.H. She spends winters skiing at Loon Mountain and summers gardening, boating, hiking, and taking it easy. Her four children are grown, and when she wrote, she had eight grandchildren from 0 to 15 years old and expected more in 2016. Joy says, “It is fun keeping up with everyone.”

♦ Craig Stevens announced the birth of
his first grandchild, Rell Sevigny Recker, Nov. 12 in Boulder, Colo. Craig says, “she is a joy to behold.” Craig’s in his 29th year as a professor of photography at Savannah College of Art and Design. He’s planning a sabbatical leave next spring to work on a new body of experimental digital prints that will result in an exhibition in a year’s time. He enjoys his house/studio in Camden during the summer and would love to see Colby friends if anyone passes through the mid-coast area. Steve Fisher returned from what he describes as an unforgettable trip to the West Bank and Israel. “Against the heartbreak of a crushing and often brutal occupation of the West Bank, of which I had been largely unaware, I continue to be deeply moved by the resilient spirit and brightness of light shining through the Palestinians and Israelis we met who are working for peace.” Mike Foose, recently retired, found himself working again in Guinea, where he’s looking to improve the geological survey there. Larry Kassman retired from full-time work as an emergency physician at MaineGeneral Medical Center (previously Thayer Hospital in Waterville) four years ago but continues to work part time in Waterville and in Wyoming, which he chose because of his love of fly fishing. In addition to fishing, he spends his free time biking, gardening, and golfing. Larry and his wife, Janice, former dean of students, have traveled to places they put off, such as Hawaii and Sicily. Colby is less than an hour’s bike ride from his house, so he plans to see everyone at the 50th Reunion (June 6-9, 2019). Pam and I also had a fun traveling year with visits to northern Arizona, Hawaii, and Great Britain. Recently met with Rae Jean Braunmuller Goodman, Richard Upton, Jon Eustis, Steve Anderson, Bart Menilove, and Laurie Killoch Wiggins. Together with Cherrie Dubois, Eddie Woodin, and Bob Anthony, we’re leading the planning and gift effort for reunion. Dick retired from many years working in international banking in NYC, spending much of that time travelling around the world selling operating services to overseas banks. He doesn’t miss airports, airline food, and hotel room service. Laurie is serving as the planned gift chair for our 50th, and in planning discussions told us that she, Carol Putnam, and Carol Feldman Roberts were Lorraine Morel’s roommates in Boston the first year after graduation. After Lorraine’s death in 1970 they established a fund in her honor to award a gift to a junior woman of academic standing active in some significant aspect of campus life. She reported that the fund balance now stands at $406,000! Regarding fundraising, by now you will likely have heard from one of our classmates urging you to attend our 50th Reunion and asking for your help in raising funds for our class gift. The gift is composed of all the donations of any kind made by our class between the 45th and 50th reunions (Colby Fund, capital/endowment funds, bequests, etc.). Please consider coming to reunion even if you have never attended one in the past, and please seriously consider a contribution toward our class gift. Have a wonderful spring!

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I received some very sad news from Eileen Boerner Patch. On Nov. 12, 2016, her husband, Jim Patch, died unexpectedly of a massive heart attack at Mass General ER. A lot of their Colby friends were at Jim’s wake and funeral, including Bob ‘71 and Marg Allan Ewell ’69, Andy Hayashi, Todd Smith, Dan Timmons, Skip Wood, and Dan Heaney ’75. Their two sons, Gregory ’06 and Timothy ’08, also survive Jim. Eileen reported that she and Jim both had great memories of reconnecting with classmates at our 1970 reunion last year. John Fochs, Ben Bradlee, Peter Lowell, and James Mar- kos ’71 joined Bob Falsani at his home in Hawaii for a pre-Thanksgiving mini reunion. A shrimp boil, bike rides, golf, and beaching provided a terrific setting for memory testing. Terry Boyle Falsani ’71, in recovery from her own mini reunion, provided culinary input while presiding over the shrimp boil. Phil Wyssor managed to make it to his 50th high school reunion. Amazing to see classmates who were 18 years old the last time he saw them. Work continues, but he and wife Deb Stephenson ’68 have a ski trip to Jackson Hole planned as well as another river cruise in France. Last year, 2016, was a year of travel for Denise and Ben Kravitz. In February they spent 10 days in Ecuador and the Galápagos Islands. Science was not his strong suit at Colby, so he found this trip through Darwin’s research area fascinating and educational. In September he had a chance to reprise his rusty college French in Quebec City. The year was capped off with a bicycle tour of Cuba. In between their travels, they enjoyed a lively dinner with Joanie Katz and Charles Torrell and a lovely engagement party for Michael Baskin’s daughter, Emily. They’re on Longboat Key, Fla., for the winter if any classmates would like to stop for a visit. I also attended my 50th high school reunion last June, where our transcripts were returned to us at a breakfast, followed by a dinner and dance at a local golf course. Bob and I spent all summer at our second home on Lake Winnipesaukee, N.H., sailing, boating, and welcoming visiting friends from afar. Our grandchildren, Caroline, 9, and Riley, 7, spent a fun-filled week with us in August—tubing, swimming, and cave exploring at Polar Caves Park. They also did the ropes course at Gunstock Mountain and we chartered a seaplane ride over the lake. Riley even got to sit in the right-hand copilot seat and “fly” the airplane like a pro. I send my best wishes to all for a happy and prosperous new year.

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Another presidential election cycle has come and gone, and we’re looking toward a different kind of future. Regardless of our own political beliefs, what amazes me is that there is always a palpable optimism and a cogent respect among our classmates for what lies ahead. We’re all in this together, and together we forge ahead. Nick Nash wrote of so many reasons to be optimistic: the positive energy of his four-year-old granddaughter, who might just be the first female president, traveling with his wife to his kids’ houses, and planning his daughter’s wedding. He recalls all the turmoil that we lived through during our college years, a highlight of which for him was his trip with Jay Reiter to DC for the Peace March, and realizes that we will all keep moving forward. “Life is awesome!” The all-star softball team that Jon Stone manages and plays with hosted the Cuban National Senior Softball team in the fall. Jon’s team was victorious over the Cuban National Team with a score of 21-6! Making new friends and sharing those experiences made the day. The Cuban players all would have played Major League Baseball if they’d been allowed. Jon’s team presented them with the most up-to-date softball equipment as gifts from his league and their players. His team will be traveling to Cuba next summer to play them again. (Jon has no more grandchild arrivals to report!) We missed Nancy Hammar Austin at reunion last June because she was preparing for her around-the-world adventure: first to

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Australia, then to Indonesia and Vietnam with stops in Bali, Java, Sumatra, Ho Chi Minh City, and An Loc, on the Cambodian border—almost 27,000 air miles. She saw Uluru, Borobudur, orangutans in the tropical rain forests, and visited the War Remnants Museum. She got to hold an 11-kilogram koala named Le who had "crazy eucalyptus breath." I bet Nancy needed a long sleep upon her return.  ● Already researching the "great American eclipse" (total solar eclipse) in August 2017, Bill Hladky and his son will be chasing it in Idaho. They’re excited about this particular eclipse—it’s the first total solar eclipse since 1979 that will be visible from one side of our country to the other. He visited his son in the fall and found that he’s financially independent, has his own apartment, and is solid in his job—all good accomplishments. Bill will have made his annual snowbird trip to Florida around Christmas time.  ● If I could include a photo, I would show you the 12-foot Mother Jones puppet inside of which is Bill Simons marching in the NYC Labor Day parade...on a hot, humid day with no ventilation and eye slits that didn’t match up with his eyes. Brave man, Bill.  ● My own life proceeds with the same hectic pace involving lots of singing, work with our local Department of Conservation and Recreation to preserve our rights at the nearby state park, and bringing up a puppy who came to me last May and who is finally turning into a wonderful little furry companion. Another amazing presence in my life is the man who continues to surprise me and fill me with joy. Some of you met him at reunion; he was a trooper to dive in with both feet!

1976—too far from the ocean for someone Colby friendships, experiences, and travels favorites are from junior year in Caen, through old photos from Colby years—her Emory and works in Wilmington, N.C., and Setts. She and her husband both retired has retired and has classnews1972@colby.edu Nancy Round Haley 1972 classnews1973@colby.edu Pinnacles from last year are a theme for this column. I prefaced this request with one of my highlights: a stop at Colby this summer with my 12-year-old grandson, Max. Catching fish in Johnson Pond was such fun, followed by our annual stay in Cherryfield at Norm and Pat Flanagan Olsen’s wonderful guesthouse.  ● Debbie Mael Mandingo, Jackie Niembner Appel-dorn, Lisa Kehler Bublar, and I drove to Colby in July and placed two books in the alumni library in memory of our cherished forever friend Chris Mattern Way.  ● Rick Zaccaro’s pinnacles include completing 48 4,000-foot mountains in New Hampshire. He and wife Bonnie Washuk also took a trip to the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, and Las Vegas.  ● Anne Huff Jordan’s pinnacle was her mother living long enough to learn of the birth of grandson William this year. She and husband Dan travel to Utah regularly to visit her daughter and family, including William and granddaughter Jordan. 3. Anne’s son, Alexander, is a doctoral-level psychologist who has a private practice in the Boston area and teaches in a number of programs.  ● Francesca Gates Demgen experienced her pinnacle last summer taking her 8-year-old grandson on a two-week trip to South Africa, which included Johannesburg, a photo safari in KwaZulu-Natal, and a wonderful time in Cape Town.  ● Ida Dionne Burroughs’s first grandchild, Aristides Robert Burroughs, was born this summer. Other highlights include opportunities to gather and enjoy her grandson as well family members who gathered for Thanksgiving from all over the country. After the election, Ida’s mood was lightened by her visit with Dick and Anne Badmington Cass as well as Jeri Theriault and her husband.  ● Dean Eaton had a number of memorable events last year. He closed his business and took his first summer off. The warmth continues for Dean and his wife as he has taken a winter job in Florida. Dean participated in a fundraiser that raised $50,000 in one night with a group called Dancing with Studs. Dean describes them as eight guys from 50 to 83 dancing their hearts out on stage—one was a former member of the Colby Eight, Ed Tommy ’59. Dean, I’ll give your name to Lisa Kehler Bublar as she’s always looking for Colby Fund volunteers.  ● Alex Wilson traveled to Ireland in September with friends and, by the sound of their experiences in Galway and Dublin watching the All-Ireland Gaelic Football Championship, this was a pinnacle of his year. Alex also enjoyed a gathering at Jennifer and Duncan Leith’s summer home in York, Maine, in mid-August with Lloyd Benson, Joe Mattos, Liz and Phil Ricci, Ron ’71 and Linda Howard Lupton ’72, Brian Cone, and Patti (Kelly ’75) and Bob Landsvik.  ● Congratulations to poet Gary Lawless, who won the 2017 Constance H. Carlson Public Humanities Prize from the Maine Humanities Council for contributions he’s made to the state of Maine. I encourage you to read the full article at mainehumanities.org/news-anouncements/maine-humanities-council-honors-maine-poet-gary-lawless/.  ● Lisa Kehler Bublar, Norm Olsen, and I attended a volunteer appreciation weekend at Colby last fall and learned about many exciting new initiatives. In addition to a tour of Waterville and the new buildings the College is renovating, we learned about Colby’s efforts in sustainability, plans for the new athletic facility, the new career center, and a number of new volunteer opportunities for alumni. We’re excited by the ways Colby is moving forward and want to find ways to actively involve our amazing class. Stay tuned for more news and please consider becoming involved in planning for our next reunion.
70s NEWSMAKERS

Maine poet Gary Lawless ’73 received the 2017 Constance H. Carlson Public Humanities Prize from the Maine Humanities Council for his exemplary contributions to public humanities. Lawless owns and operates Gulf of Maine Books in Brunswick, works with veterans and immigrant communities on finding their voice, and volunteers with a nonprofit arts center. In her Feb. 7 biweekly column for the Morning Sentinel, former Waterville mayor Karen Heck ’74 discusses the need for activism. “We have been moving policies forward through protest since this country was born and we are not about to cede ground,” she wrote. ♦ Stable, a book of poems by David Surette ’79, was named an Honors Book in the 2016 Massachusetts Book Award program in the poetry category. Surette, an English teacher at East Bridgewater High School, has written five collections of poetry.

in neuropsychology at Stanford before realizing it wasn’t the right fit for him. That led to a stint in the Sierras running a white-water boating school, teaching kayaking, canoeing, and running raft-supported river trips during the summer, then teaching mountaineering near Yosemite in the winter. Moving back East he took courses at Columbia University and worked in a biochemistry lab at Rockefeller University before heading to Yale for a Ph.D. in neurobiology. He married Janet Burton in 1989. Their daughter, Kristen, studies English and mathematics at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. ♦ Don Toussaint is an executive vice president with Citizens Business Bank, recently named Best Bank in America by Forbes magazine. He lives in Camarillo, Calif., with his wife, Libby, who works in advancement at Westmont College in Santa Barbara. Their older son graduated from Stanford Law School in May, having previously graduated from London School of Economics and Cornell University, and recently started with the law firm Gibson, Dunn, and Crutcher in Palo Alto. Their younger son works for Pearson Press in San Francisco. Don has a 7-year-old grandson.

