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David Weber continues teaching computer classes to seniors, where they learn skills in word processing, e-mail and Internet use, greeting card production, and photograph processing. Recently he compiled the illustrated story of his homeowners association, Jasmine Creek, and the history of its land use dating back to 1836.

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September a granddaughter will marry in southern France—romantic! She’ll go to Vienna from there.  + Ronnie Farkas’s big change is that they now live full time in La Jolla, Calif., in a house they bought six years ago. The climate is ideal and the cultural options are limitless. One house is more than enough responsibility, so La Jolla is where they’ll be. They plan to look for a waterfront cottage for a month after Labor Day to maintain contact with East Coast friends. They have accumulated lots of new friends in La Jolla and are avid bridge players. Contact them at 2676 Caminito Prado, La Jolla, CA 92037 or at 858-456-1260.

30/40 MILESTONES

1949
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Thanks to Haroldene Whitcomb Wolf, who was “glad to help pad the column,” I have a smidgen of news. Deanie is still playing tennis and golf—way to go, Deanie! She and Marshall have a new “grandchild” in the form of a rescue dog, part Shih Tzu, part poodle, which she says is an endearing combo. All of my beagles except for the first one have been rescue dogs of one sort or another, and I’m convinced they are forever grateful for a loving home. + Well, how about some of the rest of you sort or another, and I’m convinced they will always be a member of the greatest class—ever. All the best.

1950
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Sorry this column is so brief, but there has been a dearth of news from our class. Please let me know what is happening in your life. Grandchildren? Book club? Courses? Volunteer work? If you don’t have e-mail just send a note to 479 Ridgeview Road, Orange, CT 06477. + On the personal side, I had my second hip replacement in November, and my twin sister, Allie (Alice Jennings Castelli), not to be outdone, had a replacement two months later! Unfortunately, hers wasn’t planned as was mine—she fell at home and broke her hip. We both have done fine with the help of my husband and my daughter, who are both nurses. We’ll miss you, Chas. + Cass Lightner couldn’t be at reunion because his granddaughter was graduating from Amherst. + John “Criff” Crawford planned to join us from Martha’s Vineyard—I hope with his lovely wife. Criff keeps busy planting his gardens and playing golf but finds time for Meals on Wheels. Nice going Criff. + Ted Weaver is busy breaking in his fourth computer and is doing some radio operating with many stations. We hope to connect at reunion. + John Linscott is entering his fifth year as a jazz band leader. + I was at Colby for reunion and co-hosted the alumni golf tournament. + Please put Colby in your will—you will add a lot to our classy class no matter how much you give. You will always be a member of the greatest class—ever. All the best.

1952
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Due to illness and a lengthy rehabilita-
tion, your correspondent was unable to put together a column for this issue. Check back next quarter for news from the Class of 1952.

1953
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I hope everyone is enjoying their summer activities. Rick Tyler and his wife, Ann, still live in Salt Lake City, where they usually ski 30 to 40 times a season. This year, however, Rick’s season was shortened so he could receive a new knee. Rick will be back in Maine for his 12th summer at his home-by-the-sea in Ogunquit. He says he plans to leave for a week in Colorado to attend his granddaughter’s wedding. + Another classmate, Tommi Thompson Staples, said, “I have taken the first step towards being bionic.” She, too, received a new knee, last September. This summer she’ll enjoy Broadway shows with her granddaughter in New York City, then will go cross-country for some West Coast fun with her other granddaughter. + Carolyn English Caci had the “distinguished honor” of being the oldest Colbyette at the 60th anniversary reunion of the Colbyettes at Colby in April. She spent only one day there because of the April Fools Day snow storm. Sandy Pearson Anderson ’52 was supposed to go with Carolyn, but was in the hospital at the time. Carolyn reported that Sandy is okay at this writing. + Priscilla Eaton Billington looked forward to graduation season. Yet another Billington “offspring” graduates from Colby this year then heads for postgraduate study at Columbia. I have lost count. How many, Priscilla and Ray? It doesn’t seem like a long time. + A. David Lavin wrote in for the first time with a brief synopsis of his life after Colby. David earned a Ph.D. in sociology from NYU, which he attributes to his relationship with Kingsley Birge. After a postdoc fellowship at Harvard, he taught at the University of Pennsylvania until 1970, when he started working for the City University of New York. At CUNY he studied its “open admissions” program until his retirement 40 years later. He’s authored five books and many articles and papers and has traveled to Europe, the Caribbean, and Latin America. He lives in New York City but summers in the Hamptons, where he loves to read on the beach. He has three daughters and four grandchildren. + Keep the news coming—any tidbit is welcome.

1954
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Art offers apologies to the Class of 1954 for the lack of column this issue. This is the first time he’s missed a submission during his tenure as correspondent. Medical issues with his wife, Anne, prevented him from submitting a column this quarter. Check back in the next issue for news from the Class of 1954.

1955
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Greetings ’55ers! Several great “down memory lane” events have occurred on campus. On April 2, 46 Colbyettes convened for their 60th anniversary gathering, including five from the ’50s: Carolyn “Muffin” English Caci ’53 (from the original founding group), Kathie Flynn Carrigan, Barbara Preston Hayes ’56, Ann Jefferson Barnes ’57, and Debbie Robson Cobb ’58. We performed a few old-time barbershop harmonies, seldom heard nowadays, and thrilled a packed audience in Lorimer Chapel. It was especially great
to greet Professor Ré and his wife, Betty. Dr. Ré came to Colby the same year we did (1951). The same evening, the Colby Chorale, directed by Paul Machlin and having just returned from Spain, sang an extraordinary performance to a second full audience. While having lunch, I noticed a large poster that read: Johnson Day today! It turned out to be a revival of Johnson Day, which ran from 1952 to 1964. On Johnson Day in 1954, then-President Dr. Seelye Bixler joined us, and before long a tractor pulled into the field across from Mary Low driven by former President Franklin Johnson! We all helped plant the seedling trees on Mayflower Hill that grew to be massive. Even the Colbettes sang out in the field! This year 105 students and Physical Plant workers cleared walkways, painted buildings, washed windows. Hopefully this tradition will continue.

Harriet Sears Fraser had a great trip from Maine to California to see her roommate, Sistie Restall Horn. She was kindly greeted at the airport by Eric and Beryl Wellersdieck Piper, who escorted her to Sistie’s home. The Hornes and Pipers were loyal Colby friends who took the “red eye” to Maine for their reunions. Since that last visit, Sistie’s husband, Bob, has passed away. There is more sad news. We lost Selden Staples, husband of Sue (Biven). April 25. Sue and Selden worked tirelessly to break the giving record of any other ‘55 reunion class with a grand total of $96,435 for our 50th! Dave and Nancy Robinson Rollins still live in Tucson and in Chatham, Mass. They’re well and active. Luckily Karl ‘54 and Jane Millett Dornish are still in Winslow, close enough to attend many concerts, talks, and sports events on campus. Hal and Marilyn Faddis Butler took a wonderful cruise with their son and his wife. Marilyn and Hal enjoy Florida retirement on the “nature coast” (west) with tennis, golf, cruising, and reading. Marilyn has joined the church choir (the first singing since the Colby Chorus!). John Dutton sends greetings from Citrus Heights, Calif. Paul and Germaine Michaud Orloff were in Treasure Cay, Abaco, Bahamas, where it was 86 degrees. Some of their children came for Christmas—“there were 18 of us in four villas!” One highlight was having lunch with Archie and Jean Hayes Anderson, who looked “great and hadn’t changed much!” All of Germaine’s family are planning to celebrate Paul’s 80th birthday this summer, which she hopes to enjoy but not plan. Jack and Ann Burnham Deering love their new digs in Falmouth, Maine, a condo just across Route 1 from daughter Janet. They see her often, but have trepidations crossing Route 1, even though there is a crosswalk. “It’s a 50-50 chance,” said Ann. “Some cars speed by, others slow down. I call it car-tag. You put your life in your hands!”

Ellie Small Hudson and 14 of her family members had a grand time at Disney World. She and her husband have seven grandchildren. One graduated from Bowdoin, one is a junior at Hamilton studying abroad at the University of Berlin (and singing with the chorus in German), one graduates this year from Portland High, and the rest are still in high school. “Cheer! Keep in touch!”


Robert A. Marden ‘50 received the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Community Service Award in April. Marden, an attorney in Waterville, former state senator, and trustee emeritus, has served on numerous boards in central Maine and devoted his life to helping others, the Morning Sentinel reported. “Bob’s life has been all about service,” said Kim Lindlof, president of the chamber. The New England College of Optometry (NECO) highlighted Dr. Alton Lambot ’52 in its Vision-aires newsletter. A 1955 alumnus of NECO, Lambot, an optometrist in Newton, Mass., for 35 years, “exhibited an extraordinary commitment to his profession and his patients,” the article says. He also founded an eye-care facility in Boston’s South Cove Chinese Community Center and was chief of eye care for the Massachusetts Department of Health Services.

there." Anne produces calendars and note cards from her many travels and features her products in the Exeter Fine Arts Store in Exeter, N.H. « Eleanor Duckworth still teaches full time at Harvard’s Graduate School of Education, but I sense that retirement may be on the horizon. Dear to her heart these days is modern dancing, which she resumed 16 years ago. She’s having a wonderful time in three dance companies in the Boston area and also traveling with a fourth company out of Montreal. « Leslie Wyman Randolph-Branccart enjoys living in Brunswick, Maine, and takes advantage of all that the college (Bowdoin) has to offer. She and her husband, Claude, still sail the waters of Casco and Penobscot bays and travel a lot to keep up with grandchildren. Leslie sings in her church choir and is chairing the search committee for a new director of music. Leslie visited Janet Kimball Clymer in Colorado last December and reports that Janet looks great and is making some progress in her therapy, despite communication challenges. « Carol and Peter Merrill moved recently to the West End of Portland, a wonderful location in the heart of the city. Peter keeps busy playing piano with various bands, including Port City Jazz, his own trio, and with Pete Collins in the midcoast of Maine (Coveside South Bristol) during the summer. This June, as usual, Peter sang in a Colby Eight alumni group along with Bo Olsen and Tom Brackin for the Class of 1961’s 50th reunion. Which reminds me, while we are on the subject of reunions, that in June 2012 we’ll celebrate our 55th! Just a gentle reminder, but more on that later.

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After 30 years Judy Levine Brody will no longer work in Admissions and Financial Aid at Colby. “It has been a real pleasure to have worked for our College all these years, along with many classmates and other alumni volunteers.” Judy will miss her contacts from all classes but looks forward to keeping busy, especially spending time with her nine grandchildren. « Last winter Beverly and Dan Yett traveled to Ecuador, highlighted by a week in the Galapagos Islands. They spent several days in a historic hacienda in the Andes and visited a photogenic crafts market in Otavalo. They then returned to Istanbul for 10 days of wandering with their son and two granddaughters, who live in Skopje, Macedonia. « Last winter Ed and Carol Hathaway de Lemos’s local newspaper interviewed them about their recent trip to Egypt. On the plane they learned from an Egyptian student that a big demonstration against Mubarak was being planned. For the first few days they saw fairly peaceful crowds, but gradually their guides grew cautious and concerned and kept tourists separate from locals. Once they even got a whiff of tear gas. When they arrived in Cairo for their trip down the Nile, their itinerary was cancelled. They were flown to Milan and then returned to the States. The adventure was alarming and disappointing. When that area is more stable, they hope to return for that trip down the Nile. « Four singing classmates continue to share their talents: Marian Woodsome and Debbie Robson Cobb attended the Colbyettes 60th reunion the first weekend in April with five other alumni from the ’50s and ’60s, joining a total of about 50 singers. They visited with Peter and Betty Ré, who attended the Colbyettes concert. “It was great fun. The campus, draped in white snow, was gorgeous!” « On April 6 Helen Payson Seager sang in a special alumni choir of Harvard University Choir at the memorial service for Harvard’s Plummer Professor of Christian Morals Rev. Peter Gomes. “The music was fabulous and the whole experience a treat.” « David Adams planned to sing again for the Colby Eight’s performance at the Class of ’61’s 50th reunion banquet in June. “I had thought I might not want to continue after losing Peter Bridge and Bump Bean ’51, and it certainly won’t be the same, but the group isn’t ready to fold just yet. We’ll make another attempt to resurrect ‘the old songs.’” « John Edes recently welcomed a great-granddaughter, Peyton Brie Edes. Unfortunately he also broke his leg and spent February in a rehab center, impersonating Jack Nicholson in One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest. Scratch those golf outings for a while. John did enjoy having lunch with Charles Twigg ’57, former teammate and frat brother who “often visits with old teammates before we play in the court in the sky!” « In September Kay (German ’59) and Al Dean went to Tanglewood to set up the WICN radio booth and see one of their favorite entertainers, John Pizzarelli. There were no tickets left, but a little wrangling got them box seats next to the stage. Since then John has gone to the radio station and appeared at a local tavern, the Bull Run, in Shirley, Al is still host on the Sunday Jazz Matinee on WICN 90.5. “We are NPR and one of about 15 stations in the U.S. that still broadcast 20 hours of jazz daily. It has been such fun meeting very talented people over the last 12 years, having them as guests, collecting old jazz vinyl records, and playing them on air.”

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Elaine (Healey ’62) and Paul Reichert participated in the U.S. Power Squadron’s annual meeting held near Orlando in February. They attended seminars and helped at the registration desk. In March a group from the Friendship Force Clubs from Tashkent and Moscow spent a week with their club. In June they expected to go to their granddaughter’s high school graduation—she’s valedictorian of her class—and then will continue on to see other sons in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. In November they’ll go to Mexico with son number four and his wife. Last winter Paul watched the recovery of a small plane that crashed into the Atlantic Ocean less than a half mile from their house, killing two people. « In May Mary Ranlett Mossman and her husband sold the family home in Bangor, which has been in Mary’s family since 1936, and moved to a new home in Stuarts Draft, Va., to be near their daughter, her husband, and three boys. Their son will be four hours away in North Carolina with his wife and two sons. Mary wonders if there are other Colby classmates in the Shenandoah Valley. « I just returned from a very informative Road Scholar program on the Amish and Mennonites in Lancaster, Pa. Please write—I need your news.

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Judy Allen Ferretti and her husband had brief respite from the harsh New England winter with trips to Arizona for a Mount Ida College’s board of trustees meeting and a visit with the retired president, with whom Judy worked closely as board chair. They looked forward to a trip in May with friends to several national parks in Utah and Arizona. « Debbie Wilson Albee is lucky to have many Colby folks in her life. She regularly sees Liz Mavis, Judy Hatfield, Wendy Mc William Denneen, and Charlotte Wood MacPhetres. Debbie, Betsy Perry Burke ’61, and Janice Coburn Ananian ’59 are active members in the Exeter Congregational UCC church, where they knit prayer comfort shawls on a monthly basis. Both Debbie and her daughter, Rebecca Bullien ’84, have had knee surgeries performed by orthopedic surgeon Dr. Roger Nowak ‘88. « Dick Lucier and Jock Knowles played in the May golf tournament sponsored by the Colby football program at the Beverly Golf Club. They were perhaps the oldest...
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participants! ● Kay and Ralph Nelson have a wonderful time living in Florida. In April Ralph participated in a family bike ride down the Florida Keys. This summer he’ll help develop cycling routes for several New England sections of the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route, which runs from Newport, R.I., to Yorktown, Va. See www.w3r-us.org. ● Ellie and Russell Zych enjoyed another fantastic spring in “paradise” (Rainbow Springs, Marion County, Florida). They’ve been there 13 years since Russell retired from the fashion fabrics business in NYC. They still travel quite a bit and looked forward to a two-week trip in May to Lancaster County, England, where they celebrated their 50th anniversary doing further ancestral research into their families’ genealogy. They thoroughly enjoy staying at B&Bs, where they meet interesting people from all over the world, and stayed at a nice cottage in Blackburn while motoring around the county. ● Tony ’57 and Bev Jackson Glockler put in many hours of time with their local EMS squad. Bev wonders why members with the longest service run so many of the calls. They had a wonderful trip, minus the deserts, in November 2010 to the Middle East. They came home to Thanksgiving with all their family. ● Eunice Bucholz Spooner had a great time in Boston with two of her sons. She was lucky to attend two Red Sox games with her oldest son and family, thanks to Ken Nigro. She plans to go again before she gets a Great Dane puppy. She’ll be cruising January 15-29, 2012, the first week in January. You can correspond supplied some electronic editing suggestions, but Betsy and Helen really put the book “to bed.” ● Please remember to share your post-reunion news. Many of you will travel after the trip to Colby, and our future columns will reflect these adventures!

1962

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Greetings from Maine! Tax season has ended for me and maple syrup season ended successfully with the Farnham family descendants producing almost 50 gallons of the sweet liquid. Next year we’ll return to the beautiful campus of our alma mater to celebrate our 50th reunion. Your committee is hard at work planning a great weekend. Is there anyone who feels they have been out of Colby 50 years? ● One thing in common with all who respond is they plan to be with us in June 2012. Brenda Wroblewski Gottschalk has not given up working. She recently escorted 12 travel agents from Argentina for an inspection tour. Brenda was sure they had bought the farm on a horrendous flight over the Andes. Earlier this winter she took a trip to Venice, Florence, and Rome. Next it was to NC to see her son’s Special Forces graduation. He is now an official Green Beret. ● Sandy Keef Hunter journeyed to Texas for an intensive birding trip to state parks and national wildlife refuges around Harlingen. ● Dick Mittelman spends most of his winters in Ft. Lauderdale and the remainder of the year at their condo in Warren, R.I. Dick still practices business law, although not for as many hours as he once did. ● Gail Macmber Cheeseman is another classmate still working. She and husband Doug will lead wildlife trips in Brazil’s Pantanal. Normally in the summer they lead safaris in Tanzania and Kenya at the peak of the northern Serengeti migration. But this August they’ll embark on a quest for jaguars in the Pantanal instead of for African cats.

