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Congratulations to Frederick A. Howard ’29, who turned 100 October 5, 2007. In 1938 he started Howard Insurance in Norwood, Mass., now run by his sons almost 70 years later. Howard has returned to Colby each year for more than 25 years, first with his wife, the late Celia Sakakeeny, then with his son Philip. He marvels at Colby’s growth and prosperity. Howard has five children, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.


20s/30s newsmakers

Amy Lewis Small had a busy summer. She spent a large portion of time editing the yearbook for a local club she belongs to and also editing the monthly bulletin for her branch of the American Association of University Women. But her big summer event was the annual visit of her daughter and her 16-year-old granddaughter, who live in Switzerland.


Alumni Reunion Weekend in June was a delightful time for all. The weather was beautiful and the new alumni building, which was the hub of activities for the first time, was the perfect origin for the parade of classes—it’s the right distance from the gym for walking. If any of you brought up The Blue Light Web site on your computer, with the pictures and stories of the event, you probably wondered who was carrying the 50-plus banner. My nephew David McAlary attended the event with me and he volunteered our services! He’s not a Colby graduate but both his parents, an uncle, and two aunts were, so he feels close to the College. Those present from our class were Bob St. Pierre and his son, Mike, Esther and Dick Mountfort, Najla and Harold Joseph, Gabe Hikel and his wife, and Dick Jones. At the Boardman Memorial service, five of our classmates were remembered: Alice Katkaskas Deming, Pat Berquist Donna, Arthur Eaton, William Frazier, and Martha Wheeler Zeltsman. I did receive a few letters. Lois Peterson Johnson wrote to tell of the trips she and her husband made. They attended the Big Muddy Folk Festival in Boonville, Md., had an 11-day trip touring national parks, a two-night trip to Berea, Ky., and Renfro Valley, plus visits with their children. Nancy Bell Martin moved to Oklahoma City, Okla., to be near her daughter. Judy Jones Zimmerman wrote and recalled several activities from before we all moved up to Mayflower Hill, such as laying bricks in the wall of the new women’s union as it was being constructed. Also the visit of Eleanor Roosevelt when she spoke at the old alumni building back of Foss Hall. We all attended the reception that followed so we could shake
her hand. She was such a gracious lady! Pauline Tatham Stanley sent a clipping of her daughter’s experience as an exchange teacher in Estonia at an English-speaking school where she taught music to preschoolers through tenth graders. —Josephine Pitts McAlary

45 An article dated June 7, 2007, in the Windham Independent about gunpowder mills, featured an interview with mill expert and long-time Gorham, Maine, resident Maurice Whitten, Ph.D., professor emeritus in chemistry at the University of Southern Maine. Maurice also celebrates the recent re-release of his book, The Gunpowder Mills of Maine. He sold and signed copies of it after a tour of the remnants of the Gambo gunpowder mill.

46 Cloyd Aarseth and his wife, Joan, have recently had two wonderful events, beginning with the birth of their first great-grandson. Jackson David Aarseth, was born to their grandson, Paul and his wife, DeeDee, in Richardson, Texas. On June 14 Cloyd and Joan celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. “It doesn’t get much better than this,” Cloyd wrote. Faye O’Leary Hafford wrote from Allagash, Maine. She opened the library in Allagash—now called the Faye O’Leary Hafford Library—and was named MVP and signed copies of it after a tour of the remnants of the Gambo gunpowder mill.

47 David Weber spent time in April with his family on a cruise in the Greek isles and just narrowly missed seeing their cruise boat sink three days before they arrived! Luckily they were able to enjoy Mykonos, Patmos, Ephesus, Rhodes, Crete, and Santorini on a replacement ship. Afterwards, he and his wife enjoyed the art and history of Florence, Italy, before spending the majority of July marveling at the landscape and language of Iceland.

48 Burt Krumholz has sold his home in Roslyn, N.Y., and moved to nearby Melville. His current address is 592 Bardin Drive, Melville, N.Y., 11747 and his e-mail is bkrumholz@aol.com. Burt was disappointed that last year’s reunion with classmates in Florida did not come to fruition and he is hopeful, as are we, that we will have success this winter. He hopes to be at Colby for our 60th reunion in June 2008. Mike and Kay Weisman Jaffe met Carol Stoll Baker and her friend Selig after Carol had attended a dance program at Jacob’s Pillow in Becket, Mass. They had dinner at the New Boston Inn, which Kay highly recommends. Shortly thereafter, Kay and Mike became great-grandparents with the birth of Noah Jaffe. They have three great-grandsons and one great-granddaughter. Evie Helfant Malkin’s first granddaughter was born in September 2006 on Nantucket. Evie has moved into an apartment that is only an eight minute walk to Harvard Square. In May she had a wonderful time in the Netherlands, France, and Brussels. She is still busy three days a week at Massachusetts General Hospital working as an oncology social worker in pediatric radiation. Janet Gay Hawkins said the summer was busy on Shelter Island, with many visitors and not enough weekends. Her 10-month-old great-granddaughter visited in August. Janet finished working on a major fund raiser for The Nature Conservancy’s Mashomack Preserve on the island. We received a note and a program from T. Stuart Infantine, a member of the Maine Sports Hall of Fame board of directors, announcing that Eugene A. Hunter was inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame June 10, 2007. Part of the citation reads: “Hunter was an outstanding basketball and baseball player at both Presque Isle High School and Colby College, where he played for Lee Williams. In fact, he captained both the basketball and baseball teams at Colby.” In my last column it was incorrectly stated that David Choate had dinner in Boca Raton with Dorothy and Jordan “Ike” Kaplan. In fact, it was Dorothy and I who dined with the Kaplans. I, David, had a telephone conversation with Elizabeth Coombs Coke Myers past spring and just received an e-mail from Aaron Sandler. Miracle of miracles, Dorothy and I are still sailing and, although we try to select our weather, on occasion we have been caught in some very windy conditions, but the crew (total age 156) was equal to the situation. We plan on attending the 60th reunion. Let us know your plans for that event. Perhaps we can include them in the next Colby column and that will stimulate the interest of other classmates. —David and Dorothy Marson

49 In my last column, Richard Fisch told of his recent retirement. Now he tells of his unexpected new findings. “About a month ago I made a decision I thought I would never make: to retire from my work as a psychiatrist. After 50 years of it, I felt I was ready to move on to new fields. I was uneasy about it since all I ever knew had been my work and I was unfamiliar with the idea that when I woke up in the morning, I didn’t need to rush anywhere. I realized that for years I had walked past a park but never looked at it, just the street itself. And since I didn’t need to rush anywhere, I was curious to see what it would feel like to just sit in the park itself. The first thing I noticed was how many beautiful trees there are and I could watch them swinging in the gentle breeze. Then I noticed the kids playing and the dogs playing, too, and all having a good time, and the parents watching them all with great pleasure. Time was meaning nothing for me; I had become transfixed with the beauty and joy of it all; and an hour had gone by, an hour I hadn’t noticed. I realized I had never felt such peace, and I go there most every day to soak in the peacefulness of it.” Kay Sahagian broke his usual pattern of reporting in every 10 years and answered the e-mail with only a year’s lapse! Thank you for your accolades for my “valiant efforts trying to assemble news from us octogenarians.” It is kind of pulling teeth! Kay has experienced many medical problems and in doing so has become “sort of self-educated on health.” If anyone has a particular question, he’ll be glad to share his knowledge and offer a suggestion. But then he “suspects most of us can.” Celie Farnham Sturtevant wrote of “a fabulous land trip” to Alaska that she and her husband took in July. “We flew to and from Anchorage and saw all the sights from Seward and Valdez to Fairbanks and Denali with an extra flight to both peaks of Mt. McKinley.” She describes it as “Awesome,” and I know from experience that that is the only word to describe Alaska. Keep the news coming and I’ll pass it on to everyone. —Anne Eustis

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50 My sister Alice Jennings Castelli, Connie Leonard Hayes, Ginny Davis Pearce, Connie Foxcroft Perrigo, Stubby Crandall Graves, and I got together at Pat Root Wheeler’s home in Jaffrey, N.H., this summer. Patty, who has learned how to play the steel drums, has a set prominently in her living room and plays with a group. She did a demonstration for us and played a CD with her playing a lead drum. She played in a steel drum festival.
in Yarmouth, Maine, this summer with a group from all over New England. In addition to her musical talents—bell ringer and organist—she is starting her 38th year running her Sandbox Nursery School in Jaffrey. *Connie Foxcroft Perrigo went on an Elderhostel trip this June in the Acadia area of Maine. It was a multi-sport program, including sea kayaking in Bar Harbor and Blue Hill Bay, mountain biking, and hiking. Only five of the group of 20 were from New England. Most evenings they had a scenic tour—driving up Cadillac Mountain for the sunset, scenic walks along the shore, historical tours of churches and “cottages,” and a lobster demonstration. The last day they hiked on Sargent Drive, “one of the most spectacular short boulevards in New England.” They wound around Somes Sound, and headed into the “old money” village of Northeast Harbor, passing many of the summer cottages that survived the fire of 1947. Connie heartily recommends the trip. She and her friend turned out to be the eldest of the “nerdisters”—most folks were in their 60s. *After Jaffrey, Allie, and I went to our family reunion in Wolfeboro, N.H., at the home of our sister, Ann Jennings Tassig ’49, on Lake Winnipesaukee. Later in the summer Allie and her family went to a Castelli family reunion at the summer home of Rudy’s brother Bill on Cape Cod. *Have you run into any Colby friends recently, moved, traveled, or read a great book? I’m looking for news for our next column. Please let me hear from you. —Elisabeth (Dodie) Jennings Malley

51 Last August in Lubec, Maine, Mary Leighton Robertson met with Bill and Jean Griffin Carey for the first time since the two women were bridesmaids together in 1952. The Careys have retired to Lubec but have spent many years living all over New England. *Ernie Fortin, lured back by fond Colby memories, spent five weeks of vacation in Maine last summer. Ernie was called back to Florida early due to his election as president of the Sarasota Meadows Community Association. *Richard J. Bowen was honored with the Jay D. Blitzman Award for Youth Advocacy from the Lawrence Bar Association for his work in the juvenile court. He continues to work as a public defender for juveniles, despite undergoing coronary bypass surgery last year. He and his wife, Lucy, celebrated their 56th anniversary this year. He still stays in touch with

Bob Brotherlin. *The Maine Sunday Telegram featured Arnold Sturtevant’s generations-old family farm, which he has owned and operated as a bed and breakfast since 1987. The paper recommended it as an excellent and historically-informative vacation idea.

52 Sheila and Don Haier met Carl and Muffie Morgan Leaf, Judy and Herb Nagle, and Charlotte and Luke Lebherz at the Landfall in Woods Hole (on Cape Cod) for dinner. They had a grand time reviewing the 55th reunion. Joanne Kelly Cannon missed the reunion, but she did have lunch with Ned ’51 and Barbara Hills Stuart ’54 and Jean and Bob Lee ’51 in Maine in July. *Bill Taylor says, “No news. My spinal synopsis is still in charge, unfortunately. I can’t walk very well for any distance.” Bill, we all hope you’re feeling better. *Norman Crook says that, “Josette and I are both well. Fifty-three years of life together and still able to spend virtually all of our days traveling in our motor home about the Southeast. Although we have a home base in Summerdale, Ala., (a bit north of the Gulf), we manage to show our Chinese SharPei at the dog shows from Ky. to Fla. and states in between. Life has been good to us; our four kids (including Rebecca Crook Rogers ’83) and grandkids are all well!” *Doris Miller Raphael Winder has moved to a retirement community in Newton, Mass., which is part of Lasell College. “I’m back taking college courses and enjoying the whole experience. Lasell has two child-care centers, which was my field. I volunteer at one of them. It’s great! The Village also has a gym and a pool so I am keeping up the best way I know how to stay active.” *Barbara Bone Leavitt had an extended visit with her old friend and roommate Caroline Wilkins McDonough in Greenwich, Conn. Caroline had to go to Chicago for some serious surgery and Barbara went along to help her out. *Mel Lyon wrote from California to say he is “doing just fine, still working in the laboratory. Discovered recently that I now have six grandchildren, all doing well and apparently very clever little ones, as expected.” Mel works on a prenatally stress-induced animal model for autism, with hopes of finding some way to prevent this disorder. Mel recently talked with Bob Hooper, who is in good health again, but had a difficult year before that. He was his usual good-humored self and is now planning a possible cruise tour to Alaska with his wife, Iris, who cared for him through all the hard times. *Russ Wallace reports that, “My friend Anne and I had a wonderful time at reunion. The Lebherzs, Leavitts, Nagles, and Dave Crockett really made us feel at home back on the East Coast. Having gotten the travel bug in Maine, we tried the Med in July—Sicily, Crete, Santorini, Ephesus, Athens and a couple of other spots. Excellent study tour. Having gotten acquainted with multi-hour layovers in Frankfurt airport, we went back in August with The Natural Gas Jazz Band, a group from Marcell, just across the Golden Gate Bridge. They had gigs in Sweden, Denmark, and Norway. Another excellent experience.” *Thanks again so much for responding with all this news. Isn’t it great to catch up on old friends? Until next time, enjoy life. It is so precious. And be well.—Jan “Sandy” Pearson Anderson

53 Through some misunderstanding on my part I missed a deadline and thus I have received an unusual volume of notes. In July John Lee cruised to St. John, Greenland, Iceland, and Norway. His granddaughter will attend the University of Virginia after winning, he writes, every possible honor in high school. His grandson will graduate from West Point in May 2008. *Ellie Hay Holway wrote a nice note from her cottage on Casco Bay. Her six children (five daughters and one son) along with their families surprised them with a 50th wedding anniversary party. They have eight grandchildren, so there are many special events to attend in Massachusetts and Maine and vacation in Florida. In 2005 she and her daughter Amy represented their family at a huge Clan Hay gathering at a castle in Scotland, then took a tour of the surrounding towns. Both Ellie and Paul Westcott were “spurred on” to write when the ’53 news was missing in the spring issue. Paul is still working as CEO of Howell Laboratories in Bridgton, Maine. They engineer and build machinery for the Navy and, under a different name, Shively, build FM broadcast antennas. The antenna on Roberts Union comes from this company. Paul has been a trustee of the University of New England for 20 years and now is a trustee of the Maine Historical Society. He says that Harland Eastman ’51 is also on that board. He and his wife, Peggy, highly recommend the Colby-sponsored tours; they enjoyed one to Russia and another to China. *Ginnie Falkenbury Aronson spent a couple of weeks in Prague with her son who teaches math there. She said she spent an interesting evening in a Czech pub listening to her son fluently speaking with the local people. She also spent some time visiting an 11th-century castle and its town, Cesty Krumlov. *Tommi Thompson Staples enjoyed another Intergenerational Elderhostel with her 13-year-old granddaughter. They went to Kentucky with a group consisting of 10 girls, 10 grandmothers, and one grandfather. She said they saw the horse Smarty Jones in retirement life. Then she took her other granddaughter to the Grand Canyon. Tommi was expecting to have Carolyn English Caci as a houseguest and they planned to visit Marty Friedlaender in New York. *Rick Tyler was at their summer home in Ogunquit, Maine, beginning in June. He and Ann took a few days and traveled to Bermuda with his sister and husband. The rest of the summer he played tennis and enjoyed the beach. They returned to Salt Lake City in September and planned to travel to Africa for an animal adventure in November. *Just when I thought I had all the news, I got an e-mail from Priscilla Eaton Billington, whose granddaughter is a freshman at Colby and is excited to be there. Her youngest grandson has entered Brooks School in Andover, Mass. She said that Ray had his 80th birthday and they had a gathering of classmates who also turned 80; there were six of them. *On the sad side we lost three more classmates: Paul Ostrove, Celia Lasbury Johnson, and Bobbie Weiss Alpert.—Barbara Easterbrooks Maily

54 Mary and Herb Adams celebrated their 30th anniversary in August. Earlier this year they spent time in Spain visiting the burial place of Herb’s one-time idol, Orson Welles. Herb gave the keynote address to the annual cluster meeting of SW Florida Unitarian Universalists last March and he has been speaking frequently on contemporary social/political issues at UU churches. Herb writes, “The fact is, for whatever reason, I have become very much interested in what our Colby classmates are up to, and look forward to our small part of the alumni coverage. The older I get the more I think of those fascinating magnificent years ‘on the hill.’” Herb would appreciate some word about his old pal, Ward Tracy. *Ben and Diane Stowell Duce attended their seventh Alumni College session this
In Massachusetts, the 2007 Jay D. Blitzman Award for Youth Advocacy went to Richard J. Bowen ’51. Established in honor of Judge Blitzman’s long career as an advocate committed to juvenile rights, the award is presented annually to an advocate who “assures that children accused of criminal conduct are treated fairly and with dignity in the courtroom.” Bowen was honored for his impressive work as a public defender for juveniles in Massachusetts.

summer and then enjoyed a July family reunion with their three children and six grandchildren. • Bill Ames, also a regular at the Alumni College, keeps fit by playing a great deal of tennis. • Bob Fraser is another classmate who spends time during the summer at the Alumni College. • Carol Dyer Wauters has a new e-mail address: cwauters@bresnan.net. She continues to do lots of hiking, biking, paddling, and rafting on the Snake River and still hopes to turn Wyoming from a red state to a blue one or at least a purple one. • Georgia Roy Eustis was recently made director of teaching at a nursing school in Florida and has begun a medical ministry to drive parish members to rehab. • In June 2006 Diane Chamberlin Starcher celebrated her 50th anniversary in Hawaii, after which she and her husband spent several months visiting family and friends in the states. Diane works as secretary of the local (Chambery, France) Baha’i’s administrative body and has become a Sudoku addict. • Abbott Rice suffered a severe fracture of his leg in late 2005. This created walking problems but he’s able to continue driving. Both Abbott and Annie are active in the New Hampshire State Grange as well as the Wattannick Grange in Hudson. • Our class should collectively give itself a pat on the back for its participation in the recent Alumni Fund drive. Ninety-one percent of the class participated (the goal was 87 percent) and we gave $49,605 (the goal was $45,000). However there are still 15 classmates who did not take part. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if, for our 55th reunion (just around the corner), we could become the first class of any size to reach the 100-percent participation mark? —Art Eddy

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Greetings classmates, wherever you are. Best wishes from the Outer Cape. The biggest news with most of us this fall is our 55th high school reunion. Janet Nordgren Meryweather was headed for Shrewsbury, Mass., Linda Burgess Sprague and I to Weymouth, and who knows how many back to Newton. There were 11 Newton High graduates in our freshman class at Colby, and I deferred to Janet Stebbins Walsh for the list: Julie Brush Wheeler, Janet Stebbins Walsh, Russ Nahigian, John Chatfield, Don Dunbar, David Dunn, Ed Hatch, Don Kupersmith, John Marshall, and Jay Smith. These girls left after a year or two: Joan Arcese, Louise Allen Freedman, and Toby Lunder, Peter’s twin. Peter Lunder went to Bigelow Junior High then to prep school, otherwise he would have been at Newton, too. Barkry Boole and Charlie Morrissey were Newton High School class of ’51. They did a post-grad year at Cheshire Academy in Connecticut so ended up in our class. Jan also wrote that she went to Norton to follow Tiger around and that her own golf game improved after that fabulous day. • We saw Tom ’54 and Susan Miller Hunt while visiting Lou ’55 and Kathy McConaughy Zambello in August. The Maine contingent keeps in close touch and share several events each summer. John and Lou had a great day playing golf at the Falmouth Foreside with Larry Pugh and Guy Vigue ’57. • Dave and Rosemary Crouthamel Sortor had another interesting summer in Boothbay Harbor. Dave mentioned that Barbara Nardozzi Saxton moved from her farmhouse to a smaller pond-side cottage in Wilmington, N.C. Dave wrote, “We joined the Zambellos, Haiggets, and Weys on Larry Pugh’s boat for the July of Fourth fireworks. Dave is interested in your ideas for our 55th class reunion, which, believe it or not, is planning distance away. “It seems as though we should plan a major trip, and I’d like to know if anyone has a special place in mind, in or out of the U.S.” Please e-mail suggestions to Dave at dsortor@aol.com. • This issue’s Jeopardy! challenge comes from Charlene Roberts Riordan. And again, the classmate with the correct answer gets a Colby T-shirt at the next reunion. From Robbie: “Last Tuesday I was in St. Petersburg, Russia. As I exited the Hermitage, I saw a car with a Colby sticker (as well as one from Kent). The car had a Russian registration, as well as a campus sticker. How weird! In a land where it is so difficult to communicate English, I did not try to leave a note.” The challenge is, of course, to find out who owns the car. Robbie is still teaching, by the way. Lucky students. • That’s it for now. Please don’t hesitate to share your anecdotes with us. We care about each and every one of you. To the many of you undergoing hip and knee replacements, we wish you success. To the pacemaker and other cardiovascular problems, good luck as well. Keep moving and take those supplements! Until next time, God bless you all. —Joan Williams Marshall