♦ After 35 years teaching, 28 of them at the University of Michigan, Jane Dutton plans to achieve emeritus status this coming May. “We have been moving policies forward through protest since this country was born and we are not about to cede ground,” she wrote. ♦ Stable, a book of poems by David Surette ’79, was named an Honors Book in the 2016 Massachusetts Book Award program in the poetry category. Surette, an English teacher at East Bridgewater High School, has written five collections of poetry.

Parents, and haven’t been back to Colby since they graduated. Dave has kept in touch with Byrd Allen over the years. Last August Dave finished a 5,000-mile bicycle ride across the country, after retiring in April 2016. Mary Sue stayed home and continued to pay the bills. Along the way he visited Binkie Cammack Clossmore in Hugo, Minn.; Michael Lynes in Eastford, Conn., and Bar Harbor, Maine; Byrd Allen in Exeter, N.H.; Jim and Sally Hawk Gibson in Fryeburg, Maine; and Carol White ’79 on Chebeague Island, Maine, who was a freshman geology major when we were seniors. “It was an amazing trip, made especially so by the kindness of strangers across this country. See Dave’s website galvindiketrip.org for details of his adventure.” ♦ Ed Walczak attended the wedding of Jeff Frankel’s son in Phoenix in October. He describes Jeff’s home in Phoenix as “a veritable palace.” Ed was at the top of Mount Pilatus in Switzerland in June, at Omaha Beach in Normandy in September, and Beijing in January was next on his itinerary. ♦ Vinnie Cassone spent his summer having and recovering from total knee replacement. Continuing to recuperate this fall, he was on sabbatical from his position as chair of biology at University of Kentucky and spent his time writing and doing research in the lab. ♦ Charlie LeRoyer had a good, but very dry, summer in mid-coast Maine. He took a fun one-week road trip to Nova Scotia and PEI in July and another to Quebec in October. He hasn’t figured how to emigrate to Canada yet! Charlie plans to spend April in southwestern France. After losing their 15-year-old golden retriever and their 31-year-old Morgan horse last year, they’re now empty nesters. In November Charlie had a great hike with Dan Sexton on Ragged Mountain in Camden. ♦ Alan Polackwich ’73 retired from law in August 2013 and now works part time with NBC/Golf Channel and Fox Sports as a spotter at professional golf tournaments. “This is a low-level job which pays terribly, but puts me inside the ropes, helping the broadcast team, at some of golf’s biggest events.” Events he recently worked include the Ryder Cup, FedExCup playoffs, the U.S. Open, and the Players Championship. ♦ Laurie Fitts Loosigian enjoys doting on their newborn, born mid-summer, who lives across the road from their apple orchard. There was only bad news for apples in their region last fall, due to unseasonably warm temperatures the previous winter followed by freezing temperatures in April and a severe drought last summer. They hope for a better year ahead for Apple Annie. “After caring for mom Fitts in our home, we’ve found a wonderful, small memory-care home for her, which allows us to enjoy our newfound retirement freedom. We’ve settled on a month retreat in Venice, Fla., each winter for the time being. We feel fortunate for our good health.” ♦ Peter Luckey serves as senior pastor of Plymouth Church UCC in Lawrence, Kan. Last October Peter was surprised when Dr. Robert Reuman’s grandnephew Dan Reuman, professor of ecology at the University of Kansas, recently joined the church where Peter serves. Dr. Reuman was one of his most beloved professors at Colby. Inspired, Peter preached a sermon celebrating the significant impact a professor can have on our lives—a celebration of the importance of education and the importance of universal access to it. Read the sermon at plymouth-lawrence.com/?sermons=why-does-education-matter-to-god.

1976

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Here’s the latest Class of ’76 news to break the winter chill. Dan Murphy makes his debut with news that after 18 great years at EMC Corp., he took an early retirement package. He and his wife, Connie, decided to travel. They bought an RV trailer, a truck to pull it, stuffed the bikes inside, and headed out at the end of July, traveling for 12 weeks across the northern states from New York to Oregon. They met lots of wonderful people, drank lots of beer, and saw a lot of beautiful country. Dan recommends heading to the Custer State Park area: wildlife, scenic rides, Rushmore, Crazy Horse, great biking, breweries, more breweries. (Dan, I see a theme here!) ♦ David Christie writes that, with some prodding from Joyce Smith ’75, he decided to sing with the Androsccoggin Chorale last January. Making it a Colby reunion across the years, the chorale sang the Christmas Triptych by Colby Professor Peter Rö with Shelley Bieringer Rau ’74 and Susan Oram ’79 joining as well. ♦ Lynn Leavitt Harrison had a blast at our reunion last June. She’s working part time at a Quaker school in Woolwich, Maine, while she and her husband split their time between New York (where he still works) and Maine (where they built a retirement home on the Kennebec River). She loves the time in Maine; as a bonus she gets to see Ann Dunlap LeBourdais too! ♦ Dale Marie Crooks Golden MacDonald (and her doppelganger Dawn Marie) returns to the column with the splendid news...
that her youngest daughter, Evan Anne, married her partner, Marisa, last August.

Betsy Buckland flew to California for this spectacular San Francisco wedding.

- Ed Harvey spent his favorite holiday, Thanksgiving, at home in Burlington, Vt., with his wife, Martie, daughter Emma, and a young woman from Afghanistan who works at Tetra Tech ARD with him. In September Ed traveled to Ghana to work with the talented team of his company’s USAID-funded West Africa biodiversity and climate change project, supporting lower-emissions development strategies and combatting wildlife trafficking. Later in the fall he headed to Sierra Leone for another two weeks of work with the team. Our last reunion gave Ed the opportunity to re-establish contact with Henry Osborne.

In December Ed and Martie hosted their fourth annual holiday sing-along with Christmas carols and holiday favorites, with Martie on piano and Ed playing brushes on the snare drum. They project the song lyrics on their wall—lots of fun!

- Kate Cone saw her new book, What’s Brewing in New England, published in October by Down East Books. (They also published Statesman: George Mitchell and the Art of the Possible by Doug Rooks earlier in 2016.) Kate’s book is the most up-to-date book about the six-region area’s craft-beer scene. She’s currently working on another beer book as well as a mystery. Kate lives in Waterville with her husband, Pat Brancacchio, and loves her new role as grandmother to Finn William and Katie Burke.

- Since reunion

Rick Jacques has stayed in touch with fellow classmates. He went to David McKay Wilson’s Labor Day “Bash by the Brook” in September and dropped in on Peter Shaw in October in Philadelphia after teaching his digital marketing class at Rutgers Business School. In November he had dinner with Ed and Jenny Frutchy Ford when they were in the New York area to watch their daughter, Susannah, run the New York City Marathon.

- As for this column, you can send me news any time to the address above. Please make your donation to the Colby Fund. And as I’ve often said, use this opportunity to contact a classroommate who’s been on your mind.

#### 1978

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Hey everyone! Caryn Resnick is the deputy commissioner of the New York City Department for the Aging, which provides services to hundreds of thousands of older New Yorkers. She writes, “Of course, funding on the federal, state, and local level does not keep pace with the growing demographic, so we’re fighting for our fair share, to combat ageism, and to change stereotypes about growing old.” She and her husband, Stephen, recently sold their home in Larchmont, N.Y., and moved into an apartment in Manhattan. Caryn looks forward to connecting with old friends.

- Rick Jacques recommends Earl Smith’s latest book, Head of Falls. “Good read from our former dean,” Rick says.

Scott Krasner and his wife, Donna, are finally empty nesters. Their son Zach graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill in 2014 and works for a startup in San Francisco. Son Tate graduated from Boston College in 2016 and works for the New York district attorney in the special victims–human trafficking group, living right around the corner from Chas Cowing. Scott has been working as an independent management consultant since 2002, managing merger integrations and other large scale corporate change programs (pmg-us.com). He’s also joined the “Colby College Class of 1977” Facebook page, “reconnecting with Jon Hickok and many other friends.”

- Ken Colton reflected on his track and cross country experience after attending an event that feted his Maryland high school hall of fame coach. “Amazing to see his positive impact not only on my teammates but the many who followed.

One young woman he coached won an Olympic gold medal!”

- Dick Conant spent an enjoyable two weeks in late September hiking the high-elevation points in the four-corner states with his eldest son. “Notable was Kings Peak in Utah. Hurricane force winds, totally socked in with clouds, and snow drifts up to our waists.”

But that insufficiently sapped his energy, so, “Since I was in good shape after my hiking adventure, I did the NYC marathon Nov. 6.”

- Peter Cohn lives in Huntington, N.Y. He’s spent the last 17 years teaching at the High School of Art and Design in New York City. He hopes his students do well on the 2017 earth science regents, and he hopes to be at our 40th reunion.

- Will you be there? Save the date for June 1-4 and join us on the Hill.

#### 1979

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So ends another year and a new one starts! It was a year of weddings for some of our classmates. Carl Lovejoy’s son, Matt, was married in Santa Monica in July. Matt and his wife, Kendal, live in Santa Monica and work in Los Angeles. An added thrill for Carl was that his eldest granddaughter, Lila, was the flower girl.

- In November Nick Mencher’s son, Peter, married Marah Laurie in Asheville, N.C., their alma mater town, after living in Oakland, Calif. They enjoy the lower cost of living, a dog, and a barbecue—all benefits unobtainable on the West Coast. His daughter, Catherine, will marry Erich Roberts in April in Oakland. Nick’s in touch with Rob Lenk and missed a chance to meet David Ashcraft in Atlanta this fall. His “second career” self-employment business, K&M Productions, continues to move along. It provides agency services to institutional asset managers, including writing, materials design, advertising, and websites.

- George Powers wrote despite a slow news day at Los Gatos Powers, where they adopted two kittens. He says they’re more like teenagers than his boys (19, 21, 23, and 25), who are all in college. The rest of the menagerie includes two dogs, a cockatiel, some fish, and a flock of chickens. All (animals, George, and his wife) reside hidden away in the redwoods, heating with propane.

- On Dec. 1 Kyle Harrow celebrated the first-year mark of her personal training business, ReStart Fitness. She’s happy to finally do what she loves. Her clients are primarily baby boomers (like us) with old injuries and/or chronic aches and pains that need exercise to stay strong and push back the ravages of old age. Kyle’s excited to head to Sugarloaf in February to ski. She hasn’t been to the “Loaf” to ski since 1979.

- Catherine Courtenay had several of her paintings in a four-person exhibition, Echo: Unspoken Dialects, over the summer at the Yellowstone Art Museum in Billings, Mont. Catherine uses actual words within her artwork to create stunning works of art. The museum recently added a large work of hers into its permanent collection. Over the winter, an exhibition of her paintings will be on view at Telluride Gallery of Fine Art in Colorado.

- As I write, 2016 has come to an end, a year filled with many ups and downs both professionally, personally, and nationally. Some wrote in to say they couldn’t find anything positive to say after the election; some simply shared. Whether you are pleased with the election outcome or fearful for the future, know that we are strongest together and here for one another. Wishing you a safe and prosperous new year.

#### 1980

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Kathy McCulloch Wade and Debbie Clark Nelson got together in Connecticut for lunch, some shopping, and looked up where Kathy lived in kindergarten. They hope to reconnect for some skiing this winter.

