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Our 70th class reunion in June 2014 took place on a sunny weekend with nearly 1,600 Colby graduates and friends in attendance. It was great to see Lois Peterson Johnson and her daughter as well as Harold Joseph and his wife. My son Fred accompanied me. This year it will be 71 years! Hard to believe.

I had a happy note from Nancy Curtis Lawrence, who lives in Sequim, Wash. She reported that she has graduated from a walk to a cane! She is reading a lot of the classics. She’s also working on a 2,000-piece jigsaw puzzle of van Gogh’s Starry Night. Her e-mail address is nancylaw@olympen.com. She would love to hear from classmates.

I have had an amazing fall and early winter. The first of November I spent a week at St. Miguel, Azores, Portugal. Interesting island with two extinct volcanoes. We drove down into the core of one and visited a thriving village there. On a whale watch, we saw a large sperm whale gracefully surface and return to the deep. Over Thanksgiving and in early December I traveled with a small group and “did” Israel. Interesting, Magnificent. Amazing. As I was one of Professor Luege’s geography majors, I found the land formations absolutely stunning. Speaking of professors, I intended to major in math but found Professor Ashcraft, who had been teaching when my mother attended Colby (1913 graduate), impossible to communicate with, so I changed my major. As a matter of fact I DID teach math for 22 years!

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Betty Soule Thelin lives in Orono, Maine, where she moved a few years ago to be near her remaining sibling and her family. At 90, her health has deteriorated and she’s in the memory loss unit, the Arbor, at the Dirigo Pines Retirement Community. Her brother Bill, who wrote on her behalf, sends best wishes from Betty to all of her classmates.

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Mildred Hammond Bauer wrote, “I lived alone in our old 10-room farmhouse after Everett’s passing in 2000, until my advancing years made that untenable. One year’s attempts to sell it (without the acreage) were not successful. In 2013 the ‘tie’ seemed to change. Ron Brown, a widower whom I had known for years, agreed to become my companion here. Some of the Colby group and alumni staff met him at the Concord Inn, where he kindly photographed folks and friends for years. A total hip replacement became necessary for me in November 2013, Ron’s help was tremendous! We’ve enjoyed summer vacations at Great East Lake in Acton, Maine, and a two-week trip to Texas and the Grand Canyon. Just want to inform you of the changes, and my plans to ‘age in place’ for a while longer.”

Kay Weissman Jaffe wrote, “A warmer and healthy new year to you and yours! As we age (gracefully, we hope), we become more and more satisfied to just be at home. Fortunately we are well. Somehow we find that we are enjoying the many advantages of the Berkshires, i.e., concerts. We enjoy fine restaurants with good friends and also meals at their homes or ours. In the past we wrote of our spectacular trips to Australia and New Zealand and throughout Utah, where we only went because of our grandchildren and great-grandchildren, only to discover fabulous views in Utah as exciting as any in the world—and we have seen much of our planet. Come warmer weather, the theaters light up and concerts become so ubiquitous we have to choose constantly. If we haven’t made it absolutely clear, we are growing older and enjoying it more than we could have imagined. We can only hope our classmates are having joyful experiences also.”

Janet Gay wrote that not much was going on at the North Fork of Long Island. Thanks, Janet, it was good to hear from you. Howell Clement wrote, “I remember one class distinctly; I believe it was economics, at which we were to wear a necklace—every time. The principles the prof taught are principles also adhered to by General Electric.” Howell goes to a spa/gym three days a week and has been doing so since his open-heart surgery. As for your correspondent, I arrived in Florida in mid-November and have kept busy with the usual household chores and some golf. Both of my daughters and their husbands have visited me and enjoyed the great weather and the facilities at our club.

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My backlog of news has been depleted; consequently, this will be a short column. Jim Pearl sent this update: “Three years ago, I sold my business and have been retained by the new owner as a consultant. I still work a full day, primarily working with customers. Yes, I even get paid for doing this work. It is interesting how blessings come about. We have a daughter who birthed a son six years ago, and his name is Carter. My wife and I have cared for the child since infancy and adopted him three years ago. Carter is now six years old and soon to be seven. I would never have thought so, but he is truly a blessing, and we are fortunate to be his parents.”

In December I saw the obituary of Hilda Farmum Nicoll in the Portland Press Herald. I extend our sincere condolences to her husband, Don Nicoll, and their family. Let me hear from you at any time and I will include your news in the next column.

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Greetings, classmates! Many of you sent news in response to the questionnaire. Following are some highlights. Believe it or not, there is more news to report in the next issue. Thank you all so much.

Lillian Meyer Haning joined our class as a transfer in 1948. She continues to live in the “creek-side” home she and her husband, Jim, built 45 years ago in Palo Alto, Calif. Unfortunately, Jim passed away many years ago, but Lillian enjoys a busy life among supportive long-term neighbors, mostly women now. They are involved in many activities and enjoy each other’s company. Lillian has three children, all grown, and her grandchildren are on the cusp—one in college, two going next year, and the fourth close behind. One granddaughter turned down the opportunity to travel to Africa with her mother this summer in favor of a high-intensity program in chemistry and physics at UC Santa Cruz. Lillian’s trip of a lifetime was a visit to China, but a walking tour in southwest England is a close second. She has joined Elderhostel jaunts in various parts of our country but thinks now it’s about time for a trip through the New England states. Aaron E. Kaye (formerly Kanowitz) came to Colby in 1946 but left in 1948 due to family circumstances. Hespent the next eight years working as a civilian and staff sergeant in the military. In 1955 he enrolled at Boston University, majoring in biology and graduating in 1957. He married in 1956. In 1962 he graduated from Tufts Dental School and began a general practice. He and his wife have been married 58 years and have three children, eight grandchildren, and four dogs. He spends his time reading, shopping, and at doctors’ offices. He teaches at Harvard School of Dental Medicine and winters in Florida, where he does some elementary-school tutoring.

Beverly Holt Wiegand lives in a “lovely Christian” retirement community in Shoreline, Wash. She and her friends enjoy fellowship often, engaging in Bible studies and church activities. Bev’s husband died in 1990. She has two sons—Rick in Fairfield, Conn., and Randy, who lives in Guam with his wife, Miapah, and two children, Ben and Sabrina. Her hobbies are reading and studying.

Janet West Williams loves her home in Crosswicks, N.J. She works part time for the family’s construction company. Her husband, Harry, broke his pelvis last October. No surgery—but now he is working on a cane instead of a walker. They have three children and seven grandchildren, and they have been married 62 years—“my, my,” says Jan. They spend as much time as possible at their camp at Blue Mountain Lake in the Adirondacks. She enjoys reading and swimming, belongs to a bridge club and a book club, and takes college courses. They have traveled to Hawaii, Alaska, Italy (three times), England (three times), and Bermuda, as well as throughout our country, including national parks. Jan volunteers at the Crosswicks Library and for the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting (Quaker).}

Busy gal! Leanne Shibles Eaton lives...
in Southport, Maine, where she entertains many family groups from “away” who love to visit and fish. So far none of her family has gone to Colby; she says they are all growing up so fast. She works at a very busy local thrift shop, and her hobbies are painting, sailing, and fishing. She has traveled to Canada and enjoyed Viking Cruises.

Frank Jones reminisced about living in the vets’ apartments—“military barracks on Mayflower Hill”—with his wife, Frances, from 1948 to 1950. Sadly, Frances passed away in 2010. They had two daughters and one son, and now there are three grandchildren. Frank lives in an independent unit in a retirement community in Nashua, N.H. His hobbies include watching football, baseball, and golf. He turned 91 in September.

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Greatest classmates, thank you for your e-mails and class news. We are all very sorry for the passing of several classmates, and we thank you for keeping us up to date with the obituaries. I received the sad news about Ralph “Bill” Bailey, a great gentleman and a great hockey player for Colby. Bill had heart failure and died at his home, with his family present, in Wellesley, Mass., Dec. 31. Good friends John Linscott and Dan Hall saw Bill many times before he scored his last goal. We also learned that Edward D. Whitney passed away Dec. 29 in Yarmouth Port, Mass. Sorry to give you the bad news first. We heard from several other classmates who are doing well. Lorraine (Arcese) ’54 and George Wales moved into another home in Granville, Ohio, next to Denison College, where Lorraine works in the arts—music, to be exact. And George still follows her tunes. They see their family on many occasions. Fred Boyle doesn’t travel as much these days, but he continues his work with genealogy, helping the Maine Mayflower Society. Fred is also a baritone in a singing group that performs at various functions, and he continues to lecture at York County Community College. Sounds like an active, productive lifestyle, and we admire your energy, Fred. John Linscott finished his most recent play, Love and Lobster. It will be staged in July at a Freeport, Maine, center. I hope John will provide us with a DVD of the play so we can all applaud his talent. Good luck, John! Audrey Bostwick wrote from West Lea Farm that she enjoys raising and grooming horses and ponies and still judges horse shows on occasion. She recently did an Arabian horse show in Scottsdale, Ariz., and another in upstate New York. Jane and I spent February in Naples, Fla., and hoped to see Ted Shiro. Good luck and happy new year to all the ’51ers. Stay healthy, and enjoy the good things in life, like Colby memories. All the best!