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We are still in awe that so many gathered together for our 50th reunion—and what a great time was had by all! • Larry Roy is still on a high from all the fun he had reconnecting with everyone at reunion! Life back home at Brigham’s Cove is spent caring for his wife, Kathy. Larry was off in September for some bicycling and photography in Austria and Germany. • Mickey Chomicz Manno is relieved to have finally sold her home in North Jersey. She has moved to Ocean Grove, N.J., a few blocks from the beach and loves her new location. • Fifty-

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Butch is optimistic because of her also visited Janet and, although they their way to visit Janet as well. They Pat Martin Maloney, reunion river trip to St. Petersburg. to Russia, including Moscow and a of course!). Next for Jim and Nancy graduation. A day at Royal Ascot with Marchbank enjoyed tennis, hiking, music, and the Great Ideas Festival sponsored by the Aspen Institute. After the reunion Jim and Nancy Hansen Marchbank headed to England to attend their eldest grandson’s graduation. A day at Royal Ascot with box accommodations was part of the event, complete with formal morning dress (top hats and tails) for all gentlemen, no matter what age—and the Queen arrived in her carriage (but, of course!). Next for Jim and Nancy is a change of pace: a two-week trip to Russia, including Moscow and a river trip to St. Petersburg. As most of us know, Janet Kimball Clymer suffered a massive stroke at her home two days before she planned to leave for our 50th reunion. She is currently in a health care center in Keene, N.H. and would greatly appreciate cards and notes from classmates. Janet’s address is: Langdon Place of Keene, 136A Arch St., Keene, N.H. 03431. In early August Janet was visited by Ellie Gray Gatenby and her mother, who strictly by chance ran into Ellie Jones Rogers and Pat Martin Maloney, who were on their way to visit Janet as well. They had a very nice visit and found that Janet’s smile and wonderful spirit were there, as always. She is working hard to restore some of her speech and motor skills. Her right side is basically paralyzed, but her mind is as sharp as ever. Mary Jo and Butch Maguire also visited Janet and, although they expect her improvement to be slow, Butch is maintaining his her great attitude. Tom Brackin’s new titanium hip (guaranteed not to rust!) has him once more hiking and fast-walking—but no more running. Mac Blanchard, our new class president, is already encouraging us to return for our 55th, and we join him in his enthusiasm! Once again we would like to thank Bill and Nancy Rollins Spence for all they did in putting our yearbook together—an outstanding job! —Guy and Eileen Evings Vigue

58 I begin this column with somber news that Howie Clarke passed away in Melvin Village, N.H., February 17, 2007, after a long struggle with cancer, and George Denneen died in Windham, N.H., June 25. Heartfelt condolences to their wives, Ann Clarke and Wendy Denneen, and families. They leave big holes. We will be sure to take time to remember them when we meet for our 50th in June. Jan Pratt Brown’s trip to Australia and New Zealand sounded very exciting! It included a stop in Hawaii, visits with family and friends in NZ, whales, penguins, and albatross, then several days in and around Sydney. Six grandchildren keep them bustling between Seattle, Rhode Island, and Virginia, as well as frequent trips to Block Island to keep up with Jan’s aging mom. Jan still does pottery and husband Dave is a great woodworker. They hope to join us at our 50th. Dick and Cynthia Fox Dancer moved from Florida to New Hope, Pa., after nearly 30 years, to escape the heat and be nearer families. Cynthia retired following 29 years working in alcohol and drug treatment centers. Now she hopes to have more time for some of her favorite things like reading and making jam, pickles, and bread! Ted and Sally Howes Hansen continue to enjoy living in Cambridge, Mass., with its cultural and volunteer activities. “We often see son Ted and granddaughters Holly, 15, and Robin, 9, who live in Brewster, Mass. We also have learned a lot more about the aging process from my mother-in-law, who died peacefully in June 2007 just three days short of her 103rd birthday. Each August we spend three weeks at Sebago Lake reconnecting with Maine friends.” Bob Salz said summer’s “saddest note was the loss of the first member of the ‘Tau Del’ graduating class, George Denneen.” Bob is still fighting prostate cancer with the help of the great Dana Farber medical facility in Boston. “Every time the disease learns to beat one mode of treatment, they come up with something new. So far they’re battling 1000 at 4 for 4.” Bob and wife Lynne most recently went to Alaska, where they actually mushed, and to Italy and Croatia. Their next trip will be Tahiti. They spend about eight months a year in winter digs in Scottsdale, but their “real” home is in Swampscott. Bob told his mother on her recent birthday that he never thought he’d have a 100-year-old mother, to which she replied, “I never thought I’d have a 71-year-old son.” She remembers playing at Colby near the train tracks and watching the logs drift by on the Kennebec. He reminded me that the Burgers and Saltzes didn’t make their 45th as they were rear-ended in Camden. Thursday evening. Be sure to stay away from all those road jockeys and get to Waterville safely in June! Jane Gibbons is now clerk of Sweden, Maine, population almost 400. Seems like full circle in a way that many of us might envy. Judy Brown Dickson’s 2006 travels took her to Cambridge, England, then Greece, then Portland, Ore., for the arrival of her first grandson. She adds, “How can it be the 50th for us? I don’t feel any older! I can remember when the first alumni magazine arrived and I saw those folks who were celebrating their 50th and beyond and they seemed so old! And here we are, and of course not old at all!” My summer high in a summer of highs was a visit to son Dave and family in their new environs in Omega, along with a week-long road trip to ride horses in the Black Hills National Forest with grandson Bobby! Well, friends, I trust you all have June 2008 on your calendars and will get there by one means or another to participate in a great collective ‘58 hug! —Beryl Scott Glover

59 Marty and Ann Segrave Lieber are enjoying life on Cape Cod, where they moved in February 2006 after selling their home in New Jersey around Christmas. Ann is still singing her brains out and enjoying every minute of it. She sings with groups in Falmouth, Chatham, and Dennis, putting lots of miles on her car. In May the Colby Club of Cape Cod and the Islands had its first gathering at the Museum of Art in Dennis. Organizers with Ann and Marty were Karen (Begu’ny ’63) and Don Megathlin, Bev (Johnson ’60) and Keet Arnett, and Joyce and Charlie Foley. Professor Sandy Maisel regaled the group with Colby tales, and there was a lot of socializing. Attendees ranged from the Class of ’45 to classes in the mid ’90s. There are more than 300 Colby alumni in the Cape area, and they are trying to reach out to alumni who spend summers or weekends there. Anyone who would like information is free to e-mail Ann at ann.lieber@lamb.com. Margaret Lippincott Brezel enjoys life in the small town of Kailua, Hawaii, (which Margaret calls paradise) on the east side of Oahu. She is just 20 minutes from Honolulu, where she and her husband, David, enjoy the symphony, opera, art museums, etc. For her 70th birthday David gave her a trip to Paris. He doesn’t enjoy traveling, so Margaret found a girlfriend who lives on the East Coast and they met in Paris and shared a week. In addition, Marty’s cousin from Germany took the fast train over and together they enjoyed walks, museums, cafes, fabulous food, concerts in ancient churches, ballet, etc. Carol Sandquist “Sanka” Banister writes: “Time has gone so fast. The 50th reunion is coming up before we know it. The longer the years go by the more fortunate I feel that I was able to be a part of Colby. I hope that you all are planning to attend in 2009, the Lord willing. Also hope that you are able to make a pledge now no matter the amount to Colby to ensure their continual excellence.” In May Helen Moore and I had lunch with Barbara George Rose and Lee Farwell Hubbard at Fruitlands in Harvard, Mass. We had a wonderful time reminiscing about our Colby days and catching up on our lives since then. I appreciate all the news you have sent me since our 45th reunion. I have had a wonderful response to my requests. As you read this it will only be about a year and a half to our 50th. Keep up the good work! See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes.—Joanne K. Woods

60 Robert Haggett, like many of us, hit the 70-year milestone this year, and family and friends helped celebrate. His three children did a wonderful job putting together a “program,” some at his expense. He continues to substitute in southern Maine. Bob and his wife traveled with friends to Banff, Alberta, and Glacier National Park and he considers them perhaps the most beautiful venues they have visited in the U.S. and Canada. The Haggetts also visit family in Arizona each winter. Steve Curley had an interesting get-together in July with Ed Marchetti, Jock Knowles, Pete Cavari ’61, and Bruce Kingdon ’62. They met for lunch at the Red Auerbach Basketball School at Bryant University in Smithfield, R.I., where Steve and Peter work. It was fun, with lots of stories and great memories. Jock also stopped in to see Betsy Perry Burke ’61, and she is doing very well, considering. —John and
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Rebecca “Becky” Crane Rafferty got together with other Colby folks (mostly DKEs) in N.H. in September. * Judy Allen Ferretti has moved to a townhouse from a single-family home. She continues volunteer work with the Executive Service Corps and this September became chair of the Mount Ida College board of trustees. She is also a member of the board of Scholarship America. This fall Judy and her husband traveled to San Antonio and Albuquerque before attending a board meeting in San Francisco. Her new address is 27 Bartlett Way, Unit 1, Waltham, MA 02452-7861. * Eunice Spooner took a 24-day cruise in January and February from San Juan, Puerto Rico, to the Amazon River and Manaus, Brazil, then back. They stopped at 10 ports and had a great time, especially crossing the equator. It was a “cruise of a lifetime.” This summer Tony ’57 and Bev Jackson Glockler visited Eunice while attending his 50th reunion. The Glocklers returned in July with Larry and Janice Rideout Carr. * David Fowler has been retired 12 years after 34 years in secondary education. Alice Stebbins, his wife for 31 years, died in December 1991. David and Alice have three daughters, who have given him nine grandchildren. He is remarried, to Polly Brown, a professional social documentary photographer. They live north of Santa Fe, N.M., and have a cabin in Montana. He recently finished his first mystery novel, *Cloud Swallow*, set in the Southwest. Check out www.cloudswallow.com. He has also written poetry, which can be found at www.DavidFowlerSantaFe.com. Polly’s daughter lives in China, and a group of Colby fraternity brothers (Sigma Theta Psi/Alpha Delta Phi), on a Boston to Bermuda cruise. Then, in October, Elise and Hank traveled to Elise’s hometown in France, “where she celebrated birthday number 60 with a group of her childhood classmates.” Hank’s oldest, Christelle, was married, and all were immersed in the “frenzied wedding preparation.” In September Hank sailed, along with wife, Elise, and a group of Colby fraternity brothers, on a Boston to Bermuda cruise. Then, in October, Elise and Hank traveled to Elise’s hometown in France, “where she celebrated birthday number 60 with a group of her childhood classmates.” Hank regularly sees Sue and Bob Hartman ’60 as they live only three or four miles away, Jo and Bill Wooldridge, and John Sheldon ’63. Hank traveled to Boston last winter/spring, where he stayed with Trish and Bud Johnson ’59. Hank attended a testimonial dinner honoring his former roommate and fraternity brother Elmer Bartels ’62. “There were numerous other brothers in attendance, and this was where the plans for the cruise were fomented with the aid of generous amounts of obfuscation.” The second trip was a very sad occasion, Hank notes. “Elmer’s wife, Mary, passed away suddenly in March, so the brothers gathered again to attend the wake and
funeral.” ● Bebe Clark Mutz says she’s still cataloging genealogy and local history books for the Daughters of the American Revolution but has taken some time off this year. In February she traveled—as for the past 15 years—for two weeks to Negril, Jamaica, to study yoga. In May and June she visited her Jamaican roommate at her home in Stratford-on-Avon. From England on to Barbate and Lunas, France. “Lots of grape vines in France,” says Bebe of her first trip there. Back in England, she boarded a train to Lancaster to visit her son-in-law’s family. In August, my son, Glenn, his wife, Carol (Chickie) Hoagland Bristol, Phyllis. As always, Jimmy says “lots of grapes” to the Gaskins. Bebe Clark Mutz, September 2, 2007, in Durango, Colo., at 60.

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60s newsmakers

Lystra Wilson Gaskin ’64, who founded Let Us Mediate Ltd., at age 64, offers solutions for companies with workplace conflicts, according to the Trinidad Express. Gaskin’s company offers advice and training for small or medium-sized businesses. Incorporating experience as a Fulbright Fellow, an employment counselor in Canada, and mediation coordinator at the Family Court of Trinidad and Tobago, Gaskin helps managers manage what she calls the “hidden costs of workplace conflicts”—loss of productivity and high turnover. “I would always encourage mediation as opposed to long and drawn-out trial cases,” she told the paper.

On June 8 the Class of ’62 arrived at large. Gaskin’s company offers advice and training for small or medium-sized businesses. Incorporating experience as a Fulbright Fellow, an employment counselor in Canada, and mediation coordinator at the Family Court of Trinidad and Tobago, Gaskin helps managers manage what she calls the “hidden costs of workplace conflicts”—loss of productivity and high turnover. “I would always encourage mediation as opposed to long and drawn-out trial cases,” she told the paper.
country side despite clouds and rain. In October they headed for a week in Honduras with a Rotary medical team. * Pauline Ryder Kezer reconnected with Laurice (Poochie) Puglia Haines in Hampton Beach, N.H. They hadn't seen each other for 42 years! * Joanna Buxton Gormley still helps out at Roxbury Latin and recently discovered that a good friend, Lois, who works out with her at the health club, is the wife of Dave Jacobson '62. * Ruth Pratley Madell got to her granddaughter Stephanie's graduation from Colby in May. Ruth's niece and Stephanie's mother, Debbie Wathen Finn '74, is an overseer. Ruth writes "For those who haven't been on the campus since our last reunion, there have been lots of changes." * Jane Melanson Dahmen says that there is a pre-reunion cocktail party planned at Connie Miller Manter's house in East Boothbay on the Thursday night before reunion. Do plan to come! * See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes.—Karen Forland Falb

64 How I enjoy Alumni College! This was my fifth year. This year's subject was "In the Shadow of the Great War." George Shur was there for the first time. He and reports loving being a first-time grandfather. Mary Ellen and Wayne Fillback also were there. Wayne has retired after teaching high school history, lives in Andover, Mass., and is graced with four grandsons. * I was overjoyed this summer to get a call from a classmate we haven't heard from in a long time. John Brassem has sold a large part of his jewelry business and is settling into retirement in Torrington, Conn. He is currently writing a book highlighting both Holland and Vietnam. John was born in Holland and has many stories to tell about relatives and friends during WWII and beyond. * Morgan McGinley retired this year as editorial page editor of The Day in New London, Conn., receiving much praise for a career begun in 1965 and concentrated on keeping elected officials honest and accountable. He is now president of the Connecticut Council on Freedom of Information. * Richard Pious has written a book called The War on Terrorism and the Rule of Law and has been using the book as a springboard for lectures. His bio says: "Pious is a leading scholar of the presidency and one of the nation's premier experts on the War Powers Act of 1973, has authored numerous books, and been a consultant to congressional committees and the White House Office of Policy Development." * Retirement agrees with Jan Young Stinson, who spends "a lot of time on the road, some of it in Centre Square, Pa., with my husband, Glenn, and some of it at my place in Hilton Head Island, S.C., near my son Jason and his family. This is the first time that I am actually living near one of my sons and was able to be there when his youngest, Noah, was born in January. I visit my other son, Dave, and his family, who live over here. I would not find everyday resource manager for a software company ended about five years ago and Glenn retired after 32 years with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection a year or so later. We keep busy with an eBay consignment business, which we've been having fun with for nine years (ID: savannah3). * Jim Harris was recently in Walla Walla, Wa., near the site of the Whitman massacre, which took place in the middle of the 19th century. * Susan Woodward writes, "I got my RV the end of May (27 Winnebago Sightseer) and am starting to make my travel plans. Maps all over the place and lists of things to take. It's very exciting!" * In response to my request for book recommendations I received the following: "The last nonfiction book I read was 1215, which is the year of the Magna Carta. I have also discovered a mystery series by Michael Jecks set in the 14th century in Devonshire, England. A Northwest writer I've found irresistible is Clyde Ford. * The most interesting book I have read recently is His Excellency, George Washington by Joseph J. Ellis. * The book is well written and keeps you engaged on a topic that maybe everyone would not find exciting. * In response to "Will future battlefields see great casualties such as WWI, WWII, and the Civil War?" I got these opinions: "Clearly, future battlefields will never again have armies massed against each other. Why should they? Technology has become so powerful that a massed enemy can be found and killed at great distances. Conversely, simple weapons like the rifle and RPGs can keep other armies at bay; look at Vietnam and Iraq." * See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes.—Sara Shaw Rhodes

65 Things change—follow your bliss. Our “most retired” classmate, Dave Hatch, “is coming out of retirement to teach Spanish at a small private school in Fort Meyers, Fla. I became a little tired of feeding the squirrels and blue jays in my back yard.” * Nancy (Mitchell ’64) and Norman Miner live in Hopkinton, N.H. Norm is retired from a career of production management (semiconductors to electro/pneumatic valves) plus 30-plus years with the U.S. Navy and N.H. Army National Guard. Nancy has been with Home Depot for 10-plus years, in the garden department, and will have retired by the time you read this. Pneumatic valves are not near as much fun as sailing. “Our attentions will focus on our 36’ cutter-rigged sloop we keep in South Freeport, Maine.” * Virgil Hervey has also changed focus. “At age 55, I traded the stress of a New York City law practice for the cultural island in a sea of cornfields and cow pastures that is Yellow Springs, Ohio. [Correspondent note: Miss Ford would not let us write this colorfully in freshman English.] Since moving here, I have held a number of part-time administrative positions while pursing my true love, writing. In seven years I have written a number of short stories (some published), a novel (not published), and most recently a play. For the past year, I have been working as a reporter for the Yellow Springs News. While I never pictured myself as a journalist, I have settled in and find it rather rewarding." * Sharp eyes would have spotted Fran Holmes Varney lunching with Steve and Judy Guitlip Simmons in New Sharon, Maine, last May. * Dave Fearon is not ready for a change. “I’ll retire when I run out of ideas.” Dave and his son, Dave ’89, presented at a conference at Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif., on the topic “A son and a father talk about organization procreation.” * Dave did not explain "procreation" but it might have been covered by Dean Nickerson in his famous Given Auditorium freshman orientation “talk.” * Ann and Bud Marvin are snowbirds and enjoyed the conclusion in N.H. visiting their one-year-old grandson. When in Florida, they visit their granddaughter. Bud played golf in Concord, N.H., in August with Zete brothers Dick Dunnell ’66 and Dag Williamson ’66. * Frank and Barbara Mcgillicuddy Bolton stayed with Ned and Lynn Urrn Baxter in Gettysburg, Pa., while on a business trip last June. Lynn “was busy reading up on WWII in preparation for her week at Alumni College, which she attends every year with Sara Shaw Rhodes ’64.” The Boltons live in Brooklyn, N.Y., and have a summer home in Maine. Lynn occasionally spots her old...
roommate Jean Ferguson Cole “in the supermarket between the frozen foods and the produce.” Barbara reports that Robert and Rhoda Goldstein Freeman visited the Coles at their summer home “to officiate at Jean’s son’s wedding,” which took place on the Cole’s deck. • Sorry classmates, but Charlie Bonsall “has the very best grandkids—four girls. Every year we take at least one camping trip in the high mountains a couple of hundred miles from our home in Sandy, Utah. We sleep in a 45-year-old outfitter’s tent and cook in Dutch ovens. We love the incredible view of the clear night sky at 8,500 feet—Milky Way, shooting stars, etc. Coyotes are howling at night and we see lots of elk, deer, and moose. Lots of fishing—trout for breakfast.” • Sunny Coady discloses that on CSENY, the character Lindsay Munroe is played by Anna Belknap, daughter of David and Louise Melanson Belknap. Sunny and Louise touch base each year at a Super Bowl party attended by many Colby folks. • My 10th or so cousin George Hooker sent word of a change in address in Bangkok, Thailand, but nonews. • Hail, Colby, Hail for now. —Dick Baukarrt