1963

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Judith Allen Austin, in NM, stays in touch with Buck ’62 and Nat Gates Lawton, who moved back to CT. Judith gets together with Katherine McGee Christie-Wilson ’66 for hiking and camping. Judith and husband Noel will be in Maine for his 50th Bowdoin reunion. ● Michael Archer is doing well and still living in Brazil. Jim ’62 and Jean Eielson Bridgeman will celebrate the healing of her back (she had seven vertebrae fused) by taking a river cruise down the Volga from Moscow to St. Petersburg. Jean’s totally au courant with Facebook! ● After a Peace Corps 50-year reunion in DC in September, Sandra Moulton Burridge will visit classmate Lillian Waugh in West Virginia. ● Linda and Al Carville had a very enjoyable cruise in February transiting the Panama Canal. “…for something wild and crazy, Linda and I went zip lining in Costa Rica and it was a blast.” ● Bill ’62 and Barb Haines Chase send greetings. ● Nancy (Judd ’61) and Pete Coughian spend time with their three sons and seven grandchildren and have been on several ocean and river cruises. They saw Cushman Andrews and wife Pam and invite anyone visiting the DC area to call and “reminisce about the good old days.” ● Coral Crosman is doing yoga and skiing and “learning life as a widow.” She’s publishing a selection of short stories. Coral is assisting with our three-year gift campaign for Colby. ● Steve Elltrim has retired from the U.S. Geological Survey. He and wife Carole love traveling by train and hope to attend our 50th—from Palo Alto, Calif., via Amtrak! ● Karen Forslund Falb sends greetings to all. She recently heard from Karen Beggard McGraw, who is helping gear things up for our 50th. ● After five years as a receptionist for Weight Watchers, Joanna Buxton Gormley spent last winter traveling in Barbados and central Florida. Joanna looks forward to our 50th. ● Chris and Midge Walton Holmes returned from a Road Scholar (formerly Elderhostel) program to Tahiti, where they snorkeled, kayaked, and frollicked with spinner dolphins. ● Ruthie Pratley Madeli still enjoys her work as grants manager/budget director for the Kansas Humanities Council. She loves visiting her son in Chicago and her daughter and family in San Francisco. ● Ron and Bunny Read McEldowney celebrated their 45th anniversary on a safari to Botswana, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and South Africa. ● Betsy Doe Norwat is flying to Barcelona for a Mediterranean cruise after a semester of teaching. Betsy was reelected to the city council. ● After 13 years serving Colby as an overseer and trustee, Michael Sylvester left the board in June. He writes, “Colby is a special place and I urge everyone to use the forthcoming reunion to come back to Mayflower Hill and see firsthand all the wonderful things that have happened to our College since 1963.” ● Patti (Raymond ’85) and Tom Thomas had a very good trip to Spain in January. The highlight was the Mezquita in Cordoba. ● Mel and Jean Elliott Thomason will cruise the “Great Loop” this summer aboard their trawler. Last winter they cruised Florida with a two-month stay in Trinidad. ● My apologies to Lillian and Lucille Waugh for having confused their names in the last newsletter. Lucille lives and works in MA. Lillian and Doris Kearns Goodwin ’64 had a delightful reunion in Morgantown, W.V., in April, where Doris gave the keynote address at a conference. Lillian continues playing the cello and doing yoga at an advanced level. ● Jim Westgate sends greetings from Bangkok.

6OS NEWSMAKERS

A new book by Mary Bryan Harrison Curd ’65 was reviewed by Historians of Netherlandish Art. Curd’s Flemish and Dutch Artists in Early Modern England: Collaboration and Competition, 1460-1680 “makes a valuable contribution to the field of British art studies, the growing area of Anglo-Dutch studies, and no less importantly, Netherlandish art history,” the review notes. A tutor with Harrison Middleton University in Tempe, Ariz., Curd received her Ph.D. in art history in 2007 from Arizona State University.

WILESTONES

Mary Bryan Harrison Curd ’65


Milestones

December 2011
He recently spoke with Judy Magalhaes Garcia. • Thanks to all for sending and resending your news!

1964
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Dick Gelman: During the last half of January, I revisited Tanzania, where I served in the Peace Corps, for the first time in 45 years. I spent the first eight days as a volunteer instructor in a capacity-building workshop for rural teachers in the Mt. Kilimanjaro region, most of whom had no training since their graduation from teachers’ colleges. This was an opportunity through my service on the board of the nonprofit Friends of Tanzania, providing funding for community and economic development. It was incredibly satisfying giving back to the Tanzanian community that had offered me so much after Colby. The day after the workshop I was fortunate to join a wildlife safari. This once-in-a-lifetime trip concluded with several days to join a wildlife safari. This once-in-a-

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Retired with grandchildren—this seems to be the big class news from the eight responses received. Four of the eight had rather limited news such as “nothing to report”— name withheld by request. “Attending a 50th high school reunion”—Connie and Dave Fearon. “Biking and playing trivia”—Dave Hatch. “If you need news let me know”—name withheld. So these 59 words cover four of us. • Lew Krinsky hosted a dinner for a men’s basketball coach Dick Whitmore in Houston during the NCAA Final Four men’s basketball tournament. Dick recently announced his retirement after 40 years as head coach. • Eliot Terborgh has refocused on spending time with grandchildren, four boys aged 0-3, after serving as a part-time CFO to three Silicon Valley start-ups during the past 10 years. He’s now spending more time in his local Rotary club, playing golf, skiing, and traveling to New England (to see those grandchildren). • Ruth and Harold Kowal are now fully retired. They had a Caribbean holiday last winter and will summer in Maine, as always. • Our most active classmate, Neil Clispham, is “down to two to three hours/week” with the balance of the time on “interior renovations” (house I assume, not medical!) and with Jean (Hoffmann ’66) enjoying the grandchildren. • But wait, there’s more! After receiving the spring issue of Colby, I received the most exciting news of all. Jann Buffington Browning has remarried. “We are coming up on the first anniversary of my airborne wedding to Warren Clark May 22, 2010. We missed the 45th reunion at Colby because we were on the way to Paris for our honeymoon. Other trips since then included several weekends (or weekdays—LOVE retirement!?) in Maine; Thanksgiving in West Palm Beach; a three-week southern road trip to visit friends in North and South Carolina, Atlanta, and a couple of places in Florida while three major winter storms hit New England; and we just got back from 24 days in Rome. In between, we’re still flying small airplanes and loving every minute. Retirement is great—I loved my job, but I’ve not woken up one single morning and wished I could go to work.” Now that is a happy retirement. • Hail, Colby, Hail!!

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Soon-to-be-retired Mac Donaldson will move his dream list of fishing, golfing, shooting, boating, reading, exercising, woodworking, gardening, volunteering, etc. from the back burner to the front burner when he ends his duties as manager of a boatyard in Manchester, Mass., at the end of 2011. More time for those two special grandkids, too. • Three years to go for math teacher Terry Clark’s anticipated retirement from The Gunnery School in Washington, Conn., where he’s been for 26 years. Five of Terry’s children/stepchildren have attended The Gunnery, and number six will enter as a sophomore this fall. Two dogs and a cockatiel round out the family. Terry says, “My hair is very gray from the Red Sox and six kids, but life is good.” • Waterville’s John Wheeler finds retirement glorious after 36 years of computer programming and five years of over-the-road truck driving. He’s back to horn playing with the Blue Hill Brass quintet and several Maine college orchestras, perhaps including Colby’s this fall, where he played for 41 years before his truck driving stint precluded that. • After his two-year California stint, Brian Shacter drove from San Diego back to his Cape Cod home this spring, cruising Rt. 66, exploring nine national parks, and visiting Erik Thorson, Rhonda, and their son, Lars, in Nashville along the way. Like his father, Lars is a fine musician who will attend Berklee College of Music in Boston this fall. • Coloradan Joanne Richmond Shideler is a contractor doing legal investigations for Denny’s restaurants. Her “labor of love” is conducting searches as a confidential inter-

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Joyce Demkowicz Henckler was named chief development officer and associate
vice president for development at the University of Central Florida. After attending her son’s wedding in Vermont, Joyce and husband Don traveled to Scotland. While in the land where golf was invented, they played a round at St. Andrews.  The article quoted Phyllis saying “… this is something I can give back to the town I love so dearly.” We have a reunion next year and we hope you’ll seriously consider joining us on campus.

1968

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Rose Bunynski Eriksson writes: “This last quarter was a little more exciting than previous ones. I’d been working in Libya since February 2010 and planning on coming home in the middle of April when demonstrations were followed by violence that led to what looked like a civil war. I was living in Sirte, Gadhafi’s hometown, and trying to get home when I found out about a Dutch helicopter that would be evacuating a Dutch engineer. Things went wrong and we were held for three days before being allowed to go home. The helicopter crew was kept about two weeks altogether. I was treated well and was never worried that I would not come home but my family here in Sweden was very upset. They had lost contact with me and didn’t know where I was. The most exciting part of the whole affair was the media interest from the Netherlands. A TV team actually came to Sweden to interview me, and a newspaper journalist appeared on my daughter’s doorstep at 9:30 one night. The whole thing was a scandal in the Netherlands. I’ve had my 15 minutes of fame now and am quite happy to stay in my quiet little town in north Sweden doing translations for my little company. If you’re ever in northern Sweden drop by!”  

Art Brennan: “I plan to retire this summer after nearly 30 years as a Maine judge. Looking forward to a more flexible schedule and will ask for active-retired status so I can continue to serve as a judge on an as-needed basis. Otherwise, all is well.”  

Margo Schmidt Mariana writes: “Greetings from sunny San Diego, my home haven for the last six years after tiring of New England weather. Many journeys in my life and am very happy—though not doing what I envisioned after graduation—this is by no means a complaint. My life led me to much exploration in teaching, psychology, traditional health, and then broader means such as a more psycho-spiritual, holistic methods, and interface between Eastern and Western modes. For the last 25 years I’ve done psychic counseling, life coaching, and medical intuitive work. Learn more at www.margomarianapsychic-counselor.com. Life continues to unfold in unexpected ways and is always an adventure. Hope everyone is well. Contact me at margomariana@yahoo.com.”

Ken Hoadley writes: “After finishing a most rewarding eight years as president of Zamorano University in Honduras, my wife and I moved back to the U.S. and live in Bethesda, Md., where I’ve been appointed principal associate in the International Economic Growth practice at ABT Associates, Inc., an international consulting firm. My work will keep me traveling, including to Asia and various African countries in addition to Latin America. My wife and I maintain a second residence in Costa Rica, where we plan to eventually retire.”  


Steve Ford reminds classmates that our 45th reunion in just two years. He needs suggestions for weekend activities, ideas for a Thursday night (pre-reunion) gathering, and names of class members who’d like to serve as class president and class correspondent (Doesn’t anybody else want this job?). Because 2013 is Colby’s bicentennial, it promises to be a special weekend. Please contact Steve at stephend@aol.com.

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Greetings classmates! Teri and Don Cassette’s daughter, Jennifer, gave birth to their first grandchild, a baby boy named Jackson. Their son, Brian, is in Liberia starting a new company, Farm Builders, involved in rubber tree farming. Teri works as a benefits lawyer at Fidelity Investments and his wife, Joy, is sole proprietor of a fine arts business. In May their son, Jared, received an M.S.W. from Simmons, and their daughter, Alexis, is expected to receive her Ph.D. in clinical psychology by summer’s end, after which she’ll begin a fellowship at Children’s Hospital in LA. Doug and Joy plan to enjoy their vacation home on Martha’s Vineyard this summer.  

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they “both seemed in fine fiddle and John regaled me with his delightfully spirited, self-effacing, and sometimes raucous poetry.”

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Congratulations to Steve and Laura Struckhoff Cline on the birth of their first grandchild. Kaylee Elizabeth Cline joined the family March 23 weighing in at 6 lbs. 14 oz. and 20.5 inches long. They’re thoroughly enjoying being grandparents and consider themselves most fortunate in that Kaylee (and her parents) live 15 minutes away. Sounds like some babysitting opportunities in the future. ❧ James “Huey” Coleman has released a new film, In Good Time, The Piano Jazz of Marian McPartland. It’s a feature-length documentary portrait of the musician and tells the story of McPartland’s journey from playing piano at home as a child in England to becoming a jazz legend in America in the 1950s. McPartland, now 93, tells her own story through interviews with Huey filmed over four years and is seen performing and improvising in clubs, concerts, and Piano Jazz recording sessions. March 19 was the film’s screening for cast and crew and for McPartland’s family and friends. It was a glorious day and the screening was a big success. The Maine premiere will be at the Maine International Film Festival in Waterville July 15-24. Other screenings will occur throughout Maine this fall. For more information, visit http://filmsbyhuey.com/or become a Films by Huey fan on Facebook. ❧ As for me, after a long, snowy New England winter, I’m looking forward to warm, sunny weather. Best wishes to all for a great summer!

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Bill Hlady writes with much enthusiasm that his son has only to choose which college he will attend. Bill’s pride that his son pulled his AP physics grade from a D to a B rings clear in his message. ❧ For Jan Hancock life continues to be full and happy. She’s halfway through her coursework for a master’s in theology and pastoral care at Saint Michael’s College in Vermont. She enjoys her role as a family support consultant, and her four grandchildren fill her with delight. ❧ John Sisley wants to be Gary Fitts when he grows up. (Why is that, John?) ❧ Mary Anne Tomlinson Sullivan (aka Tommy) has retired from sales and is an avid scrapbooker. She lives with her daughter and her family in Manchester, N.H., and helps care for the children and the house. She has three grandchildren and is involved with autism awareness in addition to a genealogy project. She caught up with Linda Wallace on Facebook. Mary Anne hopes to resume her summer vacations to Cape May, N.J., when the youngest children are old enough to withstand the car ride. ❧ Having retired from education and from sole proprietorship of a security agency, Charles Jones wonders if anyone knows who he is. ❧ Debe Nelson Averill has lived quietly in Orono, Maine, all these years. She and her husband have two children, the young- est of whom graduated in May from Mt. Allison in New Brunswick. Debe has been a librarian since 1974 and completed her 22nd year as library/media specialist for Bangor High School this year. She also has dabbled in antiques, coached debate and speech, taught Italian cooking, and done some gardening. She appreciates her very liberal arts degree as invaluable in teaching kids to think critically and to solve problems effectively. She’s even sent some of her students to Mayflower Hill. Her one burning question is, “Where is Lucinda G. Stiles Cormier?” ❧ Residing happily in Falmouth, Maine, with his wife, Martha, Bill Williamson is a senior vice president at Bank of America covering northern New England. He has three daughters, two of whom will be married in the next 12 months. ❧ By the time you read this, our 40th reunion will be another of our memories. I hope that those of you who were there enjoyed yourselves. I’ll give a full report in my next column.

70S NEWSMAKERS

Jack Wood ’70 spoke in March in Chandigarh, India, for a global outreach program on leadership presented by India’s Institute of Planning and Management, The Pioneer (India) reported. Wood, clinical professor of leadership and organizational behavior at the International Institute for Management Development in Switzerland, spoke on “understanding the unconscious and irrational forces in managerial decision making.” ❧ The Society of Interventional Radiology awarded Dr. Gordon McLean ’73 a gold medal for his “contributions, dedication, and service to the field.” For three decades McLean, chief of angiography/interventional radiology at Western Pennsylvania Hospital and professor at Temple University, helped develop techniques for image guidance systems used in surgical procedures.

“I’ve seen radical changes in the way we approach diseases and provide care,” McLean said, “and it’s been a privilege to have played a part in this.” ❧ MaineToday Media hired Patrick Sweeney ’78 as its chief financial officer. A self-described “change agent,” Sweeney plans to modernize computer programs so that Mainetoday’s financial division can provide better information faster. “Pat is yet another strong link in the team,” CEO Richard L. Connor told the Portland Press Herald. ❧ Joseph Meyer ’79 is the first-ever chief administrative officer at Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing (HKEx), Asia’s largest stock exchange. Meyer brings his experience running Chi-X Japan to major projects at HKEx, including major IT upgrades and completion of a next-generation data center—projects that will require “organization-wide coordination to ensure success,” said HKEx chief executive Charles Li.

MILESTONES


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Dick Kaynor has made a monumental life change—he moved to the Himalayas, long-term. He’d been visiting India since 1980, averaging four months per year over the last three years, mostly studying and taking advantage of Ayurveda, India’s traditional medical system. He retired from teaching Transcendental Meditation and shifted his attention to his own practice, which he pursues quiescently at a remote ashram near the ancient pilgrimage town of Uttarakashi. The ashram is for members of the Maharishi Purusha Program, a niche branch of Maharishi’s global organization that he joined soon after its inception in 1981. The program in general is for single men interested in something more all-consuming than a 20-minutes, twice-a-day practice. The Purusha program adds extended practice of supplementary and advanced techniques drawn from the classical yogic universe and is very much a lifestyle choice. The Uttarkashi ashram is in a traditional setting devoid of any distractions as possible (no phones or Internet). It’s definitely for the fanatic few, a charge to which Dick happily pleads guilty. While there may be occasional pilgrimages to Colby and visits to relatives, the idea is for the Himalayas to become home and for vedic science to be his focus. (We wish you much happiness and a good life.) ❧ After 27 years Bill Tracy retired from his position as senior planning advisor for Heritage Resource Management for the province of Alberta. His retirement has afforded him time to pursue interests in Native American art and he’s taken some contracts, presented papers, lectured, and written. He spent the last two winters in Santa Fe escaping Alberta winters and collecting native art. All in all retirement is great, although living in western Canada affords him no opportunities to connect with Colby classmates. He’d be glad to hear from any old buddies. ❧ In April Bob and Judy Moreland Spitz were in California, where she performed the marriage ceremony for their middle son, Ben. California has a program nicknamed “Deputy for a Day,” in which a person can be deputized to perform marriages for California residents for one day only. So she flew out on Thursday from Connecticut and was sworn in Friday morning as deputy commissioner of marriages. Then they drove from Mountain View across the mountains to Half Moon Bay and had the honor and pleasure of marrying their son and his bride, Yuri, on the beach. The couple will have a traditional Japanese ceremony in Kazuno, Japan, at the end of the summer. ❧ Peggy Zientara Lessard is a freelance writer who also works as a seasonal legal proofreader/editor for the Maine State Legislature’s Office of the Revisor of Statutes. She and husband Paul caught up with David Liskowsky last June when they traveled to Washington, D.C., on vacation. David left Colby in ’71 and graduated from Northeastern and the University of Miami, where he earned his Ph.D. in psychology/neuroscience. A NASA scientist since 1992, he currently is the director for medical policy and ethics for the agency. David recently opened an online shop to sell his handcrafted silver jewelry: www.etsy.com/shop/SimplySilverJewelry. ❧ I want to remind everyone to plan now to return to Colby in June 2012 for our 40th reunion. It’s hard to believe but true, so
EYES AND EARS | JED SNYDER ’76

Jed Snyder ’76 picked up a new hobby in each of the countries where he’s lived. In Bahrain he played chess with local cab drivers. In Croatia he polished his cooking skills, hosting a dinner party at his place every Sunday. And in Italy he went to the opera.