1952
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Greetings from the north country of Vermont, where I awoke to -12 degrees a few days ago. I have really enjoyed getting back to a college town (Middlebury), where the friends are many and the educational stimulation just great. One of the best things here is a new Colby friend, Peg Rodgers Nichols ’50. I’m sure some of you remember her—a super gal. In late December Paul and Mimi Russell Aldrich returned from their annual week on Antigua and began making plans for an early-winter trip to St. Barts. They’re great-grandparents to “two of the most beautiful and bright kids ever, aged 5 and 4. The latter is expecting a baby sister in April.” The Aldriches also sent an obituary for Arnold “Jesse” James, who passed away Dec. 18 at his home in Lamoine, Maine. Richard “Dick” Chamberlain wrote, “An active group, close to 3,000, is using the Facebook site ‘You Know You’re From Waterville.’” Dick mused, “It would be interesting to the Colby community since pictures of old Colby are among the most popular, frequent posts. One recurrent theme comes from the folks who grew up in Waterville and dislike the changes that urban renewal brought to the downtown. Many want to know what happened to Parks’ Diner. A recent post published Dean Ernest Marriner’s ‘Little Talks on Common Things.’” So many Colby students lived in the town at one time or another, so Dick is sure there would be some interesting memories prompted by this material. Evangeline Sfieres Getzen wrote, “You asked if we remembered any of our classes. Yes, I remember my math class where Prof. Combellack told me I would flunk after my first exam results. And I did. Then another math professor casually one day in the Spa told me I should take his class: I would meet lots of good-looking football players and I would pass the math, which I did. Another class was Shakespeare. The professor would invite me to go to movies with her and invite herself to dinner at our dorm, with instructions to ask other English majors. It was embarrassing because my friends accused me of ‘trying to butter up’ the professor. I lived in Houston for six years, Afghanistan for three, and North Carolina for many. We have a very large family, and we visit Maine (where my family was) and Florida (where my husband’s family lived). We traveled in connection with my husband’s work as a chemistry professor. Highlights: driving down the Khyber Pass from Kabul to Peshawar with three small children and a grandmother (who was terrorized most of the way), crossing Russia from Tashkent to Khabarovsk to Nakodka on the Trans-Siberian Railroad, and then going to Japan by boat. Got on a plane in Russia and waited nervously while gasoline was pumped by a Russian worker casually smoking cigarettes. We visited friends in Warsaw the week Communism fell, survived a scary earthquake in Kabul, and were put on alert to prepare to evacuate Kabul when the Arab-Israel war broke out.” WOW is all I can say, in addition to my thanks to Vangie for all that.

Art White said, “Things are pretty quiet in Bath, Maine. The cold tends to slow things down. I saw the Colby-Bowdoin basketball game at Bowdoin and was pleased to see Colby win. I missed the Colby-Bowdoin football game as I went to the Dover-Foxcroft-Waterville playoff football game the same day in Waterville. The Foxcroft Ponies are coached by my brother Norm’s (Class of ’50) grandson. Unfortunately Waterville scored in the last seven seconds for the 13-7 win.” Thanks to everyone for their participation this time. We’ll see you next time.

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I sent an article about General Patton to John Lee as Patton’s estate is right up the road from my house. John sent back a newsy letter with some interesting information about snakes and parachuting. He developed an interest in snakes when he was only 6 years old. While in the service, he caught so many snakes he was known as B.S.O. (Battalion Snake Officer). He was summoned every time someone encountered a critter, and he kept a modest collection until it became too much work. Parachuting: John did this out of Orange, Mass. Would he try this again? President Bush did, so why not? He also talked about a trip to Maine. During the 60th-reunion weekend he laid two wreaths at the Korean and Vietnam memorials on behalf of our class. John also discussed his Caribbean getaway in great detail, which I don’t have space for here. His grandson is at Harvard for his M.B.A. after graduating from West Point. His granddaughter is in Hollywood. Nelson Beveridge stays in touch with Wes Hayes ’52 as Wes lives nearby in Sandwich, Mass. I thought it was coincidental that Wes ended up in that town as he used to have the sandwich concession on campus. Nelson thought Wes played pro baseball at one time. Nelson said that Anne Delameter Lovaas ’54 sold her home and moved to Worcester to be near her children. Sandy Pearson Anderson ’52 (Charlie’s wife) moved to be near her children in Middlebury.

Remembering her Colby courses, Loretta “Tommi” Thompson Staples said, “One of my memorable classes was Shakespeare with Luella Norwood. She was a wonderful teacher because she loved her subject matter, especially the puns Shakespeare

50s NEWMAKERS

In November Madelyn “Mike” Wechsler Edelson ’53 read from her latest book, Pathways, at the Walt Whitman birthplace in Melville, Long Island. A collaboration with landscape photographer Dency Kane, the book combines Edelson’s poetry with Kane’s photographs. Edelson has also published two children’s books, The Proud Beech and The Little Wind. Charlie Morrissey ’56 was featured in the Flame, the Claremont Graduate University magazine, for his work pioneering e-learning. Morrissey’s TimeShare Corporation developed applications and online services for the K-12 market, and his research on the role of the Internet in management education led to the development of study.net, a virtual classroom. In October Patricia Martin Maloney ’57 and her daughter, Katrina Maloney, published Dearest Ones at Home: Clara Taylor’s Letters from Russia, 1917-1919, more than 70 letters that Patricia’s great-aunt wrote to her family during the Russian Revolution. HANAC—one of New York City’s largest service organizations—honored Peter Vlachos ’58 as Man of the Year at its gala in October. Vlachos, a leader in the financial industry for more than 50 years, is a longtime member of Leadership 100, chairing its investment committee for almost two decades and serving on its board of trustees.
used. I can hear her laughing and saying, "Isn't that delicious?" She asked us to memorize certain passages, and it amazes me how often I use them. To have one person in your educational life who can touch you this way is enough." Tommi reads, does some writing, and volunteers, and she is in good health. • Flo Fisher Krejci was happy that her husband, Milan, was at our 60th reunion. He was fighting esophageal cancer then. It wasn’t expected to be terminal, but he died in September. Back in the ’50s leaving home to attend Colby was a hugely important step in her life, and she has many happy memories and no regrets. • Mike Wechsler Edelson had an exciting day in November when her latest book, Pathways, was given a reception at the Walt Whitman birthplace in Melville, Long Island. The book, a collaboration with landscape photographer Dency Kane, combines Mike’s poetry with photographs. • Carolyn Doe Woznick’s daughter rented an apartment in Paris for the holiday season. Carolyn and her husband, Ben, joined her, her husband, and their 15-year-old daughter there. Carolyn said that Paris celebrates New Year’s in a big way. Carolyn and Ben then took the Eurostar to London for a couple of days for plays, museum shows, and shopping. At the end of January she planned to visit her sister in Naples, Fla. • Ray ’54 and Priscilla Eaton Billington had put their winter in Florida on hold as Ray needed care in Massachusetts. Sadly, Ray passed away Jan. 26 after a long fight against his cancer. • In her Christmas card, Barbara “Bobbie” Studley Barnett mentioned that she spent time with family in Texas and California and was still flying. • David and Harriet Sart Rudd live in Sumner, Maine, and all is well on the Asia Keene Homestead. Their work schedule is set for the spring; David related that the tractors are “a go and the tasks lined up. The horses are well and happy, the dogs playful, and the cats and all is well on the Asia Keene Homestead.” Their work schedule is set for the spring; David related that the tractors are “a go and the tasks lined up. The horses are well and happy, the dogs playful, and the cats and all is well on the Asia Keene Homestead.”

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Bill Ames is mainly concerned with his health and spending time with his children, but he does play tennis occasionally and has discovered “the elliptical” at the local YMCA. • Nancy Weller Brown feels very fortunate to be living in Appleton, Maine, where she spends a good deal of time working at the town’s library, historical society, and elementary school. Nineteen of Nancy’s five sons, three daughters, 14 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren were with her for Christmas. She is very happy to have attended our 60th reunion. She thought the art museum was gorgeous and the campus huge! Her memories of the early ’50s are quite different, but such happy ones. • Karl and Merrillyn Healey Decker report that they had a vacation at Bass Harbor, Maine, and a shorter one on Cape Cod. She continues her work with the AAIU book group and global issues study while Karl has spent two sessions at the Vermont College of Fine Arts studying writing and will return this spring to work on his first novel, which is set in a small Vermont town in the 1930s. • Dick Leerburger wrote to me about the passing of Niels Raiba, who had established quite a reputation in Finland for pediatric research. Dick has a second home on a hilltop in Chester, Mass., where he and Julie spend quite a bit of time. • Joy Slvin Rubin’s family meets in Lakeville, Conn., (my neck of the woods) every Thanksgiving for a family reunion at the Interlake Inn. A recent hip replacement has slowed her down a lot and was the reason for her absence from our last reunion. Joy’s very happy memories of her time at Colby are the reason for an increased heartbeat when she spots the occasional Colby sticker on a car. • Helen Cross Stabler took six classes her last semester at Colby to make up for a failed typing/shorthand course she had taken in the first semester. Her most vivid memories are of the Shakespeare course taught by Mark Benbow. Judy Jenkins Totman recalls dropping that same typing/shorthand class during her senior year. • Bill Ames and I attended the funeral of Gordon Williams, husband of Mary Belden Williams. Carol Maclver Murphy sat behind us. • I remember with extreme gratitude Lucille Pinette’s generous gift to me of a “C” in first semester calculus so that I could continue as a math major. She was the second-best teacher I ever had. • I wish for everyone a most happy and healthy 2015.

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Francis “Pete” Dostie wrote, “The Colby years were so memorable for many reasons. One memory stands out as if it were yesterday. I attended the soirée in honor of Robert Frost. I was so grateful to be among those who were fortunate to be living in that local YMCA. • Nancy Weller Brown feels very fortunate to be living in Appleton, Maine, where she spends a good deal of time working at the town’s library, historical society, and elementary school. Nineteen of Nancy’s five sons, three daughters, 14 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren were with her for Christmas. She is very happy to have attended our 60th reunion. She thought the art museum was gorgeous and the campus huge! Her memories of the early ’50s are quite different, but such happy ones. • Karl and Merrillyn Healey Decker report that they had a vacation at Bass Harbor, Maine, and a shorter one on Cape Cod. She continues her work with the AAIU book group and global issues study while Karl has spent two sessions at the Vermont College of Fine Arts studying writing and will return this spring to work on his first novel, which is set in a small Vermont town in the 1930s. • Dick Leerburger wrote to me about the passing of Niels Raiba, who had established quite a reputation in Finland for pediatric research. Dick has a second home on a hilltop in Chester, Mass., where he and Julie spend quite a bit of time. • Joy Slvin Rubin’s family meets in Lakeville, Conn., (my neck of the woods) every Thanksgiving for a family reunion at the Interlake Inn. A recent hip replacement has slowed her down a lot and was the reason for her absence from our last reunion. Joy’s very happy memories of her time at Colby are the reason for an increased heartbeat when she spots the occasional Colby sticker on a car. • Helen Cross Stabler took six classes her last semester at Colby to make up for a failed typing/shorthand course she had taken in the first semester. Her most vivid memories are of the Shakespeare course taught by Mark Benbow. Judy Jenkins Totman recalls dropping that same typing/shorthand class during her senior year. • Bill Ames and I attended the funeral of Gordon Williams, husband of Mary Belden Williams. Carol Maclver Murphy sat behind us. • I remember with extreme gratitude Lucille Pinette’s generous gift to me of a “C” in first semester calculus so that I could continue as a math major. She was the second-best teacher I ever had. • I wish for everyone a most happy and healthy 2015.