66 Dag Williamson lost his sight with Fran Finizio, Dick Dunning, and Bud Marvin ’65 in 2007, visited Jon ’65 and Jane Peterson Moody ’68 and Karen (Sward ’68) and Eric Wernier, and keeps in close touch with Peter Anderson. Dag plays tennis and played in eight New England singles tournaments in the past year. It must be in his genes—his 96-year-old father still plays doubles every week. A book recommendation from Dag? Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson. • Betty Ann Hennberg Went had a visit from Ellie Caito Thompson last spring and looked forward to a September visit from Jay Fell. Betty was blessed with her first grandchild, Ethan Sherrick Went, on July 13, 2007. • The 40th Reunion Committee continues to meet, conducting no further business for now, but having a lot of fun partying! Brian Shacter was host for a gathering marked by large lobsters at his Cape Cod home last July. It was attended by Debbie Anglin Higgins, Barry Clark Hews, Fran Finizio, Stan Marchut, Mary Sue Hilton Weeks, Karen Riedmane Remine, and some of their mates. The same group planned to take the Monhegan Island boat trip out of Boothbay Harbor on September 15, a trip cancelled by inclement weather the day before our 40th reunion. • Sue Turner of Charleston, S.C., caught up with Ann Ladd Carlson and Diane Van Wyck after our 40th. Sue and Karl attended daughter Alissa’s graduation from Lawrence University in Wisconsin in June and also enjoyed visiting Deb and Geoff Quadland at their cabin on Georgian Bay in Canada. Sue and Karl continue to spend every July 4th with Linda Hall Lord and her husband in Brooks, Maine. Their love of kayaking continues, with summer paddling in the sea caves of the Apostle Islands of Lake Superior and among the Thousand Islands on the St. Lawrence Seaway. • Russ Monbeau fulfilled a 40-plus year fantasy by rowing a one-man scull when he heard of a one-day test demo of an Echo scull on Lake Winnipesaukee this past summer. After 45 minutes of instruction he set forth, fearing he resembled a demonstration by rowing a one-man scull when he heard of a one-day test demo of an Echo scull on Lake Winnipesaukee this past summer. After 45 minutes of instruction he set forth, fearing he resembled a demonstration scull. • Terry Saunders Lane retired last June as vice president at the Boston Foundation, where she was in charge of dispensing about $15 million a year to local nonprofits. She and her husband, Jon, decided to take time to see and do new things. They especially looked forward to exploring around their rented house on the island of Kea in Greece in September 2007. • It sounds as if David Benezey flunked retirement. When his client, Barnes & Noble, retired the last of the music listening systems he had developed, David retired, and he and his significant other, Laura, moved to the house they had built in Effort, Pa. Next he bought and renovated a dilapidated apartment building in Lansford, Pa., then bought a popular restaurant and became a restaurateur, then bought the mini-mall surrounding the restaurant, and now he works about 80 hours a week and is thoroughly enjoying his “retirement!” • This news from Robert Sears: “Just had HIV treatment in Mexico for prostate cancer. This is after cryo in 2005 in the U.S. Suggest all the guys have their PSA checked annually. Other than that, life is great. I’m still in the Philippines.” • Melita (Marks ’89) and Dave Shacter, son of Ruth Kelleher Hertz and classmate Brian Shacter, gave birth to their first child, Siena, in June 2007 (the seventh grandchild for Ruth and Bruce Hertz ’65). In addition, Dave, composer Mason Daring’s music recording engineer, saw his first show, State of Mind, air in July. Two “births” in one summer!* See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes.—Meg Fallon Wheeler

67 Seems like classmates are enjoying travels, preserving their sense of humor, and valuing their time with loved ones and friends. • Jim Katz did a house exchange in West Vancouver, B.C., and then visited San Francisco. He writes, “Both of those turned into steep uphill walks. I have a new mantra: ‘Walking is good for me,’ spoken in a desperate gasping death-rattle croak.” • Tiff Crowell climbed Camel’s Hump with Walter Judge ’82. They were on the annual Down’s Rachlin and Martin hike, which included three lawyers (including Tiff’s wife), two summer interns, one spouse (Tif), and two dogs! • Nick Hadsig is dean of the School of Hospitality Management at Widener University in Philadelphia. He and his wife, Anna, enjoyed the 40th reunion but find it hard to believe 40 years have passed. He welcomes classmates coming to Philadelphia to visit. • Do you still have a Sandy Miller silk scarf? At reunion some folks mentioned that they still have her batik scarves from her Colby days. Who could imagine that Sandy’s been making them for 40 years and has made 721, not that she’s counting! Shortly after reunion, J.J. Mueller Sinton and Patty Whittemore Jenkins came into Sandy’s shop in Milton, Mass., and J.J. wanted to buy a scarf! Afterward, they went back to Sandy’s home for a nice visit. Sandy’s family has had a difficult summer as they watch her sister bravely losing her battle with lung cancer. Sandy looks back to her trip to Italy, and her time at Colby, with pleasure, holding her breath for what is surely to come. She reminds us that life is precious and that we should enjoy each moment while we can. • Our mailbox is pretty empty, so please drop a note or an e-mail so that we can include your news in future columns. If not, we’ll have to make stuff up about you, and Robert and I have very vivid imaginations! —Judy Gerri Heine

68 Barbara Bixby writes: “I’m on the music faculty of the East End Arts Council, Long Island, and I’m a certified ‘historic site manager,’ and for many years have been the curator of the world-famous Big Duck, a registered national historic place” (a 30-foot-long by 20-foot-high concrete duck-shaped gift shop). Barbara lists among her favorite Colby memories being class secretary back in the ’80s and ’90s and playing old Sigma Kappa songs on the piano for nostalgia buffs. • Linda Levy Fagenholz says: “All is well here in Erie, Pa. I retired last year as a pediatrician after 30-plus years in practice with my husband, Allen. I have finally had time to pursue my artistic interests and have taken up classical ballet, which I dance four to five times a week. Going on pointe was a trial, but I have managed with no injuries, yet, but I must admit that I will go kicking and screaming into old age! Our eldest and youngest are in Boston. Peter is a surgical resident at MGH and Elizabeth is at Tufts. Andrew, our middle child, is a lawyer in N.Y. and got married to a wonderful woman we all adore, whom he met in law school.” Linda looked forward to her Colby friends coming to the wedding and having a Colby table with Charlie and Sue Volpe Hely, Donna Massey ’69, Faye Kolohon Kurnick ’69 and Don Johnson, and Barry and Pat Andrea Zlotin! • Glenna White Crawford writes: “My passion is traveling. I’ve lived in or visited nearly every country in Europe. I’ve also been to Australia and New Zealand, and more recently, China, Russia and Egypt. Just finished a train and drive trip to the Canadian Rockies. • Jane Finkeldey Stephenson writes: ‘We just had Jean (Peterson ’69 and Chris Balsley and Chris and Bob Goldstein ’67 here for a weekend and we all went to see the Smothers Brothersperform. They were as funny as ever, and boy, did watching them take us back 40 years. The Balsleys and the Goldsteins are all retired, and the Balsleys have recently moved to Welllington, Conn., to be near their daughter Elaine and her boys. Bill Goldfarb also stopped by for a quick visit this summer. I haven’t seen him for at least 10 years, so it was very good to catch up with him.” Gregg Crawford, Dana Heikes, and Donna Massey ’69 came up for the Columbus Day weekend. • Linda and Joseph McCormack served on a mission trip to Liberia, Costa Rica, in August. “I became proficient in making, carrying, and pouring concrete for a Methodist church there. My wife taped and floated sheetrock. About half of the mission team were physical therapists and they treated the handicapped children in Liberia. It was a very rewarding experience. Earlier this summer, my wife and daughter traveled to Denmark, Sweden, and Norway. Then my daughter continued her travels by visiting Spain, Italy, and Greece. She returned home in August.
just before we left for Costa Rica, and she left for Kellogg School of Business at Northwestern the day after we returned home. Kellogg starts its students off with a week in a foreign country as part of their team-building experience. Our daughter, Jocelyn, travels to Beijing, China. We should arrive in Evanston, Ill., the day she returns from Beijing.”  • Joe Boulos and Steve Ford both request that I encourage everyone to attend our 40th reunion next spring. So ordered!  • See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes.—Peter Just

69 If you are cruising the Maine coast next summer, stop at the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club and be greeted by Louise Cratty Holmes, first woman commodore in the club's history. Last summer BHYC celebrated its boating presence on the Maine coast since 1895. Louise and husband Andy (past commodore of BHYC) live in Edgecomb and reacquired Gypsy Bear, a 38’6” powerboat previously owned by her father and one of the original “lobster yachts” built by Chester Clements in 1938 in Southwest Harbor. Cruise in and say “ahoy and hello.”  • Moses Silverman spent a ski week this summer in Portillo, Chile, fulfilling a 45-year dream. This fall he saw his son off to law school and daughter off to do her junior year in Spain. His wife recently became general counsel of the Anti-Defamation League. Moses has practiced law for 34 years at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP in New York City.  • Bill Antonacci has been operating his own insurance agency for nine years after 22 years working for others. He also has coached youth hockey for 25 years in Wolfeboro, N.H., and recently became president of the New Hampshire Amateur Hockey Association. His youngest son just turned 9 so Bill expects to have a few more years of coaching ahead of him. This fall he retired as a board member of the Kingswood Golf Club, where his son Zach was club champion last year. Bill’s son Thomas is marrying this November.  • Bill Burges lives on Lake Erie in Euclid, Ohio, with his wife of 25 years, Charlene, and their English Setter, Connie. Bill also just entered his 25th year of operating Burges & Burges Strategists, a medium-sized consulting firm serving the public and private sectors. Clients include colleges, schools, government, business units, health and human services, elected officials, and political and tax campaigns. His future plans include spending more time in western North Carolina and Hilton Head.  • In May Gary Austin ended 15 years with a defense contractor as senior director for an engineering department. This follows his earlier Air Force retirement, in 1992. This summer he visited Colby during a two-week trip to Maine playing golf and eating lobster. Future plans include more time with his children and six grandchildren, lots of travel, golf and sailing, some volunteer work, and more courses at the local community college.  • Susan Johnston Morse’s son Canaan recently graduated from Colby Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude, with a major in East Asian studies. He participated in two musicals and two European tours with the ColbyChorale, studied music with Paul Machlin, and classical Greek with Hanna Rosman. He spent the summer in China teaching at “The Laid Back English School” where he was arrested along with the rest of the staff in what turned out to be a bribery shakedown. He got his passport back, but was docked 10 days’ pay for failing to lie in support of his boss’s testimony. Susan’s husband still grows “whatever fruit the mercurial weather of central Maine will permit,” and she still works in Internet and customer services at L.L. Bean.  • Ines Ruelius Altemose took it easy this past summer, healing from back problems and doing some clinical research consulting. She had an opportunity to have dinner and attend a dance concert with Paul Wielan in New York City and says, “He doesn’t have e-mail so you will have to correspond with him by snail mail.”  • Bonnie Allen Rosenberg wrote to inform me that Debbie Rose turned away last year. Debbie was a holistic practitioner in Cambridge, Mass., and in Rhode Island.  • Don Clark reports that he has completed his work with USAID and now lives in Bradford, N.H.  • See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes.—Ray Gerbi

70 Brenda Hess Jordan sang at the Kennedy Center in June as part of a national choral group conducted by John Leavitt. Ken and she live in “that wonderful city, Chicago.” Brenda works with school librarians in northern Illinois and Ken travels extensively in his work with CityGroup. Recently they vacationed in Switzerland and Italy. Ken and Brenda have two little grandsons. They enjoyed visiting with Steve Cline recently when he was in Chicago on business. Brenda writes that Molly Carroll Mains has a new granddaughter.  • Mary Langevin Hepler has been an executive with an IT company headquartered in Michigan for the past 10 years and is currently doing a lot of work in the healthcare IT market. Mary spends as much time as possible with her husband, Fred, and riding/ showing her horse, Engaged (he has a perfectly shaped white diamond on his forehead). They recently competed in a three-week series of shows in Traverse City, Mich. Mary was the leading adult hunter rider for the series. Congratulations, Mary!  • Kathy Hill Wade sends greetings to her old friends and classmates. She loves the West! Kathy lives in Amarillo, teaches German at the high school and junior college levels, coordinates an exchange program with a German school, and is a grandmother. Recently her husband and she purchased property near Las Vegas, N.M. They enjoy their RV and their poodle. Son Tim is doing mission work in Chile, while son Jon and his wife have just moved back to Amarillo.  • Lin Feno Stone Gallagher writes, “Colby friends are still the best!” Lin, Sarah Orton Glickman ’71, and Ann Arbor traveled together to Ecuador recently. Check out their photo on our class Web page.  • Brian J. Cooke has joined Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs at their West Palm Beach office. Brian, a shareholder and managing partner, is a stock and asset acquisitions attorney. Previously he was a senior partner at Arnstein & Lehr’s West Palm Beach office.  • Shea Clark Smith is overseeing the geochemical quality control and assurance programs for Rye Patch Gold’s Wilco Project, which includes two gold deposits northeast of Reno, Nev. Shea, who has 10 years of geochemical experience, owns and operates Minerals Exploration & Environmental Geochemistry, a laboratory, research, and consulting company.  • Barb Fitzgerald has accepted a coaching job in Park City, Utah, where she will teach skating both off-ice (a conditioning/ballet class) and on-ice at a new rink. Her husband will join her after they sell their home in Cleveland. Her family, spread all over the country, looks forward to Utah skiing! Barbara’s children’s book is nearing completion. Be sure to check out her Web site www.BarbarAnn.com.  • Steve and I adore our beautiful granddaughter, Julia Helen Mansfield-Priest, born June 12. It is such fun hearing from all of you. If you have not appeared in the column recently, please send me an e-mail. We would love to hear what you have been up to. Yes, Colby friends are still the best.—Deb Fitton Mansfield

71 With a busy summer behind us, with the leaves turning already and the days getting shorter, I write with lots of news from classmates.  • Andrea Thompson Leeson writes of her busy life training and showing champion draft horses at agricultural exhibitions. In addition to their “real jobs” as librarian and car auctioneer, she and her husband, Garry, manage their livestock; they log, cut, and sell firewood; they’re installing a windmill for supplemental power at their main house; they’re wiring their house for solar power and adding water. More powertoyou!  • Claudia Caruso Rouhana is proud to share the news that she is being honored by the Landmark on Main Street in Port Washington, N.Y., for her 25 years of philanthropic endeavors and serving cultural, educational, and family-oriented nonprofit organizations. The Landmark is a historic building saved from destruction by the community that has since grown into a community center attracting world-class entertainment and more.  • Ruth Moore Barningham and Christa Mc Carter Kaufman left their husbands behind to ski while they went on an enjoyable cruise to various Mexican destinations last March.  • Jim Hawkins not only competed in and completed his 12th Ironman race, this summer in Lake Placid, he also got married at the finish line. Both Jim and Nancy Hertzberg Hawkins are avid Ironman competitors, but their nuptials marked the beginning of their joyous married life together.  • Debbie Wentworth Lansing planned a return visit to Tuscany this fall, where she will continue to practice her Italian.  • Bill Simons had planned to spend last July in Israel doing research on Israel’s new professional baseball league.  • Ken Didsbury writes from Florida, where he is academic dean at the Benjamin School in North Palm Beach. He says he has come to like Florida. In his spare time he enjoys woodworking.  • Nancy Hammar Austin was offered a contract to teach math and science at the Hampshire Educational Collaborative, a locked juvenile detention facility for females. This is a new career for Nancy, a licensed teacher in Mass.  • Diane and Jon Ray are thrilled to announce...
the birth of their first grandchild, a girl born in July 2007. Jon is in his fourth year of teaching AP U.S. history and AP government at the Villages Charter High School in Lady Lake, Fla. In August, I had the opportunity to see Faith Tiberio Dougherty at her family’s annual reunion event in Sherborn, Mass. There were more than 80 people in attendance, four generations of family. Faith and I had a wonderful visit, which happens rarely since she lives in Ohio. Keep those e-mails coming. I love to hear from you.

—Ann E. Miller

72 Our 35th reunion in June was fantastic! We had a good turnout with about 77 classmates returning to Mayflower Hill. I must say that we really showed the Class of 1992 how to dance—did we not? Our next big reunion will be our 40th and we will be over 60 by then. (How did that happen?) Let’s plan on making that a memorable reunion in June 2012. Richard T. Fournier became the new pastor at the First Congregational Church of Buckland, Mass., in August. After Colby Richard attended Boston University School of Theology and earned a master’s of divinity degree. He was ordained in 1982. At the reunion dinner Richard spoke after a wonderful slideshow of our class from 35 years ago—we all looked great! He reminded us that we were the ones that were going to change the world. I hope you think that the world is a better place now? He encouraged us to continue to promote change and not to become the complacent middle-aged people that we complained about in 1972.

Lynn and Larry Bigelow still own a restaurant in Canada so they were unable to attend this year’s reunion (the first one he has not attended!). Larry is still a banker, managing corporate relationships with Massachusetts nonprofits, while Lynn manages the restaurant. They are surviving and business has grown, but they are contemplating selling so that Lynn can return home and run her software business. “Any Colby alumni interested in becoming a restaurateur in North Bay, Ontario?” Pat Mustakangas Sabir has been disability-retired for more than two years. She is, however, working part-time at a company that does technical support for ISPs and other companies that provide software for business and individuals. She continues to play her horn and is in the North Winds Woodwind Quintet, the Clarkson University Orchestra, and the Crane School of Music Community Band. She also is involved in a program called SOAR, Stimulating Opportunities After Retirement, sponsored by SUNY-Potsdam. Congratulations to Gary Petzold, who in May was selected by the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District to receive the Pioneer Valley (Western Massachusetts)Excellence in Teaching Award for 2007.

74 Alli Baird spent a month in Tanzania and got to see elephants, leopards, water buffalo, giraffes, and other awesome critters and gorgeous birds. In the Ngorogoro Crater she got to see lions mating and rare black rhinoceroses. Her two most memorable experiences were seeing an authentic traditional healer perform a magic ritual, complete with spirit possession, and seeing Jane Goodall’s chimpanzees. She also visited Zanzibar (Spice Island) before returning to work as a riparian buffer specialist for the Virginia Department of Conversation and Recreation, Division of Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance. Remi Browne is now the lead manager of Munder Capital’s International Core Equity discipline and is based in Boston. Before joining Munder Capital, Remi was a senior vice president and portfolio manager for The Boston Company Asset Management, where he led an international equity team for 11 years. Dennis Delechanty made a business trip to Moscow after a 30-year absence (he lived in Moscow for four months in 1977-1978 as a graduate student), and took his 17-year-old daughter, Carmen, with him. Dennis sent me a fascinating report detailing local customs, the culture, and the frustrations of dealing with Russia today. He ended the report by stating, “Moscow in the early 21st century is a city on the move, a crazy combination of the speed and energy of New York, the horizontal, ancient layout of a London, and an oriental style peculiar to Russia. It is a city that is just now finding its voice; a voice that I expect we will hear loud and strong before too long.” Dennis currently works at the State Department in Washington, D.C., in the Bureau of International Organization Affairs, where he is the principal officer responsible for policy related to international mail and express (private courier company) shipments. Mike McNamara, by the time you read this, will have returned from a cruise to Bermuda with his wife of 25 years, Joyce. The trip was a present from their sons, John and Andrew. Andrew graduated from Loyola College and is working as a financial analyst. Andrew is a sophomore at St. Joseph’s University, where he is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha. Mike says there is no ATO at St. Joe’s.

Gay Peterson has accepted a new position with the same firm, Canadian Steamship Lines, which means that he and his wife, Joanne, will be moving back to Montreal next year.