But while these activities kept Snyder busy they also helped the Philadelphia native get a better sense of the cultural, political, and societal forces at work in the respective countries. That, along with his research, helped him understand the forces affecting leaders’ decisions regarding their international interests. That, in turn, affects U.S. strategic planning.

An international security affairs specialist and advisor to the senior U.S. Navy commander, Snyder serves as the eyes and ears of the Center for Naval Analyses, the U.S. Navy’s federally funded research and development center. Throughout 30 years of working in defense, foreign policy, and strategic planning, he has toggled back and forth between the policy-research community and government.

“[My job is] to try to limit the number of surprises that national security decision-makers in Washington have to anticipate,” said Snyder, a 56-year-old self-described conservative.

“That means if you’re working on issues in the Middle East or Asia or Europe, they depend on you to tell them what’s going on out there.”

Having served as an advisor in each of those regions, Snyder says his goal is to help the United States plan to act proactively rather than reactively. “We’ve been too reactive in Pakistan,” he said. “We’ve been sufficiently anticipatory regarding China and North Korea. But some of the most serious threats don’t develop over a period of time; they come up overnight.”

Acting proactively, Snyder said, requires a combination of knowing what’s happening in those countries and understanding trends that have occurred elsewhere so they can be applied to potential hot spots. “It’s more of an art than a science,” said Snyder, who’s now based in Hawaii. “The capture and killing of bin Laden is an example, but that took many years. We don’t always have the luxury to spend four or five years trying to stop a threat from getting worse.”

A biology major at Colby, Snyder intended to go to medical school until he took an international relations class his junior year. Rather than becoming a doctor, he went from Colby to the University of Chicago to earn his Ph.D. in political science. But before completing his dissertation, he was distracted by a think-tank in California, the RAND Corporation, and, with a masters degree in hand, decided to work there instead.

“I was all of twenty-five years old, and I find myself in the middle of an advisory group for Ronald Reagan,” Snyder recalled. “When he became President, I then went to Washington and took a job in the State Department.”

Since then he’s held a variety of positions, including with the Department of Defense’s Institute for National Strategic Studies and the Johns Hopkins University’s Foreign Policy Institute.

Despite a résumé brimming with accomplishments, Snyder has two more goals for his career. The first, one more round with the government, preferably in an appointed position where he could put his fieldwork to use. And the second? To write a screenplay based on his experiences. You can bet it will include stories of chess games, dinner parties, and opera.

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mark your calendars and hopefully we’ll see everyone then.

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The Class of ’73 turns 60 this year and many are finding special ways to celebrate

• Alex Wilson and Joe Mattos anticipated the 60th chopper birthday celebration confab weekend in mid-May, when Lambda Chi brothers gathered. Many came from a distance, including Bruce Smith from Texas, Gary Fitts from Florida, and Bob O’Neill from California. Joe offered a group photo as a centerfold shot for the alumni magazine. • Joe Mattos graduated in May from UMO with his doctorate, which he began in 1989, alongside his daughter Emily, who graduated from the business school. His newest interim superintendency is in Isleboro, so he remains busy in retirement. • Alex Wilson attended the CAN weekend at Colby. At a dinner hosted by Bob Diamond, he visited with him and reports that Bob’s youngest son, Charlie ’12, is enjoying his time at Colby. Bob looked forward to his daughter’s graduation from Princeton in May. One last bit of news about Bob: after a recent round of golf with Phil Mickelson, of golf fame, Bob reports Phil is “a genuinely nice guy... the real thing.” Alex reports that Jim ’72 and Lisa Kohler Bubar were also at the CAN weekend, and Jim is learning gardening techniques and agricultural science at UNH. • Speaking of Lisa, a group of the “second floor Dana girls”, celebrated our 60th birthday this June. Jackie Nieman Appeldorn, Chris Mattern Way, Debbie Mael Mandino, Lisa, and I met in Boston for a weekend of visiting, walking the city, and playing bridge. Our gathering in January, to plan this excursion, was special, as we were treated to the culinary delights from the Bubar kitchen. • Retired Peter Rinaldi works a mere 60 hours a week instead of 80 and continues to play soccer twice a week—creading his genes and Blue Cross for keeping him moving at 60. • Andy Koss retired in January after 27 years in the foreign service. He served in fascinating places like China, Poland, France, and Israel. He retired in Colorado Springs with long-time partner Lynn, and they spend time skiing, traveling, and hiking. • Nour Nahawi continues to work in banking, live in Algeria, and cover Tunisia. He has three sons, two at American universities and one working as an environmental consultant in the UK. He would love to hear from any Colby grads in the area. • After 30 years Ann and Dave Swardlick have decided to close their business, Swardlick Marketing Group, which markets the Maine office of Tourism—a chapter ended. • Norm Olsen reports many challenges in his new Maine government position—with plenty of angry fishermen—but he is enjoying the experience. • Francesca Gates Demgen looks forward to a trip with her family (including two daughters, son-in-law, and two grandkids) to the Cook Islands in the South Pacific.

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Happy summer everyone! Bill “Bugsy” Callahan wrote (for the first time in at least 10 years) from Bridgewater, Mass. Bugs and his wife, Jane, have their hands full with four daughters. Their twins are in college: Catherine at UVM and Mary Ellen at Holy Cross. Mary Ellen will study in Scotland at the University of St. Andrews for her junior year abroad. “Jane and I will save every penny to make a trip there in May 2012 to visit and bring Mary Ellen back to the States.” Rita Margaret graduated from Fontbonne Academy in Milton this year and will go to Providence College this fall. Their youngest daughter, Anne Marie, finished her freshman year at Fontbonne.

Bill has entered politics in Bridgewater, his hometown. He is an elected councilor at large for the nine-member town council. He added, “Our town voted a new town charter after 355 years of town meeting
and selectmen to a town manager and town council form of government. We started last January and it’s been a learning experience for sure. At one of the meetings I met Christine Legere Wallgren ’72, a reporter for the Boston Globe. Small world, hey?” Bill had dinner with Steve Coella recently. They’ve planned a golf trip to Maine this summer and put Chris Cambridge’72 in charge. Golfers will include Bill, Steve, Rick Beaubien, Mike Mather, Jay Sarson ’76, and possibly Bob Cooper ’76, Dave Scudder ’76, and Mark Janos ’76. * Last fall Vicki was pleasantly surprised to run into Dave Inglehart at Hebron Academy in Maine. Dave has taught English there but will move to the history department this fall. He’s also involved in the publishing business. Dave recently completed development of two history titles now available online: *Fateful Lightning: The American Civil War and Born in Battle: The American Revolution.* Both are multimedia resources with an emphasis on military affairs, but a good deal of social history is included. His wife, Donna, is also a writer, and Vicki enjoyed her most recent book, *Grindstone,* historical fiction depicting 19th-century life in the Thousand Islands of the St. Lawrence River. Learn more about Dave and Donna at www.troubadourinteractive.com. Daughter Dana, 25, lives in Brooklyn and works at an educational outreach center. Daughter Caitlin, 28, is in the communications and graphic design field. She and her new husband, an architectural engineer, live in San Francisco.

Karen Heck, senior program officer of The Bingham Program in Augusta, Maine, and Bruce Olson ’76 are partners in Tree Spirits, a winery and distillery in Oakland that opened in December. They uses local cider and maple syrup to make sparkling wines and distilled spirits. Tree Spirits Knotted Maple won a bronze medal at the San Francisco International Spirits Competition in March. Find out more about www.treespiritsofmaine.com. Karen, we’ll be up for a wine tasting soon! * While you’re lying on the beach, spending time in your backyard, or cooling off somewhere, please take a few minutes to send us a line. We need new voices to keep our column fresh and interesting.*

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After living in suburbia for 25-plus years, Sue Blankner and husband Mike moved to Cambridge, Mass., and look forward to the urban lifestyle, especially in the heart of Red Sox Nation. Son Peter is an engineering major at Worcester Polytech, and daughter Sarah finished her first year of graduate studies at the Yale School of Public Health, where she was on the graduate school crew team. As it turns out, Dave and Suzie Benson Turnbull’s daughter, Elizabeth, who was finishing up her graduate studies, was one of the captains! Dave now works in Vancouver, B.C., as CEO of Hillsborough Resources. Suzie’s business, Personal Legacy Advisors, is flourishing, providing resources and services for people who want to write their personal history or create an ethical will. Suzie is excited about a new product line, LegacyCards, which offers prompts for conversation and writing, found at www.legacycards.com. * Liz Richards Julian met Peter Clark and Carla Call Stewart for lunch in April at the Mt. Washington Hotel. After 35 years they discovered that they remarkably hadn’t changed at all and had a great time! * Will Tuttle and wife Madeline are now in their 16th year of living full time on the road in their “rolling home,” a 27-foot solar-paneled, fifth-wheel trailer. Will speaks in cities throughout North America on the main ideas in his book, *The World Peace Diet,* which hit number one on Amazon overall in March 2010. He hopes to see classmates at some point, so check out his tour schedule at http://willtuttle.com. * John “Jack” Sklepowicz retired from teaching middle school English in Miami, Fla., last February and moved to Abingdon, Va., a “happening place” for natural beauty, the arts, music, and hiking. He would love for any of his Colby buds to visit. * After 20 years at Texas A&M, Vinnie Cassone moved his lab to the University of Kentucky in Lexington. Two different labs were set up for him, plus a building was erected in a unique urban field station were set up for him, plus a building was erected in a unique urban field station for his bird research. Vinnie has started studying the circadian clock control of bird song as well as circadian and seasonal rhythms in reproductive behavior. In the past year his son and daughter were both married. Last winter in Lexington, the cold and snow provided quite a change after all those years in Texas. * Earlier this year Sue Conant Cook and Dan Cohen attended a talk at Colby given by Curtis Johnson, a dentist now in private practice who recently retired from the New York State Department of Correctional Services. Curtis worked as a certified situation controller, better known as a hostage negotiator. * Pete Coz spent six months in Afghanistan as a member of the Border Needs Assessment Team, which identifies the gaps and weaknesses in all customs- and border-related infrastructure. Pete thinks he has probably seen more of Afghanistan than just about anyone else; it was very reminiscent of his former life in the Marine Corps. * Alan ’73 and Deb Morrell Polackwich live in Vero Beach, Fla., where Deb is part owner in an art gallery. She makes “funky pieces” of jewelry with lots of wire and weaving. Married for over 36 years, they have two married children: daughter Jessica, a law professor; son Scott, a urology surgical resident; and two grandchildren. * In May Karen Kuslak received her doctorate in education from the University of Maine.

Dan Sexton’s road bike seems to be a bit slower each spring. He takes it in every year for a complete tune-up, but he just can’t figure it out! * Laurie Fitts Loisigian is officially now an owner of Apple Annie, an orchard in Brentwood, N.H. She would love to see any classmates this September or October!*

**1976**

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**1977**

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Qaiser Khan continues to work for the World Bank as lead economist and sector leader for human development for Ghana, Liberia, and Sierra Leone. His efforts help improve education, health, and social protection in these countries, and also in Guinea, where he’s engaged in reiterating the nation back into international institutions after its first free election in more than 50 years of independence. Qaiser’s son will attend an ancient Scottish university, while his daughter is looking at large urban universities (despite Qaiser’s preference that she select a small rural college). * Susan Woods and Peter Breu say that “life continues well in Manchester, N.H.” Their son is a junior at Middlebury and will be joined by next year their daughter after she completes a year at a ski academy in Norway. Peter makes custom furniture, roller skis, and coaches Nordic skiing at a local high school. Susan is a business consultant. They hope to do some ocean kayaking off Deer Isle this summer. * Valerie (Jones ’76) and Steve Roy became grandparents for the second time in June. Steve plays golf with Dave Lillich, Peter Skoler, and Herb Magid fairly regularly and stays in touch with Bob Keefe (AKA Nemo). * Russ Lowe had a great springtime visit with Diane Lockwood Wendorf ’76. * Nancy Epstein is now full-time associate professor of community health and prevention at the Drexel University School of Public Health. She teaches and works at the intersection of faith and public health with faith-based organizations in Philadelphia. Recently she had the honor of representing Colby and President Bro Adams at the inauguration of Drexel’s new president, John Fry. * Jane Hoffman looked forward to spending time in June with Mika Hornay Hale, her Dana roommate. Mika lives in Newton, Mass., and also has a home in the south of France. * Stuart Geogtis has a new job at Spectro Analytical and thoroughly enjoys time spent with his four grandchildren. * In June Richard Conant retired after 33 years working for the federal government as environmental division director at the submarine base in Groton, Conn. He plans to spend this summer hiking with his youngest son and his Scout troop in the backcountry of New Mexico, followed by a hike with his eldest son on the 700-mile New England stretch of the Appalachian Trail. This fall Dick will enter a teaching internship for his M.S. in education; he hopes ultimately to teach marine biology (his original academic love). * David ’78 and Terry Grasse Sciore live in Marlborough, Mass. They were at Colby in May for the graduation of son Tim ’11. Tim majored in chemistry, plans to work for a while, then attend graduate school. Their oldest graduated last year from Providence College; their youngest is a freshman at the University of San Diego (“WAY too far away!” Terry says). Terry notes how much the Colby campus has changed since our time there, but, she says, “Every time I see the library it takes my breath away.” * Mark Richardson is looking ahead to our 35th reunion, June 1-3, 2012. He’s seeking thoughts/ideas/suggestions for making it a great weekend. Planning started in June and you’re invited to participate by contacting him at mrichardson@richardsonsonknap.com. * As for me, I echo Terry’s sentiment regarding the Colby library, which I observe with fondness each time I drive past on I-95 (on my way to annual vacations at Acadia). I survived a heart attack in October, which led me to reduce my income-seeking labors and pursue some long-postponed objectives: studying Attic Greek, rhetoric, and the history of poetry and science. My wife, Dale, and I regularly and happily lend support to our daughter, Kala, as she pursues a livelihood as a professional performing songwriter.*
followed by stints in Tampa and Richmond, Va. Tim just marked his 10th anniversary at XM Satellite Radio (now Sirius XM). In 2001 Tim started as the program director for NASCAR Radio, the first ever 24/7 channel devoted to a single sport. He then moved into senior director of talk. He helped create and develop P.O.T.U.S. ‘08, the 24/7 commercial-free channel dedicated to covering the 2008 presidential election, and was an on-air host and anchor. After the XM/Sirius merger in 2008, he stayed with the new P.O.T.U.S. (Politics of the United States) as host of Morning Briefing. Tim is married for the second time (11 years now) to the former Dianne Merrill. Sean, his son from his previous marriage, served in the Marines (including a stint in Iraq) and now works in Richmond. Sean has two kids and with Dianne’s daughter’s three, they have five grandchildren, 3 to 13. Tim gets to Maine every summer to visit family in Brunswick and Jonesport and to do as much fly fishing as possible. Tim’s sorry his busy life has kept him from being in touch.

**1979**
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I asked if you had any great news to share. Here’s mine: my oldest, Kayleigh, is engaged to be married! Thank goodness it’s next summer as my youngest graduated high school May 25 and heads to college. Tom and I will join many of you as empty nesters come August. • Liz (Yanagihara ‘80) and Barry Horwitz are planning a trip to Taipei this spring to visit daughter Ali. • Sarah Russell MacColl’s daughter, Katy, graduated this June from Cape Elizabeth High. Sarah is a personal trainer and enjoys teaching people to swim for the current triathlon craze. • Leslie Taylor loves her job at Four Rivers Charter Public School—an expeditionary learning school for grades 7-12—in the Pioneer Valley of western Massachusetts. She’s an administrative coordinator, and wearing many hats keeps things interesting and challenging. Husband Nick Plakias works as a professional actor in NYC and daughter Zoe is in grad school at UC Davis working on her Ph.D. in agriculture and resource economics.

**1980**
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Liz Yanagihara Horwitz and Marty MacMillin ‘81 braved an April snowstorm to make it to campus for the 60th reunion of the Colbyettes. Liz had a chance to see her nephews, John ‘11 and Peter ‘13 Kerr (Sue Horwitz Kerr’s boys) and reports that the new senior apartments (opened in 1999) are “pretty amazing.” • Dahl Hansen joined Olympus Financial Advisors as a regional executive officer and communications. His son Michael is a sophomore at Skidmore College majoring in molecular biology. Peter looks forward to our 35th reunion. • Sam Koch is still at UMass trying to build another champion team. After this year’s spring season he says they could be two years away. His oldest son is a junior, so they’re off on college tours. Two of the children were in Orlando in April performing with a dance group at Disney, while mom and youngest went for games and practices. He caught up with Peter Shribman via an annual March birthday call. • Linda Alter Chapel’s twin girls were 19 months in April when she wrote. She reports that life is a lot of fun with toddlers, especially now that the Minnesota snows have melted. Summer plans include trips to Colorado and Montana. • Mark Cavanaugh lives in Etna, N.H., with his “better half,” Pamela Panto—Newton native, Wellesley grad, former opera star in Europe, and current director of Opera North in Lebanon. They have twins, Sophia and J-C, 9, and are renovating a new home on 14 acres next to Moose Mountain. Mark still works as an attorney, but also as a farmer and craftsman selling to local stores and farmers’ markets. He’s loving the rural life and wonders why it took so long to leave the city. “Still have a foot of snow on April 8, but at least it’s not as cold as Waterville!” • Alan and Robin MacLeod Goodridge are preparing to be empty nesters when daughter Courtney heads to St. Lawrence in August. Older daughter Meredith will be a junior at the University of New Haven majoring in interior design. Robin still works part time as a geologist. She’s been appraising jewelry for DeScena Diamonds for 28 years! Robin and Alan plan to downsize in a few years, “hopefully to somewhere WARM!” • In July Leslie Mitchell and daughter Ainsley packed up their Volvo SUV and headed to Jupiter, Fla. After a lifetime in CT, Leslie is moving south to be closer to her aging parents. They’ll still keep their house in Chatham on the Cape, so will spend summers in New England. • And life is bringing change for me, too. In August I’ll start as the director of West Coast admission at Connecticut College. I’ll still live in Portland, but I’m looking forward to working for a NESCAP school. Any classmates with kids looking at Conn, feel free to give me a call!