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Greetings! • Frank Hantress was a chaplain at the August 2014 remembrance service in Westminster Abbey recalling the start of WWI. Part of the service was inspired by British Foreign Secretary Sir Edward Grey’s words on the eve of Britain’s entry into the war—“The lamps are going out all over Europe. We shall not see them lit again in our lifetime.” All candles held by the service attendees were extinguished, except one by the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of that war, a symbol of the light and darkness that pervade our lives. • Brian Stompe and wife Susan keep in good health by hiking, jogging, and walking with their Dixie dog. Winter rain prompted the planting of fava beans, garlic onions, and shallots. This summer they plan to meet son Barry and his wife for sailboat cruise in Tahiti and do some sturgeon fishing with son Brad. • In December Janet Nordgren Meryweather made her usual trip (this time without husband Steen) to Captiva Island; she will spend the rest of the winter in Noxomis at Kings Gate Club in a family home, now hers. She visited with daughter Alison in November and attended the wedding of a grandson. • Three members of our class recently met in Philadelphia for hours of catching up: Cookie Kiger Allen came from Princeton, Barbara Preston Hayes from D.C., and Lois Latimer Pan from Gwynedd, Pa. • In September Kathy McConaughy Zambello visited roommate Liz Russell Collins in Salem, Ore., and they spent time reliving their Colby days. Kathy has taken trips with family to Aruba, Denmark, Norway, and Scotland. All the walking did not help her bad knee, so surgery followd in October. She has wonderful Colby friends in the Portland area and at Damariscotta Lake in the summer. • Bob (Lt. Col.) Adams is in good health despite having to deal with TMB disease and CRS. He plays lots of tennis and uses the RV. He and wife Susan usually (but not for the past two years) spend summers in their cottage in Owls Head, Maine. He misses those years living on the sailboat. He has 13 grandchildren and one great-grandson, who was born in December. • Sonny Slater said that even though he transferred from Colby and graduated from Tufts, he counts among his favorite class! To keep that spirit alive, we keep in touch with each other and make a contribution (however big or small) to the Colby Fund to help support our alma mater. See you soon!
Shorey Harris, her daughter-in-law, and two granddaughters flew to France last fall to visit another of Ellie’s granddaughters, Maddy Harris, who was studying in Paris for a semester of her junior year. The tourists did not leave a stone unturned in that beautiful city, from Notre Dame to Versailles, and enjoyed dining on every delicacy that came their way. Ellie found that trekking with a 10- and 13-year-old for four days was a monumental challenge, but she certainly rose to the occasion. After four years of collaboration, Pat Martin Maloney and her daughter Katrina are celebrating the publication of the first volume of their book, Dearest Ones at Home. It is the story of Pat’s great-aunt Claire Taylor’s experiences in Russia during the Russian Revolution, derived from letters she had sent home from 1917 to 1919. Katrina did the writing and editing, and Pat did all the research. The book can be found online at Amazon and Barnes and Noble. Congratulations to you both. Our Energizer Bunny friend down in Exeter, N.H., Anne Schimmelpfenning Laszlo, keeps the same fast pace that she always has! Anne lives on the border of a salt marsh and keeps her camera always at the ready to photograph the abundant bird and animal life, which leads to creating note cards and turning the whole endeavor into a “cottage industry.” She also designs and knits children’s scarves in the shapes of animals and birds for clients in California. Such talent does not go unrewarded! Anne wonders what our classmates enjoy reading; she suggests Garrison Keillor as an antidote to winter blues. In February Anne, her son, and grandson planned to head to a tropical snorkeling area—Anne’s Christmas gift to them. Take care and stay safe, especially those who are off on such high adventures.

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Ellie de la Bandera flew from Florida to New Jersey at Christmas time and found it was snowless and 60 degrees. Later her kids and grandkids joined her for four days at South Sea Island Resort on Captiva Island. “It was great to get all be together,” except for her college freshman grandson, who was working to help finance his studies. She also went to Uruguay and Mexico to visit other family members. Ding and Betty Cooper Cochran have lived in St. Louis since 1998 and spend summers in Skaneateles, N.Y., at their cottage on the lake. “We have five grandchildren, and the last one is going to Hamilton College in the fall. It is a different era now. All the grandkids have jobs and no impending marriages!” Peter Doran and Lois celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 3 with a party given by their family. [Our congratulations!] Among some 60 friends and relatives were Pam (Brockway) ’60 and David Adams, Barbara and Earl Smith, Skeeter ’59 and Karen Beganny Megathan ’63, and Al ’54 and Mary-Pilon Obery ’54. The Dorans’ daughter-in-law, Kelly, was recently named interim director of physical plant at Colby, and their son, Dana, is executive director of the Maine Professional Loggers Association. A history side note: Peter remembers that Bill Millett tapped him as the first ’58 class member to write notes for the alumni magazine. For Pam (Brockway) ’60 and David Adams, the high point of the winter was watching the growth of their two great-grandbabies, 4 and 1, and happily attending the aforementioned anniversary party. “The Dorans’ classic antique home, where they’ve lived all these years overlooking one of the Belgrade Lakes, was the perfect setting for it.” On Memorial Day 2014 Jane Gibbons Wood completed climbing a Sierra Club list of 82 lower peaks in Southern California. It took her 14 months—is that about one every five days? Remember a few years ago we heard of Jane’s other climbing feats? I am again amazed at her accomplishments. In December she and husband Patrick went to New Zealand for a trip with Vermont Bicycle Tours, which she recommends highly. “We have the best of two worlds: retirement nine months of the year in Claremont, Calif., and summers in Sweden, Maine.” Our congratulations again to John Eades—and to teammate Ed Marchetti ’60—who in August are to be inducted into the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame. A note from Mary Ricker Latham in North Chelsea, Mass., tells us she has no news to report but always enjoys reading about classmates’ activities. Coleen and Bruce Blanchard recently went to Israel on a tour conducted by former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee. “His combination of being a minister, preacher, politician and his loyal support for Israel basically gave him a carte blanche in touring the country.” In addition to seeing the major sites connected with the life of Jesus, they toured Masada, floated in the Dead Sea while reading a newspaper, were baptized in the River Jordan, visited the Wailing Wall, and attended a Sunday service at the Sea of Galilee. The highlight of the trip for Bruce was being one of 11 chosen to interview Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu for 45 minutes on a Sunday night in his office—certainly the experience of a lifetime! Writing this in mid-January, I am looking forward to escaping these 4-degree days and heading to Florida’s west coast, where I will probably meet Ellie (see above) for lunch one day and have a reunion with Pam and David (ditto) when they are in my area with their camper, kayaks, and bikes. If any of you other classmates spend some of the winter in that area, please let me know. All the best in 2015 for everyone!
60s NEWSMAKERS

Pauline "Pit" Ryder Kezer '63 was elected president of the Alden Kindred of America in August. Alden Kindred seeks to preserve the legacy of the Pilgrims, honor the memory of Mayflower passengers John Alden and Priscilla Mullins, preserve the 350-year-old Alden family home, and make public the history of "America's first couple." At age 72, Ralph Kimball '63 is still playing competitive ice hockey. Kimball, who played at Colby, credits his teenage grandson with getting him back on the ice after 45 years in the stands. He's been playing for four years, skating three mornings a week and participating in tournaments and the Massachusetts Senior Games.

In November Connie Miller Manter '63 was named 2014 TOP Fellow of the Year at the National Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference in Boston. The award is given to a social studies educator who has traveled to Germany with the Goethe Institute's Transatlantic Outreach Program and who demonstrates superior written work, leadership, enthusiasm for teaching about modern Germany, and collaboration with other educators to strengthen German-American relations.

Mike Silverberg, Phil Shea, and Skeeter and Karen joined them for a weekend at their cottage on Panther Pond. Guy '57 and Eleanor Ewing Vigue '57 and Skeeter and Karen joined them for Saturday dinner. Jack Pallotta and Pat Richmond Stull were entertained by Aaron and Cyndy Crockett Mendelson in their Naples home in early January. They solved many problems, again, over dinner. The only complicity was that Jack's right arm was in a sling following rotator cuff surgery. He hoped to be back on the links by the end of March. Please keep the news coming, I always love to hear from you.

1961

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In preparation for these notes, I re-read our 50th-reunion book, which always reinforces what we all must know: our class is a very special group, many of us maintaining wonderful friendships for more than 50 years. Stay tuned for news of our 55th reunion! As always, I'm grateful for so many responses. Susan Detwiler Goodall enjoys reading our news, saying "everyone seems active and leading exciting lives." She's been in Gloucester, Mass., for six years and loves living by the water again. "Since my husband died, I've been serving on the city council on aging board. I work at the Gloucester Visitors Center and am a Crane Estate Great House tour guide in Ipswich during warmer months. Training and competing with two Welsh terriers in AKC agility is my true passion—great fun, better than going to the gym! The dogs love it—learning and running the courses ensures mental and physical fitness. A group of us train and compete together—all have done well, adding to the enjoyment."