- Sue Thompson Sadler is delighted that she and her husband, Mark Cammock, will relocate to Baltimore this summer, where she’ll begin a new position as head of Bryn Mawr School, an all-girls early childhood to 12th grade independent school. Sue looks forward to reconnecting with Lydia Mason and finding more Colby friends in the Baltimore area. She gives a special thanks to Sue Erb Pittenger, Betsy Morrell, Lisa Paska...
and had so much fun at the 35th. She won’t miss the 40th! • During her September vacation, Beth Pniowski Wilson visited Jim and Melissa Maggioni O’Sullivan and two of their three children at their home in Chatham, Mass. Beth also took a bucket list trip to a Notre Dame football game, where Don and Faith Bramhal Rodenkirk joined her and led her on a campus tour. Beth highly recommends the Notre Dame football experience. Beth and Janet Blau Cobb attended a Wellesley (Mass.) High School performance of Beauty and the Beast. Caitlin Pfaff, daughter of Darlene Howland and Steve Pfaff, played the Wardrobe. Topping off Beth’s autumn classmate sightings was Bob Ruzzo, whom she saw at his employer and her customer, Holland & Knight. • After 17 years in Bangor, Ted and Lisa Gale Taylor moved to South Korea. Ted teaches environmental science and chemistry at Korea International School near Seoul. Lisa works long distance as a programmer for NASA through contracts awarded to UMaine and OdySea. They hike around Seoul most weekends (see Ted’s FB page) and spent Christmas break climbing in the Himalayas as they considered their next move (likely Nepal or Mongolia). • Chris Ahistrom Russian has retired and moved to North Conway, N.H. • Tim and Christian Melby’s daughter has Colby high on her list as she applies to colleges. They spent the holidays visiting Tian’s relatives and sightseeing in Beijing and Shanghai. • Melissa and Jon Light sent news from a safari in Tanzania. They were having amazing luck seeing lots of critters with several close encounters. They highly recommend the experience. • As Bill Lichtblau begins his 27th season as a Vail ski instructor, he traveled to Mica Creek, B.C., to heli-ski. • Scott and Judi Greene Stewart attended the wedding of Olivia Chi and Andrew Bensson, son of Steve and Jean Siddall Bensson. They also visited their daughter, Ramsay, at UVA, where she’s a graduate M.B.A./M.P.P. student. • Phil Hough is back on the airwaves as a volunteer broadcaster and coaster of the Tuesday morning show on KRFY, 88.5 FM, community-supported radio for north Idaho. Unlike Phil’s days at WMHB, anyone anywhere can listen to live-streaming audio over the Internet at KRFY.org. • A big thank you to Kimberly Haskon who has signed on as our class agent. She’s enjoying sharing the Colby experience with her son Baillie ’20. • Colby is certainly a family affair for Victor and I as all three of our children are now alumni: Victor Jr. ’11, Valerie ’13, and Veronica ’15. Valerie married Trent Wiseman ’13 and Vil is engaged to Petie Booth ’11. Val’s wedding in June (the reason we missed reunion) was attended by 26 alumni, including Skip Neville and Peter Buzzini. Clay Hutchison ’82 made a valiant effort to be there when his truck broke down somewhere in North Dakota. • Thanks also to Steve Vrattos who reached out with words of encouragement for my first column. I’ve had fun hearing from so many of you and look forward to many more.

1982
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Ellen Huebisch Anderson, Claire Brovender Lilledahl, Sarah Fox “Foxy” Whalen, and Cathy Smith “Smitty” Badminton came together last fall for a fun weekend in South Dartmouth at Ellen’s family home. It was chilly but there was tons of warmth in their conversations. • Henry and Jennifer Maires Hagemann took a break from three years living aboard their boat because Jen rescued a horse in need of major care due to neglect. The original plan was to cruise south again and ship the horse to wherever they landed for the winter, but sadly, their feet weren’t up to a trip, so they stayed in Connecticut for the winter tending to his needs. Last year they sailed the Intracoastal Waterway, spending 12 weeks moving from Connecticut to Beaufort, S.C. Both daughters are happily married and settled in Miami and Salt Lake City. Jen and Henry continue to work with encapsulated produce and vertical aeroponics and love helping people experience vibrant health—“It’s been an amazing 25 years,” Jen writes. “I have no complaints and am grateful every day for my life and the way it is going.” • After living in Scottsdale, Ariz., for 15 years, Duncan McGillivray and his Canadian wife moved to Naples, Fla., to enjoy its semi-tropical weather and great beaches. Duncan writes that there are “lots of Torontonians here November to March.” • Deb Nader Hartshorn is an early childhood special educator in the Chapin Island. She teaches adaptive skiing at Sugarbush Ski Resort and sails on a race crew all summer. Last summer’s highlights included three huge storms on Lake Champlain while racing, the craziest being during a lengthy overnight race. All adrenaline-rushing fun! Deb’s daughter is a sophomore at Bates and is happily immersed in the folk music world. She helps run contra dances and the coffee house, and plays in the string band and her own contra dance band called Catastrophe. • Doug Sacra still runs Maple Hill Architects, where he completed a net-zero energy education center for Mass Audubon. He traveled to Cambodia and Vietnam in December to visit his daughter, Madeline, who was doing a semester of environmental biology there.

1983
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Thanks for the onslaught of news, friends, especially those writing for the first time. First up, in the seven-degrees-of-something department, Jennifer Jean Clark Ulh revealed that her husband, Steve Ulh, is likely that laser guy who mopped up Long Island Sound sailing in my teen years. Jennifer and Steve live in Marblehead,
Mass., and (ahem) Dr. Uhl teaches dance at Salem State University. Jennifer and Steve have two sons, Thor at Northwestern and Clark at Cornell. And while they're bereft at the empty house, Jennifer does share her excitement for this next stage of her career, which includes weekends fixing up the old Victorian. • Super Duper Awesome Sauce to hear from Aviva “Abby” Sapers, who is CEO of Sapers & Wallack in Newton, a financial services company that her grandmother founded in 1932 and her father grew to one of the leading firms in Boston. As the third generation leader, Aviva is stewarding the company’s tremendous success earning recognition as Family Business of the Year. She was also recognized by the Jewish Community Housing for the Elderly for her outstanding support. Aviva lives in Newton with her wife, Jude, and their two wonderful sons. • It was great to hear from Kelly Burke Corwen, who went to Salt Lake City in July for the Schwemer (Rich and Susan [Sheehan]) family wedding of son Josh. “It was such a treat for me,” writes Kelly. “I got to spend a few days with the family before the wedding, then attend the rehearsal dinner and wedding, which took place at a lodge near the Brighton ski resort. After the wedding, we headed to their beautiful cabin in Bear Lake for a few days and also to Huntsman Springs in Driggs, Idaho, for a party that Susan was running as president and CEO of Huntsman Cancer Foundation.” Kelly pointed out that Susan has been invited to join Joe Biden’s Cancer Moonshot project to speed up progress in the cure for cancer. Great news, and I’ll be pingin Susan for updates on as many classmates as possible. Congratulations! You met and exceeded that challenge! I can’t wait to see how we do in the next call for news. • Turns out John Ayer and I were in London for work the same week in November. • Several classmates are pursuing new endeavors. Pam Hiscock Braman, after 20 years in the Midwest (11 in the Chicago area and 9 in the Minneapolis area), is back on the east coast. Pam has been a pastor for 30 years and accepted the role of superintendent for the Genesis Conference of the Free Methodist Church. She will oversee 58 churches in upstate New York. • Catherine Walsh stopped at Colby in August on her way to taking her daughter to college. The energy she saw on campus, with everyone preparing to welcome the new class to the Colby family, and watching COOT leaders train for their upcoming trips, made her really proud to be part of Colby and all the school is accomplishing. • Sue Palmer Stone enjoys the empty nest phase of life with her husband. She has one child gainfully employed and another who’s a senior in college. Sue is focused on her fine art photography and local volunteering. • Becca Cunningham Weiss is in her 14th year both working at the Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont and coaching girls’ lacrosse. She watches Colby women’s LAX practices and games whenever she can and is proud of the Mules programming. She and husband Adam Weiss ’83 have three Colby students/ alumnae, Amara ’14, Caelin ’16, and Anthea ’18, of whom they are very proud. Becca is excited about President Greene’s vision of the potential for Colby and Waterville and can’t wait to see what the future brings for the College and the area. • Dana Hanley enjoys life in Paris, Maine. After 20 years as the probate judge for Oxford County, he decided to retire and focus on his law practice. He’s spent 10 years in the Maine legislature and 20 years on the bench. By the way, Dana’s house will go on the market this spring if anyone is interested (I have to say I’m considering looking. This house is spectacular!): lakesebagoluxuryhome.com. • Eric van Gestel lives in California and runs a breast cancer-awareness non-profit called notjustpink.org. Eric himself is a survivor and the organization offers automatic monthly self-exam reminders for early detection of the disease. In December he celebrated his dad’s (Allan van Gestel ’57) 81st birthday in Boston. Eric keeps in touch with Jeff “Harpo” Martin, David Rosenberg, Bill Sheehan, Dana Hanley, Hall Adams, and Paul Baker. • Kathryn Soderberg and Soderberg Insurance Services partnered with Boston Rescue Mission, a shelter for homeless men and women, with an annual food drive. The insurance company made a cash donation of $5 for every insurance policy quoted between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31, 2016. I was lucky enough to visit Kathy at her lovely Maine home on Lake Androscoggin last October and to go hiking with Kathy and my daughter at a nearby park. Please feel free to send me news clips any time. If you have an interesting event occurring, email me and I’ll save that for our next column.

1984

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Everyone, you gave me a challenge to have at least two more people than in the last column respond so that we could get updates on as many classmates as possible. Congratulations! You met and exceeded that challenge! I can’t wait to see how we do in the next call for news. • Turns out John Ayer and I were in London for work the same week in November. • Several classmates are pursuing new endeavors. Pam Hiscock Braman, after 20 years in the Midwest (11 in the Chicago area and 9 in the Minneapolis area), is back on the east coast. Pam has been a pastor for 30 years and accepted the role of superintendent for the Genesis Conference of the Free Methodist Church. She will oversee 58 churches in upstate New York. • Catherine Walsh stopped at Colby in August on her way to taking her daughter to college. The energy she saw on campus, with everyone preparing to welcome the new class to the Colby family, and watching COOT leaders train for their upcoming trips, made her really proud to be part of Colby and all the school is accomplishing. • Sue Palmer Stone enjoys the empty nest phase of life with her husband. She has one child gainfully employed and another who’s a senior in college. Sue is focused on her fine art photography and local volunteering. • Becca Cunningham Weiss is in her 14th year both working at the Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont and coaching girls’ lacrosse. She watches Colby women’s LAX practices and games whenever she can and is proud of the Mules programming. She and husband Adam Weiss ’83 have three Colby students/ alumnae, Amara ’14, Caelin ’16, and Anthea ’18, of whom they are very proud. Becca is excited about President Greene’s vision of the potential for Colby and Waterville and can’t wait to see what the future brings for the College and the area. • Dana Hanley enjoys life in Paris, Maine. After 20 years as the probate judge for Oxford County, he decided to retire and focus on his law practice. He’s spent 10 years in the Maine legislature and 20 years on the bench. By the way, Dana’s house will go on the market this spring if anyone is interested (I have to say I’m considering looking. This house is spectacular!): lakesebagoluxuryhome.com. • Eric van Gestel lives in California and runs a breast cancer-awareness non-profit called notjustpink.org. Eric himself is a survivor and the organization offers automatic monthly self-exam reminders for early detection of the disease. In December he celebrated his dad’s (Allan van Gestel ’57) 81st birthday in Boston. Eric keeps in touch with Jeff “Harpo” Martin, David Rosenberg, Bill Sheehan, Dana Hanley, Hall Adams, and Paul Baker. • Kathryn Soderberg and Soderberg Insurance Services partnered with Boston Rescue Mission, a shelter for homeless men and women, with an annual food drive. The insurance company made a cash donation of $5 for every insurance policy quoted between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31, 2016. I was lucky enough to visit Kathy at her lovely Maine home on Lake Androscoggin last October and to go hiking with Kathy and my daughter at a nearby park. Please feel free to send me news clips any time. If you have an interesting event occurring, email me and I’ll save that for our next column.