**1981**
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By the time you read this column our 30th reunion will be history. I have no doubt it was a wonderful weekend! Thanks for all the planning by Bob Ryan, the alumni office staff led by our own Meg Bernstein Boyd, Sandy Maisel, other distinguished guests, and all our classmates who helped put this momentous event together! • In May Duncan and Karen Sondergaard Whitney’s son graduated from the University of Denver, while Dani Nemec Micsan’s daughter Jessica graduated from Virginia Tech. • Tory Sneff Schulte started a new position as a strategic account manager with K12Insight, a small Virginia company that works with school districts across the U.S. to help solidify relationships with parents, teachers, students, and communities. Tory’s middle daughter, Delaney, is joining her sister Courtney at Radford University (VA) in September, and youngest daughter Kendal will be a high school junior. • On a business trip in Manhattan last winter, Valentine Tallland spent a “perfect afternoon with
Mainebiz magazine named Fletcher Kittredge ’84, CEO of Great Works Internet, its 2011 Business Leader of the Year in the large-company category. GWI reported a record $14 million in sales in 2010 and made Inc. magazine’s top-500 fastest-growing companies list last year. But it was Kittredge’s Three Ring Binder project—a program that promises high-speed Internet service to Maine’s underserved areas—that most impressed Mainebiz. + The National Association of Women Artists awarded Stefanie Rocknak ’88 the $10,000 grand prize in its Margo Harris Hammerschlag Direct Carving competition. Rocknak, associate professor of philosophy at Hartwick College, creates figurative sculptures in wood. “My sculpture is a manifestation of my philosophical belief that not all art should be conceptual,” Rocknak said in a release. “There is a perennial need for a representative figurative art...which forces us to stop and look at certain expressions.” + Patrick Clendenen ’88 is among the 2011 Father of the Year honorees of the American Diabetes Association. Clendenen, an attorney and cofounder of Boston’s Lawyers Have A Heart 5K Road Race, was honored based on “demonstrated balance of professional success, devotion to his family, and community leadership.”+

the remarkable Bishop Sav Zembillas ’79, wandering the galleries at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and chatting about art, books, and life.” Val also went to Colby in April to see Yeats’s Cuchulain plays directed by Richard sewell. She had a nice visit with Professor sewell and wife Kim Gordon, as well as Yeats’s assistant Professor Doug Archibald, then enjoyed a wonderful visit with her niece, a freshman at Colby. + Lynee D’Angelo Many’s oldest son graduated from Colby in 2010; her youngest is a freshman at Delaware. She candidly writes that her divorce in February was almost 28 years to the day after the engagement and, after a 25-year hiatus, she is “looking forward to her next career while the rest of you are perhaps looking towards retirement!” + Laura Littlefield Boume’s sister Pamela Littlefield Gasner ’84 and Lisa Nolan Boudreau were part of the 26th annual Rhode Island Statewide Historic Preservation Conference in April. Lisa is executive director of the Southeast Lighthouse Foundation and Pam is executive director of the Block Island Historical Society. Both women were instrumental in moving the Southeast Lighthouse away from Mohegan Bluffs, a 180-foot cliff, in 1993. In May the Block Island Times awarded Pam the prestigious bayberry in 1993. In May the Block Island Times awarded Pam the prestigious bayberry...+

1982

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Ed Solensky extends greetings from New Jersey, where he’s a partner in a Newark-based litigation defense firm. This year Ed spoke in New Orleans at the Council on Litigation Management’s annual conference. Being in the Big Easy brought back fond memories of his days on Mayflower Hill. + Lt. Colonel Bob Benjamin was deployed in January and has traveled to various training sites since March. When he returns he’ll command a battalion in N.H. His wife, Lynne, is a single mom for the next year. Their oldest son finished his junior year at Vassar, and their older daughter hopes to transfer to Univ. San Diego. Younger daughter finished eighth grade and looks forward to high school. Youngest son, 11, enjoys middle school and little league. Bob looks forward to our 30th reunion. + After moving to East Sandwich, Mass., and retiring from his law practice 10 years ago, Wes Martin started teaching tennis on Cape Cod. He is manager and head tennis pro at Mashantucket Tennis Club in Dennis and tries to write a book (science fiction) in his free time. His wife, Martha (Merrifield ’85), teaches high school English at Sandwich HS. Oldest son Luke ’14 finished his first year at Colby—he was on the tennis team and played in the jazz band—and younger brother Matthew finished his freshman year of high school and his first season playing game number one on the tennis team. + Cathy Leonard Swain was selected to participate in a National Endowment for the Humanities seminar in Spain. She’ll spend four weeks studying medieval and early modern Islamic Spain with 15 other teachers. They’ll spend time in Valencia, Granada, Cordoba, Sevilla, and Toledo. She’s really excited! + Brian Sanborn remarried last summer after 13 years as a widower. He relocated to Sanford, Maine, and hopes to stay awhile. He enjoyed watching his older daughter, Allana ’13, play softball on the Colby team. + Nancy Daley relocated to Wilmington, N.C., because her oldest son and son-in-law live there. + Sue Woods Spofford got together with Carol Birch and Marcia Nicholas Coffin to celebrate their 50th birthdays. They had fun as the “four sillies” at an overnight party. + Matt Lewis married Loreena White May 14 in the Dominican Republic. Karen Zuffante Pabon was there. They celebrated the birth of a child in November. + Dan Crocker finished his 12th year teaching mathematics and reading at Hall-Dale Middle School in Hallowell, Maine. He’s moderately active in theater and the go-to guy when the high school productions require an older actor. Wife Christy (Gledhill ’84) is still executive director of the Maine Indoor Air Quality Council (14 years). They’ll celebrate their 26th anniversary in August. They both sing in the Colby-Kennebec Choral Society. Daughter Abby ’13, who loves Colby, is contemplating spending her junior year abroad. She’s a history major with a minor in creative writing and is active in theater. Son Ben is a high school junior and captain of the baseball and basketball teams. He went on a mission trip to the DR in June. Son

Nat is in eighth grade and performed as first chair tuba in the district three honors festival. Nat loves soccer and plays on an indoor high school team with Ben. + This year Susi Schneider will submit, for the first time, a piece of her artwork to a judged exhibition at the Munson Williams Proctor Art Institute in Utica, N.Y.

1983

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I apologize that a lot of this news is left over from winter. + Boyd McHugh enjoyed a ski week at Sugarbark with wife Astrid and kids Carrena and Brad. Boyd’s clan followed Lisa Wormwood Preney ’84 as they “ripped it down White Nitro from the summit!” On the way home to Maryland they had dinners with John Bowen ’85, who lives in Portland, and Brad Miller ’82, who lives in Lexington, Mass. + Leslie Gregory works as a literacy coach for grades 6-12 and teaches reading intervention and a couple of multimedia classes in Searsmont, Maine. Her school’s radio station is vikingradio@rsu20.org. Son Baxter is a sophomore in high school and totally into football. Leslie enjoys whitewater and sea kayaking and cross-country skiing with her sweetheart. Life is good. + And life continues to be sweet for Andrea and Scott Stein. Scott started a new job as a general manager in the consumer media group at USA Today. Dan Marra, Barb Leonard, and Jennifer Thayer Naylor visited Scott in NYC in between issues. + Noble Carpenter joined Cassidy Turley in New York to lead its capital markets expansion into key markets across the country. Cassidy Turley is a leading commercial real estate services provider. + Deena Schwartz Ball will have paintings included in both Splash 12, Celebrating Artistic Vision, and Splash 13, Alternative Approaches, now in bookstores and published by Northlight Books. Deena attended a lecture at Haverford College by Gina Werfel, her Colby painting professor. Curt ’82 and Deena’s eldest daughter, Erica, graduated from Bard College and attends the University of Pennsylvania as a Benjamin Franklin Fellow for a Ph.D. in music composition. Daughter Lydia ’13 will be in New Zealand for the first semester of her junior year at Colby. + Jennifer Beever received the Certified Inbound Marketing Professional Honors Distinction certification for her knowledge in inbound marketing, including online marketing, search engine optimization, blogging, and social media. She helps clients optimize their LinkedIn and other social media profiles, improve their website traffic and
traction, and create social media strategies and content. » Susie Macrae and husband Eric Broadbent ’84 enjoyed trips to Colby to visit middle son Jackson ’13. In addition to hikes on Runnals Hill and in the arboretum and skating at Sugarloaf, they attended a woodmen’s meet. “Nice to see that much is the same. Although I have yet to meet a student who knows anything about the stair falls in Foss.” » Stephanie and Troy Dages’s son Andrew ’14 spent his first semester at Colby in Salamanca, Spain, and loved it. Troy and Stephanie visited him there last October, and Troy was nostalgic about his first semester of junior year in Madrid. At Colby Andrew was a pitcher on the baseball team and lived in the old Lambda Chi frat. Troy said, “It’s now called some other funny name.” » Becky Crook Rogers turned in her first Canine Companion puppy, Naia. She works part time leading new YMCA staff orientations, working on scholarship fundraising campaigns, and also at Starbucks. Youngest son Michael is going o hio state University (go buckeyes). Youngest son Michael is going to o hio s tate University (go buckeyes). Undergraduate son David Simpson ’86 designed and built with a framing assist from Sean Palermo ’86. Tom Colt traveled to Cuba with his wife, Megan—lots of mojitos, cigar smoking, and salsa dancing. Tom is a college counselor at Shady Hill Academy in Indianapolis (expect to hear from some of us soon, Tom) and started his second season as a duck boat narrator. » Carol Eisenberg moved to Peaks Island, Maine, after graduation and recently moved to a new super-insulated home that she and husband David Simpson ’86 designed and built with a framing assist from Meghan Casey’s husband. Even without a furnace, the home is toasty during Maine winters. Carol recently returned from Guatemala, where she volunteered with her daughter, Maxine, 16. In April she headed to Washington, D.C., with her other daughter, Charlotte, 13, who received the Maine middle school student prize from Prudential’s Spirit of Community awards. » After 30 years skiing together in New England, a group of ’85ers got together at the new home of Ann-Meg White and Sean Padgett in Utah for a long weekend of skiing, poker, and football. Stephen Langlois sent a great picture of the group (see it at our class page at www. colby.edu/alumni) that included Stephen, Sean, Rick Anderson, Steve Reed, Mark Howard, Eric Trucksess, Sandy Coddington, Eddie Maggiacomo, and Jeff Flinn. They “survived off piste powder runs and shredded moguls with an Olympic freestyler, and there were no long term injuries.” » Suzanne Krumm Yerdon is director of industry relations at National Exchange Carrier Association, a telecom-related company in Whippany, N.J. She juggles this job with raising her 15-year-old twins, who play soccer and tennis. » MJ James Pirtt has taken horseback riding lessons for years and just started showing in Rhode Island. She already has nine first-place ribbons and two second-place ribbons! » James Gill lives in England and had fun performing in “an original English pantomime” of Peter and the Wolf with two of his kids. Other highlights included finishing his U.S. tax return before April 15 for the first time since 1990 (you can get away with that living abroad). Work continues to go well. » This spring Tom Menzie spoke to economics majors at Colby and participated in a panel discussion on careers in public policy. He reconnected with professors Tom Tietenberg, Jim Moehan, and Hank Goodhart and attended the annual Grossman Lecture. Tom hopes he didn’t scare anyone from pursuing a career in policy analysis. » Steven and Angela Drennen Hansen eagerly anticipate becoming empty nesters. Their youngest son, Matthew, is entering college to pursue secondary education, and their oldest son, David, is a sophomore at the Art Institute in Atlanta studying audio production. Angela is in her fifth year as pastor of St. Catherine Spiritual Church in Gailhensburg, Md. » Rodney Krause visited Tom Valinote in Montecito, Calif. Rodney reports Tom is “living the dream with a wonderful wife and two beautiful daughters.” Kevin Bruen also visited Tom and noted, “When you visit Tom, it’s like visiting a zoo. He has three horses, four dogs, two cats, and two rats.” Kevin still works in CA for the U.S. Coast Guard. » Bruce Raphael changed law firms and has joined the Boston office of Jones Day. » As a new trustee, Julie Sands Causey visits Colby often. She is amazed by the opportunities the students have and the quality of work they’re doing. She loves watching teams practice under the lights on the new football field while students and community members run the track. Julie encourages everyone to get their Colby Fund contributions in. “Let’s work together to support another fabulous group of Colby students.” » Thanks for the updates!

1984

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Thanks everyone for keeping the news and updates coming—you make this gig easy. » Sam Staley has exciting news—A Warrior’s Soul, his second novel for middle-grade readers, will be released in July. It’s a bully drama set in contemporary times with a martial arts theme. He expects it to be available in bookstores in July. Cross your fingers everyone! » We have a few “next generation” Colby reports. While dropping off their son Ben ’14 to start his freshman year at Colby, Doug Waite and Karen Weeler ’83 ran into Adam ’83 and Cecfa Cuningham-Weiss, whose daughter Amara ’14 also started at Colby last fall. Ben launched and published Outside Colby: A Nonpartisan Political Publication that includes editorials on political news written by Colby students. Karen and Doug and youngest son Joshua live in Manhattan, where Karen is a psychotherapist in private practice. Doug is medical director at The Children’s Village, a foster care residential treatment center. » Last spring Maureen Hagerty Polimeno watched daughter Aimee ’14 during Colby’s softball softball training in Florida, where Moe met lots of Colby families. She and husband Jay ’81 planned to attend as many Colby softball games as possible this season. On April 2 Moe attended the Colbyettes 60th reunion and had a great time reconnecting and singing with old and new friends. The current Colbyettes did a beautiful job ing and singing with old and new friends. }
AN Ounce of Prevention | Melissa Early Ruwitch ’89

College freshmen have a lot to do their first month on campus. Talking about sexual health and alcohol abuse, however, is typically not high on their list. Melissa Early Ruwitch ’89 understands this, but raises the topic anyway.

As chief of health promotion services at Washington University in St. Louis, Ruwitch oversees programs to educate not just the 1,500 freshman but the entire student body on issues such as mental health, stress reduction, sexual health, alcohol use, and sexual violence.

“The first six weeks of the college experience are so dangerous on the topics of sexual assault and alcohol and other drugs,” Ruwitch said. “We don’t want to leave anything to chance.”

Ruwitch’s team starts its programming early each fall. During orientation, upper-classmen present a skit about sexual assault called The Date and lead discussions after the performance. The play is powerful, she said, and an effective tool to get students talking about difficult subjects.

Her efforts don’t stop there. Ruwitch oversees peer education programs and each year trains a dozen sophomores as health liaisons to each freshman dorm. These student ambassadors—typically premed students—act as an outreach arm to the university’s student health services, making crucial connections and referring clients, if needed, to services on campus.

Prevention and risk reduction are paramount. “We want to be proactive and connect people to their resources,” she said. Through dorm events, bulletin boards, e-newsletters, and one-on-one contacts, the ambassadors bring the issues directly to the students. The health liaisons take their jobs seriously, Ruwitch notes, but are creative and have fun with their programming.

Ruwitch had a similar experience at Colby, where the St. Louis native ran a women’s group and started the group Colby Against Sexual Assault. After college, in Washington, D.C., she landed a job at a consulting company whose clients championed women’s issues such as reproductive health, breast cancer research, and passage of the Family Medical Leave Act, for which Ruwitch wrote testimony that was read on Capitol Hill.

Though Ruwitch is still working on the same issues that she was at Colby—spitting in the wind, she calls it—she pushes on. New initiatives to tackle these perennial problems, coupled with passionate student leaders, renew her.

“We’re always making things better and reaching more people. And critically analyzing what we do to make sure it’s worth all the effort,” she said. “You have to keep mixing it up and keep your messages out there all year long.”

—Laura Meader

are also up in the air as I write, as he just accepted a new assignment and is scheduled to report to U.S. Central Command in Tampa in June to begin his position as an operational plans officer working on our Tampa in June to begin his position as an operational plans officer working on our various military activities in the Middle East and Central Asia.

• Tom McCallum

sounds like he needs a dose of reunion too, as he sometimes feels like the lone Colby person in NC after being pleasantly surrounded by Colby alums in his previous locales of Boston, the NY metro area, and San Francisco. Having made the move to the “Triangle”—AKA Raleigh, Durham, and Chapel Hill—Tom is working on Red Hat, the leading provider of open-source software solutions, as the VP of investor relations. He’s not all alone, of course, as he’s married and has two boys, 6 and 8. Outside of sports for the kids, Tom’s family has fun at their beach house in Pawleys Island, halfway between Myrtle Beach and Charleston, S.C. Tom notes that the water is significantly warmer than in Camden, Maine. I suspect he’ll have more Colby visitors than he ever wanted if he releases the address of that beach house.

• Mary Lou Kopas

is busy as usual—she graduated from the University of Washington with a master’s in nurse-midwifery in June, after a crazy few years mixing work, grad school, and parenting. The two sons keeping her busy include a high school junior who wants to study music, jazz in particular. His high school band was one of 15 in North America chosen to compete at the Essentially Ellington festival, sponsored by Jazz at Lincoln Center in New York City this year. Her younger son, a high school freshman, loves history and Latin and talks about going to Colby. Mary Lou’s sincerest wish is have two uninterrupted weeks of relaxation at their cabin on Birch Island in Casco Bay this summer. Good luck, Mary Lou! • Another classmate who reports a busy life is Bill Northfield.

From his outpost in jolly old England, where he works at Deutsche Bank, he noted that he really looked forward to April, when he’d get some downtime at work due to a late Easter, the royal wedding, and a bank holiday! • I hope all of you find some peaceful time this summer and that you’ll send me news of your favorite relaxing moments. Be well, friends!

1987

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Yes, it’s that time of year again, when the swallows fly back to Capistrano. Truth be told, I have no idea why they actually leave Capistrano. I hear it’s a pretty fun place, except for all the bird poop. This is the time of year when our thoughts turn to love, sunshine, and, of course, class news. • On that note, did anyone out there make partner at an executive search firm? Oh wait, here’s somebody.