—S. Ann Ewart

75 Thanks to all who responded to the recent mailing. Janet Hansen and Bruce Drouin ’74 had just returned from a Cape Cod vacation and were planning to deliver their two oldest children to college. Son Chris is a junior at Worcester Polytechnic and daughter Sarah is a freshman at Claremont McKenna College (Calif.). Their son Jon began preseason soccer as a high school freshman. Janet is a principal in a Portland (Maine) based architectural firm. Charley Bolger reported that his daughter graduated from Middlebury this spring. He was looking forward to the Colby-Bates football game although he will be rooting for the wrong team since his son plays for Bates. Roddy Jones has accepted a new position with the same firm, Canadian Steamship Lines, which means that he and his wife, Joanne, will be moving back to Montreal next year.

Linda Guite Hall-Huard wrote that her oldest daughter is a freshman nursing major at Boston College. Linda is still kept busy on the booster clubs for her three-sport athlete daughter, working part-time with a 160-mile commute to Portland, and substitute teaching at Winslow High School. Her two sons need the mail services at Colby, Lisa Turtz Birnbaum wrote of her magnificent vacation to Greece with her daughter Rose. She especially describes the colors, landscapes, history, and beauty of Metero and Santorini. Her daughter Zoe is a freshman at Colgate. Laurie Fitts Loosigian is now full-time faculty at Exeter Academy as community service coordinator. She and her husband, Wayne, are participating in a farm transfer program to buy a small pick-your-own apple orchard in New Hampshire. Carol Majdalany Williams drove her son, Peter, to Colby for his freshman year, was interested in how their musical experiences would compare. I was also on the road, taking my son David to Delaware for his second year at

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Claudia Caruso Rouhana ’71 was the guest of honor November 3 at the Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street in Port Washington, New York. The event, the “Landmark Gala 2007 honoring Claudia Caruso Rouhana,” celebrated her 25 years of philanthropic endeavors and service to cultural, educational, and family-oriented nonprofit organizations. “She is an inspiration to all to continue the cycle of charity, good will, and improving society,” the program said. ✪ Anne Emerson ’72

Claudia Caruso Rouhana

Anne Emerson ’72

Dana’s daughters Lindsay, Cecile, and Laurian are with Mt. Holyoke College, but Lindsay recently graduated. Dana’s business develops and owns apartment communities in New England and the Baltimore-Washington corridor. Dana raises funds for Dana Farber Cancer Center and spends time with “politically-correct” fox hunting—pursuing foxhounds that pursue fox scent (instead of actual foxes). ✪ Wendy Broadbooks Roberts’s daughter Lisa started college this fall as a music education major at Lebanon Valley College (Pa.). Her son Brian is now a high school sophomore. Wendy B reunited last spring in New York with Rocky Carvallo and Florence Van Volkum, Pomona exchange students at Colby our sophomore and junior years. Rocky is a software application consultant for IBM in Phoenix. Florence recently retired to Montana with her husband and two teenage children. ✪ Another Wendy, Wendy Swallow, returned to full-time writing after 18 years of teaching journalism at American University. She and husband Charlie Shepard are temporarily relocating to Reno, Nev., while all four kids attend college, at University of Chicago, Bates, Yale, and Carleton. (Talk about a busy parents’ weekend)! ✪ Janet Breslin Gilmartin is home in Massachusetts after 13 years in Switzerland, London, and Hong Kong, and another 13 in Connecticut. They bought a waterfront home in Hull; Janet’s husband Rich commutes to Boston by boat. Older son Jason is attending Bryant University; younger son Kenton attends Portsmouth Abbey in Rhode Island. ✪ Alan Rosenfeld writes from Laconia, N.H., where he’s been a candidate for 22 years. His wife, Lisbeth Lawson Rosenfeld ’75, switched from law to education and now works as a librarian at the local elementary school. Son Michael graduated from Miami University (Ohio) and works in Colorado in property management. Daughter Joanne graduated last spring from Colby. ✪ Paul Kueffner planned to sail this past summer, visiting friends and relatives along the Maine coast. Paul had news about Brandon Kulik, who is involved with maple syrup production at Colby. Brandon sent photos of the three-foot striped bass he and his son caught in the Kennebec. Paul writes, “Apparently some of the fish ladders and spillways Brandon’s helped design are improving fish populations.” ✪ Well, from foxes to fish, that wraps up this column. For those of you I missed, I’ll catch up with you next time.

76 Lots of news, so let’s get started! Dale Marie Crooks Golden joined Alta Alliance Bank as vice president and private banker after 13 years at Wells Fargo. She serves businesses and high-net-worth individuals. ✪ Christine and Tony Shupin live along the Jersey Shore in Sea Girt. Christine is an artist/photographer specializing in beach portraits. Tony heads up Allied Security Innovations, which provides security products and technologies internationally to ensure identity and unattended asset protection. Tony’s sons are both attending George Washington University. Mickey working on his master’s in business, Eric pursuing law while raising funds for schools in Belize or traveling for Habitat for Humanity. Years ago, Jimmy Hayes was Tony’s best man; Tony stays in touch with Jimmy’s parents and family. ✪ David McKay Wilson returned to campus last year to work on his article about town-gown issues facing Waterville and Colby. The article appeared in Colby magazine’s spring 2007 issue, one of several college and university magazines for which David writes. He spent 20 years writing for The Journal News in White Plains, N.Y., covering education, politics, and government. Most recently he was working on an infomercial for a home design product venture. ✪ Carolyn (Anderson ’75) and Dana Pope recently built a house on Lake Winnipesaukee. Early guests included Talia and Peter Leschner and two kids. Peter is a real estate attorney in New York. Wesley College. My youngest son, Jonathan, is a freshman boarder at the Brooks School in North Andover. I would love to hear from some new people for the next edition!’ —Dianne Billington Stronach


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you next time. All best! — Robert Weinstein

77 Lots of news for this issue, some from classmates giving lame excuses for missing our 30th reunion. * Peter Breu had a great time at reunion despite the misfortune of staying in the old new dorms. Peter, his wife, Susan Woods, and son, Martin, took an Alaskan cruise earlier this year and actually roller skied while ashore, among other activities. Martin deferred attending Middlebury for a year to attend school in Sweden, where he will do lots of skiing and hopefully meet the Swedish bikini team. * Iris Greenberg Kennedy broke a 30-year streak by sending news. She is living in Milton, Mass. Her daughter recently graduated from the College of Charleston and moved to Washington, D.C. Her son is a junior at Providence College. Iris recently left her human resources job of 25 years to work in sales and marketing (where the money is). She keeps in touch with Linda Lachapelle, Susan French Dubuque, and Ellen Geaney Scarpini'78. * Alan Taylor's 2006 book, The Divided Ground: Indians, Settlers and the Northern Borderland of the American Revolution, won two prizes: the annual prize from the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic and the triennial prize from the Society of Cincinnati. I wonder if I should tell Alan I won a fake leather photo album at our 30th reunion for writing this column. * My pen pal Deb Cohen writes that last summer she accompanied her language students to Cannes, France, where she made anti-American statements at the film festival (just kidding) and took French classes (really). French is her fifth language. She also took a Baltic Sea cruise and visited Scandinavia, Estonia, Poland, and Russia. Her favorite place was St. Petersburg, because it is so close to Tampa. Deb continues to teach and do research on the historical theater of Central America. * Lauren Siegel Goldman reports she celebrated her 27th anniversary by moving to Salem, Mass. Lauren's husband, Larry, got off easy—my wife wants us to celebrate our 20th anniversary by moving to Paris. Lauren works at a large commercial insurance agency and teaches Hebrew school one day a week. Hebrew teaching has allowed her to visit Israel twice, and her daughter, Arielle, is spending a year studying and traveling in Israel. Lauren and Larry hope to visit her in spring 2008. * Ina-Lee Toll Block writes that her son Aaron is a sophomore at Colby and living in Foss, which was her dorm for four years. I won't say, "If only the walls could talk." * Alexandra Levintov Howell lives in Hanover, N.H., and continues in the field of HIV research at the V.A. Medical Center in White River Junction, Vt. She is also on the faculty of Dartmouth Medical School. In between shelling out small fortunes to support two college-aged sons (one recently graduated) and the insatiable appetite of her 11-year-old daughter for new hockey equipment, she finds time to run marathons. Her husband, Peter, is a schoolteacher in an independent K-8 school in Lyme. * Richard Conant also attended our 30th reunion. He had a great time and promises to attend our 35th. Dick and his family traveled to Europe this summer and visited London, the French countryside, and Paris. * As I reported in the last column, Leslie Warren Van Berkum rocked the house at our reunion with her reunited Colby band Summer Dreams. She writes that her daughter Karina is in college and her son Ben is taking a year off from Syracuse to travel around the world. His travels have included a teaching gig in China. Jake, her third child, is in high school junior. Leslie's business, Van Berkum Nursery, won the Best Family Business in N.H. award last year from the Small Business Association. (Did I mention my fake photo album award for writing this column?) * Please keep the news coming! —Mark Lyons

78 Lisa Klein Boldt writes: "We spent much of the summer cheering sons Aiden, 12, in baseball and Ian, 15, in lacrosse. When we finally got a real vacation we headed to Upper Saranac Lake in the Adirondacks, as we do each year, where we biked, hiked, and kayaked. The huge adjustment for this fall is that Ian has left for boarding school. He will be a sophomore at Lawrenceville School." * Karen Keithline Diop wrote in May that she has been spending quite a bit of time in Baghdad working on one of the programs to support civil society development and Iraqi organizations that are working on gender, anti-corruption, reconciliation, human rights, and independent media issues. * I provide U.S.-based support for this project and it took me a long time to reconcile myself and my family to the idea of a trip into Baghdad to provide on-site support. Once I got there, I was hooked. Our Iraqi staff and partners are incredibly dedicated people and our security company is highly competent, which makes me able to leave the worrying to them and trust to fate for the rest. My first trip was for a month, from mid-February to mid-March, and I've been here this time since mid-April." * Larry Hill moved back to Greenwich, Conn., this fall to live with his 12-year-old son, Harry. He's working for Star Analytics, a start-up software company, running their sales in the Eastern U.S. * Nick Levintov's daughter, Sara, is attending Davidson College as a freshman this year. * Peter Schmidt-Fellner's daughter, Ali, is in the freshman class at Colby this fall. * Having found herself an empty-nester after her daughter, Sarah, left for her sophomore year at the University of Maine-Orono, Theanna Poulos Pateropoulos has moved cross country to San Francisco, where she is starting graduate school at the California Institute of Integral Studies. She'll be working on her master's in somatic psychology. * I hope by now you have the dates of our 30th reunion marked on your calendars—June 6-8, 2008. It's hard to believe it's been five years since our 25th, which was a great time. We're looking forward to seeing you in June! —Lea Jackson Morrissey

80 Paul and Kathy McCulloch Wade are still in Seattle, with daughters Callie and Betsy in high school and son Alec going into sixth grade. Kathy is the newly appointed director of marketing for Ramseyer Vineyards and Paul was recently promoted to full affiliate professor at the University of Washington and spends most of his time running a killer whale research project in the Aleutian Islands. Callie, 16, raced in junior national sailing regattas (420's and multi-hulls) and went to the high school crew nationals in Cincinnati. Betsy, 14, was captain of her select soccer team. * Karen Caine Babbit's daughter, Emily, sailed in the women's college nationals this past spring and will be co-captain of the women's sailing team at Georgetown. Karen's son, Ike, started his freshman year at Hobart and William Smith. Karen is starting a certification program to qualify her for principlship while still continuing to teach fourth grade. She saw Jean Minkel, Allison Ernstien, Jacobson, Hillary Morton Shontz, and Cornelia Ambrecht Brefka in NYC this past winter. * Sue Horwitz Kerr's oldest son, John, is on the Colby in Dijon program this fall and making his way to campus in January. * Trisha and Elliott Pratt were slowly coming to grips with the fact that daughter Katie would be leaving the nest and starting her freshman year at Gettysburg College. * Over the Fourth of July, Warren Pratt brought his 10- and 6-year-old daughters for their first holiday Down East. They saw the John Carpenter and Jay Moody in Portland and, on their mandatory stop in Freeport, stepped out of Bean's and ran into Ted Tinson, passing through on his way to Owl's Head. * Pete and Lynne Seeley Lee are still in Yarmouth, Maine. Son Spencer is a senior looking at colleges and son Travis is going into sixth grade. Pete is still practicing law, doing triathlons (Alcatraz in June), and trying to be a writer (with great success—his fifth story was published this spring!). * Carol Sly writes that "even after seven years in Virginia, New England still feels like home." She keeps busy teaching her sons John, 11, and Neal, 8, how to water-ski on their small lake outside Winchester, Va. Jane Hartzell '81 and her family visited Carol this spring. This summer, Carol rode in her 19th Pan-Mass Challenge (Boston to P-town and back) to benefit the Dana Farber Cancer Institute and saw lots of friends, including Jan Barker McFarland '79 and her son. * Also on the Cape this summer, Lynn Collins Francis ran into Andy Miller, who was living in Truro while completing an eight-year project to build the town's municipal water system. Andy and family (daughters Delaney, 8, and Savannah, 9) live in Jacksonville, Fla., where Andy is an independent hydrogeologist whose work takes him all over the country. When Andy is not on the Cape, Lynn also ran into Deb Clark Nelson, Diana Herrmann, and Leslie Mitchell. * Congratulations to Jen and Steve Kirstein, who welcomed Eli Harvey Kirstein to the world in March. Eli's middle name is in honor of Steve's late father, Harvey Kirstein '51. * Congratulations also to Liz Martin, who married Paul Rinehart this past May. Liz and Paul live in Kinderhook, N.Y. Paul runs a busy bicycle shop in Williamstown, Mass., and Liz works as a historic preservation architect in Albany. During the past five years, she's worked on Newport mansions in R.I. and on projects in Nashville, Tenn. Her boys, Byron and Avery, are entering their teens, and Liz recalls "Robin Gathany Shea standing in front of Johnson during one of our reunions telling me about her..."
kids, who thought she was the most ridiculous person on the planet during their teens. I don’t feel so alone when I remember that!” * It’s been great to hear from so many classmates recently. Thanks for all your news. I hope everyone will continue to keep in touch.—Tom Marilit

81 Peter Cociardi proudly reports that son Matthew, heavily recruited by Bates for football, will be a freshman there in the fall. * Victor and Ginny Buford Vesnaver’s oldest child, Victor Jr. (“VJ”), is a Colby freshman. Two younger daughters follow close behind, hopefully continuing on Mayflower Hill as well! * When John Cleveenger’s family vacationed in Tuscany last summer, they rented a villa outside Lucca, which he recommends for anyone wanting to “go native” and really experience a foreign country. John’s only problem is integrating his new Italian habits into rural Connecticut life, in particular, two-hour lunches followed by two-hour naps! * Fifteen members of Faith Bramhall Rodenkirk’s extended family visited Kauai, Hawaii, to celebrate her parents’ 56th wedding anniversary. * Paula Hinckley’s real estate agency in New Hampshire’s Lakes Region specializes in waterfront and ski-area properties. Paula and husband Carl, also a realtor, have a beautiful mini-dachshund named Banjo, and four children between them: Fawn, 25, Matthew, 24, the 2006 amateur golf champ, Grayson, 23, just graduated from Connecticut’s Simsbury High School. In the fall Allie was headed for Elon University. * Bill Maley and youngest son, Matthew, went to Philmont, the Boy Scout ranch in New Mexico, in summer 2006 and hiked 80 miles in 10 days, seeing some majestic scenery while climbing a 12,400-foot mountain. This year, Bill has two kids in college, a freshman at Bryn Mawr and a junior at Colgate. One more to go, a junior in high school who will have his parents’ undivided attention, much to his dismay. Bill’s company (Trans-Lite www.trans-litein.com) will begin doing business in India, so he will travel there in the fall. * Nice to hear from Susan Meyer, who is amazed that, 30 years after they started college, she and her husband drove their oldest kid, Sam Clifford, to Colby for his freshman year! Sam has a great room in Woodman—Sue was a freshman in Foss. Sam’s a skier and sax player who plans to major in physics and minor in music. Says Susan: “We look forward to visits to hear him play jazz and take runs with him at Sugarloaf. He headed off on a COOT fishing trip while we returned to middle-age parenting.” * See www.colby.edu/imag for more class notes.—Steph Frattos

82 Here’s my first column as your new class correspondent. I want to thank Janice McKeown for her training and advice. In the past year I have realized how important it is to stay connected with Colby and with all of our classmates. I look forward to serving in this role and hope I can do as good a job as my predecessors have! * Abby Smith wrote from New Zealand this summer. She says it’s winter there! It’s chilly and cold in the Southern Hemisphere, where her family lives on a steep hill above the city of Dunedin. She has two sons, Ned, 12, and David, 8, who both play basketball and cricket. She and her husband are both faculty members at the University of Otago—he’s a zoologist and Abby teaches marine science. Currently she serves as president of the New Zealand Marine Sciences Society—less of an honor than it sounds, she says. She is also now a fully qualified cricket coach. Sometimes she finds Colby students on their junior year abroad in her class, and that’s always a treat. * Carolyn Berry Copp has stepped down as executive director of the Boston Classical Orchestra and in the fall will focus her career on fund raising. She became a certified fund-raising executive this spring and hopes to apply to that more worthy cause. After reunion she planned to take the summer off to go to Yellowstone and Glacier with the family. * Jen Maire Hagemann’s older daughter is done with her second year at Yale, and her youngest looked at colleges this summer as she goes into her senior year of high school. Jen rides her horse every day and they’re restoring their new “old” boat, which they hoped to have in the water this season at their summer home, but it needs a few projects finished before it goes back in. * Dianne Katz Oliver didn’t graduate with the Class of ’82 as she transferred our junior year and graduated from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Her family now lives in Simi Valley, Calif., after many years in the Boston area. She is a stay-at-home mom to her sons, who are 14, 11, 9, and 4. Skateboarding and music are big with them. * Paul Veilleux retired from the Army this past September after almost 24 years in the service. He has settled in Mansfield Center, Conn., just down the road from UConn. Things are going well and he has adjusted to civilian life. He works as the director of corporate operations for VirtualLogger, a company that provides recording and QA solutions to an assortment of companies and call centers. His wife, Andi, has continued to earn promotions and is doing great at Liberty Bank. His son Chris joined the Army (he didn’t feel ready for college and is earning money for his education when he gets out) and is currently stationed in Iraq. Paul’s son Ryan got accepted to Eastern Connecticut State University and started as a freshman in the fall. He’s been in numerous plays and plans to continue this in college. * Steve and Cindy Jenkins Barbash live in Shrewsbury, Mass., where Steve sells industrial fabrics and Cindy is a physician’s assistant specializing in pediatrics. Their son Andrew, 19, finished his second year at UMass Lowell, and Danny, 17, is a junior at Shrewsbury High School. Steve and Carl “Hub” Gluck keep in touch on a regular basis. Hub was in Boston recently and Cindy and Steve were able to get together with him for dinner. Helives in Strongsville, Ohio, with his wife, Caroline (Sterge ’84) and their two great kids, Jessica and Gus.—Nancy Briggs Marshall
85 Thank you to everyone who responded to my request for information on how you spent your summer. ◆ Shireen Shahawy sent daughter Ally Stinneford off to her first year of college. Ally decided to start school close to home, so Shireen is dodging the empty-nest syndrome for now. Shireen has been busy voicing the TV and radio commercial campaign addressing the negative impact of cigarette marketing on young people (sponsored by Healthy Maine Partnerships). Commercial voiceover work and marketing communications consulting keeps Shireen busy, but she is realizing there may be new frontiers with her daughter starting college. ◆ Laura Kozlowski Hart lives in Wellington, Fla. (Palm Beach County), with her husband, Jay, and their 14-month-old daughter, Caroline, who is the love of their lives. Laura is in her fifth year as an associate professor of international business at Lynn University in Boca Raton. She also has a consulting firm assisting multinational companies and government agencies with strategic planning. Laura keeps in touch with Sheryl Larson Mortensen, Cindy Smith Wing, and Kim Glendon Getschow. ◆ Marc Murray waited 22 years to answer the request for information, but he finally did! Well done, Marc! Marc’s silence is not because he didn’t appreciate Colby, in fact, he thinks back fondly on his time at the College. Marc celebrated his 15th wedding anniversary with his wife, Laura Grooms, whom he met 17 years ago in NYC. Laura is a fashion-fit model, fiction writer, and, currently, an at-home mom to her 16-month-old adopted daughter, Olivia Louise. Marc manages investment portfolios for Morgan Stanley in NYC. He and his family split their time between NYC and South Carolina. Summer was about playing games with Olivia, taking trips to SF and LA, and celebrating with family over Memorial Day weekend and run into Keith Turley and his family near their home in Five Islands. ◆ Mike Muir also wrote from Maine, where, for the last seven years, he’s been director of the Maine Center for Meaningful Engaged Learning (McMEL) at the University of Maine-Farmington. He works with schools on motivating students and integrating technology. This year an organization that designs schools to motivate students has contracted with UMF for McMEL’s time to work on the educational program for their schools. Mike’s first operational school is for hard-to-teach students in Buffalo, NY. He and his team have spent the year preparing for their second year of implementation. He’s even working on a supplementary teacher certification program to recognize teachers for the specialized skills they need to teach in this environment. Information about the project is available at http://schoolswened.wikispaces.com/. ◆ Have a great winter, and thanks for keeping us updated! —Gretchen Bean Bergill