1985

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Here’s the Class of 1985 update. Rob Hazard and his wife, who reside in Rhode Island, took some day trips to Newport and Block Island over the summer. Rob works with Tracy Don MacDonald ’82 at his company, Universal Wilde, in Westwood, Mass. Rob stays in touch with Andy and Barb Wilkes Sheehan via text and Facebook. • Andrew Myers recently attended a BUILD Greater Boston charity event, where he saw Roy Hirshland. Roy is chair of the board of BUILD Greater Boston, which uses entrepreneurship and experiential learning to ignite the potential of youth in under-resourced communities and equip them for high school, college, and career success. Sarah Rogers McMillan ’84 also serves on the board. Roy would love to hear from alumni interested in learning about BUILD and volunteer opportunities. You can reach him at hrishland@13advisors.com. • Two of our more adventurous classmates include Sean Padgett and Tom Claylor. Sean had an incredible fall celebrating the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service by traveling 8,000 miles to see 22 National Parks and monuments, which he describes as “truly awesome!” His wife, Ann-Meg White, will join him for the next leg of the journey. Sean did the trip in a RV-10 single-engine plane. (Think of it as a flying Volkswagen Golf, he says.) Sounds like a spectacular trip, Sean! Meanwhile, Tom Claylor continues to experience all kinds of Indiana Jones-caliber global adventures. He recently finished taking a C47 aircraft from Australia to China. The plane was 72 years old, and they followed the same route “over the hump” that was flown in World War II when more than 600 of these planes were lost in the Himalayas. The plane will go in a museum in Guilin, China, to honor those pilots who flew these missions to supply the Flying Tigers in China. They survived two engine failures during the trip. Read more at flyingthetump.com. • Lynn Brunelle and her husband, Keith Uyekawa, are having a great time in the Pacific Northwest. They both compete on the local masters swim team while their boys are busy with crew, soccer, and hip-hop dance. Lynn’s latest book, Big Science for Little People, was launched in October and she has a new book about bees coming out in 2018. She writes for National Geographic Kids and just finished a curriculum of mindfulness for underserved elementary school kids. • Andrew Castle, who hasn’t been heard from since graduation, enjoyed two nice summer breaks traveling in the south of France (without kids!) and in the eastern townships of Canada (with the family). • Peter Marchesi reports that the summer was extremely kind to Maine, with lots of sun and little rain. The fall foliage was similarly spectacular. Peter and his wife, Linda, are in the homestretch of child rearing; the last of six will graduate from high school in May. Peter looks forward to more scuba trips to the islands. • Carol Eisenberg and Meghan Casey enjoyed a visit this summer from Mary Alice Weller Mayan and her family on Peaks Island in Casco Bay. Thanks to class members who wrote in!

1986

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I was looking forward to making up some delicious stories about the Class of 1986,
but then I got all kinds of news from lots of classmates. Maybe next time. • I got a nice long note from Tim Kastrinelis. Tim and his wife, Kelly, celebrated their 28th anniversary early in 2016. They have two grown children, Tim and Kristina, now 24 and 22. Tim is a senior vice president at Liberty Mutual in Boston. Tim and Kelly live in Ipswich, where they do what a lot of us are doing—adjusting to, or getting ready for, the empty nest. He feels very lucky and blessed, and hopes that many of you feel the same. • Chris and Jessica Flood Leitz live in Melrose, Mass. She too is getting used to empty nest syndrome. Her oldest son, Keegan, graduated from WPI in 2013; second son Nils graduated from Knox College last June; youngest Duncan is a sophomore at Colorado State. Jessica suggests that she’s having lots of “fun” handling all of the government relations for the state’s K-12 agency. Last fall she and a group of friends—Terry Appleton, Amy Barnes Hurley, Lisa Foley Cooney, Robin Clisby Pelczar—gottgether for their annual birthday celebration. The only birthday girl missing was Laura Goeppert Stolp. • Mary Lou Kopas also wrote in, despite her busy schedule as chief of midwifery at Northwest Hospital in Seattle. After a brief stint as an empty nester while her sons were in college, her nest is now actively again with one college-graduate son who has moved home and her frail elderly mother-in-law. • Last July James Campbell became mayor of the City of Belvedere, Calif., (just across the Golden Gate Bridge from San Francisco). Although he is 3,200-odd miles from Waterville, he reports that Belvedere has a number of Colby grads as residents. • Last fall I met up with Meg Fremoyer Stebbins for lunch. We hadn’t seen each other in about 15 years but managed to pick right up where we left off. Meg lives in Boston with her husband, Peter. Meg and Peter are also getting adjusted to the empty nest with both daughters at Stanford. • Congratulations to Beth Harrington, who got married last fall! • Leslie Greenslet Perry started a new job at Solomon Schechter School of Westchester. She’s part of a team dedicated to teaching engineering and design skills from K through 12th grade. • Rich Deering and his real estate business partner have taken ownership and operation of REMAX Shoreline in Portland, Maine, and Portsmouth, N.H. If you want to purchase residential real estate in greater Portland, see Rich. Birch Rock Camp, near and dear to Rich’s heart, celebrated its 90th anniversary last summer. My son John, a Birch Rock alum, attended the wonderful day-long celebration. During a December lunch with Rich, Jen Imhoff Foley, Jen’s husband, Brad, Ted Allyn, and myself in Brunswick, we caught up with recent adventures. Jen raises money for the very bad college down the road that begins with a “B,” but we still welcomed her at the table. She and Brad are trying to shepherd their son Jamie (who was the counselor in my son’s cabin for John’s first summer at Birch Rock) through his engagement and to his wedding. Ted Allyn is an IT analyst for Starbucks in Seattle. His daughter is a junior at University of Washington. Jen and Richard report that Kristin Giblin Lindquist has a new job as deputy commissioner of “something in Massachusetts.” • Andrea Sarris is rumored to be leaving Greece, after living there for quite a while, and moving back to the U.S. to pursue her documentary dreams. • Dave Epstein is in his final year chairing Colby’s Alumni Council. He reports that it’s a great time to be volunteering for Colby as lots of exciting things are happening. If you’re interested in getting connected, or reconnected, with the College, don’t hesitate to contact him: dspeste@colby.edu. • I think that’s about it for now. Don’t forget to send me your news! • 1987 Scott Lainer classnews1987@colby.edu I just realized I left my watch in Foss 288, behind some unread books. I’m going back this June to get it. How about we all meet for dinner? Now news. • Jeanne Morrison-Cook and Mitch Cook are happily living in Minnesota. “We attend alumni events when we can, and Jeanne still interviews prospective Colby students. Our oldest, David, graduated from Dartmouth College in June. We’re thankful for Hanover resident Connie Gallagher Loescher who supported David during his early adjustment. Second son Merritt is a junior at Hobart William Smith Colleges, where he found a best friend and classmate in Andrew Manuel, Jane Nicol Manuel’s son. And Tina Zabriskie Costabile’s son is a freshman at Hobart. (All three? Was there a Groupon for Hobart?) Daughter Jillian is an eighth grader at Orono, where she found a good friend in Ella Nordlie, Liz Sedor Nordlie’s daughter. Our third son is a sophomore at Orono High School.” (No doubt he hasn’t met his Colby counterpart yet.) Mitch’s home, Central Bank, MN and WI, merged with MidWestOne, Iowa. But he’d rather be restoring his new baby, a 1984 20-foot Tiara Pursuit cuddly cabin boat. (So long as he doesn’t start calling you Tiara, Jeanne.) And Jeanne continues as director of development at Orono Foundation for Education, supporting public schools. “Looking forward to reunion!” • Chris Vickers writes, “Please come back to celebrate in June. Besides catching up with old friends, you’ll hear about major projects being planned from President Greene. Keep up by joining our class group on Facebook. You’ll also be contacted by classmates asking for a donation. Given that it’s our 30th, we’re hoping folks can be more generous than usual. (And if you’ve never given, lucky you, anything is more.) Even if you haven’t been a consistent contributor in the past, we really want to increase participation to least at a nominal level. Look forward to catching up with all of you.” • Ted Pappadopoulos is academic services coordinator for the Center of Online Learning at the second largest college in Vermont. (There are only two colleges in Vermont, Tod.) “I oversee the CIS and BUS groups and manage 75 online course offerings per trimester. I also plan the course schedule, hire and train faculty and students in the use of the LMS, chair the academic technology program committee, and just submitted the new associate’s in science degree for computer information technology for approval of the entire Vermont state college system.” (That all, Ted? Oh, apparently not.) “I’ve been teaching computer science courses here and at Champlain College for nearly 15 years, including web development, digital animation, and introduction to computer science. (There’s no future in computers! Get a real job.) Since the dissolution of Go to Blazes, my previous band with Colby buds Tom Heyman ’85, Keith Donnellan ’85, and Edward Warren ’91, I’ve been working with my group The New Siberians. (What happened to the Old Siberians?) We just released a double LP on vinyl—the newsiberians.com—also available on iTunes.” (“Cool. Vinyl is gonna be huge!”) • Andrew Jeske started a new job as SVP, group creative director at Arnold Worldwide Advertising, NY. “Children Tall, Grande, and Venti continue to proceed through school and life in a happy and usual manner, now in third, seventh, and 12th grade, respectively. College trips for #1 son have taken us north but, alas, not as far as Maine. We do, however, continue to make an annual pilgrimage as our oldest finished his sixth year as a counselor this time, summerring at Camp Cobbossee in Monmouth, and our youngest will likely be spending her first session at Camp Tapawingo in Sweden (Maine) next year. Don’t know that I’ll be able to squeeze in another trip for the reunion.” • Aw, c’mon! Squeeze, Andrew. We promise to squeeze back. They don’t call me Thighmaster for nothing. Seriously, let’s gather. Don’t we all miss it? • 1988 Nancy Donahue Cyker classnews1988@colby.edu Amanda Howland had a great 2016. She lives in Portland, Maine, with her three daughters. The oldest is a freshman at Franklin & Marshall and her middle daughter is looking at Colby. She’s happy to have one more at home! Amanda ran the Boston Marathon on team UNICEF in April, loved the experience, and can’t wait to repeat this spring. She was grateful to have lots of Colby supporters. Amanda is the marketing director of a restaurant group. • Bob Thomas writes from Cohasset, Mass. where he and Carrie (O’Brien) are raising sons Nate and Henry, both 15, and daughter Nonie, 18, in her freshman year at Columbia. Bob got together with Dean Schwartz at The Stowehof in Stowe, VT. Bob is an owner of Saltaire Properties, which specializes in revitalizing small independent hotels, and The Stowehof is their newest acquisition. • Leah Basbanes continues with her wetland consulting business, squeezing in as much volunteering and travelling as possible. She was elected selectman in her town of Dunstable, Mass. Leah and wife Grace Jeanes ’96 were gearing up for their annual ski trip with Steff Rocknak. • Jeff Bruce had a fairly long and successful career in print journalism as a designer and editor at papers including the Seattle Times, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, the Baltimore Sun, and the Boston Globe, but he’s now in the fortunate position to be a stay-at-home dad for his three elementary school girls and do freelance editing for the Berklee College of Music while his wife “rakes in the big dough as design director at the Boston Globe.” • Todd Nicholson sent news from North Yarmouth, Maine, where he lives with his “beautiful wife, three kids, and a golden retriever.” Todd works in major gifts at the UNH School of Business. It calls for lots of travel, but it’s engaging work and the travel has allowed Todd to become a connoisseur of awesome cocktail bars throughout the country. Todd and Gloria’s oldest, Emma, is a junior at Bucknell and heads to New Zealand for the spring semester, where the family will visit in March. Daughter Claire is a freshman at Hamilton and “satisfies her dad’s NESCAL snobishness.” William is a freshman in high school, swims for the school team, while trying to meet his sisters’ high academic standards.
practice. He also notes that Sizwe Bansi is still dead. • Laura Thornton Pellegrino is in New Canaan, Conn., with her husband and four daughters, including one at Elon College and one just starting to look at colleges. (We’re angling for a Class of ’89 discount, Laura, so take that girl to Water- ville!) Laura and Jen Brontanlaunched a January reunion on the Cape with Tina Clifford Comparato, Catherine Andrew Rogers, Kim Murphy Brewer, Karen Currey Wehr, Erica Eysenbach, Rachel Bernstein, Cathy McMichael DeVeour, and possibly Maria Vallas Masse. Jen herself wrote that she’s having a great time reconnecting with folks as their kids look at colleges. Cathy visited when her kids rowed Head of the Charles, and they were joined by their junior-year roommate Karen Diver McMann. Catherine visited while her daughter was on a school audit. Jen invites anyone who needs a place to stay in Boston to get in touch. • Jennifer Johnson Muse was preparing for a three-week trip to Australia and New Zealand to visit her daughter, a junior at Colgate. Her son is deep into the college application process, thinking about Allegheny College, which is close to their Pittsburgh home and where Mark Ciodon is a professor. Jennifer is doing her part to keep the Class of ’89 discount alive with her third child, currently a high school freshman. • Tom Wilde sold his digital video startup, Ramp, last year to Cxense and now works for them as chief product officer. He and his wife live in Wellesley, Mass., and two of their four kids are in college, although not taking advantage of the theoretical class discount because they’re at BC and UConn. Tom’s family got together with Don Darby and Rob Schandt and their respective families last summer. • Marc Rando continues to taunt me with stories of his yearly trips to Spain with his Thayer Academy Spanish class. This year he teaches his own daughter, and as the parent of a 16-year-old girl, I can imagine how fun that is. Someone sent me pictures from Marc’s get-together with Bill Thayer, Andy Schmidt, Larry Scoville, Dave Fernandez, and Tom Abbiatiello at Rob and Hilary Barnes Hoopes’s house in the Belgrades. The guys caught a Colby/Bowdoin rugby match, with the good guys coming out on top, and had cocktails with professors Sandy Maisel and Tom Morrione ’65 and their spouses. Did my invitation to the weekend’s festivities get lost in the mail? • Kathy Keller Garfield is doing her part for the discount, as her daughter is a sophomore at Colby. Her son is a senior; no word on whether he’ll join the Colby club. Kathy works for her family’s manufacturing business and hopes Colby will decide to