Jeff DiSandro was promoted to partner at national top-20 executive search firm Howard Fischer Associates International. (International because they have a small office in Lichtenstein.) Well done, Jeff. Can I be CEO of Microsoft? Please? • Jeff Russell, who always comes through with news, is seriously considering getting a dog (a Jeff Russell terrier, no doubt). • Brad Fay writes that his “word of mouth” research company, Keller Fay Group, just opened Keller Fay Ltd. in London. (I actually heard that by word of mouth.) Brad is looking forward to reliving some of his junior year abroad experiences while on regular business trips to “Jolly Old.” (Hundreds of years ago, I wonder if they called it “Jolly Young.”) He also reports that his son, Brendan, was just named co-captain of his high school varsity basketball team in Montgomery, N.J., a school that coincidently will contribute a standout player to Colby next year.


She’s performing a 16-week concert series with her band at a theater in the first arrondissement through July 1. (Wish I could be there!) Hannah goes on to say: “I ran the Paris Marathon last week on a very hot Sunday. Our children, 9 and 12, go to the International School in Fontainebleau, and we are in Maine and Spain every summer. Life is good.” (Sounds a little better than good, Hannah.) • Ginny Harris Gable lives in San Francisco. She says, “We have a ranch in the Napa Valley. I run to Katie Webster [Kocks] from time to time in San Fran and talk to Marianne Campbell Hockenberry. My son, Bo, just turned 5 and is going off to kindergarten.
ALUMNI AT LARGE

Our almost two-year-old company, Cultivar Wine, is flourishing. We just released our 2010 Sauvignon Blanc and our 2009 Cabernet Sauvignon. Cultivar Wine is on many restaurant wine lists including Bouchon, El Paseo, Boulevard, The Lodge at Pebble Beach, and in Boston at Grill 23 & Bar and at Post 390. We appreciate the guidance that my Colby friends have given us with placement in liquor stores and restaurants. [Yeah, guidance. In exchange us with placement in liquor stores and guidance that my Colby friends have given we’re really lucky, we get happy times with work and discussing the unavoidable eventualities of life. For the most part, if we’re really lucky, we get happy times with friends and family. Memories that sustain us and offer a clear definition of why we’re here. But eventually, no matter how carefully we live and how hard we try, we get crappy times. It may be a sudden loss or a seemingly unresolvable problem at work. It may cost money or time or dignity. All three on rare occasions. I don’t know if it’s to help us appreciate the good times or that God shaves the globe like some Crazy 8 ball or just the randomness of life itself. But remember, particularly if you’re experiencing anything resembling insurmountable challenge right now: when the hard times come, they always pass. Every trough leads to a crest. Always. If they didn’t, I wouldn’t have any class news.

* Stay thirsty, my friends.

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Gerry Hadden will be busy this fall. Baby number three is due in September, and his book, Never the Hope Itself: Love and Ghosts in Latin America and Haiti, is coming out Sept. 6. * Shaun Dakin runs the Application Privacy Project on mobile applications and privacy for the Future of Privacy Forum in DC. * Anthony Scaturro "still" teaches physics at St. Andrews School in Savannah, Ga. Anthony’s son, Matt, graduated from West Point in 2010, just completed Ranger school at Fort Benning, and his daughter, Kristina, just graduated from Florida International University with a J.D. Tell Kristina welcome to the wonderful world of lawyering forme, Anthony! * Senator Andrew Ian Dodge? Our intrepid classmate is running for the Maine Republican senatorial primary against incumbent Olympia Snowe. Check out www.electthedodge.com. And, Andrew says, "donations are encouraged and appreciated." * Brendan Cahill, his wife, and their four kids moved to Pelham, N.Y., in December. Brendan reports that life at Fordham University is still going well. No word on whether Pelham has erected a statue to former resident John “Johnny P” Reynolds. * Beth Bitoff Odom is preparing for her eighth move with her husband, Mark, who is a colonel in the Army. Beth makes the most of her moves, though. Last summer she used the move from Washington state to DC as an opportunity for a road trip, driving coastal to coast with her mom, daughter, and the family dogs, who apparently enjoyed a “pimped-out” back seat. Beth’s daughter, Kate, enjoyed their year in DC and is a budding gymnast. When she wrote in April, Beth was expecting a visit from Jenn Cooke Rotman and her family. * Congratulations to John Semple and his wife, Raquel Guerrero, on the birth of their first child, John Riddick Semple-Guerrero. The family lives in Denver. * Saul and Catherine Cook/Zinman live in San Francisco with their two girls, Zofia, 5, and Josephina, 1. * Richard and Desiree Pullen Merritt live in Raymond, Maine, with son, Reese, 8. Desiree teaches fourth grade in Harrison. Her work integrating the fourth grade curriculum with making films was featured on WCHT-TV (Portland’s NBC affiliate) as the May 2011 “School that Shines.” Desiree teaches the writing process and helps students work on their reading fluency while incorporating the use of digital technology. I wish I’d had a fourth grade teacher like Desiree! * Because so few of you chose to share news this time, you get to hear All About Anita. After an exhausting but wonderful two-week trip to Australia in March, I’m excited for a July vacation back “home,” AKA Maine. We’re trying to hit the high points, visiting family in western Maine, spending a couple of days on Monhegan, spending time at Colby (where I plan to purchase lots of paraphernalia—my older daughter is nearly 11 and it’s time to start the Colby brainwashing), and of course catching up with my Colby roommates. * Meg Christie and Tracy Gionfriddo and their fabulous families. I cannot wait to be back in Maine again. I hope you have a great summer and that you’ll write and tell me all about it. Otherwise the next issue might be a vacation pictures slideshow!

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Congratulations to KT Long on her marriage to Tom Auger in Atlanta this past March. * After a trip to Colby and a subsequent proposal in Rangeley, Maine, Sean Pratt and Holly Peirce were married last November. Sean left his job with DOD and now lives in Barbados with Holly and her son, Ben. 7. Holly is the supervisory general service officer at the U.S. embassy in Bridgetown. * Mark Panek published his second book, Big Happiness: The Life and Death of a Modern Hawaiian Warrior. The book is about Percy Kipapa, a gaijin (non-Japanese) sumo wrestler known as Daiki (Big Happiness) and the problems he faces upon his return to Hawaii. Mark is associate professor of English at the University of Hawai‘i at Hilo. I have to admit, I was especially glad to hear from Tim Palmer. Tim and his family live in Iida City, Japan, in the south of Nagano prefecture. They’re a bit north of Nagoya and west of Tokyo and Mt. Fuji. Tim teaches English and does translation work. He does karate and is now an instructor with his third dan (degree). Happily married, he has his two sons, Alec, 12, and Ryan, 7. They’re both popular in school and do well scholastically. Tim wrote, “The only really earth-shattering news here is the March 11 earthquake. Even though it was over 200 miles away, we really felt it shake. It was more of a swaying, maritime kind of feel than the normal jolty rumbling that we experience, and it lasted for almost three minutes, which is pretty unheard of. While we weren’t (and still aren’t) affected directly in the form of damage or radiation, we felt it in other ways. There was a lot of panic-buying of bottled water, instant foods, and toilet paper. We were rationed to 2-1/2 gallons of gas per fill-up, and kerosene, which is our heating oil, sold out to wearing shorts every day than Maine was. * Tom Sherry recently saw some artwork at a gallery in Black Mountain, N.C., and to his surprise it turned out to be the work of Ellen Langford. They had a great time catching up at their chance meeting. Tom placed second in the 24-mile Tampa Bay Marathon with a time of 9 hours 40 minutes. He now has the Manhattan Island Marathon Swim in his sights. Amazing, Tom—are you sure you are as old as the rest of us? * Lastly, I am saddened to report the passing of Bill Priestley after a valiant battle with pancreatic cancer. Bill is survived by his wife, Kinda Remick Priestley, and their four children. If you have a photo or story of Bill to share, you can do it at http://williampriestley.webs.com. Please keep Bill’s family in your thoughts and prayers.
Social media expert Tristram Hussey ’91 joined eCrypt Technologies as community manager and online media producer. An author, professional blogger, speaker, and teacher, Hussey quickly launched two websites and introduced a weekly podcast at eCrypt. Hussey’s “extensive background in technology, education, and science ... make him the ideal person to lead eCrypt’s social media efforts,” said Brad Lever, CEO of eCrypt, an information security firm. • Design firm RETEW hired geologist David Mostoller ’94 as project manager in its environmental science department. With more than 14 years experience, Mostoller will manage RETEW’s natural gas clients, including environmental and water resources permitting and water management planning.

Mostoller’s expertise is in evaluating potential watershed impacts from groundwater and surface water withdrawals, drilling technologies, and well design. • Boston/SF News named Kerry Olson Hawkins ’99 its 2011 Woman of the Year. Vice president at CB Richard Ellis in Boston, Hawkins was recognized for her professional accomplishments and “vast civic involvement,” such as volunteering as a Spanish translator at a food pantry in Charlestown. Hawkins was also named to Boston Business Journal’s “40 Under 40” list in 2010.


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It’s raining boys! In May Daniel O’Grady and wife Lindsay welcomed son Seamus Daniel O’Grady. Ben Marglin and wife Paula had a baby boy March 1, named Joshua Howard Marglin. The families of Tim Merrigan and Eric DeCosta also welcomed healthy baby boys. Connell snowboarders were shocked to be greeted to the summit, where skiers and winter weather, their black lab, Hobbes couldn’t get enough of the snow. Hobbes’s favorite winter moment was accompanying them as they snowshoed up Pico Mountain in Vermont to the summit, where skiers and snowboarders were shocked to be greeted by a big dog as they got off the chairlift.

Chris Chin and his wife, Linda, participated in Pat’s Run for the Pat Tillman Foundation in Arizona. The finish line is the 42-yard line of Sun Devil Stadium. They also spent a weekend at Attitash in March, with Roger and Leslie Campbell Bolton, skiing, singing Irish tunes at a local pub, and taking in Motor Booty Affair at Crosswinds (Attitash’s apres ski lounge). • Last March Karen Rimas Patry participated in the Run for the Border Half Marathon in Rye, N.H., where she saw Jason Soules and Sarah Weiland Holland. Meghan Goughan ran the Eastern States 20-miler that day—both races crossed the same finish line. Jen Larsen Dalleas and her family joined Karen and family at Saddleback last winter for some fun skiing and snowshoeing—and happy hour at the Swig ‘n Smelt. Karen also ran into Laura Schuler Hagedorn at Saddleback last winter. • Mattismahn earned his Ph.D. in U.S. history from Penn State in August 2010 and recently accepted an offer to be the managing director of the George and Ann Richards Civil War Era Center at Penn State. Matt’s son, Owen, 10, is in fourth grade and runs track. He’s already the fastest 400- and 800-meter runner in his school. Matt writes, “clearly, he gets his running talent from his mother, Michelle (Sewaren) ’94 and not from me.” • Mark Radcliffe bumps into fellow singer/songwriter Jason Spooner ’95 on the road while promoting his album and performing. Mark also sees Dave Moore ’91 in the advertising world while in NYC.

Chris and Sarah Burditt McDougall have been in Bend, Ore., for five years. Spring finds them cleaning up the yard and anticipating summer activities. In Colby fashion Sarah stays active but, in a town filled with professional athletes, doesn’t strive to be competitive. Sarah works from home as an IT project manager. As is the case for many of us, she just turned 40 and looks forward to another decade of adventure. • Suzy Girard and Mike Saad separately saw Prince play in Oakland in February and had fun comparing notes. Suzy celebrated her 40th with a trip to Paris and Belgium. She says, “I spent my 21st in France during a semester abroad, so it seemed fitting to celebrate another big one there. I also just started working for a Boston-based company. Hopefully that will mean business trips east that I can combine with long weekends with friends!” • Speaking of long weekends with friends, Amy O’Marra Moore and I took a long girls weekend at the end of April to soak up some sun in Miami and celebrate our 40th birthdays. While we missed most of the royal wedding, you can’t beat margaritas by the pool, jet skis, the sights of south beach, and all that bright Florida sun! • Many thanks to all who sent in news.

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I had the unexpected pleasure of running into Michael Koester and his family on Harbour Island in the Bahamas in March. We all enjoyed a beautiful and relaxing spring break. • Graham and Megan Campbell Officer had a great visit with Roger Hughes and Katherine in London and got to meet their new baby, Alice, as well as play with their son, Owen. • Allison Guth Wells, Elizabeth Labovitz Smith, and Michelle Tadros Eidson ran in the Big Sur International Marathon—they not only had beautiful views but Elizabeth beat her previous time by 25 minutes and Michelle qualified for the Boston Marathon. • Congratulations to Jessica Matzkin Shactman, who takes on the role of dean of students at Blair Academy in the fall. • Anika Smith Taylor and Megan MacDonald Davis live on the same street in Manchester, Mass. The also have kids in the same preschool class! Anika and husband Torin (Shaggy) Taylor ’92 have three kids—Nils, 9, Augusta, 7, and Ernest, 3. In January the whole family traveled to the Dominican Republic for the wedding of Scott Graham ’92. They all had a great time with Josh Cummings ’92, Wylie Dufresne ’92, and Aaron Davis ’92. • John Utley raced in his first Hare Scramble, which, he taught me, is a form of off-road motorcycle racing. It sounds like just finishing is an accomplishment! Ask him to see the photo with his darling girls cheering him on. • Rebekah Freeeman Schulze is getting her doctorate from Boston University in educational administration. She’s still working at WPI in academic advising. Her kids, Annie, 4, and Teddy, 2, are doing great. Annie takes dance lessons with Heather Lounsberry’s son, Zac, 3. Heather has Zac and Henry, 1, and works for Avila Technologies and lives in Ashland. Rebekah is also training to do a triathlon in the summer and sees a lot of Marjie Haylon Borden, who got her started on these a few years back. • John Grady is in LA and was recently seen on One Tree Hill. • And please keep Jessie Newman and her family in your thoughts and prayers as her mom has lymphoma and so her family is fighting cancer once again. This time the odds are stacked in their favor, so they’re optimistic for great results.

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Foster Klug started a new job as news editor in the AP’s Seoul, South Korea, bureau in November, “just in time for the Koreans to start shelling each other and threatening nuclear war,” writes Foster. On Jan. 29 Foster’s daughter, Mei, was born. Mother and daughter are doing beautifully; “my 2-year-old son’s the only one getting any sleep.” • Tachou Dubuisson Brown and her husband welcomed their first child, Parker Joseph, April 12. He was born at Cedars-Sinai Hospital in Los Angeles. • Patricia Jurriaans Hunkins is currently a stay-at-home mom in the Seattle area. She and her husband, Frank, have two kids: Blake, 7, and Flora, 5. • Debbie Butler had a son, William, March 5. “Kate lives being a big sister!” reports Debbie. • Abe Rogers is still in the Paktika province of Afghanistan. As a member of the 1st Battalion 181st Infantry Regiment of the Massachusetts National Guard, he’s still working for provincial reconstruction teams. Abe expects to be back in the U.S. later this summer. • Karin Hansen is the visual arts director at Boston Children’s Museum. She lives in Marblehead, Mass. • Stephanie Brewer Haen is getting ready to move to Belgium in July. • Joe and Alyssa Falwell Ross took a cruise and vacation to SeaWorld Orlando with their boys, Aidan, 9, Colin, 8, and Seamus, 5. Alyssa works as the director of marketing at Dassault Sys-
tmes, a French-owned product lifecycle management software company. Alyssa works in Massachusetts but lives across the border in Windham, N.H., where her boys stay busy playing baseball, soccer, basketball, and hockey. » My wife, Lind- sey, and I welcomed our first child, Mia Jolie Yamaguchi, in February. Both mom and daughter are happy and healthy. We just returned from a trip to California to introduce Mia to her family on the West Coast. We are thrilled beyond words and
enjoying our new bundle of joy!

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I dedicate this issue of class notes to my freshman roommate and the original Spanish Fly, Alvaro Madrid ’97. » Jason Imfeld ’97 flew out to San Francisco in April for a mini-reunion with Nicole Dan- nenberg Sorger and Azeen Chamarbag- wala. Nicole lives in Belmont, Calif., with husband Jonathan, Noah, 5, and Julian, 22 months. Nicole happily teaches world history part time at Crystal Springs Uplands School. Azeen works for an up-and-coming software firm called Microsoft. Nicole also had a wonderful visit with Suzanne Arnold Ennis this spring. Suzanne lives in Manhattan Beach with hubbie Dan, Caroline, 6, and Cameron, 4. She keeps busy with freelance writing projects and motherhood, of course. » Martha Previte Botten announces the birth of their second daughter, Ella, in October. Of slightly lesser importance, Martha recently discovered a terrific hairstylist, our lovely Kerith Grandinetti. » Tina Garand Branson spent spring break in NYC with her daughter and her ballet company and caught up with Heather Hunt Swales while there. Tina still works as a PA in an urban development conference. Christian says, “Kids are getting huge and I’m still working at Philips Healthcare.” » Andrew Weber finished an M.Sc. in agricultural economics last fall, right around the time he became a father. » Christian Laycock met Steve DiLella ’97 for lunch in September. Steve was visiting Atlanta for a housing and urban development conference. Christian had just started working as an assistant district attorney for the Atlanta judicial circuit. » Stephen Drunsch checked in from Vermont, where he now lives while working for a railroad holding company with properties based in Tennessee. Stephen had a great time recently reconnecting with Amanda Sprang Manelik in Nashville and Megan Flynn in Boston. Stephen spends a lot of time traveling and snowboarding and looks forward to reconnecting with Paul Hennigan, Jon Cannon ’96, and Dan Polk ’95 this summer. » Carter Davis spent a weekend with four of his senior-year roommates—Steve Kidd, CJ Polcari, Mark Adelman, and Dana Cease—at a lake house in Connecticut. They were joined by the husbands of Sandra Lund Sargisson and Marnie Eckelman Steffe. Stephen also wrote, “Steve Kidd was training a good portion of the weekend for his June recumbent bike trip across New England. I also saw Mark and Chrsissy Killheffer Sinclair and their twin daughters in their new city, Seattle, in February. While there we had dinner with Will Rafferty (the fifth senior-year roommate) and his new wife, who live there.” » Larry Benesh started a new job at Zynga after more than 11 years at Microsoft. While in San Francisco for orientation, he had dinner with Sarah Simon Shores. Larry was planning to travel to Boston for the marathon, where he hoped to see Julie Lynch James and Bow Stratton. He also hoped to see Bob Hart in Chicago over Memorial Day weekend. Larry and Rebecca Hoogs live in Seattle, where Rebecca is doing great things at Seattle Arts & Lectures. They hope to celebrate their 10-year anniversary this summer with a European trip of some kind. » Curt and Simone Kaplan Cote welcomed their second baby, Tamsin Laurel Cote, who joins big sister Margot, 2. » Congratulations to Morgan von Prellie Pecelli, who completed her Ph.D. in anthropology at Columbia. » Becca Durham Whithead moved to the Bitterroot Valley in southwest Montana. She wrote, “We hope to do some mini-farming. I’m working at a private ranch doing botany surveys, enjoying the splendor and my family.” » Randy Hall is in his seventh year teaching economics at UMass-Dartmouth. He’s marrying Mandy Eckhoff, whom he met five years ago while playing Ultimate Frisbee. » Tom Moffitt runs a yoga dairy in Brattleboro, VT. Tom DeCoff, Pat Doyle, and Chris Sullivan visited Tom to tour the dairy while it was still under construction. They were very impressed!