86 Ricardo Sieveking notes, “All’s ok here in Guatemala.” He’s still part of a company that exports vegetables, coffee, macadamia, etc. and that also has a Land Rover dealership. Ricardo adds, “My three boys are now 15, 13, and 9, and all are great soccer players.” He’s hoping for news of Dan Hurley and Tina Babarovic. ◆ At most medical schools, ski night is a classic event where medical students poke fun at themselves, their professors, and the profession. When Brent Harris was asked to play a role in this year’s Dartmouth Medical School ski night with a second-year medical student named Vasilena Zheleva ’05, he readily agreed. The skit was a spoof of Grey’s Anatomy, with Brent as Dr. McDreamy opposite Vasilena in “Vasi’s Anatomy.” It was all in good fun and supported one of the local free clinics. “I especially enjoyed getting Vasi to blush during the filming. She’s one of my favorite students,” remembers Brent. ◆ More potential Colby legacies: Becca (Sears’ 87) and Charlie Cleary see Esther, 14, start high school and Thomas, 12, enter seventh grade this year. ◆ Kevin and Joyce Sutton Anderson just celebrated 21 years of marriage. Joyce has been teaching French in Winchester, Mass., for more than 18 years and recently presented at the AP national conference in Las Vegas. Joyce notes they’ll soon “be visiting Colby with our son, James, 14, and our daughter, Lindsay, who will be a junior in high school.” Joyce had a mini-reunion with Kara Schwartz, Steven and Karen Jo Giammusso Shapiro in Cambridge this summer. Kara teaches in the Boston area, Steve is a physics professor, and Karen Jo has just had her second children's book published. ◆ Carolyn Rhodes might want to check in with Karen Jo, as Carolyn has written children’s stories and is looking for a publisher. When not writing, Carolyn is an information architect and Web strategist for Vanguard Group outside Philadelphia. She moved to the area 12 years ago with her husband, Geoff Schad, who was working on his doctorate in history at the University of Pennsylvania. His research took them on many wonderful trips to France and the Middle East. Carolyn also had a mini-reunion with Kara Schwartz this year, along with Robin Warren and Sonja Muchmann, in Wareham, Mass. Carolyn visited with Jennifer Creamer and her husband, Randy Fink, in Bethlehem, Pa., recently. Carolyn’s two-year-old, Juliette, had a great time splashing around the pool with Jennifer’s girls, Zoe, 10, and Daphne, 6. After Colby, Jennifer taught English in Japan, worked as an archaeologist in Hawaii, Guam, and the U.S. West, and earned a doctorate in cultural anthropology at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Jennifer is the director of international studies at Moravian College. ◆ Jeanne Choquette experience with a student. ◆ Ann Noelle Poncelet has been promoted to full professor of neurology at UCSF and has an endowed chair in education. She is also co-directing an innovative integrated third-year clerkship for medical students where they follow their own patients for a year. Ann’s daughter, Chantal, is in fifth grade and competes in level five gymnastics. Ann saw Steve Albert and Eric Dechheimer during an annual pilgrimage for spring training in Scottsdale. Steve still lives in Zuni, N.M., and is doing environmental consulting. Eric moved to Austin and is a projects reporter for the Austin American-Statesman. Ann also visits the parents of Keren Holtz in Falmouth every summer to celebrate her memory. ◆ Jennifer Thayer Naylor’s children, Duncan and Persephone, “Persic,” are attending a Waldorf School that offers the kids an excellent and wide variety of language instruction, arts, and music. The family is a two-cello one, so there are sedan-driving challenges. Last year Jennifer co-founded a company with a couple of tech heads. She said: “Wow—new technology, no money, small chance of success? So when do we start?” Her company develops new image-rendering systems for broadcast sports. Jen’s been happy working and has gotten good at the NY to SF run. She’s been in touch with some former Colby friends through LinkedIn.com ◆ Emily Batchelder’s daughter Alexandra is a sophomore at Union College and is having a great time. One of her good friends is Mike Daley, son of Joe Daley, who was at Colby with us. Em says, “Seeing how happy Alexandra is and her interest in everything from sports to her economics classes makes me realize what a special time those college years were.” ◆ After 20 years in the same house, Mair Sirakides Hill and her family moved just six blocks down the street. Mair’s business is going really well. She works part-time from home around her three boys and is happy about being able to travel and enjoy life because of her hard work. ◆ Rick Manley, after 19 years at Ropes & Gray LLP in Boston, he has joined the law firm of Edwands Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP as a partner in the public finance department. ◆ Chip and Martha Driscoll Kelley’s son Peter went to the prom with Erin Hatton, the lovely daughter of Deb (Scanlon ’84) and Craig Hatton. Chip works as the head of commercial banking in Maine for KeyBank while Martha works part-time as an editor for Running Times magazine. Their other two boys are 15 and 11. The Kelleys stay constantly busy with soccer, hockey, and even some golf. Martha sees Sarah Russell MacColl ’79 as part of a co-ed running group. ◆ See www. colby.edu/mag for more class notes. —Sally Lovegren Merchant
80s newsmakers

Dawn Sweeney ’81 was named president of The National Restaurant Association, according to The Washington Post. Her appointment marks the first time in its 88-year history a woman has headed the association’s 50,000-member group. Not affiliated with a political party, Sweeney offered hope of converting the association from a “Republican bastion” into something more impartial. • Keith Wilson ’84 was named president and chief scientific officer of Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited, a U.S.-based drug discovery company in San Diego. Wilson brings “a wealth of scientific excellence” to Takeda, said Shigenori Okhawa, general manager of the pharmaceutical research division. With formal training in protein X-ray crystallography, Wilson has contributed to more than 30 peer-reviewed publications and is co-inventor on six issued U.S. patents covering multiple drug candidates. • Life sciences venture firm Third Rock Ventures, L.L.C. has launched its first fund, and partner Kevin Starr ’85 is excited to “help entrepreneurs launch innovative companies.” Third Rock invests in companies that make a difference in people’s lives. According to Starr, Third Rock “has a strong track record for integrating scientific ideas with business strategy” that will help companies in the early stages of formation develop products that create medical breakthroughs.

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Births: A son, Eli Harvey Kirstein, to Jen and Steve Kirstein ’80 • A son, Rex, to Colby Smith and Glenn Cummings ’87 • A daughter, Galen Grace Plummer, to Jennifer and Kevin Plummer ’89

Radvany had a fabulous summer with husband Dave and kids Rachel, 8, and Andy, 6. They enjoyed beach time in R.I. with Jeannie’s family, an annual outing to Mohonk Mountain House in New Paltz, N.Y., and a week at Sugarloaf. When not vacationing, Jeannie volunteers, most recently as head of fund raising for a local education foundation. Dave continues to work for Accenture in the insurance sector. • Two issues ago, Colby incorrectly reported the name of Cary Hills ’81’s wife. Cary is married to Jennifer Jackson and they now have two daughters, Clara, 2, and Esther, 1. • Apologies for the error. • Lizzie and Kevin Mead, son Michael, 5, and daughter Alexandra, 3, live in New York City. Kevin loves seeing all the alumni birth listings, as he is the SVP of Stores at The Children’s Place. Kevin sees Chipper Burch whenever he drops into the city and also had a great call with John Fitzpatrick, who was actually wearing a herringbone suit and raising a pint from Scotland, where he and his wife, Kate (Appleton ’89), now live with their girls after John graduated from business school. John looked forward to the annual fall Coburn reunion, when Andy Peer, Jeff King, and Nick Silitch ’83 spend the evening telling tall tales. • Lee Scammon Kubishtha is the IHR director for a regional accounting firm in New England. She and hubby Tom have been together 18 years and have two kids, Hayden, 8, and Nicole, 11, a cat named Columbus the Explorer Cat, and a new second home in Maine on a lake. Lee also teaches Ashtanga yoga. • See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes. —Henrietta “Hank” Yelle

I can’t start the news any better than this: In February 2006 Kathleen Lowney celebrated 20 years of being cancer-free! Says Kath, “In April I became director of administration and operations for continuing education at Tufts Medical School, then we moved from Cambridge to Newton. Several weeks later we had our second child, Maggie, who is crazy about her big brother, Liam. My husband, Peter, is renovating the century-old Victorian we bought with my mom. Family and friends have been involved all along the way—it reminds me how many dear people we have in our lives.” She caught up with Louisa Bell Paushter, Nancy Simarano Carey, Birgit Uehling Caliandro, Elaine Segal Snyder, and Carol Hani and her husband for an impromptu local reunion dinner in Concord. She adds that Susan Lawrence-Smith, husband Jon, and three girls are on sabbatical in Scotland. • Could there be even more news? Goodness me, yes. • Noriko Miyakoda Hall was inducted into YWCA Boston’s prestigious Academy of Women Achievers, Class of 2007. The gala took place at the Sheraton Boston Hotel June 13. Congratulations, Noriko! • Beth Gifroy had her second child, Emma Kathryn Dawson, on May 27, 12:24 a.m., hence her absence from reunion. Big sister Kimberly, 4, is “very proud.” (As she was quoted saying in the New York Times.) • Jane Nicol Manuel stayed with John and Kathiarnett Linger in Chapel Hill this summer en route to dropping their son at camp in West Virginia. After reunion she spent quality baby time with Rick and Joy Pratt Schifffman’s twins, who were born March 31. “Rex and Libby are cute as can be and Joy seems to have slipped into motherhood seamlessly. While in Manchester, Mass., I ran into Pam Blanchard Harrington. Her clan, including husband Tony and kids Jack, and Kate, seemed great.” • Irene Izquierdo Patterson couldn’t go to reunion because it was the weekend her daughter, Anna, graduated from eighth grade. She’s going off to Irene’s alma mater, Mayfield Senior School in Pasadena. Her son will be in third grade at St. Andrew School, where she, too, will be going, as the first-grade teacher! Her husband, Tom, is a TV engineer for CBS, in that big building in Hollywood where Bob Barker did Price is Right. She keeps in touch with Jill Paradis and Steve Sanborn. • Larry and Beth Harrison Cutliffe, along with their children Jessica, 14, and Jennifer, 12, spent the summer aboard their 46-foot Grand Banks trawler, cruising the coasts of N.H. and Maine. Some of their favorite spots were Frenchman’s Bay, Blue Hill, and Castine. They moved back to their home in Bedford, N.H., in time for school. • Elizabeth Warren Bogo saw Mitch and Jeanne Morrison Cook when they made their annual trek to Michigan. She came east to pick up her daughter from an Outward Bound trip and spent a night with the popular Joy Pratt Schifffman in Newport. (Joy might set a record for mentions this issue.) Otherwise, Elizabeth’s keeping...
Deborah Gassner ’87 graduated from Colby with a degree in art history. Not drawn to the major’s more traditional career opportunities in museum work or art writing, Gassner relocated to Los Angeles and enrolled in CalArts for a degree in graphic design. “While Colby taught me to question, write, and express standards and settings in an analytical way, my studies in art school enabled me to shift this method of thinking to a more creative expression in design,” Gassner said.

After completing her B.F.A., Gassner migrated to New York City and then Milan, Italy, where she worked in design firms. “I specialized in print collateral, corporate identity, and advertising. It was just as much learning for me as creating. Creative design is very liberating in that sense,” said Gassner, relaxing outside a Seattle café.

When she relocated to Seattle in the mid-1990s, Gassner worked as a designer in several firms—retail, financial, and high-tech companies, including Microsoft. “Designing for a massive corporation required a different approach than a smaller company, because typically the brand [for the large corporation] is very strong,” Gassner said.

Gassner now prefers the freedom—both creative and personal—afforded by freelance work for developing companies. “More often these days, I am inspired by working with new companies who are just beginning to identify who they are or what they want to be,” she said.

While collaborating with a local clothing store, for example, she studied the company’s audience, mission, and competition. Gassner then created several design directions in which the company could begin to define itself as a business. This included a logo, a color palette, and some promotional materials associated with the brand’s character. “The client really responded to one of the options, and we moved on from there. Design is essentially problem solving, a task that draws from both my B.F.A. and my Colby degree,” Gassner said.

“What I love about design is the challenge of solving a problem in a creative way. Each project for me is a fresh start where I have the opportunity to explore and learn about a business in order to help them grow.”

Gassner described wandering down an aisle of products in a grocery market and recognizing her packaging design for a Seattle chocolate company, a product on which she worked a few years back. “My job is to create the face of the product. So, to then watch a company grow, in part because of my relations with them, is very rewarding.”

Still, new challenges always await.

“My test now is to find a good balance between kids and work,” Gassner said, smiling as she cradled her coffee cup. Despite this negotiation of time, she is glad to have some flexibility and to be free to plan her own day. Also, with both of her daughters still under 5 and her husband, Joe Park, pursuing his own creative ambitions as an artist, this artistically oriented family is free to travel and find inspiration abroad.

“We are looking into visiting relatives in Seoul, South Korea, for an extended period of time in the near future. Both my husband and I can use new environments as creative inspiration for our work.” —Robin Respaut ’07
and their four daughters moved from Conn. to London at the end of the summer. If you’re in London, look her up! • Michael and Courtney Ingrafia Barton and their daughter, Josie, spent July 4th in Vermont with Bebe (Clark ’90) and Bill Bullock and their family and Seth Brooks and his wife, Kelly Kieffer. Courtney also recently had dinner with Stacey Mitchell, who was recently married and was just named chief of the environmental crimes section of the Environment and Natural Resources Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. • Bill “Manute” Carr and his wife, Lynn, live in Seattle, where Bill regularly sees Kirk Koenigshauer, Kate Roosevelt, and Jeff Ballaine ’88. He recently had lunch with Lisa Beliveau. Bill and Lynn have a two-year-old son, Evan, and another baby due in fall 2007. • Scott Jablonski celebrated his 40th with a keg party at his new house in Scituate, R.I. A big Colby contingent turned up: Robert Coupe, Dan Sullivan, Brian Kaplan, Tom Hiestra ’88, Wayne Dougal, Paul Stanislav, Steve Donohue ’90, and long-distance voyagers Scott Tartt from Portland, Ore., and Steve Warner from Mich. Missing the party were Greg Igo, Bill Spears, Nick Childs ’90, Greg Jacobson ’91, Mike Cameron, and Brian Murphy. Scott reports that they had a blast reminiscing and there were no casualties! Scott was planning to see Kerri Hicks and her family, who also live in the Ocean State. • Jamie and Tom Cahill had their second child, Emmett James, July 17 in London. If you’re in London, Tom would love to have a pint: tcahill@blumberg.net/mytcahill@gmail.com. • In August Heidi Greenman Baltimore, her husband Mark, and their two kids moved from Conn. to Needham, Mass. • Brian Kaplan and his wife started their own family-events planning business this year. It’s called Parent P-L-A-Y, and you can find it online at www.parentplay.com. • Leslie Dropkin Casey and her husband welcomed daughter #2, Juliette Claire, in December 2006. • Chris Tompkins will be leaving Mercersburg Academy next year to become headmaster at Perkiomen School in eastern Pennsylvania. • Shaun Dakin and his family moved to the campus of The Episcopal School in Alexandria, and Shaun started his own business: Citizens for Civil Discourse, whose mission is to elevate civil discourse in the U.S. Good luck with that in this election year, Shaun! —Anita Terry

91 Susan Cummings Wiseman reports a hectic year. She had her fourth child, a girl, a year ago. She and her husband now have one boy and three girls. Colleen Halleck Taylor, who lives in Virginia, recently visited. The house was busy with six kids under eight. Colleen is training for a marathon and hopes to qualify for Boston. • Good news from Del Lloyd, who recently got engaged to Lee Wegener, whom she met while they were both working for Wells Fargo. The ceremony will be in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, in March 2008. • The Westfield Evening News ran an article on Charles Leach III, who became vice president and senior investment officer for the Bershire Bank’s Asset Management Trust Group. Based in Pittsfield and working throughout western Massachusetts, he works with clients on investment planning and portfolio management. • Laura Friedewald Notes sent a letter from the Upper West Side of NYC, where she moved with her three children, Jackson, Madeleine and Lily, after a divorce. Laura is an attorney in the anti-money-laundering unit at MetLife. After six years in Ft. Lauderdale, she and the kids love living in the Big Apple. • This fall Candace Green moved to Los Angeles from Pittsburgh. If any alums are in the area, she’d love to hear from them. • I was happy to hear from my former roomie Rob Deacon, who has been working with computers and (among other projects) wrote much of the “behind the scenes” code for the Hotwire.com system. He and his wife, Amy, expect their first child in January. • Jim Hayes moved back to NYC’s Upper West Side in May. He works at the law firm of Morvillo, Abramowitz, et al., and he and his wife, Julie, are expecting their first child in December. • Kay Cowperthwait recently gave birth to her second child, a son named Tate, born July 2, 2007, joining big sister, Sophie, 6. Kay recently visited with Lizzie Mazolla ’92 and her kids, which she reports was a lot of fun. • One classmate who remained in Maine is Katherine Dauge-Roth. Katherine, husband Alexandre, and daughter Claire, 8, are thrilled to welcome Aymeric Michel, born February 25, 2007. He is a happy, relaxed, and very active little fellow! Katherine is an associate professor of romance languages at Bowdoin, and Alex is in his third year of a tenure-track appointment at Bates. Claire has taken up theater and is becoming quite the actress. • In May Alan Yuodsnukis completed a year-long graduate-level teacher training program at the University of Southern Maine. In June his oldest daughter turned 13. “It’s strange to consider myself the parent of a teenager,” Alan writes. He and wife Lynn marked their 15th wedding anniversary at Lorimer Chapel, he resigned from L.L.Bean for the second time, and he was hired to teach ninth and 10th grade world civilizations in Gardiner, Maine. • As for me, I’m looking forward to my 20th high school reunion. I hope to see or hear from high school (and Colby) classmates Fred and Debbie MacWalter Bright, Scott Osborne, David Mumford, and Alison Dunphy Shearer. Expect a full report. There are a lot of Colby classmates I’d like to hear from, so drop me a line at classnews1991@alum.colby.edu. • See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes. —Dave Shumway