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At President Greene’s request, Sheri Berger Bronstein, global head of HR for Bank of America, spoke on a diversity and inclusion panel at Colby’s November Board of Trustees meeting. She was quite impressed with the College’s commitment to diversity from President Greene on down. Sheri lives in Ridgewood, N.J., with her husband and two kids and recently had a long weekend in Jackson Hole with non-’90 Colby pals. • Betsy Morgan, Chris Gaillard, Steve Nahley, Jimmy Reynolds, and Megan Blumenreich enjoyed a private behind-the-scenes exhibit tour at the Asia Society, which was hosted by Beth Parker Poole. • Jonathan Millard was on campus last summer dropping his and Jennifer Milspop Millard’s oldest daughter off for her first year at Colby. • One of Sarah Faragher’s paintings is included in the new book Art of Acadia by Carl Little and David Little. In June she’ll have a solo show at Landing Gallery in Rockland, Maine. Many of those paintings are from Schoodic Point and Mount Desert Island, which she made during fall 2015 when she was an artist in residence at Acadia National Park. • David Coleman lives in Mountain View, Calif., with his wife, two children, and four pets. David works for Visa, where he manages a team of 15 support engineers around the world. They’re lucky enough to spend part of their time on a small hobby farm in northern Vermont. • Kate Brennan Dailey lives in Marblehead, Mass., with her husband and three kids. She celebrated the one-year anniversary of opening her knitting shop in town and loves every day of it. She often remembers all those Lopi sweaters she made during her freshman winter with her floor mates in Hillside. • Thanks to her out-of-office email response, I learned that Imelda Marie Balboni is a clinical assistant professor in pediatric rheumatology at Stanford Medi-cine in Palo Alto, Calif.

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Greetings classmates! Another year begins with another round of class news. • Dave Vincent started work at the Treasury Department in Washington, D.C., as a program analyst at the Bureau of the Fiscal Service, in Treasury Security Services’ Division of Policy, Planning, and Analysis. He says, “More concretely, a few yards from my office is a little glass room where more than seven trillion dollars changes hands each year. Interesting stuff.” • Alan Yuodsnukis still works with at-risk kids at a public high school in central Maine, a job which thrills, exasperates, entertains, and satisfies him to no end. He also works on a very part-time basis for College Guild, a nonprofit based in Brunswick that provides correspondence courses to prisoners across the country. They recently passed a major milestone with the enrollment of their six thousandth student! (Check them out at collegeguild.org.) Alan and his wife, Lynn, are, at last, empty nesters. Their eldest daughter, Alesa, is a math teacher in Charlotte, N.C., and Emily, their young- est, is a sophomore political science and history double major at Clarkson University in Potsdam, N.Y. • Nancy Smith has been busy as a child psychologist developing her private practice, Thornton Heights Psychological Services, the last few years. She’s based out of South Portland, Maine, and provides psychological services to schools and conducts school neuropsychological evaluations for private clients. In her spare time, she volunteers as field hockey coach for the recreation department where daughter Emma, 11, plays on the team. In the spring she sponsors the little league team that son Seth, 9, plays on. She’s also race director for the Great Scot Trot, a 5K road race that benefits a schol- arship fund in memory of her mother and her high school field hockey coach. Most summers, she participates in the Tri for a Cure triathlon with her sister in memory of their mother. She feels lucky to have a job that she loves that allows summers off to spend on the lake where she grew up and to have lots of free time with her kids. • As your continuing class correspondent, let me say again how great it was to see everyone who came to reunion last June, and I hope to hear from many more of you as 2017 unfolds. Keep that news coming!
25th Reunion: Save the date for June 1-4, 2017! ★ Pete Hayden writes: “I’m the general counsel for the U.S. Army’s 10th Mountain Division. In September we finished a year in Afghanistan and turned the mission over to the 1st Cavalry Division. As I was greeting the incoming attorneys, I learned that their chief of client services was Cpt. Hillary Klug ’05. I should have recognized this exceptionally bright, hard-working, and upbeat young attorney as a fellow alum! I’m heading back to Ft. Drum, N.Y., for the next year. Can’t wait to see everyone at our 25th.” ★ Heather Belanger, who lives in St. Petersburg, Fla., spoke this fall to a senior seminar in Colby’s Psychology Department about concussion research. “I’m encouraged with Ed Veteran and other faculty. Ed is still the same—high standards balanced by concern for students and a quirky sense of humor. I also had lunch with some Colby students and was shocked to discover a smoothie bar at Roberts. These kids have it made!” [There’s one in Dana too!] ★ Matt Davie is celebrating 24 years living in NYC. “I wouldn’t have predicted the transition from rural Maine to the urban jungle would have worked, but it’s clicked.” For the past two years, he’s worked as a product director at a social marketing and intelligence startup. “Last August my boyfriend, Ray, and I had a great reunion with Andrew Rheim, his wife, Ali, and their three children who were visiting from Bethesda, Md. Andy hasn’t aged a day since college. He put his psychology Ph.D. to good use as director of counseling at a private boys school.” ★ Sarah Poriss owns a solo law practice in Hartford, Conn. “My firm is now the largest foreclosure defense firm in the state. I also write a blog discussing legal issues faced by homeowners in foreclosure and consumers with financial issues; it’s recently been named to the American Bar Association’s top 100 law blogs for the second year in a row.” ★ Jason Oliver Nixon and his partner, John Loecke, launched their second fabric collection for Robert Allen under their brand Madcap Cottage. They’ve also signed a license with window treatments manufacturer Smith & Noble. The pair’s latest design book, Prints Charming, hits the market in October. ★ Doug Oppenheimer teaches history, math, and filmmaking and coaches indoor soccer at Garrison Forest School in Baltimore. He won the distinguished teacher award last year.

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Innovative artist Jim Condon ’92 was awarded a Gottlieb Foundation grant and a $30,000 Pollock-Krasner Foundation grant, one of this year’s largest grants. “His pieces express humor, whimsy, absurdity, and beauty through the combination and interaction of everyday objects, castoff remnants, and paint,” the foundation press release said. ★ The Music Business Association elected Elizabeth Moody ’94 to its board of directors. Moody is a digital media executive who is currently vice president, global content licensing at Pandora. She’s also on the board of the Grammy Foundation. ★ Katharine “K.C.” McClelland Krieger ’98 has been named chief investment officer of The Broad Foundations. Krieger was also named to the 2016 top 30 female limited partners in private equity and the top 30 family office rising stars list by Trusted Insight.

Amy Selinger, Anne Maddocks Michels, Elaine Sueschen O’Grady, Kristen Wallace Livezey, Lyz Makely Best, Meg Ewing Weiss, and Sura DuBow Lennon in Nashville. Yee haw! “Nashvegas” delivered. We got our fill of live country music, bowling, dining, and cowboy boots—and even scored a run-in with Lynda Carter, aka Wonder Woman. Can’t wait for June! Join the “Colby Class of 1992” Facebook page to stay current on reunion news.

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Doug Morrione and wife Laura are based in Dubai, where they welcomed their second daughter, Chiara, in November. Chiara joins big sister Valentina. Doug and family looked forward to Chris Chamberlain’s visit to Dubai in January. Doug’s film, Everything In The Song Is True, premiered last July at the Maine International Film Festival, where it won an audience award. Doug sends special thanks to Ken Eisen ’73 for curating the festival. In November the film was shown at the Rockport Film Festival, in Rockport, Texas, where it took home the People’s Choice Award. ★ Mike Murphy hails from Taos, N.M., where he enjoys the hiking and perfect weather. He writes, “My son, Rio, is now 5 and in a dual-language kindergarten class learning Spanish. I’ve accumulated my 3,000 clinical contact hours and am studying to take the test for an LPC therapist license.” ★ Janine Deforge Olson has two college-age kids (where did the time go?) and is working on getting her second through the college application process. She says, “My oldest didn’t go the traditional route, so this is a first for us. Towing the line between supporting my kids’ efforts and helicopter parenting has been one of the hardest things I have done! I don’t think you ever get it perfect, but I’m trying to get it somewhat right.” Janine tags The Book Thief as an all-time favorite book. ★ Your new favorite book might be written by a classmate! Keith Dupuis recently signed a two-book deal on a science-fiction series he wrote under the pen name K.D. Edwards. The first novel should come out in winter 2017 or spring 2018. ★ Whether 2017 delivers adventure, challenge, or joy, share it with your classmates by sending an email to classnews1993@colby.edu. Hope to hear from you!

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“I’m the head coach for the U-12 Washington Spirit Academy soccer team. We were undefeated in 2016 and competed in the North America Championship Cup last December. This spring I’ll travel to Spain to study at professional soccer academies including Barcelona and Real Madrid. I recently got engaged and added a puppy to our family.” ★ Daniel Connelly writes from Washington, D.C., “Being a member of Lambda Chi placed me in the ‘tweener’ category for the Classes of ’92 and ’93 because of our semester ‘off.’ In the moment, this felt like the end of the world. Time and perspective have made me realize what a gift this was. I have sincere, dedicated brothers that span the years I spent on Mayflower Hill. Last July we HQed our annual event at The Liberty Hotel in Boston—30+ guys dropping in for events ranging from a Sam Adams Brewery tour courtesy of Alex Chin ’94 and Rick Catino ’95 to a party bus crawling through Boston with Chuck DiGrande, Bill Higgins, Mark Lombard, Dave Sullivan, Tim Sullivan, Kevin Darling ’93, and Mitch Rogers ’93. We ended the weekend with Pearl Jam in Fenway Park with Greg Burns ’93, James Colligan ’95, Eric DeCosta ’93, and Gregg Suffredini ’93. It was a brilliantly exhausting weekend with lifelong friends. ★ August Bradley Cennane writes from Los Angeles: “After years running the creative agency and production company I founded, GLASS Media Lab, I’ve accepted an exciting offer to be COO/CMO of leading virtual reality creative studio Kite & Lightning. We create premium computer-generated worlds and immersive experiences in VR. I’ve been traveling a lot doing speaking appearances about emerging technologies.” ★ In October I rendezvoused with

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Lee Awbrey accepted a position as staff attorney with the Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia. Having previously served as an attorney with the U.S. Department of Labor, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, Greenpeace, and Morrison & Foerster, LLP, Lee is happy to land in a public-interest setting doing work she loves for causes she cares about. She lives with her kindergartner son in the western suburbs of Philadelphia, where she strives to make others feel validated through her authentically un-Pinterestable life. She reports that Stephanie Cain Sherman, Ana Pitchon, and Beth Scoville all look gorgeous, lead enviously interesting lives, and give good friendship. ★ Elizabeth Bancroft Hoch hosted Thanksgiving at her house and had Creighton McDonald ’95 and his family over for the holiday. Her daughter, Katherine, started kindergarten in September and, needless to say, keeps her on her toes. Elizabeth is of counsel to a small law firm around the corner from her house, and in New Jersey where everyone commutes to work, her one-minute commute is a true luxury. Dan ’95 and Marsha Ilmonen Marsh live in Medway, Mass., with their triplets—Nick, Hannah, and Paige—now in seventh grade. They’re active with them in 4H, where they show rabbits. Marsha works as director, scaling and analytics, at EH Impact, a digital marketing agency. Dan teaches environmental science and marine biology at Holliston High School. ★ Jason Sudano, daughter Maggie, and significant other Laurie Perino moved to Stoneham. Sean McBride ’95 lives in Lynnfield too, and Natasha Cotter (Jeff Cotter’s wife)
was his real-estate broker. Emily Davis Wall lives in Douglas, Alaska, on a beach on the Pacific Ocean. She’s married and has three daughters. She was recently tenured and is an associate professor of creative writing at the University of Alaska. She has two books of poems published.