Carol Davidson Jack writes, "Not only do I remember my Colby classes with inspiring professors, I remember walking in pleated skirts and knee socks in below-zero, windy weather! No global warming then! Saw Carole Ann Pope in Brunswick recently; we both volunteer at different midcoast hospitals. I hear from Bebe Clark Mutz in Potomac often. Happy to be an active 75!" Gene Rainville writes, "Spent the summer at Lake Winnipesaukee's Bald Peak, and as Frank D'Ercote was also in residence, we reminisced about Colby days. Frank, Dave Toungreau, and I attended the installation of President Greene in September. Whenever I return to Colby, I'm amazed at the magnificent campus changes. Margaret and I leave soon for our Aspen home, an annual two-month ski holiday; to hard believe it's our 24th season. We follow the seasons as we migrate between Hilton Head, Aspen, and the lake." Penny Dean Robb reports having no idea of the classes taken in her last semester—she'd become engaged to Frank Spierling and was focused on her June wedding. She remembers acting in Three Sisters, though, "I am still active with community theater, and our latest production, Our Town, was performed in the main section of St. Bartholomew's Church on Park Avenue. I had a minor role and a wonderful time. I also volunteer at the information desk of that church. I travel to England to see relatives at least once a year and visit friends in the States. Hank Sheldon, retired from United Airlines, "lives in the Chicago 'burbs with my French-born wife, Elise." They have a daughter, Christelle, in Palo Alto working at Stanford. Their son, Brian, lives in Longmont, Colo., and works for the F.A.A. "Elise and I have been planning to move to Cuenca, Ecuador, which we visited and loved last year." Their plans are on hold until they sell their house, and Hank is scheduled to have both hips replaced, necessitating an Illinois recovery. "I frequently reminisce about the Colby good times, getting together with several fraternity brothers in past years. Unfortunately, 2014 wasn't good, as three of our brothers passed away, including Dave Marr; my roommate of two years, Eimer Bartels '62; and Harry Whitaker '58. Dave's wife, Pat Houghton Marr, is a classmate, and Harry's wife, Joan Shag Whitaker '58, is also a Colby graduate." From Pete Stevenson: "Now that I've officially entered my dotage, my news gets more mundane. Spoke to Steve Chase, Tom Evans, and David Toungreau; all doing well. David's new boat sounds suspiciously like a sailing yacht with bedrooms galore. It's good to know I've got wealthy fraternity brothers to fall back on. . . . Must be all those stock tips I passed along over the years." For a great mini-reunion photo taken at Liz (Rowe) '63
and Bev Lapham’s home, check out Colby’s alumni page at alumni.colby.edu and click on the “Stay Connected” tab.

1962
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Greetings from sunny Florida, where I (Pat Farnham Russell) just completed a Road Scholar program, Kayaking the Everglades. For the more adventurous, this was an excellent program. The only way to really see the Everglades is in a kayak or canoe. Plenty of wildlife, including alligators of every size. • Al Neigher hopes you’re all having a great 2015. • Graham Barkham read about New York Times reporter James Risen, who won Colby’s 2014 Lovejoy Award for courageous journalism and spoke at the Lovejoy Convocation in October about his refusal to name a national security source. • Dave Jacobson remembers taking an organizational behavior course with Professor Gemery and sociology courses with professors Geib and Birge. After spending the holidays visiting kids in San Francisco and Denver, the Jacobsons were back home, where Dave was preparing for a second knee replacement with hopes of being on the tennis courts by May. Dave enjoys keeping in touch via Facebook with other classmates. • Ann Tracy’s senior-year remembrance needs to be quoted: “I was taking oil painting with Abbott Meader. I wasn’t very good at it, but I was happy. I had to leave it a little early to get to my Shakespeare class, so I had a special dispensation to show up in my otherwise-prohibited blue jeans, which made me feel wonderfully bohemian. At the last class of Shakespeare, Mark Benbow said, ‘Our revels are now, indeed, ended,’ and we all begged for one more class in vain. I must have been taking Spenser from Colin MacKay, because I was having a kind of nervous intellectual meltdown that last spring. MacKay kindly told me that he’d had his meltdown the first semester of grad school, and it was much better to get it over with as a senior. How lucky we were to have professors at once exacting and sympathetic! I think of them often and try to strike that balance.” • Bruce Brown, who left Colby for BU during sophomore year, was glad to have attended part of our 50th reunion. Bruce travels extensively; he was in India and this spring planned to travel to Latvia, Estonia, and St. Petersburg, followed by an art tour of Milan, Venice, and Turin in the fall. Bruce is codirector of the PhoPa Gallery in Portland, Maine, where he is also a guest curator and art exhibitor. • Brenda Lewison and Bill rented a cottage on Penobscot Bay.

“We hope others are inspired to give.”

“For my 50th reunion, Carole and I established a charitable gift annuity. That gift will pay us a guaranteed income for life while ensuring the College can make smart business and academic decisions in the future. We liked the idea so much that we also established a charitable remainder unitrust to support financial aid. These gifts are a win-win for us and Colby.”

—Thomas ’63 and Carole MacMullan

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last summer. They enjoyed visiting area towns, spending time with family, and a visit from Lynn Kimball. On the way home to Cleveland they had their almost-annual visit with Cindy Dunn Barber and Sandy Keef Hunter in Vermont. Brenda remembers a difficult economics course and MacKay’s Evolution of the English Language senior year.

Nancy and Gerry Tays took a river cruise followed by a motor trip around Scotland, and this spring they are headed to South Africa. Gerry is writing a journal of their trips. Professors Reuman and Gehb inspired Ceylon Barclay to address the virulent malice in the communist world. After building his own successful company, he spent decades working and investing in Grenada, Nicaragua, Russia, and China. After building his own successful company, he spent decades working and investing in Grenada, Nicaragua, Russia, and China.

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Judy Hoagland Bristol

Connie Miller Manter received the 2014 TOP Fellow of the Year Award at the National Council for the Social Studies annual conference. She just retired—for the fourth time! Connie and Walter are headed to Florida “and hope to see some Colby pals along the way.”

Retirement from academe suits Byron Petrakis well. Reading, running, and home renovations take up most of his time, as do summer travels in rural Ireland. No more marathons, but still running half marathons and shorter distances. He volunteered at Boston in 2014 and plans to again in 2015.

Ron and Bunny Read McEldowney spent Christmas in Bozeman, Mont., with family. In Yellowstone they soaked outside in the Boiling River, where hot and cold water mix. In March they’re going to Hawaii for the first time to celebrate their 48th anniversary.

Bill ‘62 and Barb Haines Chase explored northern parts of Vancouver Island in September—very wild, forested mountains, driftwood-laden beaches, few villages, lovely seascapes, windy roads, and good food. “Kayaked, boated, hiked, bear watched ...”

1964

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Thanks to all who responded to the call for news. Dick Larschan may have to “retire from retirement!” Living in NYC, he enjoys museum memberships, publishes reviews of Shakespeare on Broadway for a French journal, and serves on the New York Fulbright Alumni Association board. He also created a writing clinic as a College Ready volunteer in a Harlem public school, and he travels and socializes with friends.

Jim Harris volunteered to be our new class agent. Thanks to Don Short for nominating Jim. We all know of Don’s tireless efforts and dedication, and Jim is ready to take up the reins. At reunion last June, Jim and his wife, Maddie, met with Alan Mirken ’51, who was Jim’s mentor for nearly four decades in the book publishing business. Jim thought the Portland cruise was spectacular, as was the food and camaraderie at Colby. He especially enjoyed the tour of the new Davis Science Center and the visit to the art museum.

Steve Schoeman reflected on “a splendid 50th reunion. Perfect weather. Great esprit de corps. Those yummy Maine lobsters!” He found it a “delight to renew old friendships and make new ones, and revisit perhaps the most beautiful college campus in the country if not in the world.”

Attending our 50th reunion reminded Jean Martin Fowler of our extraordinary college years on the beautiful Colby campus. Now, five decades later, in an expression of gratitude, Jean is involved in a project geared toward scholarship funding for students at her former high school in New Jersey. She is on a board that manages the program for a school with very limited resources and for students with limited family support systems. The Alumni Scholarship Fund helps students who are going to college by providing computers, books, transportation, and other necessary items. In addition, Jean’s alumni fund board recently began a mentoring program to help students select colleges and a curriculum program to help lead them toward meaningful, well-paying jobs. “My involvement is very fulfilling,” Jean said.

On a personal note, she and her husband, Michael, “had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family in North Carolina and a special Christmas in northern Pennsylvania,” where they celebrated with their youngest grandchildren.

From Martha Farrington Mayo: “What impressed me most about our 50th reunion was that it was easy and delightful to talk with anyone you happened to be near, whether or not you had been friends during our years on campus. The same held true for spouses! I also very much enjoyed joining up with the Folk Club even though I was not part of the group in college. I extend many thanks to the excellent committee that covered all the bases.”

After reunion last June, Marty Schatt Abbott-Shim visited Betsy Crockett Tyson-Smith in Concord, Mass., where they shared memorabilia and stories. During a visit to Oregon, Marty saw Essie McDonough Smith. They reminisced with the reunion yearbook and called Linda Field Mattos, who lives in the Seattle area. Marty also spent time in Oregon in September with her first grandson. She expects another grandson in May. While in the West, Marty hiked with her Atlanta friends in southern Utah.

Al Olivetti reports that he is “still going strong. All looks good; next CAT scan is in March. Otherwise I am feeling fine.” Your classmates, Al, hope all goes well and will be thinking of you with heartfelt support.

P.J. Downing Curtis thought the reunion was “terrific” and enjoyed reconnecting with so many old friends. Lucky P.J., she and John got to go back to Colby and be a part of John’s granddaughter’s swim team activities. P.J. also visits her grandchildren in Maine. P.J. is 63 and Sue Sawyer McAlary moved into their new, green, “mostly off-the-grid house” in Culepper, Va. The wood boiler, the geothermal hydronics, and the solar panels are in working order.

1965

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REUNION TIME! Started packing for our 50th reunion yet? Those Onie’s glasses and menus from the Jeff, Parks’ Diner, and the Majestic are all treasures you MUST bring.

Nancy Godley Wilson joined Jan Wood Parsons and Marcia Harding Anderson in Waterville in Colby’s Special Collections to help prepare our 50th-reunion book. All three also have “unbelievable personal collections of Colby memorabilia.”

Bob Rogers would bring us a copy of his Jan Plan for 1965 but “can’t remember what I did that January.”

Margo Beach does remember her Jan Plan, which had a focus on “recidivism of women who had been committed to the only federal prison at the time.” She traveled by train to Anderson, W.Va., for research. “Got the flu while I was there. The month felt like a year. Homesick, I was never so glad to get back to the cold, windy hill in my life!” Margo lost her mom at age 94 this past year. Jean (Hoffmann) ’66 and Neil Clispham are still enjoying memories of their visit to Hawaii reported in the last column. Neil sent photos of his new passion: an 8-by-16-foot narrow-gauge HO model railroad layout that consumes his basement. They traveled last summer.
to Durango and Silverton, Colo., on the narrow-gauge railroad. They visited the Grand Canyon with return via Zion and Glen Canyon parks. It was a family affair with his son and grandchildren. Neil and Jean “volunteer at the local (struggling) library.”