92 Thanks for all the e-mails. Keep them coming. Christy O’Rourke and Jenny Alford Seeman were driving home from reunion and hit two-moose near Kennebunkport. Thankfully, Christy and Jenny were okay, though the moose did not fare as well. • Bob Gramling is an assistant professor at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. He and his wife, Lindy, have two kids, Cailin, 9, and Finian, 7. Bob keeps in touch with George Linge, Mike Gorra, and Mitch Rogers ’93. Bob, George, Mike, Mark Boles, and Steve Swartz attended Jason Eslick’s wedding to Sarah Ackley. In Bob’s words, their dancing “made the Student Center pit look tame!” (Bob sent me a photo of him at the wedding, which I am not allowed to share. But, boy, did it look like fun was had by all, at least by Bob!) • Anne Bowie lives in Boston and is the public service manager for the law firm of WilmerHale. She manages the charitable giving/philanthropy program and pro bono legal services; both roles allow her to “help the least powerful in society.” • John Cook and partner Gabe Speyer bought a house in San Francisco (after a few years in southern California and Berkeley). He recently swam in the Trans Tahoe Relay, where five teammates and he took turns swimming the 12 miles across Lake Tahoe. It was lots of fun, but cold water temperatures were reminiscent of Maine beaches. • Charles and Chantel Begin Mihm have a 26-month-old named Sophie and another daughter on the way—due September 13. They moved back to Maine (she had been in Calif. since 1999) and built a home near Augusta. She works for the Togus VA hospital as director of the PTSD program. She is in touch with Heather Ferguson, who lives in Washington D.C. • Michelle Fortier Biscotti recently visited Rockport, Maine, with husband John and two boys, Anthony, 3, and Dominic, 18 months, but didn’t get to Colby. Next time though. • Chris Petron and his wife Baltimo made their first baby the end of November. • Tracey Hardman is a trial lawyer living outside Middletown, Conn., with husband Steve Hryniewicz and their two rescue doggies, Arwen and Strider. She recently opened her own law firm, The Hardman Law Offices, in Middletown. In February she went to London and visited Catherine Coyne ’93 and Matt Lown and their daughter, Lily. Tracey and Steve attended the wedding of Stephanie Goff ’94 in Maine last fall and got to see many Colby people. She keeps in touch with Krista Lundborg Di rico and with Sarah Poriss, who is an attorney in Hartford, Conn. • Paul and Katie Bredebeck Thorustwo have beautiful kids, Eliza and William. They moved from NYC to the Catskills in 2005. She missed reunion but, during a vacation south, saw Colbyites including Katie Thompson McKenna ’95. She visited Roger Schulman in Baltimore during that trip. • Rob and Lisa McMahon-Myrhan and kids Charlie, 6, and Alice, 4, have moved back to the Seattle area. She is happy to be home, but misses life in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., and being close to Colby friends on the East Coast. • Jim Condon lives in Baltimore as an artist and teaches as an adjunct at Towson University. He has two art shows this fall, one at Red Door Gallery in Richmond, Va., and another at the American Center for Physics in College Park, Md. Two museums have just acquired his paintings, The Long Beach Museum of Art in California and The West Valley Museum of Art in Arizona. He sees Doug Oppenheimer often, who is doing well teaching. • Brooke Coleman (your new class president!) is the director of Upward Bound at North Shore Community College in Lynn, Mass. • Talk to you all again in three months! —Karen Wu

93 On June 11, April (Armstrong ’97) and Shawn Campbell celebrated the arrival of daughter Molly Elizabeth. Shawn also received a
promotion at WorldWinner.com, where he has worked as a senior software engineer since 2000. He continues to maintain his own game site, HotFlashGames.com and reports to be enjoying fatherhood immensely. • Lesley Frymier Cook gave birth to her first child, Mason Cook, August 14. • Connie (Huffine ’94) and Jeff Zlot had their third child, Noah, who joins his brothers Jacob, 4, and Sam, 2. • Peter Caruso writes that Saylor Colby was thrilled to meet her new sister, Savannah Dory, who was born June 18. Peter looks forward to teaching a law and administration class at Boston University beginning in spring 2008. • One more is on the way for Janine Deforge Olson, who expected her fourth child in late September. Meanwhile, she continues to work as director of product management for Morningstar’s Investment Services. Last June she had the pleasure of attending Sarah Oelkers’ wedding in Maine, where she saw several other alums. From time to time she reconnects with Jay Collins in Chicago and has been encouraging Sarah Burditt McDougal, who lives with her husband, Chris, in Oregon, to come visit. • When he’s not teaching ninth grade math or coaching high school girl’s soccer at Concord Academy with his wife, Sally Zimmerli, who works as a history teacher and basketball coach at the school as well, Tim Seston spends his time as a family entertainer. He performs his own songs and stories at libraries, schools, summer camps, and special parties in the Boston area. See his Web site, www.frompagetoplay.com. • Vanessa Lloyd Beauchaine recently played bass and sang with Irish Catholic recording artist Robin McBride, who was visiting from Steamboat Springs, Colo., with his own artist management company his own artist management company and sent an article about him eating at a special party in the Boston area. See libraries, schools, summer camps, and special parties in the Boston area. See his Web site, www.frompagetoplay.com. • Dave Crittenden made partner at Jeffrey, 5, and Bethany, 2.

94 Alice (Amstutz ’95) and Greg McDonald and their two kids, Molly and Maddie, joined my family and me as we traipsed through my hometown, Stow, Mass., picking apples and eating ice cream. It was great to see Greg and hear updates about Jim Lindstrom getting married, Zach and Kim Kessler Rubin, Elliott and Bonnie Johnson Barry, Alex Bie, and many others. • TJ Wintock is joining the Washington, D.C., NextOne, a service ABC News provides to affiliates. TJ covers news in and around the nation’s capital. Before joining ABC in June 2007, TJ worked as a general assignment reporter for WBZ-TV in Boston. He’s worked at New England Cable News, WTAE-TV in Pittsburgh, and WBBH-TV in Ft. Myers, Fla. TJ’s introduction to television came as an intern for ABC Sports and as a production assistant for ESPN. He has also produced for America’s Most Wanted and The History Channel. It’s amazing what a government degree will do for a guy. We’re proud of you TJ! • Jon Mitchell says Paul White (AKA Pablo) was out for a visit recently. The two went into NYC for a night and then to N.H. for some camping. Jon still teaches and sent an article about him eating an exotic-looking water bug at the farmer’s market. • Peter ’95 and Dawn Kalloc Murphy bought a house last year in Acton, Mass., so have been doing house projects as well as chasing after their son, Connor Paul, 1. Dawn works part-time as a social worker at New England Baptist Hospital in Boston and Peter is an English teacher at The Bromfield School in Harvard, Mass. • Chris Austin married R. Lauren Lohmeyer of Portland, Maine, in October 2006 in Freeport. The wedding party included John Kyle Grady and Greg Christopher. Other Mules making the trip were an eight-plus months prego ‘Becca Freeman Shultz and Erin Crossland Christopher. Chris and his wife just bought a house in Falmouth, Maine, and just finished the lead in Portland Players musical The Full Monty, and, yes, they did go all the way. YOWZA! • Heather Eskey is moving back to the United States from Japan in January. She and her husband plan to live in either San Francisco or Los Angeles. • Jen Hurd had just returned from an amazing five-week (man, I want her job) vacation through Italy and southern France—gorgeous vistas and excellent food and wine everywhere! She has decided to take a break from corporate IT and move into real estate in Cambridge and Somerville as well as become a professional organizer. Jen lives in Arlington and sees Bruce and Meredith Gregory Ksander. • Greg and Erin Crossland Christopher live in San Francisco with their 2-year-old daughter, Shannon, and newborn son Alex. After finishing Columbia Business School last May, Greg works in real estate development and Erin in public relations with A.T. Kearney. They see Catherine and Josh Eckel and their son, Jackson. They all headed to Long Beach in October for Chris Lohman ’95’s wedding. • Jen Zwick Somer recently moved from SF to Florida with her family to start a new position with HSN. Erinne Clark, who lives in Seattle and works for Panasonic, and Ray and Alyssa Schwenk Adams visited SF in April before moving back to NY, where Alyssa teaches law at West Point. • Frances Van Huystee got married last year to Robb Morris. Heather Post Lafrance was a bridesmaid. On April 16, Frances and Robb welcomed Elisabeth Maria Morris, born a month early but in good health. The happy family lives in Connecticut, where they are close to both sets of parents/babysitters. • Mark and Heather Lounsbery Lysaght welcomed Zachary Grout Lysaght into the world August 10, 2007. • Jeff ’93 and Connie Huffine Zlot had their third boy, Noah Morris Zlot, July 28. Andie Sulak shared the update and was on her way to meet him. • Stephanie Cain Sherman gave birth to son Harold in January and is in the process of getting certified as a professional birth doula as part of the volunteer doula program at Manhattan’s Bellevue Hospital. • See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes. —Jessie Newman

95 Brent McLean lives in Huntington Beach, Calif., doing resort and hotel development throughout the Southwest and Hawaii. He and Matt Muszala met in Maui in August for a 10,000-vertical-foot mountain bike ride from the top of the island’s largest volcano. They also spent a few days beating themselves up learning to kite surf. Brent reports that Franchot Tone lives in Los Angeles and has a new CID out with his band, Culver City Dub, available at http://cdbaby.com/ cd/culvercub. • Emily and Mark Griffin live in sunny Santa Barbara, Calif., and are enjoying raising three girls. Margaret was born last December and has older sisters, Mary, 5, and Anne, 3. Mark is a research analyst at Santa Barbara Asset Management. • Delia Welsh and her husband, Yahia Amehraye, had a baby boy January 15, 2007: Zachary Abed Amehraye. • Conrad ’96 and Jen Benwood Saam had their second child, Scarlett Walker Saam, May 16, 2007, in Seattle. “Her big brother, Lars, 21 months, is slowly adjusting,” writes Jen. • Dan Polk is on the board of directors for the Daraja Academy of Kenya. They just leased a beautiful 150-acre school campus four hours north of Nairobi near Mount Kenya. He is in the process of lining up Gavin Newsome and Dave Eggers to speak at their winter benefit dinner in San Francisco. • Karen Rose and her husband, JT Leonard, bought a house in Durham, Maine, two years ago. Between Karen’s job as a copywriter at L.L. Bean and JT’s landscaping business, they spend their “free time” renovating their home. They celebrated their first anniversary May 27 by returning to their wedding site, Pemaquid Lighthouse. Their daughter, Iris Gale Leonard, celebrated her first birthday September 27. “She’s a bubbly, outgoing little ham and we’re enjoying her very much” writes Karen. • Keith Stockmann completed his doctorate in applied wildland economics from the College of Forestry and Conservation at the University of Montana in December 2006. He now works full time for the USDA Forest Service in Missoula, where he and his wife, Karen, recently bought their first house. They had a great trip to Bermuda over Memorial Day to attend the wedding of Matt ’97 and Charlie finals. “Rainey Doak ‘99.” • In January 2007 Heather Beusse left a six-year career at Intel Corporation. “As proud of my accomplishments as I was, it was time to leave and follow my passions,” writes Heather. She now works for GLOBIO, a children’s education nonprofit that is building a free online encyclopedia called Glossopedia. Heather’s in charge of new project development and partnerships. “I couldn’t be more surprised (and pleased) at how the culmination of my experiences, from Colby to Teach for America to the high-tech corporate world, have prepared me for this dream job.” • Abe Rogers is currently deployed to Afghanistan with the Army’s 82nd Airborne Division. • Eric ’96 and Maureen Finn Schwartz announce the arrival of their son, Ryan Matthew, born
90s newsmakers

Award-winning filmmaker **Nick Childs ’90** was named executive vice president and director of content development at the communications firm Grey New York. Childs brings 15 years of experience as director and producer of independent, corporate, and documentary films and has overseen brand and communications projects for companies such as American Express, Deloitte, and Pfizer. According to Steve Hardwick, president of Grey New York, Childs “has excelled in all facets of film, TV, and interactive media, and I’ve witnessed firsthand his ability to bring out the best in a team.” ✸ Clarkson University School of Business appointed **Allan Zebedee ’90** assistant professor of economics and financial studies. Zebedee has taught at San Diego State, Case Western Reserve, and Georgetown and was a visiting economic fellow at the Securities and Exchange Commission. He’s also worked as a project manager on energy conservation for Xenergy Inc. Zebedee’s research focuses on corporate finance issues. ✸ **Betsy Morgan ’90** is the new chief executive at The Huffington Post. Calling it “an opportunity too good to pass up,” Morgan will switch from running the Web site for a traditional media company, CBSNews.com, to running a news Web site just over two years old. Morgan “brings everything we needed in terms of a business and journalism background,” Arianna Huffington told The New York Times.

milestones

**Deaths:** Shawn E. Gager ’92, September 14, 2007, in Boston, Mass., at 36.


**Births:** A son, Alexander Rios, to Percy and Michelle Corrigan Rios ’92 ✸ A daughter, Mia Catherine Cote, to Paulina and Adam Cote ’95 ✸ A daughter, Molly Elizabeth Campbell, to Shawn ’93 and April Armstrong Campbell ’97 ✸ A daughter, Ashley McCord, to Tyler and Sandra Swanson Hill ’98

June 8, 2007, Maureen enjoys her time at home with Ryan and will return to work in January in her fourth year as crisis intervention social worker at Lowell High School in Massachusetts. Eric was recently promoted to managing director at PricewaterhouseCoopers. ✸ On July 14, 2007, Lindsey Slotnick and I got married under beautiful sunny skies in Berkshire County, Mass. Colby friends in my wedding party included Joshua Eckel ’94, Michelle Grdina, Sean McBride, and Andrew Vernon; Christopher Lohman was best man and Marc Rubin officiated. Other Colby attendees included Mike Rosenthal, Jon Blau ’94, Cary Charlebois ’97, Steve Kidd ’97, and Carter Davis ’97. Lindsey and I live happily in Cambridge, Mass. ✸ See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes. —Yabgo Yamaguchi

97 Hi everyone, I don’t want to waste a word, so right to the news! Karen Blaisdell Faiman recently left her job as executive director of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Bath/Brunswick to relocate to Burlington, Vt. She welcomed a son, Joseph, this past May. ✸ Liz Baker Mecchan now works as the director of foundation and corporate relations for the nonprofit KIPP, the Knowledge Is Power Program, a national network of free, open-enrollment, college-preparatory public schools in under-resourced communities. ✸ Stephanie Healy Pokrywa was married in June. She and her husband, Scott, were married under perfect skies in Vermont and then honeymooned in Bali. Sue Hesselbach Pierce, new mother to Isaac, served as bridesmaid. ✸ Wedding bells also rang this summer for CJ Polcari and Christine Griffin, whom he met while in pediatric residency in Providence, R.I. They relocated to Massachusetts, where CJ works as a pediatrician at an inner-city health center in Roxbury. At the wedding were Mark Adelman, Dana Cease, Steve Kidd, Carter Davis, Will Rafferty, Marnie Eckelmann Steffe, Anna Hamlen, Dave Barr, Lauren Bayersdorfer Winstead, and Mark and Chrsissy Killheffer Sinclair. ✸ Zoë Kaplan married Matt Presley at their farm near Portland, Ore., September 1. Colby guests included Jill Picard Paine ’96, Jen Vogt and James Loveland ’96, Linsay Cochran, Margot Higgins, Kelly Cueman, Lindsay Franz Field ’96, and Jon Ostrom ’94. ✸ Katie McGovern was married May 26 to Richard Pizzi. Living in Portland, Maine, Katie represents low-income tenants through her work as an attorney at Pine Tree Legal Assistance. ✸ Shawn ’93 and April Armstrong Campbell announce the arrival of their daughter, Molly, born July 11. April will return to Assumption College this fall to finish her second B.A. (this one in biology) to pursue a veterinary career. ✸ John and Katie Nevin Naylor just moved to Palmer, Alaska, 40 miles north of Anchorage. She finished her residency in internal medicine last year and works at Mat-Su Regional Medical Center. She writes, “It is unbelievably beautiful here with mountains, glaciers, lakes as far as the eye can see. We’re very excited about the new adventure and we’d welcome visitors!” ✸ Hyun Eliot Jung got married in June 2007 in Boston. Colby representation included Bow Stratton, Trish and Steve DiLella, Kate Lawn and fiancé Prashant, Eunbyol and Mike Gallant ’98, as well as May (Cummings ’96) and Eric Mitchell. Hyun works in Washington, D.C., for the Department of State, while his wife, Hyunna Wilson, is doing her orthodontics residency in Newark, N.J. ✸ Nate Pierce married Jody Keeler at Maple Hill Farm in Hallowell, Maine, October 13. Peter Nealis, Kevin Fontanella ’98, and Matt Jancovic ’98 attended. Nate and Jody live in Winthrop, Maine. ✸ Melanie Macbeth works as an optometrist as part of a two-doctor private practice in Belmont, Mass. She writes, “A year and half ago we moved our office to a brand new, spacious facility with four exam rooms, all with state-of-the-art instruments. I love what I do!” Melanie and her husband, Roger Binggeli ’96, have been living in Waltham, Mass, for the past two years. They enjoy life with their 13-month-old son, Lukas. Melanie shared that Liz Fagan Gottlieb is married and has an 11-month-old daughter, Sage. Liz and her family are living just outside San Francisco, Calif. ✸ Wellling and Heather Derby LaGrone moved to Nashville, Tenn., in 2001, and since that time have both earned M.B.A.s from Vanderbilt. Heather is at home now with their children, Miranda, 2, and Zara, 3 months, while Wellling is a director at a software services company. Wellling has also been racing as a triathlete for the past three years, including an Ironman distance event (2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike ride, 26.2 mile run). Impressive! —Leah Tortola Walton

98 Jody Navitsky works in San Jose, Calif., as a pediatrician for a county hospital. She lives with her husband and daughter, Eva, in Mountain View. ✸ Erika Ayers Nardini works at Microsoft in international branded entertainment, which allows for exciting international travel. She
Different Drummer | Harris Eisenstadt ’98

While it’s hard to find the right word to describe the music of percussionist Harris Eisenstadt ’98, it’s even harder to find a wrong one. Plain old “jazz” doesn’t quite do this music justice because, really, this is something new.

The opening of his Ahimsa Orchestra album is so full of animated motifs and crashing percussion that it more closely resembles the soundtrack to an old episode of Tom and Jerry than it does anything you might associate with a jazz ensemble.

Likewise, Eisenstadt recently performed at The New Languages Festival in New York in a jazz group called Attack/Adorn/Decay. Its name summed up its appearance and sound.

Consisting of 11 players, on alto and tenor sax, two cellos, a trumpet, trombone, piano, upright basses, and percussion, the group spilled off the small red-lit stage into the crowd. When bandleader Nate Wooley picked up his trumpet the music began, not in unison, but in sporadic outbursts from each instrument. Each musician seemed to be playing at random, yet clearly each knew his own turn as there was little overlapping or clashing. Eisenstadt, tucked into the back left corner of the stage, kept his eyes on his fellow musicians, reading them as if they were the music. He hit a cymbal here, slammed on the snare there, or quickly stopped in time for a flurry of trombone notes to break through.

As chaotic as it may sound—about two thirds of the music was improvised—Eisenstadt explains that it came naturally. “It was mostly improvised, yeah, but so is any conversation you have. That was kind of a conversation between musicians,” Eisenstadt said afterward.

Eisenstadt, an accomplished percussionist, has always improvised. Realizing Waterville was not a thriving jazz scene back in his college days, he fled “abroad” to New York City as a junior in order to learn jazz through osmosis—and through courses at The New School. “I went to New York and went to hear as much music as possible,” he said.

Not that he limited himself exclusively to domestic jazz clubs for his education. “I studied world music and translated literature and loved that they had a function in society, not just as art,” he said.

Eisenstadt took these two themes to the recording studio in 2006, when he laid down his own translation of Wayne Shorter’s 1965 album The All Seeing Eye. Interestingly, Eisenstadt chose not to include Shorter’s signature instrument, the saxophone, on the recording. “I [had] been inspired by that music for years and wanted to pay tribute by re-imagining it with new forms and different instrumentation,” he said.

Indeed one of Eisenstadt’s primary concerns is making music that is vital, moving forward instead of rehashing. “I want my compositions to be visceral and smart, an alternative jazz where all kinds of music go into it,” he said. Sounds about right for a jazz musician who is as likely to cite architecture, a walk through his neighborhood, or Texas folkster Townes Van Zandt as influences as he is Blue Note or “Autumn Leaves.”

Unfortunately, finding inspiration is much easier than finding financial security in the world of jazz music. Sitting outside at a corner bar in Jersey City, New Jersey, where he was living (he has since moved to Brooklyn), Eisenstadt sat with a pile of CDs and a book and contemplated his living. “It ain’t pretty. Well, it is but it isn’t,” he said.

On one hand, music has been his ticket around the world and an invitation to meet many of his idols. He shared various studios and venues across the country with the likes of rock icon Les Claypool and jazz legends Sam Rivers, Leo Smith, and Yusuf Lateef, and he toured Europe, the U.K., and Australia playing with a one-man show of Macbeth. He just wrapped up a trip to Senegal, where he taught film scoring and studied traditional drumming.

On the other hand, the demands of professional musicianship keep him living a nomadic lifestyle, wandering from band to band. “I get to meet a lot of great people, but it’s impossible to develop a band sound if you are always changing groups,” he said. One night he may be playing a small club with a new jazz quartet. The next he might be holding down the beat for a rock group or teaching lessons to novice drummers.