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Darrell Sofield’s wife, Ruth, is pregnant with a girl (their first)! She’s due in February. Darrell loves living, working, running, biking, and skiing in northwest Washington. He’s excited to welcome Emma Spener Norman back to Bellingham, Wash. “She’s now the chair of the native environmental science department at Northwest Indian College and a wonderful mother of two girls,” Darrell reports. Daniel Polk helped organize a daylong symposium focused on ending homelessness in San Francisco. The event took place at Twitter HQ and included business, political, and civic leaders. James Colligan, Tyler Rainey, and Chris Fossella went on a mini vacation to visit Matt Gaudet in Minneapolis and were able to catch up, make some new memories, and witness a “thrilling” Dallas Cowboys victory over the Minnesota Vikings at the new U.S. Bank Stadium. James is the owner of BookVIP, a travel agency for discounted vacation packages. This is all the news I received for this column. I hope to hear from more of you next time. Drop a note anytime!

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Does anybody remember the Toad the Wet Sprocket concert back in ‘94? No? Me neither. Anyhow, Sarah Langan moved with the husband and kids to Los Angeles. She lives in Laurel Canyon and would love to meet some Colby folk out west.

Heather Goulet Isaacs out-of-office auto-reply said that she was out visiting client locations when I sent my email blast in mid-November. I assume she’s back in the office. Heather, please confirm. Eric ‘97 and Maylene Cummings Mitchell welcomed a baby girl, Phoebe Gail Mitchel, July 23, 2016. Her 3-year-old big sister adores her (for now, at least) and all are healthy and doing well. Mike Levine became commanding officer of Oscar Dyson, a fisheries research vessel for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) that spends most of its time in the Gulf of Alaska and Bering Sea collecting data for the Alaska Fisheries Science Center. Mike was promoted to commander in the NOAA Corps, one of the seven uniformed services of the U.S. Mike manages a crew of 23, which takes up to 15 scientists out to sea for 2-3 weeks at a time before pulling into a remote Alaskan port (usually Kodiak or Dutch Harbor), where he changes out the scientific team, and heads back out to sea again. Mike’s season runs from late January to October with the other months in the Pacific Northwest. Alex Chin—class notes contributor without peer—and a bunch of classy dudes headed to St. John for the wedding of Rick Catino ’95 at Caneel Bay. The Chins rented a house with the Nardini’s (Brett and Erika [Ayers ’98]) and the Forgers (Gregg ’97 and Danielle [Rizze] and Glenn ’97 and wife Melissa). Erika, who took over as CEO of Barstool Sports, had some shirts made for the wedding that said, “Saturdays are for the Catinos.” Lots of other Mules were in attendance including Daniel “Slash” Connolly ’92, Kevin Darling ’93, Jim Zarodny ’95, Mark Jackson ’95, and Mike Manning ’95. Last weekend I bought my daughters some stuffed animals at the airport on my way back from a trip to Israel on behalf of my new employer. (Seriously, send more notes please.)

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Just a small bit of news again this time. Denise Mailloux Bowen still lives in San Francisco. She recently started working at the UCSF Osher Center for Integrative Medicine as an acupuncturist and integrative Chinese medicine practitioner. She wrote, “My private practice is going along beautifully, but I’m excited by the prospect of conducting clinical research and the ability to see clients who otherwise would not receive this kind of care. Life is full!” I also heard from Brian Miller, who is going through a career change to civil rights law. He’s looking to recruit Colby grads interested in community activism regarding civil and human rights. He’s lived in Florida and Arizona and is now in Cambridge, Mass., where he’s pursuing his second master’s at Harvard. His thesis focus is on implicit bias and police procedures. From there, he plans to apply to law school for civil and human rights law. He wrote, “I wanted to get this out there to see if any Colby grads were interested in networking.” Morgan Filler is still participating in long-distance open-water swims. Her last marathon swim was 22 miles from Catalina Island to the mainland. She embarked upon a new career—her third!—when she bought a sewing machine and began to learn the process and skills to design and create a swimsuit line that fuses time-period styles with durability and modern material. Morgan lives in the San Francisco Bay Area and is parent to two girls, ages 2 and 5. After eight years as an at-home mother, I’ve recently rejoined the workforce. I took a job at the high school in my town as a Title 1 math instructor. It feels great to be back in a school and helping kids with math.

Looking forward to seeing you all in June at our 20th reunion!

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Michael Cuzzi accepted a new position as senior director of government affairs and policy for Brookfield Renewable, a global renewable-energy company based in Gatineau, Quebec. He’ll manage state legislative strategies for all of Brookfield’s assets in the eastern United States, as well as federal government relations in Washington, D.C. Tessa Garley McKinley has been busy running the parent-teacher organization at their daughters’ elementary school while obtaining her certification as an Orton-Gillingham teacher of reading. She’s also helped her husband, Nate, get his new hard cider business started. Pony Shack Cider is now in 10 local liquor stores and restaurants! Becky Allen continues to teach math at Harwood Union High School in Vermont, where she often encourages students to apply to Colby. Becky is happily married and has a 7-year-old girl and a 4-year-old boy. She tried to relive some Colby memories this summer while celebrating her 40th birthday at a Strangefolk concert.

Liz Magyar Stockwell made a career change and joined her father, Steve Magyar ’71, in the financial advisory business. They opened up shop in South Portland about a year ago. They had a Colby intern with them for the summer and hope to continue working Colby connections into their growing business. Liz and her husband, Ben Stockwell ’00, have two boys, 8 and 10, who are busy, active kids and diehard Pats fans. Peter Christopher Felmy works in a busy law practice and has been employing both yoga and yodeling for relaxation techniques. Joshua Scharback lives in Minnetonka, Minn. In February Josh and his wife, Alecia, expected their fourth child, another girl to join Noah, 8, Flora, 5, and Eve, 2. Josh is a pediatric nurse anesthetist and works at Children’s Hospital in Minneapolis. Nina Perkins Newman and her husband live in Ridgefield, Conn., with Lily, 13, Elise, 11, and Will, 8. Nina has taken a new position as director of admissions and financial aid at King School in Stamford. It’s a great school and she’s happy with this move—except her boss went to Bates! At a conference this fall, she ran into fellow Mules Aaron Whitmore ’99 and Molly Bracken Dunne ’97.

Thanks for your contributions, and have an exciting winter!

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Ben Grasso and his wife, Jenn, are relocating to Cumberland, Maine, in March. Their daughter, Cordelia, celebrated her second birthday, and in September they headed to D.C. and ran into Erik Dreisbach ’98 at the wedding of Vlad Dorjet ’98.

Emily Hoberg Roy and her husband had their second daughter, Chloe Ann, in April. With big sister Charlotte, 6, they live in Amherst, N.H., where Emily works at Elliot Hospital as a trainer. Lauren Rothman and Jason Gerbsman are doing well in DC. Kelly Williams Ramot and Lauren recently had a play date with their kids in Central Park while visiting NYC. Lauren’s book, Style Bible: What to Wear to Work, has been translated into three languages, and she enjoyed great recognition this fall fashion season in Real Simple, USA Today, the BBC, and British Vogue.


In November Ezra Dyer was in Los Angeles at the LA Auto Show hanging out with Laurel Coppock—or at least a cardboard facsimile of Laurel, who plays the role of Jane, the Toyota spokesperson, and was just standing around at the show.

Flannery Higgins is still in the greater Cincinnati area and works as the Americas marketing manager for PCMS, a global software company specializing in commerce solutions for retailers. Flannery and Todd Ellis welcomed Lincoln Higgins Ellis at the end of August. He joins big sister Teigan, 7, and big brother, Lathan, 2. They were thrilled to visit Krista Brown Ward for a few days this fall when she came out from...
San Francisco to meet the newest member of the family. With her husband, Rob, big brothers Teddy, 5, and Andrew, 3, Kerry Olson Hawkins welcomed a baby girl, Riley Mathys, in April. Jodi Dakin Loughlin ‘01 is her godmother. Riley needed a place to sleep so they bought a new house in Charlestown, Mass., just a few doors up on the same street on which they’ve enjoyed living the past 10 years.

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Class of 2000! I hope everyone is doing well. Here’s the latest. Patrick Burlingame is leaving behind his family in Philadelphia and career for the past 10+ years in financial services/marketing and joining the U.S. State Department as a U.S. foreign service officer. He headed to Chennai, India, in early 2017 with his wife, Sophie, and daughter, Zita, to work at the U.S. consulate. Andrew Slattery just had his third child, named Patrick. Patrick has two older siblings, Colin, 5, and Madelyn, 2. Andrew’s in his eighth season with the New England Patriots.

Lindsay Stewart Pinchbeck spent three weeks last summer in Malawi offering professional development and sharing ideas with local teachers on how to integrate the arts into their classrooms and curriculum. Lindsay grew and learned way more than the teachers, and lasting friendships were made. The work and support continues from afar. Lindsay works in Hope, Maine, and has developed an arts-integrated elementary school and community art center, Sweet Tree Arts / Sweetland School. She lives in Hope with her husband, Chris Pinchbeck, a bagpipe maker, and children Cameron and Elsie. Ben Mackay is engaged and the wedding was planned for President’s Day Weekend 2017!

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Bill Getty and his wife, Molly, welcomed a daughter, Larkin, in January. Jennifer Jost lives in Peoria, Ill., with her husband and works as a biology professor at Bradley University. In March Jen was awarded tenure and promoted to associate professor. Patrick and Danielle Fornes Quinlan had a daughter, Elliott Helen, in November. They recently moved to the Dallas area and are looking to connect with Colby alumni who live nearby. Danielle still does voice work and recently narrated the audiobook for Allyson Giard Downey’s book, Here’s the Plan, now available on Audible.

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Thrilled to be your new class correspondent and to share all the fantastic things you have going on! Careers are advancing and evolving all around. David Friedman became partner at Rackemann, Sawyer & Brewster, a law firm in Boston, where he specializes in family law. Kendra Shank Krolik started a new job as senior director of strategic growth at College Possible. She also celebrated daughter Annika’s first birthday in November. Her son, Trevor, is now 3. Tammie Sebellius is manager for the London regional office of EF Educational Tours. This position allows her ample opportunities for traveling through Europe, most recently to Portugal. She’s still active on the rugby pitch and looks forward to seeing everyone at our 15th reunion June 1-4.

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Beth Dushman wrote in for the first time since graduation. She’s an assistant professor (with tenure!) of geology at Del Mar College, a community college in Corpus Christi, Texas. She loves teaching, but even after seven years Texas is still a bit of a culture shock. Luckily, her geology and oceanography classes provide her the opportunity to play outside and call it work. Spencer Hutchins is celebrating his sixth anniversary in San Diego with wonderful wife Laurie and their toddler, Cole. He recently incorporated his next start-up company, Concert Health. They’ll help primary care doctors deliver integrated, behavioral health services to their patients. They launched in early 2017 in southern California and Arizona with big dreams of making a difference in the mental health of people all over the country. Kate Hughes finished her two-year executive M.B.A. at Cranfield University in December 2016 and bought a house in Bury St Edmunds, England. She’s also now the global head of purchasing and production for Music Sales, the same company where she started as a receptionist right after Colby. She splits her time between the London and Bury offices and really enjoys the challenge of managing a big team.

2004
Kate Weiler
We have lots of exciting news from our class this time. Matt Ritter was elected Connecticut’s house majority leader last November. Walt and Emily Bernier Shepard welcomed their second child, Nora, in July. They enjoy raising her and her brother Sam, 2, in Freeport, Maine. Brian and Amanda Belden Kraemer welcomed their third child, Savannah, last September. She joins siblings Delilah and Mikey. Kirsten Helmeke moved to Japan for three months to work as a senior medical-writing program manager at Astellas supporting colleagues on the medical-writing team at headquarters in Tokyo. She and her husband, Joe Dudek, continue to call Northbrook, Ill., home. Allison Dwyer married Tom Webb Aug. 26, 2016, in Austin, Texas. They had the most incredible day and were lucky enough to share it with Kaitlin McCafferty, Kim Betz Kears, Grace Becker Lohhead, Ashley Harris, Mandy Zobel, Jen Barrett Crocker, and Meaghan Lane. Allison and Tom left right after the wedding for their new home in Bermuda as Tom preps for the 2017 America’s Cup race in June. Jackie Dupont won the election for Ward 7 city councilor of Waterville, Maine, last November. It was an exciting month as she and her husband, Zack Crate, welcomed their first child, Maeve, shortly after she was sworn in to office. Sari Gilbert Rudolph lives and works in Salem, Mass., and is an elementary school adjustment counselor. Her son, Jackson, 2 1/2, will become a big brother in March. She’s close with Ashley Porter Walsh and Katie Sweeney Lepak and they get together as much as they can. Jesse Morrissey got a new job as art director of 42 Design Fab in Indian Orchard, Mass. They make interactive exhibits and themed environments for museums and galleries. Gabe and Marley Orr Reilly welcomed their first child, Leia Elizabeth Reilly, into the world June 27, 2016. Karen Prager and Emma McCandless and big brother Teddy welcomed new baby Eli June 1. Last fall the whole family had fun getting together with Jesse Morrissey and Janine Elliott, who don’t live far from them. Tim Smith moved back to Boston where he’s director of innovation at the Boston Foundation. He recently attended Abby Wheeler’s wedding to Matt Millis with Susie Blair Ruf, Ande Nicoletti, Meredith Needle, and Ted Sullivan, where they danced like they were in Heights. And as for me, things are continuing to grow with DRINKmaple. My travel schedule led me to Los Angeles, where I was beyond fortunate to have dinner with Lindsey Lainer, who works in the music-publishing business.