Nancy Godley Wilson reported that she and husband John ’63 are settling into their permanent community on Deer Isle, Maine, where they built a “green” home six years ago. They sing with the Bagaduce Chorale in Blue Hill and at the Deer Isle Congregational Church. Last summer they sang in the Stonington Opera House’s musical The Last Ferryman. Nancy is co-chair of the opera house’s community advisory board and is a mentor with a program called Ready 21. She has a student to mentor for five years—from high school through college to the work force. She and John joined seven other couples for a 14-day adventure travel tour of Morocco. They spent three days in desert tents and dined with local families. She reported, “Our ability to interact with many of the people in French was an added bonus.” [Your correspondent is jealous, as it took him five years to get through French II. I think Prof. Biron gave me a “mercy pass” to move on.]

Dave Parish and Rhonda spend half the year in Asheville, N.C., and the other half in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Retired 10 years from law practice, Dave has a new passion: “I teach the history of Zionism and Israel at a Hebrew High School in Fort Lauderdale and lead adult discussion groups.” They also travel extensively. Their next adventure? “Waterville, Maine, which for a Floridian seems like a foreign country.”

Bill Oates is in his ninth year as a Colby trustee and second year as a member of the Colby Museum of Art Board of Governors. The class extends condolences to Bill on the passing of his dad in January. Oatsie will join us at reunion, as will Arnie Repetto.

One of our classmates is still hanging in. Dave Fearon is still teaching and is not quite ready to put in the retirement letter—perhaps by reunion, he says. “Colby put me on this trajectory as an educator, and it is still aimed upward.” A life well lived by a guy still having fun following his passion. Never stop if you are having fun. Hail Colby Hall!

1966

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50th-reunion dates: June 2-5, 2016. BE THERE! Congratulations to Linda Hall Lord, who retired from her post as Maine state librarian after 48 years of public service in education and libraries. Her leadership led to many initiatives that transformed and strengthened library services throughout Maine. Linda looks forward to more time with her husband and lots of traveling. Sue Turner and Kari spend summer and fall in Maine and winter in Charleston, S.C. They traveled in Quebec last summer, and they spent Christmas in Wisconsin with their daughter and son-in-law. Don and Marty DeCou Dick backpacked in Colorado up to 12,000 feet and discovered they’re not as young as they used to be. They visited Janet Meyer Throop in Oregon last fall. Janet was planning a trip to Africa to visit her children and grandkids. While sightseeing in Phoenix, Connecticut’s Carl Floyd sent his travel plans: Florida and a cruise in February, Mexico in April, Hawaii in May and June. Honoring a New Year’s resolution to travel more, Terry Saunders Lane has planned a month in California and a month in Argentina and Peru so far, with more to come. It’s Alaska in August for Linda Mitchell Potter and intentions to keep hiking the Long Trail, having gone from Williamstown, Mass., to Middlebury, Vt., so far with another hundred or so miles to go to reach the Canadian border. Susan Mahoney Michael and her husband are enjoying their new home in Brunswick, Maine, but will escape to the Caribbean and California in winter. Perennial snowbird RV-er Ted Houghton wintered this year in northern Florida. Ted’s campground data efforts have evolved into a bona fide business now, with access via website, Android, and iOS. Anne Ruggles Gere’s semester sabbatical finds her and her family living in Puebla, Mexico, and learning Spanish. As much as he continues to enjoy travel, Gary McKinstry loves coming home to his own special paradise, Sarasota, Fla., and surrounding area, where his real estate career continues to thrive, with demands for more housing and new development but protection of open green spaces and ocean views. Karen Riendeau-Pacheco writes, “You never know where you’ll find Colby graduates.” Karen visits people in nursing homes and assisted living centers for her church, and during a recent visit to a favorite 95-year-old man, she was introduced to his son, Bruce Hubbard, Colby Class of 1971! Phil MacHale is in France for the winter, “...writing my little fingers to the bone, still looking for an agent. I’m an accidental grandfather, which only proves that life goes on despite our best efforts.” Phil is writing about some technology geniuses. I won’t attempt to interpret the “accidental grandfather” comment. Mary Gourley Mastin writes, “If you are obsessing about your geographically distant grandchildren, as I was, just get a puppy. It is a sure cure, especially if it is a Cavachon.” Google says that’s a cross between a Cavalier King Charles spaniel and a bichon frise. My Colby education continues. Congrats to Debbie Chase, who retired from her long career with Weight Watchers. Time now for things that have been put aside for years and for new adventures, whatever they may be. John “Daisy” Carrellas survived a tough summer with a broken hip and pancreatitis, which was cured when his gallbladder was removed. Happily he’s on the mend and spending the winter in St. Augustine Beach, Fla. Californian Ed Mowry is back at his favorite winter spot, Mammoth Mountain, planning a road trip to Alta and Aspen to visit Colby friends, and still working on his next book. A third grandchild is due in April. Ed’s coming to our 50th. Are you?

1967

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Sandy Miller is a new woman, ready to take on the world! After nearly four years of almost constant pain, she had successful spinal surgery to relieve compression on her sciatic nerve, and she is ready to dance, walk, run, and paint the town red. She will also continue to work at her design studio now that she can stand long enough to enjoy her work. We join Sandy in her celebration and wish her continued good fortune.

When the call for news went out, we were asked to recall what you were doing 50 years ago when you were at Colby. Tim Radley remembered his senior year Jan Plan, in which he detailed a coaching manual for lacrosse. Tim, along with Jim Wilson and Lucian Champagne, started the lacrosse club that has become a varsity sport. Back then, Tim and his group provided their own equipment, established the schedule, and provided their transportation. Tim’s Jan Plan lives on 50 years after he conceived it. Some testimony. Leanne Davidson Kaslow returned home to Washington, D.C., after a trip to South America, where she and her husband visited Argentina, Peru, and Patagonia. Leanne visited Vietnam previously and will be heading to Israel next year. When home, Leanne enjoys hosting old friends such as Ann Christensen. Irv Faunce often has an interesting tale to tell. He began as a member of the Class of ’68 when he drove a truck and taught school in Belgrade. He was awarded his degree as a member of the Class of ’69, but for many years he has been a valued member of our Class of ’67. Without Irv, there would be no “rock” awards at reunions, so we can thank the fates for placing him in our class. Irv continues to run a large long-term care and rehabilitation facility in Madison, Maine. He also finds time to travel, most recently to Pakistan and Portugal. This spring he plans to head to Amsterdam.

Paul Cronin, a Boston guy through and through, has seen the light and now spends much of the winter in a more benign climate than his native Hub. As I write this column, Paul has escaped the cold and ice to walk the silver sands of a Florida beach. He’ll come back when the weather warms up to be with his growing family. He now has five grandchildren.

Since 1973 Jean Ridington Goldfine has lived in Swansea, Maine, where she continues her work as a private-practice therapist. She and her husband travel to Iceland every summer to ride. On her land in Maine, Jean and John keep three horses that they tend throughout the year. Jean often travels to the Boston area to visit her son and grandson and also visits her daughter and grandson in San Diego.

Chuck Levin has no plans to retire and in fact has begun a practice with his son, Jonathan ’97. A few years ago, Chuck and JoEllen moved to the lovely community of Sudbury, Mass. If any Tau Delts would like to set up a mini reunion, let Chuck know.

Betty Coffey Gross is celebrating the arrival of her first grandson, Koji. She also organized a 100th-birthday party for her father in November. Sue Barden Johnson enjoys globetrotting. She and her husband, Mark, cruised from Singapore to Sydney over the holidays and will tour Morocco this year. They also visit their children and grandkids outside of Boston and Denver. When home in Arizona, they enjoy hiking Chaco Canyon and the area around Payson, as well as playing bridge. Carl and Judy Gerrie Heine enjoyed a week in South Dakota last summer seeing the sights of Mt. Rushmore, the Badlands, and the Black Hills. They split their time between Norton, Mass., and the Villages, where she recently got her first hole in one.

1968

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Jessie McGuire continues to organize trips for groups of friends. Last year they trekked in Malaysia and Borneo. In September she and nine of her friends were in Zimbabwe, Botswana, and Namibia. She had been to Zimbabwe and Botswana before, but Namibia was new territory. She suggests going if you get the chance since it’s an incredible desert experience. Next, she is off to Lanzarote in the Canary Islands and then Morocco. She is loving life and hoping everyone is enjoying a happy and healthy 2015. John Morgan received Christmas cards from Bob Hayden, Bob Hughes, and Jay Fell ’66. He reports that they are all well and enjoying life. His daughter Sara Morgan ’07 will get her M.S.W. and her “Mrs.” this summer. There will be several
Colby friends (hers and his) visiting them in Colorado for a wild time.  • **Al Gray** (AKA “Hootie”) sends an update on his family. Their oldest daughter, Erin, 35, recently relocated from Berkeley, Calif., to Petaluma and loves living there. After 10 long years of hard work, schooling, testing, and studying, all while working full time, Erin took and passed the last piece of her licensing exam and is now a licensed marriage and family therapist (LMFT). Al and his wife, Donna, are extremely proud of this accomplishment and the hard work needed to get there. Their son, Chris, 31, and his wife, Kara, continue to live in New Milford, Conn., where Chris works for a large insurance agency and Kara teaches first grade. Chris and Kara’s daughter, Avery, turned 1 in November, and Al and Donna are loving being grandparents. It’s a good thing because they just learned that grandchild number two will be arriving in July 2015—very exciting news for all concerned. Their youngest daughter, Julie, 26, decided she wanted a change of scenery and to get away from the cold New England winters. In March 2014 she moved to Wilmington, N.C., where she continues to work in the childcare field. She loves working with the little munchkins and is very good at it. She also loves living near a beach in a warmer climate. Al and Donna (married 37 years now) still live in Concord, Mass., and work full time, enjoy being grandparents, and visit their kids every chance they get.  • **John Leopold** and his wife, Terry, traveled to San Francisco and Monterey last September. While in San Francisco, they visited with Wendy (Slater) ’69 and Alex Palmer. Alex and Wendy’s son, Denny, and his family live in the city. They had two great visits with Alex and Wendy and report that they are happy and doing very well. In November John and Terry traveled to Evanston, Ill., and Chicago. At Northwestern, they attended John’s uncle Richard’s 25th-anniversary lecture. His uncle was a highly regarded professor of American history (diplomatic and foreign policy) at NWU. His many faithful students raised funds for an endowed chair, the lectureship, and a fellowship program. It was quite a tribute. The lecturer was Anne-Marie Slaughter, formerly at Princeton and now president of the New America Foundation. John reports that it was a great and memorable evening.