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Hope everyone is having a great summer. Yawa Duse-Anthony says, “Kids are getting huge and I’m still working at Phillips Healthcare.” » Andrew Weber finished an M.Sc. in agricultural economics last fall, right around the time he became a father. » Christian Laycock met Steve DiLella ’97 for lunch in September. Steve was visiting Atlanta for a housing and urban development conference. Christian had just started working as an assistant district attorney for the Atlanta judicial circuit. » Stephen Drunsch checked in from Vermont, where he now lives while working for a railroad holding company with properties based in Tennessee. Stephen had a great time recently reconnecting with Amanda Sprang Manelik in Nashville and Megan Flynn in Boston. Stephen spends a lot of time traveling and snowboarding and looks forward to reconnecting with Paul Hennigan, Jon Cannon ’96, and Dan Polk ’95 this summer. » Carter Davis spent a weekend with four of his senior-year roommates—Steve Kidd, CJ Polcari, Mark Adelman, and Dana Cease—at a lake house in Connecticut. They were joined by the husbands of Sandra Lund Sargisson and Marnie Eckelman Steffe. Stephen also wrote, “Steve Kidd was training a good portion of the weekend for his June recumbent bike trip across New England. I also saw Mark and Chrsissy Killheffer Sinclair and their twin daughters in their new city, Seattle, in February. While there we had dinner with Will Rafferty (the fifth senior-year roommate) and his new wife, who live there.” » Larry Benesh started a new job at Zynga after more than 11 years at Microsoft. While in San Francisco for orientation, he had dinner with Sarah Simon Shores. Larry was planning to travel to Boston for the marathon, where he hoped to see Julie Lynch James and Bow Stratton. He also hoped to see Bob Hart in Chicago over Memorial Day weekend. Larry and Rebecca Hoogs live in Seattle, where Rebecca is doing great things at Seattle Arts & Lectures. They hope to celebrate their 10-year anniversary this summer with a European trip of some kind. » Curt and Simone Kaplan Cote welcomed their second baby, Tamsin Laurel Cote, who joins big sister Margot, 2. » Congratulations to Morgan von Prellie Pecelli, who completed her Ph.D. in anthropology at Columbia. » Becca Durham Whithead moved to the Bitterroot Valley in southwest Montana. She wrote, “We hope to do some mini-farming. I’m working at a private ranch doing botany surveys, enjoying the splendor and my family.” » Randy Hall is in his seventh year teaching economics at UMass-Dartmouth. He’s marrying Mandy Eckhoff, whom he met five years ago while playing Ultimate Frisbee. » Tom Moffitt runs a yoga dairy in Brattleboro, VT. Tom DeCoff, Pat Doyle, and Chris Sullivan visited Tom to tour the dairy while it was still under construction. They were very impressed!

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Adam Rana is finishing his residency in orthopaedic surgery at Boston Medical Center. His family—wife Christie (Browning ’99) and sons William, 3 1/2, and Harrison, 1 1/2—is moving to NYC, where Adam will start a one-year fellowship in orthopaedic adult reconstruction at Hospital for Special Surgery. » Stephanie Andriole teaches a first-year course in the master’s program in human genetics at Sarah Lawrence Col- lege, where she went to grad school. She also works at a full-time genetic counseling job. On Saturdays during the school year Stephanie volunteers with Minds Matter, a nonprofit that pairs adult mentors with high-achieving, low-income students from NYC’s public schools. Lastly, she ran her first half marathon in June 2010 in Canton, Mass., with Kate White ’97, Chris Sullivan ’97, and Welling LaGrone ’97. » Todd Poling and his wife, Parker, welcomed their second daughter, Eliza May Poling, April 23. Everyone is healthy and well in Washington, D.C. » Charles Costanzo and his wife, Jen Rose, moved from Brooklyn to Seattle with their daughter, Marie, 2. They welcomed the change and love their new home despite the famous persistent drizzle of the Emerald City. Charlie works as a lobbyist for the American Waterways Operators with Chris Cookley. Jen works for the Philanthropic’s Forum at the Center for Children and Youth Justice. During the move, they enjoyed a wonderful cross-country drive and visited Dagan Loisel in Chicago, Kelly ’01 and Tara Falsani in Minneapolis, and Brian Golden ’97 in Boise. » Jon Foster recently coauthored a manuscript detailing the pickled egg-making process and was shopping it to local TV markets. » Sara Rigelhaupt and husband Geoff Cramer welcomed Leah Rigelhaupt Cramer to the world! Bigbrother Ellis is enjoying his sister and they’re having fun figuring out life with two kids. » Craig ’97 and Annie Kunholm Lund- sten welcomed a daughter, Gwynethwyar Julia, Aug. 27, 2010. Brother Alexander, 3, is a proud ignorer of his baby sister. » Casey and Melissa Carpenter Haire had a son, Liam Thomas Haire, April 2, Sisters Courtney, 3, and Isabella, 2, are having a great time getting to know him. The family lives in New York City. » Kevin Zimmerman Thurston works at UBS in Boston. » Peter and Kristi Straus Clark welcomed Soren Joseph Straus Clark Feb. 17. He keeps them on their toes. Congratulations to Kristi, who defended her Ph.D. in aquatic and fisheries sciences last November. She’s now teaching in UW’s Program on the Environment. » Marc Hachey has worked as a senior engineering geologist for the same geotechnical consulting firm in San Ramon, Calif., for 10 years. He lives with his girlfriend and they enjoy traveling, skiing, and especially hiking throughout the year. They took a road trip to Oregon in June and look forward to a trip to Maine in September. » Derek Luke reports lots is happening at Coastal Extreme Brewing Co. Five years ago they launched Thomas Tew’s Single Barrel Rum—they were the first distiller in R.I. since 1842. The Discovery

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Channel sent Mike Rowe to showcase their ethanol-producing skills for an hour-long Dirty Jobs show. The exposure was huge, and now eight million people in the U.S. have heard of their flavorful rum. Brent Ryan ’97, Derek’s best friend and business partner, was the star of the show. Brent and Derek attended the wedding of Will Rafferty ’97 along with Mark Sinclair ’97. • Harris Eisenstadt continues a busy performing and teaching career in New York. His first orchestral piece was premiered in June by the New York Pro Musica Orchestra, and he recently joined the humanities department at SUNY Maritime. Harris and his wife, Sara Schoenbeck, keep chasing after their son Owen, 2. • Drew Magary’s first novel, The Postmortal, will be published by Penguin this August. Check it out on Amazon. • Thank you for all your contributions and enjoy the summer.

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Kristy Gould Duncan and her husband welcomed their first baby, Arlo James, April 5 in Santa Monica, Calif. All are happy and healthy! • Oliver Griswold and his wife Ellen had a daughter, Amelia Milton, Jan. 10. She’s a happy baby, and she made her parents equally happy by sleeping through the night at 11 weeks! • Steve and Lisa Berry Engler welcomed their second child, Elin Gabrielle, in January. Mom, dad, and big brother Samuel love life as a family of four. Lisa returns to work in early summer as an environmental planner with the state of Massachusetts. • Kea Watson Zemans had a baby girl, Athena Elizabeth, in September. • Mary Schwall won the Dave Boss Award of Excellence for her entry in the 43rd Annual Pro Football Hall of Fame Photo Contest. Her photo, Thrill and Agony, was deemed Photograph of the Year for the 2010 National Football League season. Mary is the first female to earn this honor. Mary will be officially honored at the Enshriners Game Day Roundtable, part of the 2011 Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival, Aug. 7. • Kristi Jacobi left her job of five years as director of teaching and learning at St. George Academy, and she has started a side venture making miniature baked goods (www.theittybittybakeshop.com). She ran Goofy’s Race and Half Challenge at Disney World, which is a half marathon on one day and a full marathon the next. Kristi is training for her 20th half marathon and 10th full marathon. • After finishing her sixth year teaching in Chicago public schools, Laura Houston won a National Endowment for the Humanities grant to spend part of the summer studying at Brown University. She’s excited to return to New England and to see Kristi Jacobi and Meg Belanger as well as others in the Boston area. This year she convinced six of her urban students to apply for admission to Colby, and two were accepted! • Jean-Paul Lipton signed on with Idylwilde Flies Inc., as a “signature tier.” Expect to find his signature fly patterns in fly shops across the country next summer. J.P. also joined the Ross Reels and Scientific Anglers pro staff teams. Check in for regular updates at www.roughfisher.com. • Steve Murphy is returning to the U.S. in October after a year with the State Department in Afghanistan. He will study Arabic for six months in Washington before starting his next tour with State as a political officer in Khartoum, Sudan. • Shana Dumont married Eric Garr in a small ceremony in Charleston, S.C., April 23. • Ann Nettles Stanford was there to celebrate. Shana is based in Raleigh, N.C., and teaches art history at the Art Institute of Raleigh/Durham and at the Raleigh Institute of Contemporary Art. • Ali Mian is still in residency at UC Berkeley, competing in a box lacrosse league, and training for another mountain bike race in the fall. Ali chatted online recently with Maxine Guay and Will Polkington, who are both great! • Laurel Coppersock lives in Los Angeles with her husband, Bobby Mort. Laurel works as an actor and recently became a Groundling, which is a comedy theater in Los Angeles. If anybody’s in LA, she performs there every weekend. • Kerry Olson Hawkins was honored to be the recipient of Boston/SF’s 2011 Woman of the Year award for commercial real estate professionals in the Boston market in January. Kerry is also overjoyed that she and husband Rob expect their first child this August. They can’t wait! • Ryan Aldrich and his wife expected their first baby, a girl, May 26. They’re also moving from Boise to Littleton, N.H., where they accepted jobs at White Mountain School: Ryan as director of college counseling and backcountry ski coach and Ryan’s wife as sustainability department chair and kayak coach. They’re looking forward to being east again and closer to family. • Keep the news coming!

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In June I celebrated my three-year anniversary of moving to Dallas. Outside of work (which I’m loving) I’m involved with The Nature Conservancy, working on a dive trip to the Flower Garden Banks, and itching to climb Mt. Elbrus in Russia. • Mark Edgar and his wife, Kara, had their second child, Owen Joseph. Ruby has been a gentle, loving big sister! • Carrie Logie is recently divorced and took the last year to travel. She quit her job and spent 2010 living in Argentina. She now lives part time in San Francisco. For the month of May, she explored Montenegro and Croatia. In October she and her brother will go to Tanzania and climb Mt. Kilimanjaro in celebration of his 60th birthday. • In March Michael Farrell went on a fire spinning retreat in Bali, Indonesia, and loved it. He says Bali is an enchanting place that is definitely worth the long flights! • While vacationing in Panama, Peter Hans, Michael Siegel, and Ross Frankenfield ran into David Hyde Pierce at a local salon. Pierce was a few beers deep and divulged his latest book is about the Bros. They see him in his version of hit TV show Full House. Needless to say, Peter, Michael, and Ross spent the next four days petitioning Pierce for the roles of Danny Tanner, Joey Gladstone and Uncle Jesse, respectively. Pierce eventually gave in and contracts were signed. Unfortunately, upon returning stateside, Frankenfield pulled out to pursue other opportunities while Siegel and Hans didn’t feel right moving forward, and the project has ceased. • Jared and Megan Davis Woodward Poor had their third baby March 12. Sara Mae Poor joins brothers Jesse, 4, and Max, 2. They moved in January to South Burlington, VT., (10 minutes from where they lived before) to a house that can accommodate their growing family. • Corey Dwyer Mason and her husband welcomed their first child, Charlie (Charlie) Clifford Mason, into the world March 1. • Larkin and Danny Schmidt had twin boys born Feb. 23, George and Carter. • Phoebe (Lehmann ’01) and her husband, Cliff, will finish their doctoral degrees at Oregon State University this summer and will return to New England to start two-year postdoctoral fellowships at Yale this fall. • Clipper Good completed her first year as assistant curator at the Penobscot Marine Museum in Searsport, Maine, and had a great summer. She spent more than three months in Washington before starting his Afghan for six months in Washington before starting his first job in New England and to see Kristi Jacobi and Meg Belanger as well as others in the Boston area. This year she convinced six of her urban students to apply for admission to Colby, and two were accepted! • Jean-Paul Lipton signed on with Idylwilde Flies Inc., as a “signature tier.” Expect to find his signature fly patterns in fly shops across the country next summer. J.P. also joined the Ross Reels and Scientific Anglers pro staff teams. Check in for regular updates at www.roughfisher.com. • Steve Murphy is returning to the U.S. in October after a year with the State Department in Afghanistan. He will study Arabic for six months in Washington before starting his next tour with State as a political officer in Khartoum, Sudan. • Shana Dumont married Eric Garr in a small ceremony in Charleston, S.C., April 23. • Ann Nettles Stanford was there to celebrate. Shana is based in Raleigh, N.C., and teaches art history at the Art Institute of Raleigh/Durham and at the Raleigh Institute of Contemporary Art. • Ali Mian is still in residency at UC Berkeley, competing in a box lacrosse league, and training for another mountain bike race in the fall. Ali chatted online recently with Maxine Guay and Will Polkington, who are both great! • Laurel Coppersock lives in Los Angeles with her husband, Bobby Mort. Laurel works as an actor and recently became a Groundling, which is a comedy theater in Los Angeles. If anybody’s in LA, she performs there every weekend. • Kerry Olson Hawkins was honored to be the recipient of Boston/SF’s 2011 Woman of the Year award for commercial real estate professionals in the Boston market in January. Kerry is also overjoyed that she and husband Rob expect their first child this August. They can’t wait! • Ryan Aldrich and his wife expected their first baby, a girl, May 26. They’re also moving from Boise to Littleton, N.H., where they accepted jobs at White Mountain School: Ryan as director of college counseling and backcountry ski coach and Ryan’s wife as sustainability department chair and kayak coach. They’re looking forward to being east again and closer to family. • Keep the news coming!

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I’m writing this just weeks before the 10th-year reunion, which unfortunately I’ll miss as we’re waiting for our second child to arrive the week before. • There was a lot of exciting news this quarter. Robb Henzi got engaged in January to Pamela Lowenstein and they’ll marry on Cape Cod this August. Robb Tarlock ’02, Tim Grayson, Erik Balsbaugh, and Justin Ehrenworth are participating in the ceremony, and a bunch of them are headed down to Jazzfest in New Orleans for Robb’s bachelor party. Robb works in the marketing strategy consulting practice at Ogilvy & Mather and lives in Greenwich Village. • Billy and Beth Moloney Stimpson welcomed Margaret “Molly” Thorne Stimpson to their family April 28. She weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz.—healthy and strong. • Jon and Jenny Burbick Engel expect their second child in September and live in Hopkinton. • Stephanie Fye finished her M.Ed. from North Central University and works as the manager of student services for the K12 International Academy. She moved back to Maine after eight long years in Arizona and is very glad to be back home with her husband and two young daughters. • Lauren Schaad recently joined the Boston office of Korn/Ferry International, the largest publicly traded executive search firm in the world. Invitations to connect via LinkedIn are welcome. She has found a great adventure buddy in Lambique Bickford, with whom she climbed a 14er
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(mountain over 14,000 feet) in Colorado last spring. She’s now upgrading to crampons and training to climb the Matterhorn this fall. » Philip Coppage is the director of political technology at the Republican National Committee. He’s engaged to Mary Wilkinson, a senior associate at a DC-based health policy consulting firm and a University of New Mexico graduate. They’ll marry this September in Albuquerque, where they met. Todd Miller will be a groomsmen and Kathy Manu will likely be at the wedding. Kathy works in Buenos Aires, Argentina—beginning her fourth year in July—and still loves her job as an international school counselor. The time there allows her to adventure around South America, including jaunts to Patagonia, Brazil, Peru, Europe, and, of course, some time back home in the summer. » Paul Dante lives in Vancouver, B.C., and works as an environmental consultant on hydroelectric projects in California and Alaska. Paul ran into Kathy Manu in Cuzco, Peru, just before each of them headed to Machu Picchu. » Angelika Makkas lives in the Boston area and works as an HR manager at DePuy, one of J&J’s medical device businesses. » Betsy Loyd Harvey earned her Ph.D. in American studies at the University of Iowa, completing her dissertation while living and teaching in Geneva, Switzerland. She loves teaching at an international school and has 23 students from 21 countries. » Dubek ‘99 and Sarah Richards Kim welcomed their second son, Leonidas Kim, April 15. The second son, Leonidas Kim, April 15. They’re expecting their second, Chalhoub of their first baby. They happily live on the ding day, they look forward to the arrival of their second son, Leonidas Kim, April 15. The end of her intern year in psychiatry at Columbia. They enjoy living in Washington DC-based health policy consulting firm of political technology at the Republican

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Abby Kussell lives in Charlestown, Mass., and works at Northeastern. With so many Colby grads living in Charlestown she sees classmates often. » Jeanette Gribben Chalhoub’s first little one, Leila, turned 2 in March. They’re expecting their second, a boy, in August. » Ji ‘01 and Piper Elliott Abodeely expected baby number two in June. Ji recently partnered with a new firm in Sonoma, Calif. » Parker and Hillary Lavelle Corbin had a baby girl in April. Campbell Magee Corbin. Their daughter, Lavelly, is 2. » Dave Seel and his wife, Jaclyn, live in Stony Brook, N.Y. They expected a daughter in May. Dave splits his time between an entrepreneurial fitness endeavor, Made To Move Fitness, and a new-found passion for food blogging at The Art (and Science) of Food Adventuring. » John Sullivan and Steve Hooper graduated in June from Tuck at Dartmouth. They spent their spring break on a cat skiing adventure near Rossland, B.C., skiing knee-to-waist-deep freshies. » Anna L’Hommedieu reports in from Seattle, where she recently had breakfast with President Bro Adams, Piper Elliott Abodeely, Vanessa Willson, and Rob Belcher. Anna began a new job at Starbucks headquarters in February and will be married in July on Mt. Hood in Oregon. » Chris and Andrea Graffeo Plant welcomed their first baby, Ryan Gray Plant, in March. » Lindsey Morse continues to pursue new sustainable business ventures. She recently joined the green tech startup Recyclebank, headquartered in New York. » Jess Povtak just moved from Queens to Harlem and loves it thus far. She works as a nurse on a medical-surgical floor at a hospital in the Bronx after two years as a visiting nurse. She traveled to Costa Rica with Rachel Ellis this winter and will go to Panama soon for another adventure. » David Friedman and his wife, Mia, proudly announce the birth of their son, Ben Harrison Friedman, born 11-11-11 in Boston. » Spencer and Whitney Alford Mallozzi expect their first child in August. » Sally Hall Bell graduated in June with her M.B.A. from the Bainbridge Graduate Institute and looks forward to future endeavors in sustainable business strategy in the Pacific Northwest.