With such a constantly changing array of gigs and musical pursuits, Eisenstadt can be hard to pin down as one thing or another. He admits to being a jazz musician—easy enough—but to describe his music? You’d have to improvise.

—Brendan Sullivan ’06

Leff and his wife had their second daughter, Eliana, in October 2007. Their first daughter, Suzy, is two. Miguel recently opened his own law practice. * Nathan Wheeler lives in Laguna Beach, Calif., and works as a drama teacher at St. Margaret’s Episcopal School. * Andrew Porter started a new job at Hinckley Yacht Service in Portsmouth, R.I., and recently sailed in the Leukemia Cup Regatta in Bristol, R.I. Their son, Wyatt, is almost two and wears his little Colby shirt with pride. * Casey and Melissa Carpenter Haier had their first baby, Courtney Marie, July 12, 2007. They live in NYC and Melissa works in prime brokerage at Credit Suisse. * Dan Maccarone married Melissa DeLancy August 25, 2007, at the Mystic (Conn.) Aquarium. Andrew Glos ’97 presided and Mark Nichols and Brad Reichek ’00 were in the wedding party. Colby alumni in attendance were Mary (Holahan ’98) and Michael Baru, Jenny Tanenbaum ’00 and Douglas Heffer ’00, Mitchell Goodman, Peter Edwards, Daniel Rizza, Morgan McDevitt ’00, Sarah Cronan ’00, and Marco Raffanelli ’00. Eli works at Neuberger Berman as an international equity analyst. He recently graduated from NYU Stern School of Business. The Cohens live on the Upper West Side in NYC with their dog, Nessa. * In July, Molly Frazier married Jasen Kelly in Winterport, Maine. Several Colby friends attended: bridesmaid Julie McMaster, Christina Repp, Maxine Guay, Laura Hurley, Kelley Martin, and Erica Montgoris Mulder. The newlyweds honeymooned in Hawaii and returned to Brooklyn, N.Y. * Adam and Christie Browning Rana are doing well after their first year in Boston. Christie gave birth to their son, William Simms, July 26, 2007. * David Mattatall married Colleen Barry June 30, 2007, in Hartford, Conn., and they moved into a new home in Wethersfield. David received his M.B.A. from Notre Dame in 2005 and works in finance for CIGNA Healthcare. * Jana and Lee Minton welcomed their first child, Liv Minton, March 27, 2007. * Sandra DiBarry Laflamme, who lives in New Hampshire with husband Jesse, started her fourth year teaching first grade at the St. Johns School. She completed her fifth marathon in the spring at the Vermont City Marathon and will compete in the VT. 100 on 100 Relay, a 100-mile team relay event, and the Reach the Beach Relay, a 200-mile team event. Sandra enjoyed visiting with Donna and Kristen North Downey and their daughter, Louise, this summer. * Josh Waldman and Andrea Keisler welcomed Eli Robert Waldman, born June 15 in Taos, N.M. * Dubek Kim competed in the Black Fly Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Tournament in July in Maine and won the absolute pro division for competitors under 175 pounds. * Melissa Knight got engaged in February and soon after bought a six-bedroom Victorian home in Somerville, Mass., with her fiancé, Michael DuBois. They are restoring it themselves and have wedding plans for April 2008. * John and Steph Sharples Sulzbach had a baby boy, Mason, September 18, 2006. They bought a house in Killington, Conn. Steph works with her husband at her family’s business, Arostel, where they manufacture lightning protection for the aerospace industry. Steph recently saw old Colby friends, including Shelley Thibodeau Dineen, Jessica Montgomery Green, Meghan Flanigan Parrott, and Katie Lovett Hitchmough at Katie’s wedding in Cleveland last August. * Thanks for the updates, and keep them coming! —Lindsay Hayes

00 Jonathan Rickert writes: “I moved to Seattle in July 2006, after finishing b-school, in order to start a software company, Array Health Solutions, with Christopher Moneta ’03. The company’s mission is to decrease the number of working uninsured people.” Check it out at www.arrayhealthsolutions.com. * Phil and Sarah Church Murphy recently moved back to Boston with their son, Oliver. * For the second year in a row Alison Silberman was to run the New York City Marathon for the Lance Armstrong Foundation. * Having just finished her Ph.D. in microbiology and immunology at Dartmouth, Brooke Frappier Jude heads back to Colby to serve as a visiting professor teaching genetics. * Annalise Blech currently works as faculty coordinator for the Department of English at the University of Texas at Austin. * Sarah Andel, who has been working as a family nurse practitioner, has joined the Bingham (Maine) Area Health Center as a full-time provider. * Carolyn Massa, D.D.S., finished her year of interning after medical school and is looking to move to Newburyport, Mass. * Parke Burmeister, currently lives in Portland and is back to school at the Maine School of Law. In even greater news, he married Sarah Plimpton October 13. * On June 23, 2007, Caitlin Smith married Ronni Turtuici in a ceremony on the playground of her elementary school in Carmel Valley, Calif. Corrie Marinaro served as her bridesmaid and Liz Parker was also in attendance. Caitlin and Ronni now live in San Jose. * In August 18, 2007, ceremony on the water in South Portland, Maine, Caitlin Nelson married Joshua Merrill. * From Philadelphia,
Christopher Bonafeid, M.D., writes that on May 12, 2007, he married Elizabeth Valentine. The guest list included Drew Davis, Matt Davis, Danielle (D’Entremont’01) and Huey Lam, Aubrey Love, Sarah Czok, James Mason, Alexander Moskos, and Matt Albaugh ’02. Chris works as a chief resident at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. * Memorial Day weekend Trish Akins married Jason Elliot in Portland, Maine, “serenaded by alumni Sirens Becca Leslie ’99, Karen Macke, Jess Stitt Hatzidakis, Stacy Erickson Raphael ’01, Mairead Carney ’02, Jenny Grace ’01, and Heather Ogilvy ’04. Guests included a Boston contingent of Jen Goodman, Jenn Lisk, Carolyn Clark, Courtney Genovese, and Jessie Davis. Also joining in were Heather Izumi, Janice Greenwald ’01, Will Barron ’01, Chris Hatzidakis ’01, Jory Raphael ’02, Hilary Jansen ’02, Sean Dugan, Marybeth Wilhelm ’01, and Andy and Carrie Keeling Miller. * Brad Reiechek married Sarah Horowitz.Memorial Day August 11 in Berkeley. Dan Macarone ’98 was present for the celebration. * Abigail Campbell announced her engagement to Brewer Bastien Rove and planned an October wedding in Bermuda. * On April 24 Jared and Megan Davis Poor welcomed the arrival of their son, Jesse. * Nick and Kamini Bhargava LaRusso expected their first baby in late September. * Brian and Caroline Nutt Linz report that their “biggest accomplishment and news is our son, Charles, Andrew Linz, born on November 16, 2006.” * Jen Multari celebrated the birth of Rhinannon on August 11. * Michael Siegel writes, “Peter Hans and I are proud to report that we plan to spend the fall backpacking through Europe dressed as Biggie and Tupac.” * And from the West, Matt Smith reports that he moved to San Francisco in April. He has been enjoying the lack of humidity, playing a lot of golf, and spending a good deal of time surfing. * Melissa Bradbury and Scott Friedman are loving their new place in Charleston. Melissa recently received a promotion at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, where she now works as an associate director of admissions. Scott completed his master’s in biology at the College of William and Mary last summer and accepted a position at an environmental consulting firm in the Boston area. 01 * And the Emmy Award goes to… Mead Rust! Tim Cassidy e-mailed me the good news that Mead and his production team won a daytime Emmy for their Ask & Show Interventions. Tim just moved to Durham for business school. * Becca Bischoff engaged to Sean Luoma ’00 and they plan an April wedding. * Mindy Mraz visited me in London before she began business school at Tuck, in Hanover, N.H. * Rachel Rokicki was promoted to publicity manager at Broadway Books—and will be working with Colby’s very own Jenny Boyd at promoter’s upcoming book I’m Looking Through You. * Sarah Mechan lives in Cambridge, received her doctorate in clinical psychology, and is completing her postdoctoral internship at a community mental health center in Wellesley, Mass. * Brooke Fitzsimmons married Todd Welsch August 18 in New York. * Melanie Morin married Robert Small in Lorimer Chapel July 14 in beautiful Maine weather! * Joseph and Vanessa Sibley Mudd welcomed their son, Henry Joseph, in January. * More than 25 Colby grads celebrated the wedding of Seth Arens and Hilary Spitz on 7.7.07 in Bend, Ore. Seth and Hilary bought a house in Salt Lake City, where Seth started a Ph.D. program in biology at the University of Utah while Hilary continues to work in water resource management. * Janice Greenwald completed her Duke M.B.A., moved to NYC, and began work in brand management at Unilever (she’s associate brand manager on the I Can’T Believe It’S Not Butter! brand). * Sarah Belanger moved back to Boston and lives in Charlestown with her husband, Oliver Hay. Sarah started a job with Citizens Financial Group as a vice president and communications manager. * Jessica Alex married Pat Keenan ’00 this fall. * David Forsyth got engaged to Kerrin, whom he met while they were both students at UT Austin. They live in Denver with their dog, Chubs, and David is an account manager with Innovar Group, a recruiting firm. * Jutika Kalhatgi Nazeef and her husband moved to Edinburgh, Scotland, in September. Her husband will pursue a Ph.D. at the University of Edinburgh, and Jutika will be a senior business development executive at Brodies Solicitors. * Karin Felmy married Brian Ney July 23, 2007, in a log cabin church in Rangeley, Maine. * Lannie Tickford moved from Napa Valley back home to Denver, where she is still in the wine business working at Bouchard Cooperages. * Debbie Schwartz married Garret Beigun in Waitsfield, VT, May 27, 2007. * Angela Makkas spent the summer in Buenos Aires doing an internship with Kimberly Clark for her M.B.A. program. She is now onto her second year at Thunderbird and will finish in May. * Lindsay Huntoon would love to hear from everyone Colby. * Jeff and Michelle-Nicholle Rahming Calereso welcomed their second son, Rivers Scott Calereso, June 8 in San Francisco. His brother, Paxton, will be 2 in July. * Justin Pare married Cassandra Cottreau May 26 in North Attleboro, Mass. They live in Rindge, N.H. Justin is founder and CEO of Teach Abroad, Inc., an international education and travel consultancy he started after his return in 2005 from working as an English teacher in China. Teach Abroad Inc. sent three recent Colby grads to Beijing this fall to teach English. * Mark Paustenbach is in Wilmington, Del., working for the Biden for President campaign as national press secretary. * Luis Perez and Jennifer Miller married October 21, 2006, and now live south of Boston. Many Colby alumni attended, including bridesmaid Liz “Ob” Oberlin. Luis and Jen traveled to El Salvador this fall. Liz married Bryan Kessler this fall. * Seann Tullock received an M.S.W. May 20 and is still working toward a master’s in public health. This summer he was a whitewater river guide in Maine, working for Northern Outdoors. * Pam Foyles lives in Pasadena, Calif., and works as an environmental planner focused on sustainable development. She’s engaged to be married to Greg Arian next summer. * Anna Leavitt started vet school at Colorado State University this fall. * See www.colby.edu for more class notes. —Dana Foyster Charette

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There are a few common threads this time: weddings, traveling, and traveling to weddings! Micki Young was married in Washington, D.C., in May. Lizzy Rice Giffen was married in June and her wedding party included Abby Kussell, Kara Hubbard, Lizzie Brandt Bozek, Julie Brown ’03, and Stacy Thurston ’03. Lizzy and her new husband have moved to the campus of The Lawrenceville School in N.J. She is a full-time graduate student at the University of Pennsylvania getting a master’s in education. * Michael Rogalus and Meghan Kreider were married this past June in New Hope, Pa. Dan Thomas and Kirsten Ness were in the wedding. Attending were Dave Erlich, Paul Henesey, Keith Jonassen, and Chris Lorentzen. Michael and Meghan currently live and work in Vermont. * Mikhaila Noble and Carter Pace were married in Cleveland in June with several Colby classmates in attendance along with a few Megalomaniacs who reportedly sang at the wedding. Carter began working as a pathologist at Cleveland’s MetroHealth Medical Center, and Mikhaila works in the reproductive health field. * Kristy Malm and Paul Magyar ’00 were married this summer on Mayflower Hill. There were many Colby alums there, including Eric Laurits. If you are looking for a wedding photographer, Eric has started his own photography business and photographed Kristy and Paul’s wedding as well as many other Colby weddings. * Katie Rausch married Brian Bailey in Sun Valley, Idaho, in July with many Colby classmates in attendance. I attended the wedding along with Jess Bennett, who is in her second year at Tufts Medical School, Katie Harris, who is working for the Edwards Presidential campaign, Chatham Baker, who has just been hired by Smith to be one of their chief designers, and Blake Hamill, who is starting school at Kellogg after a student orientation trip to Brazil. Among travelers, Sarah Dressler wrote from Mykonos, Greece, where she had a blast traveling for a few weeks. * Jamie Hinson Scribner traveled to Europe this summer with her sister, Jennifer Hinson ’07. Chris Hale traveled around Colombia for two months doing research for his master’s thesis at Georgetown. After five years in London Avery Roth is moving with her boyfriend to Sao Paolo, Brazil, where she will continue her career in finance. Becky Sharp has been living in Belarus for the past two years working for a student Christian ministry organization called InterVarsity. Other milestones include Tom Curran’s recent graduation from Tuck business school. He has one more year of medical school at Dartmouth. Tom sees Rodwell Mabaera, who is working on his M.D./Ph.D. at Dartmouth. * Mariah Hamel is working on her Ph.D. in pure math at University of British Columbia in Vancouver. * Carl Tugberk started a new job as an attorney in the Office of Administrative Law Judges at the Securities and Exchange Commission.
3 Sarah Walsh spent most of summer 2006 traveling around Turkey and Greece, then moved to Chicago last winter. She took a trip to Minneapolis this summer to visit Erin Bodner and Sam Allen ’01. Nicole Russo and her boyfriend traveled through Thailand last summer, exploring Bangkok and Phuket, snorkeling with sharks, and spending four days living with a Thai family in a fishing village. I’m sure there was some great Thai food in the mix as well! Alex Burgess and Britney Lazar ’04 finished up a year of living and working in Barcelona, ending their year in authentic fashion by walking the Camino de Santiago, a 500-mile pilgrimage across Spain. Alex proposed to Britney in Spain in May 2007. Congrats! They are now back in the States, where Alex started his M.B.A. at Tuck School of Business. John Brightenti spent summer 2007 traveling through West Africa in preparation for his master’s in international agriculture and rural development, which he started this fall at Cornell. Devon Douglas, working on her master’s in environmental policy and pursuing her M.B.A. at Michigan, wrote from Southeast Asia, where she was traveling with a group of Michigan M.B.A.’s through Thailand and Cambodia last summer. This summer she interned in Burlington, Vt., at Seventh Generation, an eco-friendly cleaning products company. PK Marshall bought a condo in San Diego seven blocks from the ocean and was recently promoted to VP of investments. Alex Libby thoroughly enjoys her position in Florida and was heading to be a groom’s-lady in Meade Barlow’s wedding over Labor Day 2007. Pete Loverso started his M.B.A. this fall and is now a project coordinator for Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Sarah Barclay started her second and final year of her master’s in public policy at Duke. This summer she was a Mayoral Fellow for the City of Baltimore Health Department, where she worked on a project pertaining to lead-poisoning prevention in children. She’s been in contact with Traci Speed, who is doing well at Hopkins. Karli Jaffe, finishing up her M.S.W. this year and interning at Maine Medical Center in geriatric psych, and a group of Colby alums threw Leah Robertson an adventurous bachelorette party on the Penobscot River! Karli, Chelsea Hoffmann, Katie Nastou ’02, Carolyn Lindley ’02, Cat Benson ’02, and Meg Cassella ’02 took Leah whitewater rafting. They were one of the few boats not to flip! Of course, after Senior Week, they are seasoned rafters! Lauren Calimeris is in Boulder, Colo., working on her Ph.D. in economics. She attended Holly Niles’ wedding to Matt Getty ’04 in New London, N.H., last summer. The newlyweds are settled in Rutland, Vt. Lauren reports that Steph Hicks, who finished her master’s in public affairs last May, is director of policy and research for the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Corporations of Massachusetts, Inc. Steph got married in September to David Hirst. Congrats! Patrick Koch proposed to his girlfriend, Kelly, who, for about a minute and a half, needed to step back and be sure Pat was serious before answering yes. Pat proposed on the Maine coast in March. Pat and Kelly live in D.C. There were also a few summer weddings! Dan Deacon and Laurel Burnham were married in August in Wisconsin, Laurel’s home state. Piper Loyd, Brooke McNally, Caitlin Keys, and Libbie Mayhall all traveled to Wisconsin to take part. Owen Kenney, Luke Ferriter, Phil Geiger ’04, Laura Barrow ’04, and Anne Tricomi ’02 were also in attendance. Courtney Hoffman and Matt Tsiaras were married in July in Barrington, R.I. Colbyites in attendance included Matt’s parents, Nancy (Meyer ’68) and William Tsiaras ’68, Nate Good, Catherine Jessop, Chris Zeien, Andrew Harnett, John McManigal, Tom Mace, Justin Hedge, Alice Henderson ’05, and James Oh ’06. That’s it for now. I love hearing from everyone. Can’t wait to reunite at our five-year this June! Take care! —Lauren Tibero

04 Eric Reinauer just started at Georgetown for an M.B.A. Jason Koch is working towards a master’s in education (TESOL and Spanish) at NYU. Reese Kelly transitioned from a woman to a transman. He teaches sociology of gender at SUNY-Albany, where he is completing graduate coursework in the hopes of defending his dissertation proposal by the end of this academic year. Jeff Moyer is finishing his master’s in education and is getting his master’s in educational leadership. He hopes to go to Germany in January to try out the German national lacrosse team. Kelly Welch started at the family nurse practitioner program at Boston College this fall. Anne Olmsted is in Somerville and is in a musical production of The Mystery of Edwin Drood at the Turtleneck Theater in Newton, Mass. Alexis Caselle lives and works in NYC. She got engaged to Phil Bancroft (Bentley) and the two are planning a May wedding in Massachusetts. Annika Svore participated in a 189-mile running relay race from the border of Canada down to Whidbey Island, Wash. Her teammates included Chris Castle ’02, the sister and husband of Natalie Buccola Keilholz ’02, and other runners. They finished in 26 hours, 41 minutes, and 27 seconds and no sleep. Annika continues to design the interior of head-of-state and private Boeing business jets, and she is working on interior concepts for the 787 Dreamliner. Rebecca Taylor works at Tilton School in Tilton, N.H., as director of performing arts and loves it. Nick Malick ’05 also works at the school, and the two recently got engaged and will get married next July. Ann Claffin started a new job as a young adult librarian in Birmingham, Mich. Ariel Martin-Cone married Morgan Talbot this past August. In attendance were Ann Claffin, Andy Lizzotte, Becky White Schaeffer, Laura Barrow, Phil Geiger, and Cici Malik. Cici started a Ph.D. in Spanish and Portuguese at Stanford this fall. Cassie Cote married Andrew Grantham, brother of Jason Grantham ’02, and she now works at MaineHealth as a program coordinator for their clinician education and employee health programs. Allison Turner got engaged this summer to Josh Osgood (Dartmouth ’04), and they are getting married next August in Wolfeboro, N.H. She lives in Brookline, graduated in May from a three-year grad program in school.
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Rogers began working with eagles somewhat by chance. Prior to this most recent study, the team at Craighead Beringia South had discovered high lead levels in the park’s raven population. Scavengers that feed on the dead elk, moose, and deer, including leftover “gut piles” from the Grand Teton National Park’s big-game hunt, ravens appeared to be ingesting the residual lead from hunters’ bullets and shot. Worried that the effects of lead exposure and poisoning could have a similar effect on the park’s birds of prey, Derek Craighead, Beringia South’s president, decided to expand the raven study.

“Most people don’t know that eagles are also huge scavengers,” Rogers explained. “Eagle migration comes to the Tetons because of the hunt and what they can get out of it. Grand Teton National Park is one of the only national parks in the country that allows a big-game hunt. [As a result] the hunting is unlike anywhere else in country, and the eagles that used to go to California for salmon runs [that no longer occur there] now come to Jackson Hole.”