1969

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Annie York Samson recently returned from six weeks in Basel, Switzerland, visiting her daughter, Sarah, her husband, and two children. “Christmas in Switzerland was magical, topped off by ringing in the New Year skiing at Saas Fee.” Anne said “the only downside was my 6-year-old granddaughter’s gleeful singing of George Michael’s song ‘Last Christmas’ once she discovered how much I dislike it!” Anne would love to see any classmates if you’re in Portland, Ore. In October she caught up with Gus Browne and his wife for dinner. She hopes to visit Jane Chandler Carney in mid-April while in Washington, D.C., for a wedding. Jane, meanwhile, reported that she left in January to spend the rest of the winter at Sugarloaf.  • **Kristen Kreamer** has a new grandson, born Dec. 3, and is “enchanted by my 2-year-old grandson, who is so much fun. Makes me think more seriously about retirement, but for now I am still a nurse practitioner in oncology at Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia.” For a New Year’s resolution she joined the YMCA. “We’ll see how that goes!” Kristen also sings with a community chorus and will perform Brahms’s German Requiem this spring. After many years Kristen heard from Lise Ferner, who was with us freshman and sophomore years. Lise is retired from a dance career and is a painter enjoying her life in the countryside 30 miles from Oslo.  • **For Bill Lyons**, family remains a priority. Bill and Karen now have four grandchildren, all with very distinct personalities. Their daughter’s two children are 13 and 9 and show great ability in basketball and soccer. Their son’s two children are younger, 2 1/2 and 6 months, and live in Lincoln, so for now they see them regularly—“something that will change soon enough when we retire and move back to Maine.” Bill is pursuing a non-tax academic project and is completing a chapter in a book, to be published by McFarland & Company, on the last integrated professional baseball (yes, two separate words) league in Nebraska prior to the post-World War II era. Bill, a longtime member of the Society for American Baseball Research, says “researching the story of the 1892 Nebraska State League has opened a window into a very different age, but after contributing to a book by Bill Nowlin on the 1911 spring training ‘tour’ by the Red Sox, I decided that I’d enjoy trying some more significant baseball research projects.” Bill hopes to do more writing about baseball history once he retires.  • **Doug Kaut**’s first grandchild is now 7 months old, and she and her parents traveled from the West Coast to visit Doug and Joy for a few days at Christmas. Their son and his fiancée joined in the family gathering, and another wedding is on the cards, scheduled for sometime next year.  • **Sandy Hoe** continues to practice government contract law in Washington, D.C., and just before Christmas closed a multi-billion-dollar financing arrangement that will allow the government of Israel to purchase fighter aircraft from a large U.S. defense contractor.  • **Laurie Killoch Wiggins**, who lives near the Gulf Coast, says the weather there dropped to 19 degrees and that they may have a repeat of last year, when they had a smattering of snow on their palm trees (very freaky-looking).  • I received several messages from classmates who said they did not receive the link to last year’s reunion slideshow, created by Peter Shearston, so here it is again: flickr.com/photos/125484288@N06/sets/72157646795189047/show. If you click on the “Show info” button in the top right corner, you can see the captions he attached to each picture. He did a great job! Enjoy, and please plan on joining your classmates in 2019 for our 50th.

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Hello to all!  • Received a long, newsy note from Doug and Hazel Parker Smith. Hazel retired as a high school media specialist teacher librarian in Ashland, Ore. Doug continues in private practice and is on the staff of two hospitals in neurology/rehabilitation, working with patients suffering from general stroke, head trauma, combat-acquired traumatic brain injury, and PTSD. Hazel accompanied Doug to Denver during the November cold spell. (It never reached 10 above while they were there.) He attended his professional academy meeting, with days of intense classes followed by evenings of Denver dining. Hazel experienced museums, art galleries, and gardens. In December they enjoyed a week of tropical botanical gardens and early Hawaiian history on Kauai. Hazel is becoming a master gardener through the Oregon State Agricultural Extension Program. Their grandson, 2, lives in the East Bay area of San Francisco, with their daughter and her husband. Doug’s son and his family live about an equal distance north in Oregon. Hazel and Doug plan to attend our 45th reunion and spend time in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts.  • Ben Kravitz has been retired for four years. He splits his time among Longboat Key, Fla., Easton, Mass., and Sunapee, N.H. He plays golf and tennis, bikes, boats, and is active in the Boys and Girls Club of Brockton, Mass., serving as its president for the last four years. He is also involved in business ventures with two of his sons. He states that, in retirement, he needs to have things to do; he just doesn’t want to have to do them.  • Paul Tabor is living happily with his wife, Mary, in Bowdoinham, Maine. They have two granddaughters. He is semi-retired, working part time with the Maine Developmental Disabilities Council.  • Jane Stinchfield Sexton has been appointed to the Maine Board of Education.  • Bill Hardy dramatically reduced his role in his law firm in Lewiston and Portland, Maine, and moved to Napa, Calif. He and Lona (Eldridge) ’66 make some wine, enjoy the San Francisco Opera and ballet, play some golf (he is hanging onto a single-digit handicap at age 70), and generally like living in the Bay Area. Bill recently became president of the Napa Valley College Foundation. This means he is constantly looking for donations, and thus no one will sit next to him at dinner. The foundation work gives him a chance to pay forward the scholarship help he got at Colby. Bill and Lona have a son, Joe, who is VP for research and development at Lumosity in San Francisco. They see him, their lovely daughter-in-law, and their grandson often. Bill enjoys painting and has even sold a couple of works, “proving there’s no accounting for taste.”  • Alfred “Buz” Brown lives in Boulder with his wife, Martha. They have two sons, Nate and Ned, who both graduated from CU and are actively employed pursuing their dreams—and not living with them. Buz works hard at growing ION Engineering, a company he started six years ago. The company is developing one of the leading chemical processes for removal of carbon dioxide from industrial emissions.  • As for Bob and I, we made a two-week pilgrimage back to Japan last October. I had been three times, but Bob had made at least 150 trips during his career at Pratt & Whitney when he was working with the Japanese airlines and competing to sell jet engines to them. Neither of us had been back since 2004/2006. This was a relaxed, fun-filled sightseeing trip with friends from California. It also afforded us all the opportunity to catch up with old friends in Japan. We visited Tokyo, Yokohama, Kamakura, Kyoto, and Nara. Unfortunately we missed Mount Fuji, which was shrouded in mist and fog on the day we went to see it. Best to all, and think 45th reunion in June!

1971

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I continue to marvel at the rhythm of the seasons. It has been fun reading what you remember of our ’71 Jan Plans. Will someone please tell me what MINE was?  • Last September, after my deadline for this column, Ralph Nodine let us know that in June 2014 he was inducted into the Virginia Housing Hall of Fame. He works for the Virginia Community Development Corporation in Richmond.  • Larie Trippet...
can’t recall his ’71 Jan Plan, but he does remember driving across the country at that time. Maybe I was with him? • One year into retirement, Fred Copithorne realizes he hasn’t yet come close to checking off the “honey-do” list, but he’s still enjoying pottery. His senior Jan Plan was his first glimpse of the wheel as he faced doing two Jan Plans simultaneously. Ask Bob Vaughan ’72 about why that was necessary. Maybe I was in the same boat? • Rich Abramson is interim president of Good Will-Hinckley in Hinckley, Maine. The Maine Academy of Natural Sciences at Good Will-Hinckley is the state’s first charter high school. GWH also works with the Day Will substance abuse program, among other noteworthy initiatives. Rich is busier now than ever. He remains in touch with Bro Adams and his wife. • Bob Gordon recalls only his sophomore Jan Plan, when he and Bruce Hubbard developed an economic system to control the world’s population. They thought it was a great idea at the time. He’s retired after 42 years as a builder, and he recommends retirement. • Along the same lines, John Slagle loves retirement and is living full time at Sugarloaf. “What more needs to be said?” • Martha Smith Mickles spent her senior Jan Plan drilling cores of frozen samples from the Sidney Bog. It disabused her of the notion of ever becoming a field geologist. Maybe I was in the bog with Martha? She and her partner are looking forward to traveling more together when Martha retires. They spend lots of quality time with their grandchildren. • Elaine Weeks-Trueblood is still working full time but looking forward to retirement. She works on a master data management program for JPMorgan Chase and enjoys its daily challenges. She was in Maine last fall, partly for a Fryeburg Academy board of trustees meeting and partly for some vacation. She played golf at the challenging Belgrade Lakes Country Club. • Nancy Gottlund Ghertner and her “crew” had another reunion last year in Joan Alway’s neck of the woods in the Cascade Mountains in Washington State. There were 10 of them: Dennis Marble, Lory and Nancy Ghertner, Joan Alway, Joan Harris Wiseman, Jeff Hood, Steven and Marilyn McDougal Meyehans ’72, and Ann McEwen ’70 and her husband. Nancy is working on another film and will let us know how it progresses. • Two years into her retirement, Carol Fall Bourgoin and her husband, Joe, enjoyed a river cruise in Europe last fall, from Budapest to Amsterdam. They returned to Myrtle Beach, S.C., this winter and look forward to some time on the rugged coast of Maine this summer. Carol, unlike SOME of us, does remember her senior Jan Plan—student-teaching in Skowhegan with Jane Hight. Maybe I was teaching in Skowhegan with Carol and Jane? • Leslie Anderson settled into her wintergrove, which includes lots of painting and music. She has been learning how to play the electric bass guitar, and she’s finding it fun and challenging. She and her husband were looking forward to their getaway to France in March. Leslie’s final Jan Plan was a photography project requiring lots of time in the darkroom in Roberts. Maybe I was in the darkroom with Leslie? She wandered streets, taking “artistic” shots, and yet had time to sneak off to Sugarloaf, too. Oh, maybe I was at Sugarloaf! That’s it!