2003

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We’ve welcomed several baby Mules lately: Bill and Anna Carlson McCloy had a baby girl, Elsa O’Brien McCloy, March 22. Mom and dad are all healthy and doing well. » Brock and Stacy Thurston Barton welcomed a baby boy, Benjamin Thurston Barton, March 6. They’re eager to introduce Benjamin to all of his Colby aunts and uncles. » Kevin Smalley and his wife Cassandra (UF ’11) are proud parents to Addison Mackenzie Smalley. She was born Feb. 17 in Clearwater, Fla. Kevin teaches algebra II and coaches football and wrestling at Osceola High School in Seminole. » Lots of graduations to report as well. Keagan Russo graduated from Boston College Law School in May. In August he’ll relocate to Atlanta, where he’ll be a consultant with McKinsey & Co. He and his soon-to-be bride, Jess, will plan their Dec. 3 wedding remotely from Georgia. » Serena Vayda graduated in May from medical school at Case Western Reserve and will stay in Cleveland for a residency in internal medicine. » Jonah Barazs graduated from the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine last May. He started a periodontal specialty residency at UConn. He also serves in the Connecticut Army National Guard. Jonah and his wife, Allison (Stewart ’05), as well as daughter Toya Leah Barazs ‘32, recently moved into a new “apartment”: Jonah’s mother’s basement. Despite the living quarters, the family is doing well. » Kate Ginty graduated from medical school in May and is excited to stay in the Philadelphia area for her emergency medicine residency. » Ellen Whitesides graduated from Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government in May with a master’s in public administration/international development. » Jess Martin was engaged (alas to a non-Colby guy, Justin Gorbet) in NYC last February, the night after hanging out with good buddy Peter Brush. Jess and Justin bought a condo in Boston, where Jess works at WilmerHale as a corporate lawyer. » Scott and Rachel Merrick Maggs bought a house in Littleton, Mass., and would love to know if any other alums are that far out in the ‘burbs. They’ll head to Evan Wooley and Alexis Rubin’s wedding this summer and look forward to seeing many Colby friends! » Trenholm Boggs started a new job at the Government Printing Office in January working in the sales and marketing group as a management and program analyst. He was married Jan. 15 in Austin, Texas, to Avery Easley. Barron Butler and Alex Kasuya were there. » Travis and Carrie Morin Pease honeymooned in Hawaii in April. They’ll travel to CA for Caroline Koskins’s wedding in July. » Annie Hall hoboed her way through Colorado in April, stopping to see Courtney Smith in Denver and Laura Collins Dougherty in Leadville. Annie reports that Alyson Lindquist will be married in August. » Elyssa Ford, Traci Speed, Joanne Head, and Casey Brown all celebrated Whitney King’s wedding to Brad Billerman last summer. Elyssa will begin a tenure-track position in the history department at Northeast Missouri State University this fall. » Bianca Belcher was selected as a 2011-12 Albert Schweitzer Fellow for starting a specialty health need clinic for at-risk youth at a local high school. She’s heading into her second year of the Northeastern physician’s assistant program. » Billy Thompson is now policy director in the majority office of the Maine House of Representatives. » Spencer Hutchins started a new job in March as senior director of business development and strategy at the West Wireless Health Institute. West Wireless is a nonprofit medical research institute dedicated to decreasing the cost of healthcare by helping spur innovation in technology and information. Spencer and his wife Laurie relocated to San Diego recently and would love to hear from any Colby alumni in the area. » Thanks for the news—keep it coming—and happy summer!

2004

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Kevin Andrews graduated from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities with a bachelor’s in civil engineering, and is now pursuing a master’s and Ph.D. in civil engineering with an emphasis on structural engineering. » Kim Strader O’Leary and her husband welcomed their second child, Charlotte Abigail O’Leary, March 10. » Will Sander graduated from Yale with a master’s in public health and will take that to his veterinarian degree work in Illinois. » Adam St. Pierre works as an exercise physiologist/running biomechanist at the Boulder Center for Sports Medicine and also coaches a cross-country ski team. He planned to run the Western States 100-mile Endurance Run in June and the Leadville 100-mile Trail Run in August. » Eric Fitz lives in San Francisco. He’s engaged to Catherine Del Vecchio (Browdoin ’05) and plans a fall wedding in Maine. » Colin Witherill lives in Boulder, where he’s a freelance videographer and has filmed for Warren Miller, Toyota, Arctic Cat, and others. He doesn’t do weddings. » Saliou and Nicolette Bolton Dione welcomed a baby boy, Amadou Andre Dione, last October. Nicolette is a pharmacy manager at Walgreens. » Alex ‘03 and Brittney Lazar Burgess welcomed a baby girl, Grace Perryn Burgess, Feb. 19. Mom and dad are very much in love with their little girl. » Injo Han is getting married in August to Mike King ’05. Brittney Lazar Burgess and Becca Aurut will be bridesmaids. » Henry Munter got married to Kelly Rinck this year and spent most of the year guiding whitewater river trips, helicopter skiing, and mountaineering expeditions in Idaho, Montana, and Alaska. » Anne Olmsted still lives and teaches in Boston and recently performed as Maureen in Rent at the Footlight Club in JP. » Mike Molloy finished his Ph.D. in immunology from Dartmouth Medical School in March and moved to Washington, D.C., to work at the National Institutes of Health. » Katie O’Neill graduated from University of Wisconsin Business School along with her
Beating the Odds | James Cryan ’07

When new teacher James Cryan ’07 walked into his sixth grade reading and writing classroom on the first day of school in 2007, he was faced with a daunting task.

Teach For America had placed Cryan in a public school in southwest Denver. Ninety-five percent of the students were at or below the poverty level, and half spoke a language other than English at home. Cryan’s sixth graders had yet to progress beyond a second-grade reading level.

Despite those significant obstacles, Cryan was determined to get his students up to par—and he did. During his two-year stint teaching at the school, Cryan’s team’s students demonstrated double-digit improvement on state tests—the greatest increase of any reading and writing middle school class in the district. “My kids were just rock stars,” Cryan said. “But knowing the quality of their middle school and the high school they were going to, I can’t promise you that they’ll make it.”

Of the more than 400 students who started in West High School’s Class of 2008, only half graduated, and only four were able to enroll in a college without first taking remedial coursework. “These kids need tremendous and transformational leaders in order to beat the odds that are stacked against them,” said Cryan. “I was a good teacher. But I don’t think making a difference in my community.

In my old classroom I was successful for most kids, but not all kids,” said Cryan. “But if you can have these kids for ten years, instead of an hour, you’re truly sending them on a path to be competitive with some of best school districts in the country. That’s who we’re pitting ourselves against.”

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—Robin Respaut ’07

James Cryan ’07

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So after two years Cryan left Teach For America to take up what he thought was his true interest: interning for a clean-energy firm in Massachusetts. Cryan had spent much of his free time at Colby in the outdoors, climbing mountains and scaling cliffs. Working on environmental issues seemed a natural fit.

But, to his surprise, the work didn’t excite him. “It didn’t seem that important after teaching in Denver,” Cryan said. “It wasn’t impactful enough. I couldn’t see any immediate change coming out of my work.” He began daydreaming about how he could help his former students get into college and came up with a plan—to establish a new charter school. He had seen successful charters before, and he knew southwest Denver would be fertile territory.

So in 2010 he enrolled in an M.B.A. program for school leadership and began working long hours in order to build a new school from scratch. Cryan earned the board of education’s stamp of approval early this summer, and Rocky Mountain Prep is scheduled to open its doors to its first class of students in the fall of 2012.

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To learn more about Rocky Mountain Prep, visit www.rockymountainprep.org.
snowpocalypse to visit West Africa for a few weeks, and Noah says it was great to spend time with him. • Brian Rodriguez graduated from medical school in May. He’ll head close to our old stomping grounds for a family medicine residency at Maine-Dartmouth in Augusta. • Liz Shepherd is marrying Chris Christensen July 23 in Ponte Vedra, Fla. Her father will marry them, and many Colby friends will attend, including bridesmaids Emily Tull, Lauren Uhlman, and Amanda Stein. • Greyson Brothers loves life in Brooklyn, N.Y. He walks dogs while planning his Labor Day Nantucket wedding to Michael Barry and prepping for grad school this fall in applied anthropology. • Kim Devine finished her first year at the University of Michigan School of Public Health in Ann Arbor. She’s studying in the dietitian. Kim is also getting married (to a working towards becoming a registered master’s in human nutrition, continuing to direct her church choir. Thus Kim Devine

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Bayley Lawrence and husband Nick Freemen welcomed their son, Owen Joseph Freeman, March 30. They’re all doing great and were planning for their move to Hangzhou, China, in June. • Eric ‘02 and Elise Washner Neumann celebrated the birth of their first son, Isaiah, April 5. • Ian London graduated from law school in May and took the Colorado bar in July. He had epic ski days with Jamie Luckenbill ’08 and looked forward to the May wedding of Mark Phillips ’09 and Raven Adams ’08. • Alex and Mariah Hudnut McPherson continue living in Boulder, Colo., with their old dog, Sophie, and their new puppy, Izzy. Mariah recently started a catering business called Three Aprons and they’re excited for a summer of veggies from their garden and mountain biking. • Jill Greenstein reports that she and several ’07ers rocked out at the Alumni Doghead in DC. • Amanda Vickerson has become co-advisor to the Portland High School gay/straight/ trans alliance. Amanda and her wife, Erin, continue to skate with Maine Roller Derby as Lady GayGay and Lex Lemon and invite alums in the Portland area to attend. • Kristen Renfro works at Skadden, Arps and is transferring to the Paris office for two years. She’s excited that her friends and family will join her in Paris to celebrate her birthday, which happens to fall on Bastille Day. • Josh Handelman moved to West Hartford, Conn., where he’s finance director for another U.S. Senate campaign. He also spent a week in London visiting Meaghan Fitzgerald ’08 and the one and only Merle Eisenberg. • Lindsay Carlson graduated in May from Boston University with her master’s in biomedical engineering, backpacked through Southeast Asia for three weeks, and then began her new job at Draeger Medical in Andover, Mass., working on patient-monitoring devices. • Allisson Coobill finished her second year of law school in Wisconsin and works in the district attorney’s office this summer. She’ll also attend the wedding of Brianna Tufts and Michael Walsh ’05 at Colby this July with Lauren Oliff Sonalkar, Mindy Favreau Woerters, and other Colby alums. Mindy and husband Will are tackling projects at their new home in Durham, Maine. Her latest design and DIY projects can be found at www.heartmainehome.blogspot.com. • On March 12 Alan Ozaworsez proposed to Katie Hayes underneath the Snubner chairlift at Sugarloaf! They’re hoping for a June 2012 wedding on the coast of Maine. • After four years in Cape Town, Rob Rosenbaum has transitioned his nonprofit CHOSA over to a team of successors, including an American fellow and a South African coordinator. He’s traveling around southern Africa before attending the Woodrow Wilson Graduate School at Princeton University in September. • Carolina Sicard is pursuing her paralegal certification and plans to graduate fall 2012. Carolina was excited that Heather Miele visited her from Vermont for a week. • Keyen Farrell will attend Dartmouth’s Tuck School of Business, Booya! • Courtney Goodie is returning from Switzerland to attend MIT Sloan in Cambridge, Mass., for a two-year, full-time M.B.A. program focusing on finance and management. • Mariah Buckley is moving to Scottsdale, Ariz., with her boyfriend, where she’ll begin an RN program—she’s excited for the Southwest. • Beth Hirschhorn will attend UPenn this fall for a master’s in biotechnology. • Kari Gasteazoro will attend Georgetown University for her master’s as a family nurse practitioner. • Lucy Hitz will attend the University of New Hampshire, Durham, M.F.A. program for poetry. • Carolyn Deuschle is moving from Flagstaff, Ariz., to Boston to pursue a master’s in landscape architecture at Harvard. • After a tumultuous two-year stint working as a blackjack dealer in Laughlin, Nev., Allison Dunn is turning her card tricks into prescriptions as she prepares for medical school. She lives in Tucson. • To put it bluntly, Patrick Benton is up to no good. The G-rated version: he lives in Pittsburgh with his cat.

Christine Gillespie ’10

in plain sight.” • Softball tricaptain Christine Gillespie ’10 was awarded the Post Graduate Achievement Award at the North Shore Student-Athlete Awards in Haverhill, Mass. During her Colby career, Gillespie had 89 hits and 60 runs and earned NESCAC All-Academic and All-Sportsmanship honors. Speaking at the award ceremony, she encouraged the high school student-athletes in attendance to “make the most of their college years by trying new activities and taking advantage of all possible resources,” the Eagle-Tribune reported.

OOS NEWSMARKERS

The New England Orienteering Club selected Samantha Saeger ’04 as its Orienter of the Year. At the World Orienteering Championships (WOC) in Norway, Saeger qualified for the A Finals in the sprint and long distances, finishing 42nd in the sprint and 29th in the long, tying the best-ever WOC results by a U.S. athlete. Last fall Saeger won the U.S. Classic Championships. • Joel Alex ’08 is project manager for MaineTrailFinder.com, an online resource named by American Trails as the best website for 2010 for finding trails and their features. Launched in June 2010, MaineTrailFinder.com includes trail maps, trail descriptions, and trip reports. • “It’s definitely about increasing access,” Alex told the Portland Press Herald. “Some of these trails are hidden

OOS MILESTONES

Marriages: Matthew P. Wallerstein ’03 to Lauren A. Bogner in New York, N.Y.

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Jeffrey and Jessica Iwasaki Mullins had their second boy, Noah Toshiro, March 20. Chase is a happy big brother. Jeffrey does consulting for the Treasury with Booz Allen Hamilton. • Stacey Dubois graduated from Tufts in May with an M.S. in psychology. She’ll work toward her M.F.A. in writing for children and young adults at the Vermont College of Fine Arts. • Mel Larsen and her partner, Maggie Crowley, live a homo-normative existence in a queer co-op in Jamaica Plain with five roommates and enough tofu to feed an army of lesbian avengers. Just as she did at Colby, Mel cheers loudly at Maggie’s shows, fights the heteropatriarchy, and reads too many books. • Christina Feng enjoyed her third year teaching through Teach For America. This summer Christina will spend time in Phrao, Thailand, with Steve Frechette and the rest of the firstclicks team. To learn more, check out: www.firstclicks.org.

Maya Klauber finished up year two of three at Columbia University School of Social Work with the ultimate goal of working with young people and families coping with illness. Her blog, Loving With Chronic Illness (www.lovingwithchronicillness.blogspot.com), was recognized as a Top Chronic Illness Blog of 2010. She seeks people living with a chronic illness and/or disability (physical and/or mental) to
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what we’re doing is completely different. April 27 tornado in Tuscaloosa with no damage to her person or apartment. She asks everyone to keep Alabama in their thoughts and prayers. Brad Woodworth arrived in the Caribbean after completing a circumnavigation under sail. He’ll continue sailing this summer, but what comes after that is unknown. Kristin Weigele finished law school at University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, Calif. She’s studying for the California bar exam, which she’ll take at the end of July. Afterwards she’s celebrating with her family on an Alaskan cruise and then hopes to find a job in northern California. Matt Hirsch moved back to his hometown of Jamestown, R.I. While his house underwent renovations, he moved to the deck and built a fort to live in. Although renovations are done, he remains in the fort, his “quiet sanctuary, where [1] get to really think,” reported Samuel Jones. Wesley Miller works at Little Brown’s recently launched mystery and suspense imprint, Mulholland Books. He acquired his first book: the

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Confessions by Kanae Minato. girls band. since she’s leaving for CT, her

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assistant. Terri Bello, Toto DePre ‘06, Patrick and Palmer had lunch with Palmer’s sister, Alex McAuliff ‘13 in Bobs; Joe Klaus extends his regards to the Class of 2008. While in Maine Patrick also visited Joel Alex in Farmington and

had breakfast at the Early Bird with Emily Wagner. He was fortunate to celebrate with Hardy Girls Healthy Women for their Girls Rock! weekend events, where he saw Allison Cole ’07 and Jackie Dupont ’04. Patrick and his boyfriend, David, are trying to schedule brunch with Samuel Bobul and Julia Bacon ’09 in Eastern Market, where he frequently runs into Annie Feutz. It was great to see all of the ‘08ers out in force for DC Doghead! Thanks for all of the updates!

