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## Periscope

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By Earl Smith

### Found at a Flea Market

Deborah Ouelette (major gifts) has a penny post card, bought at a flea market this summer, dated Sept. 21, 1909. It has a photo of Chemical Hall on the old campus and is written by Ernest C. Marriner to his brother, Fred, in Bridgton, on Ernest's first day of classes at Colby. "Had a good night," Marriner wrote, "rested and ready to go to work." Ernest graduated in 1913 and later became Colby's first dean of men (1929-1947) and first dean of faculty (1947-1957). Marriner Hall is named in his memory.

### Making the CASE

The Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) has announced that Colby is a 1998 winner of its Circle of Excellence in Educational Fund-Raising Award. The award letter places the College "among the highly selective group of colleges" named for the honor and cites "exemplary" performance in the annual fund-raising effort.

### With the Best

Colby magazine has won the Silver Medal for all-around excellence in this year's nationwide competition conducted by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). Salute all who contribute to this fine magazine, especially Kevin Cool, managing editor; Sally Baker, executive editor; and Brian Speer, designer par excellence. Congratulations are also in order for Anestes Fotiades and Keith McGlaufflin, who have won a Bronze Medal in CASE's national Circle of Excellence competition.

### Still Most Wired

Yahoo! magazine has again ranked Colby among America's

100 "most wired" colleges. Although down to 65 from last year's ranking at 25, Colby also made the magazine's "honor roll" for "most Mac-friendly campuses." Among the NESCAC schools, only Hamilton (45) and Middlebury (28) were higher. The only other Maine college on the list is Bates, at 89.

### Colby Moves Up

Colby has moved up to 17 in the college rankings published this fall by *U.S. News*. The College placed 18th last year. Bowdoin and Middlebury share number 7; Bates went up a notch to 19. Colby shares its spot with Vassar.

### Baker to Collins

Sally Baker, a member of the Colby staff since 1989 and director of communications since 1993, has been stolen away by Harvard, where she will be assistant director of news and public affairs. Steve Collins '74, director of Colby's news bureau, will take Sally's spot and lead the department. Steve has worked in Colby's news operation since 1993. Sally will be missed by her friends and colleagues, by faculty she has helped make famous and by everyone at this institution, which has prospered in the media and with its publications under her leadership.

### Stars Stay

The consolidation of several part-time assignments while holding to the staffing cap has resulted in the full-time appointment of a number of Colby coaches. Previous part-timers prevailed in all four spring searches. Tracey Theyerl (nordic) and Mark Godomsky (alpine) will direct a strengthened ski program. Mark Davis (crew), Dave Zazzaro (men's lacrosse) and



### Moosecellaneous

Kristina Stahl '99 was named to the U.S. Women's Lacrosse Association's (USWLA) Division III All-American first team. That honor earned her the opportunity to compete in the national-team trials held in Annapolis, Md., in May, and at those trials she was invited to the USWLA's national development camp in West Chester, Pa., this summer. . . . Although no one expected otherwise, the New England Association of Schools & Colleges Commission on Institutions of Higher Education has continued Colby's accreditation until the year 2007. In its report the commission said that the College "has a dedicated and highly qualified faculty and able student body that have together contributed to the institution's enhanced national reputation." . . . Jorge Olivares (Spanish) has received a Princeton University Library fellowship, used this summer to work with the papers of Cuban gay writer Reinaldo Arenas. . . . Jackie Person, administrative assistant to the dean of students, received this year's Student Government Association Annual Service Award, presented by outgoing SGA president Shannon Baker '98 at the annual SGA Inaugural Dinner. . . . Sandy Maisel (government) has been selected by the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board for a Fulbright Scholar Grant in the Philippines, an award sponsored by the USIA Council for International Exchange of Scholars and the Philippine-American Educational Foundation.

Candice Parent (volleyball) now also have permanent posts that, in addition to their principal sports, will include other assisting assignments.

### Highest Praise

Rob LaFleur (history, East Asian studies) received the Senior Class Teaching Award, from the Class of 1998. The first recipient of the award, which was established in 1993, was Charlie Bassett (English). Others, in order, have been Cedric Bryant (English), Rob Weisbrot (history), Dave Findlay (economics) and Paul Greenwood (biology). Seniors and the Student Government Association combined to surprise Bassett at the Senior Class Dinner by announcing that the annual teaching award will be named in his honor. Charlie said he was "speechless" but, of course, he wasn't.

### Everybody Plays

It is the philosophy of the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC), soon to emerge as a true playing conference, to provide athletic opportunities to as many students as possible. And, within NESCAC, no one has more

intercollegiate teams than Colby, which has 32, 16 for women, 15 for men and one (golf) coed. Even more unusual in comparison with the rest of the nation's colleges: leaving aside football, Colby has more women than men engaged in organized athletics.

### President of Record

On July 1, as he began his 20th year at the helm, Bill Cotter became the longest-serving president in Colby history. The previous record was held jointly by Arthur J. Roberts (1908-1927) and Robert E.L. Strider (1960-1979), each having served for 19 years. Seelye Bixler (1942-1960) follows in tenure with 18.

### All-American

Spring graduate Peter Bowden of Guilderland, N.Y., has been named an Academic All-American by the College Swimming Coaches Association of America. Peter, an economics major, posted a 3.62 GPA in the spring. Additionally, Sura DuBow '92's men's and women's teams were each named Academic All-America Swim Teams by the Association.