1972

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Melanie Geisler Hodgdon wrapped up her 20th year as a business consultant and software trainer in the construction industry after 13 years as a classroom teacher and in various other pursuits (running a horseback-riding school, working as a Canadian bank teller, etc.). “Not exactly the predictable path for a dual English/music major!” She settled in Bristol, Maine, in 1980 and is still there with her husband of 41 years, Ed, enjoying their home and sailboat. She has not been in touch with anyone from the Class of ’72 and would love to hear from Jan Goodwin, Val Sgrulloni Jenkins, Barry Wilensky, and anybody else who remembers her. • Marilyn McDougal Meyehans and her husband still grow apples and other things on their two farms in central Maine (they even supply Colby with apples!). Their first grandchild was born to their son and his wife, who live in Seattle. Their daughter, Kate ’01, and her husband moved from Utah to New Hampshire for school, so they have one child closer. Their lives are very full, but they are starting to think about an exit plan from farming. “It’s time to start something different!” • Lou Griffith, who’s never written in before, is having a great life. He sold his business two years ago and retired last June. Wendy, his wife of 35 years, will be retiring (for the second time) in February. Their youngest son was married in September. Lou skis daily and works on getting their small sailboat ready to sail to the Caribbean in October/November. They plan on staying in the Caribbean for six to eight months (the ultimate retirement dream!). Lou maintains close contact with Jon Stone ’71 and Larry Boris ’71 and distant contact with Gary Petzold and Joe Benson. • Carol Beumiller remembered that she read Charles Dickens during her last Jan Plan at Colby. She is an executive vice president at Prontivit, a global risk-consulting firm, where she coordinates strategic planning initiatives and works with financial services clients globally to address regulatory and risk-management issues. Carol has been in the consulting arena for 25-plus years now—she’ll have lots of frequent-flier miles to use when she finally retires. Carol continues to be involved with Colby as a trustee emerita. She met with President David Greene at the winter trustee meeting last year before he took office and also got involved in ad hoc initiatives. She stays in touch with Colby friends including Donna Huff Davis, Sandy Manoogian Pearce, Betsey Rogers Comimiskey, and Barbara Weldon-Morin and Ed Morin. “It’s always great to get together with them and reminisce about Colby days.” • Henry ’73 and Dee Fitz-Gerald Sockbeson had quite a year, including their son’s wedding in New Orleans in May and their 40th anniversary in August. In September they celebrated their anniversary with a month-long trip to Europe, where they visited England and France. They report that English pub food has really improved. They visited Colby a couple of times to see the wonderful art museum and the new exhibits. Dee keeps in touch with her roommate, Roz Teto Johnson, who lives in Northern California. • My husband, Stephen, and I have had second careers—being retired—for quite a while. We divide our time between visiting our oldest daughter in Colorado, living at the Round family ski house (which we bought more than two years ago) in Madison, N.H., during the winter, and living at our family home near the ocean in Rhode Island. This year we’re returning to the island of Utiia in Honduras in March to visit my brother, Mike Round ’71, and his wife, Susan. They retired one and a half years ago in Ketchikan, Alaska, and moved to Utiia, where they enjoy an adventuresome life.

70s NEWSMAKERS

Jane Stinchfield Sexton ’70 was appointed to the Maine Board of Education in 2014. A retired high school biology teacher, Sexton was a Republican member of the Maine House of Representatives from 2008 to 2012. • Sara Burns ’79 received the 2014 Maine Irish Heritage Center’s Claddagh Award honoring an Irish American in Maine devoted to serving the community and state. Burns is president and CEO of Central Maine Power and serves on many boards, including those of MaineHealth, the Gulf of Maine Research Institute, and the George Mitchell Institute. • In February Catherine Courtenaye ’79 gave a TEDx talk at the University of Montana about the use of language in her paintings. A National Endowment for the Arts award recipient, Courtenaye has had numerous solo exhibitions, and her work is in the permanent collections of the Crocker Art Museum and the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, among others. • Eric Rosengren ’79, president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, delivered the H. Parker Willis Lecture at Washington and Lee University in November. His lecture was titled “Current Issues in Monetary Policy.” He was also featured in a January Bloomberg article about his involvement in a Boston Fed program to fund antipoverty projects in Chelsea, Mass.

70s NEWSMAKERS

Eric Rosengren ’79

By the time everyone reads this, let’s hope it will be warmer than it is while I’m writing. I am reminded of Jan Plans on campus, though, and how much I enjoyed being at Colby for that month between semesters. • A few classmates commented on how special it is to have grandchildren. Ellen and Bruce Cummings welcomed their first two grandchildren last fall, one girl from each of their children. They are hopeful that this next generation will produce a few “little Mules.” I hope for that as well! Bruce has entered his ninth year as president/CEO of Lawrence and Memorial Hospital in New London and his 38th overall in health-care administration. • Wells Pile enjoys “inspiring wisdom and practical advice to future marine electricians, diesel mechanics, plumbing experts, HVAC pros, and steering riggers.” A forced medical retirement from the yacht construction field has led to this new role. He talks proudly of wife Marguerite’s achievements as an artist and of his two sons’ successes, including giving Wells and Marguerite two grandchildren. • After working for 25 years in New York as a photographer, Bob Grant moved to the Boeing Company in Seattle 12 years ago. He is responsible for developing a service culture across the creative and information services
division of about 500 people. Bob’s new hobby, equestrian competition, earned him honors this past year. His win was featured in a local publication, and he intends to continue competing with the beautiful Irish Connemara pony he has been riding. 

Nour Nahawi is leaving her job after 42 years of working in banks. She plans to do something on her own, and while she has nothing in mind now, he is open to ideas or partnership in the Middle East or the States. He encourages classmates to contact him at nnahawi@orange.jo. Nour would love to hear from Richard, Gary, Gilvan ’72, and Camel. David Thomas was honored to be asked, as associate registrar of Lafayette College, to be the representative at David Crocker ’76, and enjoy catching up with Colby friends in the school principal. Anne and Dick moved to Portland Colby Club. 

Ellen stays in contact with Gary Lawless, and enjoys her 2-year-old granddaughter and she has little free time but nevertheless gives them some great places to visit. Lindy (Linda) Krohn Lund, who legally changed both first and last names when she married in July 2011, writes, “As ironic as it may seem (one classmate told me that only two people at Colby could drink under the table—and one of them was ME), I will be finishing my second internship in December and getting my licensed alcohol and drug counselor degree!” With two children at University of Vermont, Harriet Hults King says retirement is not yet in sight. She and husband Ben maintain a rewarding family law practice in Vermont. Harriet’s specialty is the impact of domestic and sexual violence on the divorce process. They get to Peaks Island as often as possible: “Nothing like an island to put things in perspective!” Her oldest son graduated from San Francisco State last May. Harriet has four dogs and two grandchildren, and they all keep life interesting. 

Jeff Cohen was named Southern Maine Lawyer of the Year in the 2015 edition of The Best Lawyers in America for the specialty of workers’ compensation—claimants. He is managing partner at McLeague Hibgee and lives in Brunswick. In November Ralph F. “Ted” Field married Joey R. LaBrecque at St. Luke’s Episcopal Cathedral in Portland, Maine. They had a commitment ceremony New Year’s Eve during a Caribbean cruise aboard the Queen Mary 2. “At the ripe young age of 62 I’m beginning a new adventure in life. I suspect that all my family members who went to Colby are rolling in their graves!” 

No retirement yet for Bill Clay, who has two daughters working with him in the family advertising business, with the other in a graduate program at UNH. He recently watched Colby play basketball at UMass Boston. Jeff Megargel heard from John Alsop last fall. Jeff no longer uses a wheelchair at the nursing home in New Rochelle, N.Y., where he lives. Karen Heck and Bruce Olson ’76 went to the White House last fall to see Colby President Emeritus Bro Adams sworn in as the new chair of the National Endowment for the Humanities. “Totally fun to see the West Wing. Met the VEEP and got admonished by a guard to ‘get back’ when I wandered off the beaten path. Excellent adventure.” There’s PLENTY more dirt about our classmates, but it can be found only in Colby Magazine online (colby.edu/magazine). You really ought to check that out, and if you’re on Facebook there’s a special message there just for you.

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Paul Harrington rated this year’s New Year’s Day Penguin Plunge—the 28th he has participated in as a fundraiser for Rhode Island Special Olympics—the most painful ever due to wind that left him shivering with cold before he even got in the water. He and Nancy-Haden Harrington celebrated their 40th anniversary last June at home in North Kingstown, R.I. Nan works at Dave’s Market and exercises her artistic talent with stained glass while Paul peddles fish and seafood in addition to knocking on doors for the U.S. Census Bureau’s monthly jobs report. They stay in touch with Scott Levine ’73.

S. Ann Earon moved off the water due to Superstorm Sandy. She is in a 55-plus community, where she is studying to be a master gardener, singing, and doing a musical revue. She is in her 32nd year of consulting in the unified communications and collaboration space. Her recent travels include a tour of the Italian lakes region and a river cruise in France. As a member of the Alumni Council, Ann visits Colby at least twice a year. Jan Hampshire Cummings’ blended family includes a high school junior at home and a GREAT-grandson due in April! She lives just north of San Francisco, in proximity to some of her children and grandchildren, and a lot of their family fun involves water sports—sailing, windsurfing, kayaking, and standup paddling. Having a daughter in Santa Barbara and a son in Maui also gives them some great places to visit.

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1975

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Joyce Smith has moved on to her second career, working as a legal proofreader for the Maine legislature. Her teaching days are over. For enjoyment, Joyce sings with the Androscoggin Chorale in Lewiston and travels as often as possible, usually with her buddy Spence Wright ’74. Keeping it in the family, John Mosley’s daughter Sarah joined him as a partner in the Mosley Financial Group, a holistic financial planning and investment management firm. John’s wife, Carol, is director of marketing and client services. John is actually thinking of ending his streak of reunion nonattendance by attending our 40th in June. After spending five months last year biking in France, Becky and Buck Drew are planning to rent road bikes during our reunion weekend. Anyone is welcome to join them. Buck feels that somehow those beautiful Maine roadways did not get the attention they deserved while he was a student. He attributes that to the responsibility of keeping up the KDR GPA weighing too heavily on him. 

Alan Berry has taken a leave of absence for several months from his job teaching math at the Emma Willard School in Troy, N.Y., a girls’ boarding and day school. He and his wife, Sarah Dailey ’74, are spending time in a contemplative (Christian) monastic community in Northumberland, England. They are both well and happy, especially being grandparents of two, Clay and Kitrin, who live near Seattle. Alan wishes that they would be back for our 40th reunion, but their stay in England precludes their availability. 