2009

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David Way will do another year of the AmeriCorps Victim Assistance Program, this time in Nashua, N.H., beginning in September. Emma McLeaven-Weeder enjoyed having Sarah Stevens and Kathleen Maynard in the Pacific Northwest this year and looked forward to June and four days of camping and music at the Telluride Bluegrass Festival with Max Friedman, Danny Wasserman, and Suzanne Merkelson. Chelsea Eakin relocated from Shenzhen to Beijing in June, while Byron Meinerth will start grad school at SAIS in Nanjing this fall. Kat Brzozowski is still an assistant editor at Thomas Dunne Books/ St. Martin’s Press in New York City. Esther Boyd had a great time at DC Doghead this year, along with Patrick Sanders ’08, Dustin Hilt ’08, Colin O’Shea ’10, Meagan Berg ’07, and Patrick Boland. There were tons of Colby alums there. Esther will head to New Haven in August to reenter academia at the Yale Divinity School to get her master’s. Until then, she’ll be in DC working for the Fulbright Scholar Program. Soon, she’ll head to San Diego to visit her Colby roommate, Sejal Patel, who works in a neuro research lab and takes grad classes at UCSD. Catherine Woodiwiss, Colin, Dustin, and Estherrane regulars at several karaoke bars in DC and even have a small following. Esther was recently recruited for a 90s cover band. Since she’s leaving for CT, her dreams of cover band stardom will have to be deferred. Catherine, Esther, Dustin, Meagan, and Colin started a wonderful book club with meetings that involve great discussion and food. They also have regular movie marathons. Esther and Catherine are learning Arabic and get together regularly for Arabic coffee study sessions to practice speaking and keep each other honest about how much they’re covering. Carley Mil- lman will attend UCLA School of Law this August. Olivia Sterling is an associate editor at the New York headquarters of the Foundation Center, which provides resources to grant seekers. In August she’ll begin studying part time at the Manhattan campus of the Pratt Institute for her M.S. in communications design. Olivia went to Boston to visit Ashley Beaublieu. Ashley starts med school at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine this fall. Nikolai Barnwell cofounded a project called Sailing Doctors, an NGO that brings medical services to people living on the islands off Kenya’s northern coast and along the Somali border. It’s been running for more than a year and has helped more than 11,000 patients.

2010

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Hey all! I hope you’re having a fabulous summer. Here’s our first column; many of us are doing exciting things, so a big thank you to those who sent in news. Jen Corriveau is pursuing a Ph.D. in behavioral neuroscience at the University of Connecticut, where she studies the physiology and pharmacology of learning and memory. She’s enjoying her stint in Hartford. Graduate studies beckon for Kat Cosgrove as she makes her move to Colorado in the fall to do an M.A. in international human rights at the University of Denver. Laure-Helene Caseau has continued to produce beautiful artwork in her year-long stint at the Maryland Institute College of Art. Along with Sameera Anwar, she traveled to LA for spring break for quite the adventure. Jack Moriarty is pursuing a Ph.D. in astronomy at Yale. Britanny Tassi is a graduate student in the school psychology program at Fairfield University while also being a graduate assistant. Michael Schwarz enjoys the West Coast while studying school psychology at the University of Oregon. For spring break he visited Gil Conly ’11, Isaac Oppe, Jess Lavasseur, and Hasan Bhatti in D.C. Ian McCullough is doing an M.S. in ecology and environmental sciences at University of Maine. Britanny Thomas, Drew Vartanian, Htet Thila, and Ross Connor are finishing up their bachelor of engineering degrees at Dartmouth. Emily Barlow teaches fourth and fifth grade English and social studies at an alternative school outside New Orleans. She loves the city! Colin Nutzler teaches fifth- through eighth-grade Chinese at Collegiate in New York City. Alongside coaching, tutoring, and exploring the city, Terri Bello helps students with language-based learning disabilities meet success in the classroom at the Landmark School, Mass. Mary Soule received a notable sendoff from Brandon Pollock, Nick Friedman, and Maya Ranganathan in Portland, Maine, before jetting off to Daejeon, South Korea, to teach English at the Little America Institute. She’ll be there till March 2012. Despite their busy schedules juggling graduate school and teaching, Emily Marzulli and Sarena Maron-Kolitch enjoy their Teach for America stint in NYC. Emily teaches third grade while Sarena teaches fifth through eighth grade special education. Darshini Mahadevia works in a schizophrenia lab in the department of psychiatry (medical genetics) at Columbia Medical School. She works on human and mouse genetic research that dissects the genetics of schizophrenia and other psychiatric disorders such as schizophrenia. Jordan Schoonover spent four months working and traveling in Alaska after graduation. Currently she works at Los Alamos National Lab and coaches a track team. Victoria Gonzalez spent the year in Colorado but traveled to Australia to present her research at the International Melanoma Conference. For spring break she visited Bonnie Foley and Jay Mangold in Phoenix. Jessica Balu- kas is currently on an AmeriCorps team through the Maine Conservation Corps at the Department of Environmental Protection in Augusta. Alison Cappelloni is assistant women’s basketball coach at Roger Williams University and had a great season there. She reunited with Maddie Dufour, Kat Cosgrove, Samantha Smith, Jessica Kravetz, Emily Marzulli, Dana Himmelstein, and Kat Setzer for a fun-filled weekend in New York City in the spring. Living in the Boston area, Alison frequently sees Christine Gillespie, Beth Bartley, Klaudia Polak, Christi Lumbert, and Carin Rising. Sarah Bruce lives in Philadelphia and works in advertising. Caity Murphy drove cross-country to Wyoming to work for Wilderness Ventures. She lived for a short but sweet time with Maya Ranganathan, Nick Friedman, and Brandon Pollock in Portland, Maine, and also saw Sameera Anwar, Jessie Bond, Tara Davidson, and Hilana Benneheimer in Boston several times. Alex Fenster- macher and Amanda Wolin traveled to Brazil for two weeks in March and had a wonderful time. While applying to medical school, Jessica Williams is a bilingual family-services advocate at a nonprofit in Boston and also volunteers at Brigham and Women’s Hospital. That’s all for now. Enjoy the rest of summer and keep me posted about your interesting adventures.
ALUMNI AT LARGE

OBITUARIES

Irene Tardiff Hamilton ’32, April 21, 2011, in Madison, Maine, at 101. She was a high school teacher in Maine who taught French, Spanish, and geography. In 1953 she earned a master’s from the University of Maine. She escorted groups of students to France and was a member of the American Association of Teachers of French. She loved to knit, read, do crossword puzzles, and cook. Survivors include her children, Austin and Deane, three siblings, including Donald Tardiff ’49, six grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Vernon L. Bolster ’33, March 26, 2011, in New Gloucester, Maine, at 100. He received a master’s in education in 1951 and was a lifelong teacher in Maine and New Hampshire, serving also as principal. He was predeceased by his wife, Edith (Hoskin ’33). Survivors include his children, James and Janis, four grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Raymond E. Shibley ’35, May 8, 2011, in Waterville, Maine, at 99. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He owned and operated a successful oil and gas distributorship and was able to retire at 50, after which he traveled extensively with his wife. Survivors include nieces and nephews and his cat, Lucky.

Catherine Laughton Briggs ’36, April 14, 2011, in Vernon, Conn., at 95. She studied at the Sorbonne in Paris and then earned a master’s in French from Middlebury. She proceeded to teach French, Spanish, and Latin in schools along the East Coast. She was a painter and storyteller, was interested in genealogy, and loved to garden and play the piano. Survivors include her children, Warren, Diane, and Susan, six grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Helen deRochemont Cole ’36, May 24, 2011, in Lewiston, Maine, at 97. A mother and homemaker, she earned a master’s in education in 1962 and taught elementary school in New York. She loved travel, reading, and crossword puzzles. At 60, she began swimming and swim laps into her late 80s, marking 1,000 miles in the pool. She was predeceased by her husband, Garnold Cole ’38, and two sisters, Marguerite deRochemont ’33 and Donna deRochemont Wetzel ’39. Survivors include her children, Marjorie Patrick, Lawrence Cole, and Barbara Walker, six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews, including Andrew Bragg ’11.

Edmund N. Ervin ’36, June 1, 2011, in Waterville, Maine, at 96. He earned an M.D. from Johns Hopkins and then served as a flight surgeon in the Navy during World War II. Practicing pediatrics in Waterville, he specialized in mental retardation. He established Ken-A-Set Association for the Retarded and received honors for his work with the developmentally disabled, including a citation from the American Academy of Pediatrics. He was awarded an honorary degree from Colby. He enjoyed golf, gardening, and antiquing. He was predeceased by his parents, Robert 1911 and Caroline Lynwood Ervin 1908. Survivors include his wife, Hilary, two children, six grandchildren, and a great-grandson.

Florence Hapworth Erskine ’38, April 23, 2011, in Clermont, Fla., at 93. A mother and homemaker, she also taught English and French in Winslow, Maine, for many years. She was active with the Winslow Grange and was a baker, reader, and crossword puzzle lover. Survivors include her children, Thomas and Judith, six grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

Mary Crowley LaFleur ’39, March 20, 2011, in Greenville, S.C., at 93. She was a homemaker and a mother who was involved with numerous social clubs, taught English as a second language, and acted in and directed small plays. She sang in the church choir, was a Chi Omega advisor at Clemson, and loved literature. She was predeceased by her husband, Kermit LaFleur ’37, and two siblings, Henry ’26 and Ruth Crowley Brandmire ’24. Survivors include her daughter, Karen Stewart, and nieces and nephews, including Edward Weaver ’51.

Jane I. Mulkern ’39, March 9, 2011, in Brandon, Fla., at 92. She earned her bachelor’s from Boston University and, years later, her master’s from the University of Hawaii. She taught French, Spanish, and Italian at the Officers School at Pearl Harbor and also high school English in Honolulu. She loved to travel and was a devout Catholic. Survivors include nieces and nephews.

Ruth Hendricks Maren ’40, April 5, 2011, in Gainesville, Fla., at 93. She was a mother and homemaker who volunteered frequently at her local library, hospital, and with environmental and wildlife associations. Survivors include her sons, Peter, James, and David, five grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

Carolyn Nutting Martin ’43, April 22, 2011, in West Boylston, Mass., at 90. During World War II she taught high school in Massachusetts and then was a substitute after the war. She sang with her church choir, taught Sunday school, and was a den mother. She nurtured a 50-plus-year-old flower garden, helped maintain a section the Appalachian Trail, and was a bicyclist late into life. Survivors include her sons, James, John, and Thomas, six grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Frances Willey Rippere ’45, March 25, 2011, in Stuart, Fla., at 85. When her children were young, she was a recreation director in Dalton, Mass., and later worked for 25 years for Columbia Artists Management in New York. She was a P.E.O. sister for 53 years and enjoyed bridge and reading. Survivors include her children, Richard, Thomas, and Elizabeth Rippere Long ’73, and six grandchildren.

Sylvia Gray Noyes ’47, March 27, 2011, in Ellsworth, Maine, at 85. She taught in Maine high schools and then at Husson University. She earned a master’s in education in 1972 and was published in literary journals. She was active with the Methodist church and was a lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Survivors include her husband, George, four daughters, five grandchildren, and a brother.

Robert E. Timmins ’47, March 2, 2011, in Waterville, Maine, at 87. He served with the Navy in World War II and in the Korean War. For 35 years he worked for Scott Paper Company in Winslow, Maine, retiring as mill superintendent. He was president of the local United Way and the YMCA Industrial Management Club, coached Little League and was active with veterans groups. He loved to hunt and fish. Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Geraldine, two children, four grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter.

Alice Durvea van der Veer ’47, March 13, 2011, in Washington, N.C., at 85. She graduated from the Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School and then was a secretary and clerk in New Jersey. She was a member of the Jehovah’s Witness Kingdom Hall in Washington. Survivors include her daughters, Laura, Rebecca, and Katherine, six grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

George I. Smith ’49, April 9, 2011, in Portola Valley, Calif., at 83. He served with the Navy during World War II and then earned a master’s and a doctorate from California Institute of Technology. A noted geologist, he worked for 43 years with the U.S. Geological Survey and was an authority on Pleistocene lakes of western states. He earned a Fulbright in 1981 and a Meritorious Service Award from the Department of the Interior in 1983. He was a Colby overseer for three terms and was named the 1999 Distinguished Alumnus. He was predeceased by his parents, Ervena Goodale ’24 and Joseph Coburn Smith ’24, and his great aunt, Louise Coburn 1877. He had two children and three stepchildren.

Mary Goldey Morrison ’50, March 2, 2011, in New Haven, Conn., at 82.
She was a mother and housewife who was survived by her husband, Rev. Kermit Morrison, four children, a brother, and several grandchildren.

Jacquelyn Downey Burnham '51, March 22, 2011, in Nashua, N.H., at 81. A mother and homemaker, she also worked as a nursing instructor. She earned a master's in education in 1982 and then became program director of the associate degree nursing program at Rivier College in Nashua. Survivors include her husband of 56 years, Francis Burnham '51, six children, and six grandchildren.

Robert L. Hooper '52, May 10, 2011, in Pleasanton, Calif., at 80. He served in the Air Force as a weather officer and then worked with computer software for various companies. He was involved with dog obedience training and all breed dog clubs. He was predeceased by his mother, Marion Merriam Hooper '25. Survivors include his first wife, Florence Fisher Krejci '53, with whom he had three daughters.

Margaret Macpherson Legge '52, March 21, 2011, in North Palm Beach, Fla., at 79. After raising her children, she became office manager for the Palm Beach County Elections Office. She was predeceased by her husband, Alfred '52. Survivors include her children, Sheary Harris, George Legge, and Elizabeth Kaplowitz, eight grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Jeanne White Simon '52, March 24, 2011, in Wilmington, Del., at 79. She was a wife and homemaker who played golf, bridge, and tennis. Survivors include her daughters, Deborah Simon, Barbara Page, and Linda Riggsbee, two grandchildren, and a brother.

G. Louise Davis '53, March 22, 2011, in Raleigh, N.C., at 79. She established a career in advertising, editing, and writing and then in retirement worked on art projects for nonprofits. Survivors include her ex-husband, Chuck Stone, three children, a grandchild, and three siblings.

Herbert R. Adams '54, March 18, 2011, in Portland, Maine, at 78. He was an ordained minister, a textbook editor, and an English teacher, sometimes filling these roles simultaneously. He wrote curriculum for church schools, earned a doctorate in education from Harvard in 1972, and was active with civic organizations. Survivors include his wife, Mary, four children, 12 grandchildren, and a sister.

Abbot E. Rice '54, April 28, 2011, in Hudson, N.H., at 79. He served with the Naval Reserves until 1958 and earned an M.Ed. in 1960 and an Ed.D. in 1978 from Boston University. He worked in education for 50 years, retiring as director of placement for Northern Essex Community College. He was active in local government and community organizations, including town council and the Grange. Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Annie, three children, including Beverly Rice Tedeschi '85, and seven grandchildren.

Richard E. Whiting '54, April 15, 2011, in Rockport, Maine, at 79. He earned a law degree from Boston University and then practiced general law in Rumford, Maine. From 1973 to 1996 he served as probate judge in Oxford County and, in 2009, became a life member of the Maine State Bar Association. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, skiing, and mountain climbing, was an avid reader, and collected art. Survivors include his wife, Elaine, five children, including Christopher '77 and Daniel '89, and 13 grandchildren.

Selden C. Staples '55, April 25, 2011, in Wilmington, N.C., at 77. He served three years with the Air Force in the mid-1950s and then was an accountant in New York City with International Nickel Company. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Sue (Riven ’55), five sons, including Spencer ’81, 14 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and a sister.

Carolyn Bossi Hadge '57, March 22, 2011, in Toms River, N.J., at 75. She was a volunteer at her children's school and then received a bachelor's in psychology in 1978 and a master's in counseling in 1985. She coordinated alcohol and substance abuse programs and later ran her own communications business. Survivors include her children, Joseph, Ronald, Caron, and Cynthia, six grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and a sister.

Cynthia Fox Dancer '58, April 9, 2011, in Doylestown, Pa., at 75. She earned a master's in science and health and then was a therapist in Michigan and Florida, retiring as clinical director of Behavioral Health of the Palm Beaches. She was also a reader and a knitter. Survivors include her husband, Richard, a son, three grandchildren, and a brother.

Dale S. Patchell '58, May 26, 2011, in SaddleBrooke, Ariz., at 74. He earned an M.B.A. from New York University and then worked at Western Electric as a product line manager. He is survived by his wife, Nancy, with whom he had one son.

John C. Ferrie '59, March 22, 2011, in Jersey City, N.J., at 73. He worked in insurance and was an expert on bodily injury claims. For 16 years he worked in San Francisco for Thomas Miller Associates and then he retired to New Jersey, where he could root for his beloved Yankees.

M. Josephine Deans Auchincloss '60, May 19, 2011, in Charlotte, N.C., at 72. She worked in advancement at Emma Willard School in Troy, N.Y., and later worked in real estate. She was active with her church, historical society, and book clubs and was known for her sense of humor. She was predeceased by her mother, Louise Murray Deans ’31, and is survived by daughters Jane and Lee, two grandchildren, a sister, and a brother.

Peter Shays '60, Feb. 9, 2011, in New York, N.Y. He earned an M.B.A. from Babson and then was an international banker with Israel Discount Bank. He retired in 2006 and became a professor of economics at Berkeley College and New York Institute of Technology. He was a world traveler who loved music, art, and the Boston Red Sox. Survivors include his wife, Gail, two daughters, including Mika Hadani Melamed ’97, and four grandchildren.

Ilan Hadani ’70, April 10, 2011, in New York, N.Y. He earned an M.B.A. from Babson and then was an international banker with Israel Discount Bank. He retired in 2006 and became a professor of economics at Berkeley College and New York Institute of Technology. He was a world traveler who loved music, art, and the Boston Red Sox. Survivors include his wife, Gail, two daughters, including Mika Hadani Melamed ’97, and four grandchildren.

Jeffery A. Seip ’74, March 24, 2011, in Cape Canaveral, Fla., at 58. He earned an M.B.A. from Thunderbird School of Global Management. He worked for Siemens and Westinghouse on projects around the world, including Mexico City, Puerto Rico, Saudi Arabia, and Shanghai. He and his wife, Rosina, had one daughter, Lauren.

William H. Priestley ’90, April 8, 2011, in Boston, Mass., at 43. He earned a J.D. from Boston University and then practiced civil litigation in Providence, R.I. He loved the outdoors, skiing, and golfing, was a singer/songwriter, and mentored for Rhode Islanders Sponsoring Education. He died of pancreatic cancer. Survivors include his wife, Linda Remick Priestley ’90, four children, and three siblings.