As evidence of this shift in eagle migratory patterns, since September 2006 Rogers and his colleagues have trapped 40 eagles, including a record-sized 18-pound golden eagle. Once a bird is safely trapped, Rogers and his team members take blood samples for lead testing and feather samples for carbon profiling to determine the eagle’s origins (for young birds) and age and to locate residual metals. They then release the eagle with a USGS band in order to track the bird in the event that it is recaptured.

The findings of the team’s study have yet to be published, but the potential of dangerously high lead levels in a national symbol living within a national park could spark quite a response. Asked if his work at Beringia South has helped to inspire political and conservation initiatives, Rogers said: “We try to remove [the study] from political motivations. We’re out there to do the science—to try to determine if there is a problem. … It’s not our position to say what to do about it.”

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Mt. Kilimanjaro. John is still dating in Falmouth on Cape Cod, went on a Program. also live in San Diego and work at the her hometown of Montreal. She has been leading trips for NOLS for the past two years and started graduate school at the University of Washington in aquatic and fisheries science. Bethany Craig '04 is in the same program. During his first summer of med school at UMass in Worcester, John Fallon tended bar in Falmouth on Cape Cod, went on a medical trip to Honduras, and hiked Mt. Kilimanjaro. John is still dating Anne Holt, who lives in Brookline and paints for an art gallery based in Camden, Maine. Nicole Wessen has been working in Boston at Mellon as a marketing financial analyst. She is still dating Jared Cushman, who now works at The Standard as an employee benefits representative. Nicole and Jared live down the street from Carreau Mueller and Rob Zondervan '07 in Beacon Hill. Ellen Weaver started classes at USM to work toward her master’s in child education. She lives with her boyfriend, Derek, in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Ivan Mikhailov lives and worked in San Diego at UCSD, but started an earth and environmental sciences Ph.D. program at Columbia University this fall. Tim Newhouse and Stanislav Presolski also live in San Diego and work at the Scripps Research Institute Doctoral Program. Emma Lynch lives in Fort Collins, Colo., working for the National Park Service studying noise pollution in national parks. She sees Katie Lynch, Steph Pierce, and Ryan Lupton, all who live near Vail. Katie recently started an engineering program at Colorado University in Boulder. After a summer spent working at hockey camps, Mallory Young is now an assistant hockey coach at UMass Boston. Jessica Berger works for a medical communications agency in her hometown of Montreal. She recently took a trip to New York to visit with Nandini Naik, Molly Chester, Eric Brockmeyer, Christina Antoinette Madrigal, and Nathan Downes. Lis Maguire moved back to Boston this past summer and started a new job in development at the Museum of Fine Arts. Mary Medlin finished the Patriot Half Ironman triathlon (1.5 mile swim, 59 mile bike ride, and 13.2 mile run) on July 1 in Freetown, Mass. Haid Garrett finished her second year as an instructor with Outward Bound. In the winter she helps supervise a ski school in North Lake Tahoe. Abigail Robson is attending the Curry School of Education at UVA and working toward a master’s in teaching social studies education. She spends her summers working as the adolescent riding director at Triangle X Ranch in Moose, Wyo., in Grand Teton National Park. Have a great winter! See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes. —Katie Gagne

06 Jackie Rollerí spent the past year working on private and charter yachts. She spent the winter in the Bahamas and Caribbean on a 115-foot yacht and is currently in the Mediterranean on a 178-foot yacht. Her travels have taken her to Gibraltar, Spain, Monaco, France, and Italy. Ellie Thermanssen is working at The New Criterion, a cultural review journal in New York City. She is the director of advertising and writes nonfiction book reviews. Ellie plans to start law school in a year or two, and she ran the Chicago Marathon in October. Ellie also got engaged over Easter weekend to John Dufrey (Duke ’06). Ellie sees Julia Rosenfeld quite a bit. Sarah Kelly loves San Francisco and recently made a visit up to Colby to visit Jess Moore ‘07 and Cait Cleaver. Josh Montague met up with fellow Colby classmates at the July wedding of Sarah Becker and Andrew Johnson in the Berkshires. In attendance were Hilary Easter, Emilie Coulson, Jess Minty, Ian Cross ‘07, Clifford White ’07, Tucker Burr, Malcolm Itter ’07, and Jen Anderson ’07. John Wheelock biked 100 miles in the Connecticut Challenge last July and raised $1,500 in charity for cancer survivors. Lindsay Masters works in Los Angeles as an environmental consultant and is planning a long trip to Chile next year. Carly Alexander and Bethany Peck live together in Snowmass, Colo. They hope soon to have jobs working on the mountain. Marcy Rollerson and Dan Lake live together in Boston and both started law school this fall. Marcy is at Suffolk and Dan is at BU. Other Boston law students include Travis Agustin, who started his first year at Northeastern. He joins Alex Brougham, who is in his second year. Bethann Swartz finished her M.A.T. from Simmons College and is beginning her second year teaching high school Spanish in the greater Boston area. Bethann visited Emily Juden in Ecuador last February. Claire Walsh still lives in NYC and works at a nonprofit organization that supports youth in foster care. She ran her first marathon in March 2007 at the Firefly National Marathon in Washington, D.C. Fellow ’06er Tucker Burr ran it too. Claire also ran the Philadelphia Marathon in November. See www.colby.edu/mag for more class notes. —Jen Coliflory

00s newsmakers

Sarah Miller ’02 became Sister Mary Anselma Miller in August when she made her first monastic profession as a Benedictine Sister of Perpetual Adoration. The 27-year-old Cleveland, Ohio, native confessed that it wasn’t easy for her to find her path until she visited the contemplative Benedictine Sisters in Clyde, Missouri. “I don’t think I’d have been happy finding God any other way” she said. Boston College named Scott MacPherson ’02 head coach for the men’s and women’s skiing programs. Previously head of the alpine ski program at Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, Massachusetts, where he guided the team to five consecutive undefeated seasons and captured two New England championships, MacPherson is a USSA certified coach with international coaching experience. MacPherson is also an alpine ski coach and weekend program assistant for the Waterville Valley race program. A high five to Dan Vassallo ’07, who won the 16th Maine Marathon with a record-breaking time of 2 hours, 26 minutes, 54 seconds. It was the very first marathon in which he competed. The 22-year-old from Wilmington, Massachusetts, said he ran it “faster than I thought I’d be able to run.” The previous record holder, Byrne Decker ’89, placed third. Roundout the Colby contingent at the awards ceremony was Stephanie Crawford ’99, the women’s winner with a time of 3 hours, 1 minute, 16 seconds.

milestones

Ethel Henderson Ferguson '29, July 30, 2007, in Houlton, Maine, at 98. She taught school in Houlton for 12 years then moved to Concord, N.H., with her husband. She was active in her church and with AAWU, belonged to the Order of the Eastern Star, and in retirement was a member of the Houlton Garden Club. Her daughter, Jean Ferguson Cole '65, two grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren survive her.

Kermit S. LaFleur '37, October 27, 2007, in Clemson, S.C., at 92. He worked as a research chemist at Milliken Research Corporation until 1966, when he left to complete his doctorate in soil chemistry from Clemson University. He then taught at Clemson and conducted research, receiving international recognition. He retired in 1980 but continued to write, paint landscapes, and study science and philosophy. He is predeceased by his father, Daniel K. LaFleur '14, his brother Robert '43, his brother-in-law Henry L. Crowley '26, and his sister-in-law Ruth Crowley Brandmire '24. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Mary Crowley LaFleur '39, his daughter, Karen LaFleur Stewart '66, a brother, and two step-grandchildren.

Bernerd H. Burbank '39, M.D., September 20, 2007, in Windham, Maine, at 88. He served as a battalion surgeon in Europe during World War II and was promoted to major in the Army Medical Corps. He worked for nine years in general medicine followed by a 31-year career in New York City as a corporate medical director. He sang bass solos, played various instruments, and traveled widely, including to Antarctica where, in 1965, he flew a Colby pennant at the South Pole. Predeceased by his wife, Hannah Putnam Burbank '41, he is survived by sons Jonathan and David and a daughter, Jane, and nine grandchildren.

Leland C. Burrill '39, M.D., October 20, 2007, in Menlo Park, Calif., at 89. He earned his medical degree in 1944 from Tufts and served in the U.S. Public Health Service during World War II. A general practitioner and a surgeon, he worked at Stanford Medical Center and Sequoia Hospital, both in California. He loved sports, gardened, and played golf. Survivors include his twin sons, Richard and Robert, his daughters, Michelle and Susan, and several grandchildren.

Kathryn Davis Harper '36, September 26, 2007, in East Dennis, Mass., at 94. The owner and manager of the Snack Port in East Dennis during the 1960s, she became a caterer for 25 years, retiring at age 82. She did crosswords, gardened, and volunteered at the Dennis Senior Center. Survivors include her son, Edward Harper, and her daughter, Ann McCarthy, a brother and two sisters, three granddaughters, and a great-granddaughter.

Miriam Rice Schulze '27, August 20, 2007, in Southbury, Conn., at 101. She taught high school French in Maine and Connecticut until 1970. She was a 53-year member of the Newton (Conn.) Congregational Church, volunteered at the Fairfield Hills Hospital, and was a cellist in the Danbury Symphony Orchestra. She was predeceased by her grandfather, Charles E. Owen 1879, and her mother, Edna Owen Rice 1902. Survivors include her son, Lawrence Schulze '64, two grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

Forrest M. Batson '30, November 4, 2007, in Fair Lawn, N.J., at 98. He earned a doctorate in chemistry from Brown and worked as manager of technical services at Allied Corporation, now Honeywell, until retiring in 1972. He belonged to the Central Unitarian Church of Paramus, N.J., for more than 60 years. His daughter, Barbara Frey, a sister, and four grandchildren survive him.

Maxwell D. Ward '32, September 3, 2007, in Brunswick, Maine, at 96. He started teaching in a one-room school in Clinton, Maine, then taught for more than 35 years in Clinton, Fairfield, and Waterville. He served as principal in Oakland, Maine, and was the last principal at Clinton High School. He enjoyed travel, belonged to the Lions Club, and was an active member of several genealogy societies. Survivors include his wife of 67 years, Amanda, his son, and two granddaughters, including Rebecca Pease Henning '91.

June Saunders Marshall '39, August 22, 2007, in Sturgeon Bay, Wis., at 90. After raising her children, she became owner and operator of a gourmet cooking shop in Naperville, Ill. She was an avid reader, a gardener, and a member of the Christian Science Church. Survivors include her husband of 68 years, Scott, three children, a brother, 11 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

Robert W. Pullen '41, October 24, 2007, in Waterville, Maine, at 88. He earned a Ph.D. in 1949 from MIT, where his teaching career began. He taught economics at Colby for 35 years, chaired the department for six, and served as faculty representative to the Board of Trustees. He was appointed administrative vice president in 1973 and was secretary to the corporation for four years. He served on numerous committees and boards on campus, in Waterville, and for the state. The College awarded him a Colby Brick in 1971 for his long service. He was predeceased by his father, Horace M. Pullen 1911, and his brother John S. Pullen '38. Survivors include his wife, Marjorie, two daughters and two stepdaughters, his brother Richard D. Pullen '50, two grandchildren, eight step-grandchildren, a nephew, and four nieces, including Lynne Pullen Carlisle '68.

Robert Kermit S. LaFleur '37, October 27, 2007, in Clemson, S.C., at 92. He worked as a research chemist at Milliken Research Corporation until 1966, when he left to complete his doctorate in soil chemistry from Clemson University. He then taught at Clemson and conducted research, receiving international recognition. He retired in 1980 but continued to write, paint landscapes, and study science and philosophy. He is predeceased by his father, Daniel K. LaFleur '14, his brother Robert '43, his brother-in-law Henry L. Crowley '26, and his sister-in-law Ruth Crowley Brandmire '24. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Mary Crowley LaFleur '39, his daughter, Karen LaFleur Stewart '66, a brother, and two step-grandchildren.


Maynard M. Irish '39, D.M.D., August 24, 2007, in Brunswick, Maine, at 91. He earned a D.M.D. from Harvard in 1943 and then served in the U.S. Army for three years during World War II. He moved to Brunswick and practiced dentistry for 36 years, retiring in 1983. Active in his church and local Rotary club, he loved baseball, gardening and raising gladiolas, skiing, and sailing the Maine coast. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Shirley, a daughter and two sons, including Allen M. Irish '68, five grandchildren, and two great-granddaughters.

Jane Lodge Stradley '43, October 10, 2007, in Kemblesville, Pa., at 87. A frugal and humble woman, she was a teacher and a farmer who lived off her harvests. For many years she owned and operated her own airport in Cecil County, Maryland. She valued antiques and art and favored bloodhounds. Described as an independent woman, she outlived her first husband, Richard B. Irvine '43, and married several times.

Donald M. Johnson '44, September 25, 2007, in Windham, Maine, at 86. He served on a Navy destroyer in the Pacific during World War II, then taught school in Maine and earned a master's from Harvard. He built...
a career at Rand Corp. and Systems Development Corp. in computers and the defense industry during the Cold War. After retiring he resumed teaching and was a lacrosse coach in Maine. Remembered for his big smile and red hair, he had a passion for art. With his wife, Mary, he raised three children.

Edward H. Smith '45, August 26, 2007, in Portland, Maine, at 86. He served with the Coast Guard in the Pacific during World War II and was awarded five battle stars. He ran a hotel and cabins in Old Orchard Beach, Maine, for more than 25 years, working nights and winters as a news and sports reporter. An avid sports fan and reader, he worked as a freelance writer in retirement. He and his wife raised three children.

Priscilla Weeks Currier ’47, October 28, 2007, in Exeter, N.H., at 81. She lived much of her life in Plaistow, N.H., teaching at the town’s Pollard School, worshipping at its First Baptist Church, and serving as a trustee at the Plaistow Public Library. Survivors include her husband, Clayton E. Currier ’47, a son and two daughters, and four grandchildren.

Paul A. Choate ’48, August 16, 2007, in Auburn, Maine, at 79. He served in the Navy during World War II then earned an LL.B. degree in 1951 from Boston University. He practiced law and became partner of Linnel, Choate & Webber in Auburn. He was predeceased by his parents, John F. ’20 and Bertha Cobb Choate ’22, his first spouse, Virginia Yorke Choate ’39, his sister, Constance Choate Trahan ’46, and his brother John S. ’49. Survivors include his wife, Irene, his son Andrew B. ’79, his brothers David A. ’48 and Philip S. ’64, and several cousins including Virginia Hill Field ’48 and Joanne Price Rockett ’60.

Alice Crooks Austin ’49, September 18, 2007, in Eliot, Maine, at 79. She was a homemaker and a mother who worked for New Hampshire Insurance for 14 years. She was a member of the First Congregational Church, and she followed New England sports teams and cheered for her children’s teams. Survivors include her companion, John Sargent, five children, nine grandchildren, and a sister.

Samuel T. Horne Jr. ’49, November 3, 2007, in Waterville, Maine, at 83. He served as a Navy medic during World War II and received a Purple Heart for fighting in the South Pacific. He earned a law degree from Boston University and practiced in Maine with Allstate Company. He fished and hunted, was a Maine Guide, and played saxophone for dance bands. Predeceased by his sister, Donna Horne Ellis ’41, he is survived by his niece, Madonna Ellis Browne, a grandnephew, and a grandniece.

Ivan A. Yeaton Jr. ’49, July 31, 2007, in Concord, Mass., at 86. He served in World War II in the quartermaster corps in the Philippines. He received an M.B.A. in 1950 from the Wharton School, worked in various finance roles for Raytheon Company, and was a lecturer at Northeastern University. He held committee positions with his church, served as national director for the National Association of Accountants, and was a substitute teacher during his retirement. His children, Richard and Linda, two sisters, a granddaughter, and two great-grandchildren survive him.

James F. Doughty ’50, October 26, 2007, in Scarborough, Maine, at 83. He served in the Navy during World War II, then came to Colby. He worked in insurance and became vice president and treasurer at Blake, Hal & Sprague in South Portland. He had a passion for sports, loved reading and music, was a Mason, and introduced his family to golf. Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Florence, two sons and a daughter, a sister, seven grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

John J. Ratoff ’52, October 26, 2007, in Exeter, N.H., at 81. During World War II he served in the Navy as a crew member on a PB4Y Liberator aircraft. He earned a degree in pharmacy from Northeastern and operated Toby’s Drug Store in Hampton, N.H., for 20 years. He served in the New Hampshire legislature for two terms and held other positions in the state, including liquor commissioner and commissioner of the Department of Employment Security. His children, Andrea Checovich, Nancy Johnson, and John A. Ratoff, three brothers, two sisters, and 10 grandchildren survive him.

Mary Ellen Betts Harrison ’53, September 8, 2007, in Springfield, Vt., at 76. She graduated from Andover Newton Theological School in 1956 and became an ordained minister that same year. Her work focused on youth ministry. Along with her husband, Harold, she raised two sons.

Aaron B. Schless ’58, September 14, 2007, in East Hampton, N.Y., at 70. He received his law degree in 1961 from Columbia University and practiced law in Connecticut. He also served as the assistant town attorney for Fairfield, Conn. Survivors include his wife, Phyllis, and son, Daniel ’03.

Suzanne Burleigh Meyer ’62, September 3, 2007, in Fairfax, Va., at 66. She received her master’s in education from the University of Maine and taught art at elementary schools in Maine, New York, Ohio, and Virginia. She belonged to the Methodist church for 27 years and participated in adult education. Survivors include her husband, David, two sons, a sister, and one grandson.

Philip E. Stearns ’67, September 2, 2007, in West Hartford, Conn., at 62. An English teacher for 35 years at Manchester (Conn.) High School, he mentored his students in independent study projects, through AF S Intercultural Programs, and during summer trips to Europe. Described as full of life and words, he relished conversation, good food, and cats. His partner, Stephen Purdy, and a cousin survive him.

Thomas G. Maynard ’69, August 25, 2007, in Durango, Colo., at 60. He earned a master’s from Hunter College and worked as an urban planning consultant. A jazz musician and a composer, he served on the board of directors for the San Juan Symphony. He was also a runner, competing in triathlons, marathons, and cross-country ski races. Survivors include his wife, Lorna Gail LaDage, five children, his parents, a brother and two sisters, and one aunt.

Susan Gernet Adams ’78, August 26, 2007, in Chappaqua, N.Y., at 51. A television producer for Dateline NBC, she was a four-time Emmy Award winner. She also worked for Nightline and Primetime Live at ABC and covered the 1988 Olympics in Seoul. Survivors include her partner, Pope Brock, two daughters, and a sister.

Janice Miller Thorpe ’79, August 6, 2007, in Montclair, N.J., at 50. Employed by Automated Data Processing, Inc., she developed a passion for tennis at Colby and it continued through her life. She played in several adult leagues and was an instructor. A natural left-hander, she relearned the game right-handed after a wrist injury. Her husband, William, two stepsons, her mother, her sister, and two nephews survive her.

Shawn E. Gager ’92, September 14, 2007, in Boston, Mass., at 36. She received her M.B.A. from Babson and was an IT consultant for Darwin Partners. She played ice hockey and coached hockey at the Brookwood School. A dedicated athlete, she was an avid runner, a mountain biker, a scuba diver, and an expert skier. Photography and travel were other passions. Her sudden death was a result of an infection that entered her spinal fluid. She is survived by her father and stepmother, John and Linda, a sister, two uncles and two aunts, a niece, and her fiancé.

Robert S. Silberman ’03, September 26, 2007, in Stamford, Conn., at 26. A media buyer for OMD in New York, he died from Ewing’s sarcoma. Adventurous and energetic, he played hockey and lacrosse, snowboarded, hiked, and cycled. He is survived by his parents, Mary and Alan ’50, two sisters, Lauren and Alison ’00, and his dog, Molly.

Thomas W. Kopp, November 10, 2007, in Rome, Maine, at 69. A Colby employee for 29 years, Kopp was senior associate dean of admissions when he died in a boating accident on Great Pond. He was a graduate of the University of Connecticut who played professional baseball for two years in the Minnesota Twins system. First hired in 1978 as a coach, he served for several years as head football coach before joining the admissions staff in 1983. A mentor to colleagues, he was known for his good humor, strong work ethic, and prodigious energy. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Mimi Brown Kopp, by two sons and two daughters, by 14 grandchildren, and by two sisters.