**2006**

**2005**

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Phil and Laura Miller Rios have expanded their family, welcoming Lil Riley Catherine Sept. 23. Andrew Volk and his wife are expecting their second child in May (their first, Oona, is 2 1/2). The couple celebrated the third anniversary of their business, Portland Hunt + Alpine Club, and plan to open a new market, restaurant, and bar in Portland’s West End. If ever in Portland, be sure to stop in! Andrew attended Sarah Webster’s wedding to Derek Meier, where he saw many Colby grads, including Ilana Saxe. Tom and Kate Crocker Scarpone Jordan welcomed second baby Isla Weymouth Warfield Jordan Aug. 25. She’s adored by mom and dad, brother Sebastian, and grandmother Ellen Geaney Scarpone ’78. Michael and Melissa Mullen Davis welcomed daughter Abigail Jane in September. They live in the Cleveland, Ohio, area, where Melissa is a visiting assistant professor at College of Wooster and serves on the board of directors of the Graduate Women in Science organization.

Lily Maltz is a pediatrician at Dedham Medical Associates in Massachusetts and is starting to see some Colby babies in her practice—new patients are welcome! Brendan and Amy Campfield Blake welcomed second daughter, Emily, in May. Amy completed her neonatology fellowship in Denver and moved to Marshfield, Wis., where she started as a neonatologist for Marshfield Clinic. Kyle Ross is director of PR for Grand Slam Tennis Tours and Topnotch Management, a representation agency for pro tennis players. Kyle and his fiancé, Jacqueline, live in Burlington, Vt., where they often run into Tom Wilson and Kristin Blodgett ’06. Matt Bucklin and wife Ariana bought a house in Wellington, Mass. for a three-part series by The Maine Center for Public Interest Reporting and serves on the board of directors of the Graduate Women in Science organization.

Best wishes for 2017!
to announce the arrival of their son, Will. Greg reports that, “he arrived in August and is already looking forward to catching his first Colby hockey game this winter.”

Ta-Chung Ong is a NMR staff scientist at UCLA. Zach Haas is an anesthesia resident at UConn and lives in West Hartford. He and his wife just had their second baby, Carolina. Jen Anderson married Isaiah Williams from Belgrade, Maine, in Jen’s hometown of Kennebunk, Maine, last July. Becky Anderson was Jen’s maid of honor and several other Colby folks were in attendance, including Ben Poulos ’08, Erin Beasley ’09, Mike ’05 and Brianna Tufts Walsh, Pranay and Lauren Oliff Sonalakar, Aimee Williams, and Jamie O’Connell ’08.

In January Meggie (Herlihy ’08) and Jeff Barrow moved to Austin, Texas, where Jeff will open his investment consulting firm’s second office. Meggie will remain with Google, working from Austin. Jingling Zhou attended the May 2016 wedding of Haolu Wang ’10 and caught up with Susie Liu, Andrei Romam ’08, Kristen Devlin ’10, Felix Berghmans, Lei Zhang ’09, Brandon Beasley ’10, Mesaye Melese ’10, and Ksenia Pikaleva.

Amanda Vickerson reports that, “in October I traveled west to catch up with BFF Claire Conger Chiaravalle in super cute Ashland, Ore. We had three cheese plates in as many days!”

2008
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Hope your 2017 is off to a great start—it certainly sounded as though the end of 2016 wrapped up nicely for our class.

After 15 months living in Myanmar/Burma doing development work, Steve Frechette moved back to the U.S. and joined an innovation/design consultancy in San Mateo called Jump Associates. Send him a note if you’re in the Bay Area and would like to catch up.

In December Melanie Ungar earned a Ph.D. from the Duke-Carolina Graduate Program in German Studies (a joint program between Duke University and UNC-Chapel Hill).

In November Patrick Collins returned from a three-week holiday in central Europe. He spent several days in the forest in Hungary along the border of Romania, drinking palinka and eating pig’s feet. He’s planning a trip to Denmark, Sweden, and Norway in July.

In May 2016 Meaghan Fitzgerald graduated from Harvard Business School and moved west to start a role on the Minecraft team at Xbox/Microsoft. She loves Seattle and is excited to connect with Colby alumni in the area.

Annie Feutz married Chris Furlong (Williams ’07) Sept. 24 in St. Louis. Pam Dudley and Erin McGowan were bridesmaids. Annie and Chris met at DC Doghead in 2012. In addition to Pam and Erin, Walter Campbell, Julia (Bacon ’09) and Sam Fabens, Patrick Sanders, Liz Neumann ’04, Tanya Rosbash, Alex Halls ’09, Sasha Bartels Pantel, Hillary Smith, Kristina Shimoka, Matt Warshaw, Dan Moss, and Chris Appel ’07 were there to help celebrate. Annie, Hillary, and Kristina spent MLK Day weekend in Asheville, N.C., hiking, brewery hopping, and enjoying good eats.

Darcy Taylor finished her last class of the M.B.A. program through Kelley School of Business with Indiana University in November. Kit Clark and Sarah E. Clark welcomed their daughter, Quinn Amelia Clark, July 10, 2016. Quinn is their first child, and they’ve already introduced her to several ‘08 alumni.

Sam Kennedy-Smith and Kristine Robin celebrated the 90th birthday of Harriet Glassow Singer (’47 but graduated ’46) in Rhode Island in November. She is an inspirational Golden Mule who has spent more than 30 years working as a social worker for Planned Parenthood in Rhode Island.

Thanks for the updates!

2009
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Kate Humphrey moved to Detroit last spring and works on public-private partnerships in the city’s Housing and Revitalization Department. Paolo Pepe moved from Boston to Chicago in October. He works at a digital marketing firm in the Loop and enjoys bar hopping in Logan Square. He spent Christmas with Katie-Elyse Turner in San Francisco and plans to visit Fern Jeremiah in Ireland this summer. He’s also planning a trip to Houston so he can see Kate Vasconi Stoessel. Lisa Portis visited Windsor, Ont. from Flushing, Mich.

Lisa Portis received a doctorate in physical therapy from the University of Rhode Island and got married last September. Her bridal party included Kelly McKone and Cynthia Anderson-Bauer. Also in attendance were Sarah Whitfield, Christie Shu Gilliland, and Nathan Hill. Lisa now works at Rhode Island Hospital in outpatient physical therapy services with a focus on pelvic physical therapy and women’s health.

Jamie Goldring got engaged in September to his boyfriend of three years, Larry Ong (BU ’12). Jamie proposed to him at Race Point Beach in Provincetown at sunset. Last summer they bought a condo together in Boston’s South End. While the interior space is small, the garden is large by city standards and they enjoyed gardening, barbecuing, and nesting throughout the fall.

Alex Richards and Alex Hoder have been mourning the loss of Josh Sadownik from their New York trifecta after his defection to Boston.

Shafeek Mohamed and his fiancée, Kumari Singh, had a traditional Hindu engagement ceremony in Queens, N.Y. Amy Kwak, Ratul Bhattacharyya, Amy Lu, and Liz Bower ’08 attended.

Jamie Warner, Cassie Cornell, Hannah Pajolek, Cara Whalen, Megan Saunders, and Soelma Shagardava had a mini-reunion at Megan’s house in Hood River, Ore., last fall.

Alix Luce, Emily Hansen, Sarah Ross-Benjamin, and Jamie Warner had ice cream “to go” during a girls’ weekend last August in NYC.

Caroline Greene and Ruan van den Broek started the Minecraft team at Xbox/Microsoft.

In December 2016 wrapped up nicely for our class. Certain sounds as though the end of the year is not far away. We’ve been hearing the peeling, crackling sounds of the new year more and more frequently. The holidays are almost here. What do you plan to do?

In November

Brittany Hamblin McInerney,

Annie Feutz, and

Jamie Goldring

married.

Noah Balazs married

Essie Widmer

in Maine. They also went to the wedding of

Patrick Boland

and Jill Brimmer in Portland, Maine. They also went to the wedding of

David Way

and Rose Naone in Lowell, Mass.

Ruth Langton Clifford got married last July. In attendance were her maid of honor

Hanna Schenk,

Kelsey Potdevin,

Lexie Praggastis ’10,

Delia Massey,

Jordanne Dunn,

Kaylea Nelson,

and

Kathleen Maynard.

Harry Goldstein is back in Chicago with a new position at Amcor, a company he also worked for in Singapore. Any Mules seeking shelter in Chicago should give him a shout.

Alessa Broeksmist received an A.A.S. degree in interior design from Parsons School of Design last May and works at West Chin Architects, an interior design and architecture firm in NYC. In July she got engaged to Andrew Hess in Newport, R.I. They’ll tie the knot in September in Napa Valley. She’s excited to have

Catherine Monrad Ansip,

Lucie Miller,

Molly Corbett,

and

Caitlin Wyman Malone

in her bridal party.

Ned Warner and his partner, Ashley, moved to Leadville, Colo. He says to come visit!

Scott Zeller,

Danny Wasserman,

and

Dan Heinrich

are training for their first half Ironman in Victoria, B.C. Their sisters will also participate while their families cheer them on.

Eben Witherspoon married Emily Snickenger ’10 Sept. 3, 2016, in Chicago with several Colby classmates in attendance.

Allison Stewart graduated with a veterinary degree from the University of Edinburgh in Scotland in July. She married Nico Rumboll Sept. 24 in Kentucky. Sameera Anwar ’10, Hallie Atwater, Jenn Burke, Christine Gardner,
10s NEWSMAKERS

Baltimore TV station WIZ ran a story on a novel approach by Emily Fleming ‘12 used in her seventh grade yoga class. After police officers practiced yoga with her students in sweats, they shocked the students by showing up one day in uniforms. "The idea was just to improve relationships," Fleming said. ● Chishala Kapupu ‘12 was one of two youth ambassadors at the Budapest Water Summit in December 2016. She participated in a forum that led to formulation of a youth statement and represented youth at the summit’s closing. ● Vox Populi, a public forum for politics and poetry, published an essay by Priscilla McCelvey ‘13. In her “Manifesto for Global Citizenship,” she asks readers to “seek mindfulness in your words.” ● Renzo Moyano ‘14 was included in the feature story “Meet the Young Ecuadorians Behind the First Kichwa-Language Radio Show in the U.S.” in Remezcla, a media brand for Latino millennials.

Daniel Gomez, Michelle Graff ‘10, Ben Green, Jessica Lueders-Dumont, Emma McLeavey-Weeder, Christina Mok, Krish Rele, Danny Wasserman, and Scott Zeller were present. Their second wedding is in Córdoba, Argentina, and they’re looking forward to seeing many of them again.

2010

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Catalina Cadavid graduated from Fordham University School of Law in May; studied for, took, and passed the New York State bar over the summer; and married David Melroy in September. She’s since joined a small labor and employment law firm in Manhattan, Pechman Law Group. Victoria Gonzalez made time in her busy doctor schedule to be one of her bridesmaids. ● Jordan Schoonover moved back to Portland, Ore., and started a new job practicing energy and environmental law. ● Last September Danielle Carlson completed her first full Ironman in Madison, Wis. I’m looking forward to seeing Colby classmates in March for her wedding! ● Ben Metcalf ‘11 proposed to Jevan Jammal on top of Mount Katahdin in August. She, of course, said yes! And they hiked down from the mountain in pure bliss. ● Austin Scholl and Traver Elder are getting married next summer in Lake Placid. He has a new job as a blimp driver. ● Andrew Cox moved to Dublin, Ireland, to study medicine at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI). He’s excited to be across the pond for the next four years. ● Reuben Biel is finishing his Ph.D. in ecology at Oregon State University, and Fran (Still) Biel works at Oregon Health and Science University in the epidemiology department. They expected their second daughter in January. ● In late August, on the Maine coast, Claire Tinsley married Eric Firmhaber on what was the most perfect Maine summer day. Kaitlin Lynch Oroho, Blythe Miller, Christine Friar, Alec Oot, and Allie Todd joined in to help celebrate and enjoy the festivities. ● Last year Pat Findaro and his brother started their firm Visa Franchise, based out of Miami. They advise foreign nationals on U.S. franchise investments that qualify for investor visas. Currently, they have more than 35 clients from nine countries. ● Mike Baldwin and Sara Cameron got married June 18 and had a Colby crew (across many classes!) there! I’m two-thirds of the way through my accelerated nursing program (but who’s counting?) at Regis University in Denver. I’ve discovered that the best way to study for exams is packed into the car with ski gear and friends on the way to the mountains.

2011

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Alexandra Welker earned her Ph.D. in neuroscience from Ohio State University in August and started her postdoctoral fellowship at the MGH Cancer Center in Boston. ● In addition to enjoying all of the wonderful outdoor activities Boulder has to offer, Lia Engelsted and her sister spent six months renovating a house they bought together. ● Charlotte Wilder currently lives in Washington, D.C. When she isn’t daydreaming about SPA buffalo chicken fingers, she is a staff writer at SB Nation—VoxMedia’s sports site—where she writes about the intersection of culture and sports, and tells questionable jokes on the Internet. ● In July Sarah Martinez Roth began a Ph.D. program in tumor biology at Georgetown University. ● Heather Pratt and David Lowe were married at Colby in August, where they enjoyed a pre-wedding night at Mainely’s and had fun dancing with Colby friends at their reception in Foss. They moved to Brunswick and love being back in Maine. ● Sai Chavalli attended the wedding of Leah Turino ’10 and Patrick Roche ’09. ● The Class of 2011 is well represented at Cornell University’s Samuel Curtis Johnson Graduate School of Management, where Jayad Doyon, Amy Hernandez, and Laura Berzins are pursuing their M.B.A.s. ● Stephanie Scarpato hosted a charity ALS hockey tournament in honor of her father, Bob Scarpato, in September. Alex Essman and Elissa Kurtz played in the tournament with alumnae Becky Julian ’09, Lacey Brown ’09, Amanda Comeau ’09, Kaitlyn Conway ’10, and Colette Finley ’09. Sadly, they’re no longer in the best hockey shape and lost against Stephanie’s Cape Cod team during the tournament, but they’ll always play with Mule pride no matter how old they feel.

2012

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Reunion is right around the corner—those five years have flown by! Looking forward to seeing all of you on Mayflower Hill June 2-4, 2017. ● Hannah DeAngelis and Aleah Starr ’11 got married in Readfield, Maine, last August. They were surrounded by friends from the Classes of ’10, ’11, ’12, and ’13, who also generously spent their time, energy, and love to help build the venue from the ground up. ● Nathan Katsiaficas has taken a job as geologist with a Maine environmental firm, Woodard & Curran. He hopes to see many Class of 2012 Colby friends in 2017. ● Joe Albano and Chessy Breene moved back to Boston from Washington, D.C. Chessy graduated from Georgetown in May 2016 with an M.A. in strategic marketing communications and then joined World Relief as a product development specialist. The role takes her all over the world to document product strengths and interview program beneficiaries for donor communications. Most recently, she was in Rwanda and the Congo and will travel to Jordan and Iraq in 2017. Joe graduated from Georgetown Law magna cum laude in May 2016 and was sworn into the Massachusetts bar. He works as a first-year associate at Proskauer Rose, LLP in the private credit group. Joe and Chessy will marry June 3. ● Last year was a busy one for Trip Venturella: he finished work on two theatre spaces in Boston and began an M.F.A. program in playwriting at Ohio University. ● Chelsea Sonksen released issue 02 of her new independent magazine, Bossladles. Taajen Hedayet ‘11 photographed the fall party, and Leigh Bullion ’10 and Jenna Gundersen helped with the final round of edits. ● Petey Randall took a break from the LA music world to DJ Jenny Stephens and Gordon Lessorsohn’s epic wedding in Portland. Last holiday season he was DJ’ing in NY with two members of the original “Staffurrry,” Brandon Nieuw and Matt Boys-Watson. ● Evan O’Neill started a new job at Jana, a mobile advertising company focused on bringing free Internet to emerging markets. He has plans to travel to Santa Monica in 2017 for an ultimate Frisbee tournament with Will Bloomhardt, David Furman, and Matt Burton ’14. ● Andrew Estrada departed the U.S. DOT to serve as North Carolina press secretary for Hillary for America. He had the time of his life acquainting himself with the many wonderful features of the Tar Heel State (though he was hoping for a different outcome). ● Caitlin Burchill moved across country to continue growing as a journalist. She now works as the morning reporter at KSL, an NBC affiliate in Salt Lake City. Before leaving Bangor, Maine, some of her former volleyball teammates—Kate Pleasant’s ‘14, Anna Clifford ‘14, Anne Sewall, Ellie Linden ‘14, and Emily Varn ‘13—helped her cross off a big Maine bucket list item: climbing Mt. Katahdin. ● Ben Grimmig and Aileen Evans are happy to share that they recently got engaged in Washington, D.C. They’re both finishing up their master’s programs and are planning a wedding for 2018. ● Maddie Purcell started a cooking-competition company, Fyood Kitchen, that puts on Iron Chef-meets-Paint Nite events for date nights, parties, or team-building activities. Following the Kickstarter campaign, they planned to open to the public in Portland, Maine, and eventually expand to five other cities by the end of 2017. She enjoyed playing on ultimate Frisbee teams with many friends last summer: Jen Beatty, Julie Kafka, Lisa Seaton ’09, Ross Neht ‘10, and Henry Powell ’09.
2013
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Hope everyone is having a wonderful 2017 so far! ● Dan Chiniara writes that in Boston, he, Jay Holman, Molly Rogers, and Mariel Lambrukos “have been crushing Trident Trivia on a semi-regular, semi-unde-feated basis. David Cain abandoned the team to climb in Seattle.” ● Julia Kneef returned to the U.S. and started a job at the consulate of the Netherlands in NYC. ● Nate Krupp is in his first year of Penn’s cellular and molecular biology program. ● Esther King lives in Brussels, Belgium, and is a journalist at Politico. “I joined when it launched in March 2015 and am now an editor for its forum section, working mostly on opinion pieces and features by outside contributors,” she says. ● Dhokela Yeziar writes, “I’m currently in Kauai, Hawaii, practicing natural Korean and Vedic farming until March while undertaking an Ayurvedic health counselor course and practicing Ayurvedic treatments. On weekends I go camping and chant to the moon. By February I intend to be 200 RTY-trained yoga teacher and bring my trainings back to Maine!” ● Brian Russo has launched his own sound therapy business, Be Sound Now, in the Boston area. He’s also teamed up with the travel company Explorations of Self to do sound healings on yoga retreats. He attended a retreat in Peru’s Sacred Valley last year and began the new year with a retreat in Nosara, Costa Rica. Brian is passionate about tuning people into their purpose through the power of sound. ● Congratulations to two 2013ers on their wedding! Nearly seven years since they started dating as freshmen, Ryan Winter and Kendall Hatch (now Kendall Winter) were married last summer. Dozens of friends from the Classes of 2011 through 2015 ventured to York, Maine, to celebrate. Kendall writes, “It was a blast catching up with everyone and dancing the night away! The wedding party included Julia Crouter, Lindsay Garrard, Becca Levenson, Rachel Haines, Ismael Perez, and Josef Broder. With Colby so heavily represented, it was only fitting that a Colby alum officiate the wedding, too: thanks to Jerry Crouter ’78 for taking up the task!”

2014
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Gift Ntuli completed a master’s in geophysics at Baylor University in Texas and now works in San Jose, Calif., for a geophysical firm. He looks forward to connecting with Mules in the bay area. ● Last spring Dakota Rabbitt moved to New York City from Boston to pursue a career in advertising with BBDO. His favorite part of the move has been rekindling his friendship with Julia Blumenstyk. His biggest complaint is that the bars only stay open until 4 a.m. He tries to maintain daily communication with Alec Finigan. ● Erin Fitzsimmons and Gian-Antonio Perani released the final three episodes of their online mini-series Good Grief. Erin directed and produced while Gian-Antonio was a lead actor. The series can be viewed at goodgrieftv.com. ● Will Hochman is in New York City and acted in the off-Broadway premier of Dead Poets Society at Classic Stage Company. ● Mo Kelly moved back East and started a new job teaching math at Stratton Mountain School in Vermont. She spent much of the fall hiking in the Green Mountains and the Berkshires with her new puppy, Sky. She looks forward to reconnecting with Colby friends in New England and is praying for some good snowfall in 2017. ● Ian Boldt started a new job at Cushing Academy in Massachusetts, where he’s head lacrosse coach and also works in the admissions office. Over the summer Ian, Pete Reiley, Phil Champoux, Buddy Reed, Russ Wilson, and several other Colby alumni and current lacrosse players spent a weekend playing lacrosse in honor of lacrosse coach Jack Sandler, who passed away a year ago. ● Kimara Nzamubona returned from a volunteering trip in her home village, Minembe, in South Kivu province, Democratic Republic of the Congo. She returned for the first time in eight years and spent 18 days there teaching English and bringing environmental protection awareness to the locals. Hervolunteering opportunity is open to everyone, and she’d love to make the Colby community aware of the opportunity. If anyone wants to volunteer abroad for the summer, contact her. ● Katia Licea has been in the Peace Corps since June 2015 working on an English-literacy project on the island of Grenada in the eastern Caribbean. Last year she worked with her community to renovate the local elementary school to include a new library and computer lab. She also works with the nonprofit Hands Across the Sea to supply books for the local library. ● Tom Nagler moved from Leucadia, Calif., to the Teton Valley, where he’ll run the kitchen for the National Outdoor Leadership School’s avalanche training and backcountry shredding campus. ● Erik Douds is creating the first travel notebook for the diabetic community. He recently launched the blog DiabetesAbroad.com. He’s also training for a half Ironman triathlon in Cuba. ● Alex Yorke, Ellen Evangelides, and Tess Perese moved into an apartment together in Chicago. ● James Kim spent last summer traveling in Southeast Asia with former East Quad roommate Brian Fung. James is a first-year student at University of Pennsylvania Law School, joining Sam Kim and Josh Balk, who are third-years there. ● Jasmine Phillips is also attending graduate school at the University of Pennsylvania. ● Becky Forgrave is working towards her Ph.D. in geology and environmental studies at the University of Pittsburgh. ● I recently completed a bicycle tour along the entire U.S. Pacific coast, starting in Vancouver, Canada, and ending at the U.S.-Mexico border. I camped and slept outside for the duration of the trip and met some incredible people along the way. I quit my job to do the trip so I’m now enjoying unemployment and looking for another job (successful Colby alums, hit me up!). I wrote this column in December on a plane en route to Tokyo, where I visited my brother for two weeks.

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Maggie Rooney, Molly Lucas, and Eva Lauer ran the NYC Marathon together Nov. 6 as a part of Team for Kids. ● Joseph Whitfield lives in Arkansas where he “enjoys teaching and running through the sixth with my woes (read sixth-grade students).” ● Zach Esami moved to the big city (NYC) and started working as an offering manager for IBM Watson. He also volunteers at Citizens’ Climate Lobby and the NY League of Conservation Voters, two organizations focused on expanding renewable energy and diminishing fossil fuel emissions. Zach looks forward to finding time to ski this winter. ● Melissa Preziosi and Andy Clevenger got engaged last August at Yosemite National Park and plan an intimate wedding sometime in the next two years. They hope their close Colby friends will join them for a mini reunion. ● Meg Hassey teaches second grade at a charter school in Boston and is finishing her master’s in teaching. ● Matt Lipman moved home to NYC last November after working on Songbird Farm in Unity, Maine. Since then, he started bartending at Alphabet City Beer Co., a craft beer bar in the East Village, and at Transmitter Brewing. In June Matt was promoted to general manager of Alphabet City, which was recently named “Most Loved Bar in New York” by Time Out. To give some perspective, Matt’s passion for beer began while home brewing with Christopher Abbott, his sophomore year at Colby, Matt explains, “In some ways I owe it to Colby and my friendship with Christopher for pushing me in this direction.”

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Class of 2016, our first column will be in the next issue of Colby Magazine, where you can find updates from classmates. As correspondent, I’ll be thrilled to hear what everyone has been up to. Send me news any time at the address above. Happy New Year!