Keep an eye out for Marty Women and his new-to-him 2007 Airstream trailer! He plans to take genealogical field trips to places where his ancestors lived in the Northeast. He has already spent several hours photographing gravestones of his Colton ancestors in Longmeadow, Mass., and plans to return to spend more time exploring his roots. With the discovery that some of his father’s ancestors came over from Northern Ireland in 1849, Marty signed up for a trip, sponsored by the New England Historic Genealogical Society, to Belfast, Northern Ireland, to learn more about his Irish background. Be sure to ask Marty about his findings at our 40th reunion in June. Joanne and Rod Jones are planning to attend our upcoming reunion. Rod is looking forward to seeing what new hazards have been built in the frolf course! Life is good with the Jones family in Montreal, where Rod is still in shipping. All three of their children are in shipping, too, so there is never a lack of conversation at family get-togethers. Oldest daughter Kim ’05 was recently engaged, so they are all looking forward to a summer wedding. Rod is hoping to see lots of ’75ers in June! As are all your class officers and 40th-reunion committee members. No doubt, you noticed the mention of our 40th reunion several times in this column. Hint, hint! Hope to see as many of you as possible who can make the trip to Colby for Reunion Weekend June 4-7!

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I’m writing this just after a big snowstorm. Spring seems so far away—yet here it is. With that same speed, next spring will be here, and our 40th reunion. So start planning your schedule: June 2–5, 2016. Mark Janos and his wife are “officially childless”—the last went off to grad school at Seton Hall. Mark is still an attorney in Newburyport, Mass. Like many with recent milestone birthdays and the loss of beloved classmates, he’s realizing the “bucket list” has new meaning. So he’s contemplating more journeys and travels while still thinking about practicing law until 2024.

Caren Starr Schwartz published QuickBooks for
Law Firms last year. It is available through Amazon. ● Frank Callanan has had a rough go of it with COPD. In the midst, however, was the great joy of his oldest son's marriage in November. He wrote that the silver lining of his journey has been his children and son-in-law Josh. As he said, “At the end of each day, I feel the luckiest man alive. At the end of the day, it’s about love.” Ain’t that the truth! Please keep Frank (Paco) in your prayers. ● Terrific to hear from my freshman-year roommate, Rob Petersen, who lives in New Canaan, Conn., with his wife, Meg. In 2009, after 25 years working at large NYC ad agencies, Rob founded BarnRaisers, a digital marketing agency. He also teaches digital marketing at Rutgers Business School in the M.B.A. program. One son, Blake, is an RT graduate working as an engineer and serving in the National Guard. His other son, Sean, graduates this spring from the University of the Arts in Philadelphia and hopes to be in sound design, in particular composing music for video games. ● Another M.B.A. faculty member is Scott McDermott, who directs the experiential and applied learning programs at the Carroll School of Management at Boston College. He enjoys taking a class each winter in Omaha to meet with Warren Buffett. Scott continues his management consulting practice focused on growth and business performance for emerging businesses and professional services firms. Scott’s kids are happily living and working in Manhattan, San Francisco, and downtown Boston, respectively. His youngest son, Jack, was a senior midfielder on Tufts’ NCAA championship lacrosse team last spring. Scott is looking forward to connecting with all the ’76ers at next year’s 40th reunion. ● Those of you who received our January e-blast already know that we lost our classmate Jane Souza Dingman just before Christmas. Jane was our class correspondent for a stretch before chronic illness set in. As Janeen Reedy Adl wrote to me, “Jane was a woman of generous spirit and joyful heart, genuine, and grounded in her faith. The world was better for her presence here.” Colby ’76 sympathies to Jane’s husband, Charlie, and their children. ● By the way, if you did not receive that e-blast, it may be that Colby doesn’t have your current e-mail address. Please let the alumni office know—or e-mail me at the address at the top of the column and I’ll forward it along. Until next time, wishing you all safe, happy, and healthy times. Circle that calendar for reunion. Reach out to an old friend. And don’t forget your donation to the Colby Fund!

1977

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Hendrix Bodden is CEO of a cybersecurity technology company. He lives in Chicago with his wife (a hospital emergency room nurse) and four children. This summer he plans to visit Colby for the first time since our graduation to attend the Class of 1975 reunion. ● Denise Martell Martin is very involved with family, especially two young grandchildren (and she has two more on the way). In her free time she engages in entrepreneurship, having started a couple of new businesses recently. She looks forward to her 40th wedding anniversary later this year, with a celebratory full-family vacation planned. All in all, she says, “2015 looks to be a banner year on several fronts.” ● Sandy Pardee reports a significant life event: he was married in April 2014 to a wonderful woman, Catherine, from Quebec City. He will be moving there as soon as his visa is approved (which he hopes will happen in 2015—the process can be long). Sandy notes, “We had so much fun at the wedding that we had a second one in August at my sister’s home in Rhode Island. That was attended by Colby grads John Stivers ’81, Sara Froio O’Leary ’79, and Everett Briggs ’80.” Sandy vacationed with R. P. Higgins in Florida last October. Their Colby band, Pearl, will play at this year’s Colby reunion. ● Susan Harvey spent a week in Provence with Vicki Johnson last September. They “saw a lot of Roman ruins, soaked up the local art and countryside, drank a lot of rosé, and enjoyed the food.” Vicki then departed, and Susan continued on to Segovia, Spain, where she visited old friends from her junior year abroad 35 years ago. “The decades just melted away, and it was just like old times. How’s that for a college reunion?” ● Ken Colton reminisced about Jan Plans. He remembers his first, which ended with him being grilled by the Government Department for his final paper (“Felt more like the Star Chamber than a discussion. I’ve never forgotten it!”). On a more positive note, Ken also remembers chemistry professor Wayne Smith taking time and effort one Jan Plan to arrange for Ken to use analytic equipment at other institutions so Ken could (“I’ll just quote here”) “get data from which to estimate how linear was the polyethylene versus the branching from the main polymer chain.” ● As for me, I remember one Jan Plan when I learned navigation from physics/chemistry professor Denniss Bancroft, who was an expert on navigation. For example, he owned a yacht that he sometimes used to teach physics majors about how ocean waves are really springs and can be manipulated, using the application of intelligently directed forces (like pilot Bancroft’s finely honed steering techniques), into throwing a smallish boat sailing Penobscot Bay into wildly complex fore-and-aft bobbing and deep port-to-starboard tilting oscillations—just as the laws of physics predict! While instigating this, he’d calmly cast glances at our faces, just to make sure no one was about to ... lose faith.

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What an intriguing and eclectic batch of mail we received last year. It is available through Frank Callanan’s Law Firms newsletter. ● Betsy Williams Stivers recommends The House at the End of Hope Street by Menna van Praag and The Fever Tree by Jennifer McVeigh. ● Judy Cue Lukasaki read Mr. Penumbra’s 24-Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan, a book club choice she enjoyed for its youthful and engaging main character. ● Ann McCreary recommends Malaysian author Tan Tuan Eng’s The Gift of Rain and The Garden of Evening Mists, which she describes as “both compelling and heartbreakingly.” ● Pam Cleaves Devine sent raves for two business books she read last year: The End of Competitive Advantage by Rita Gunther McGrath and Flash Foresight: How to See the Invisible and Do the Impossible by Daniel Burrus. Her favorite Christmas gift was The Flying Parson of Labrador and the Real Story behind Bert and I by Robert Bryan, Sarah Bryan Severance’s dad. ● Jim Cook read Peter Mayle’s A Year in Provence and started Toujours Provence in anticipation of a trip there this summer. Jim also recently read The Glacier Wolf: True Stories of Life in Southeast Alaska by Nick Jans ’77 and Nick’s new book, A Wolf Called Romeo. Colin Woodward’s American Nations made a lasting impression with its details about the ethnic, religious, and cultural groups that settled America and how they explain modern-day differences, including voting patterns. ● Sandy Buck recommends Deep by Porter Fox, about climate change through the eyes of those who love skiing and care about the planet, and The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown, an inspiring read. He also suggests a couple of compelling autobiographies: Townie by Andre Dubus III and Off to the Side by Jim Harrison, his favorite American fiction writer.

1979

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Hello from snowy Colorado Springs. ● Joe Meyer began his year traveling to New York from Tokyo. He had a great dinner with Moses Silverman ’69, a trustee, and Michelle Riffelmacher ’03. ● Grandparents Cari and Carl Lovejoy have been dubbed “Carlos and CeCe” by granddaughter Lila. Her parents, Ben and Avery, reside in Southern California, as does Carl’s middle son, Matt, who lives in LA, where he works for a private wealth group. Nick, the youngest, graduated in June from Dartmouth...
(why Carl wasn’t at reunion) and works for GE Capital in Connecticut.  ● Kyle Harrow made the trip to Toronto in late August for his son Sam’s freshman year at the University of Toronto. Sam was born in Toronto and has dual citizenship. Next to launch from the nest will be her daughter in four years.   ● With three boys in college and one finishing high school, George Powers has started to contemplate what comes after working and a quieter house—not too many cedars older than 60. Road trip!  ● Susan Raymond Geismar celebrated her daughter’s July wedding with Colby friends Mike ’78 and Kelley Keefe Slavin ’80, Nancy and Bob Bower ’80, and Larry Hill ’78. Now she is in planning mode for daughter number two’s wedding this summer.   ● Jane Gair Priesrite marked 15 years as a social worker at Mercy Hospital’s New England Eating Disorders Program last year. Her son is a high school senior, involved in music and drama and interested in pursuing engineering in college. As marching-band parents who also want to be better musicians, Keith and Jane took a Berklee/Coursera course to learn about harmony, intervals, chords, form, and the blues. Jane became an amateur videographer to create videos for fun and to document family events. She got in touch with Geoffrey Parker for some of his professional knowledge.  ● Sally Morton spent a few days over the holidays with Roy and Deborah Lieberman Moore in Connecticut. After a relaxing visit, Sally is working with a friend who has a third-party marketing firm in southern New Hampshire. They represent several small-investment managers. This is great for Sally as she can call on her long-term consultant contacts and have a flexible schedule working from home in Cohasset. She’s also teaching skiing again after many years away.   ● My e-mail asked you to talk about your last Jan Plan, several of you responded.  ● Sonia Turcotte Fois remembers spending sophomore Jan Plan in Mexico. Her son, Andrew, who is majoring in business and minoring in film at NYU, was in Florence, Italy, this year for his January term.  ● Tom Eyman remembers hiking up the ski trails at Sugarloaf because there was no snow. His older daughter graduates from Bates this spring, and his youngest two are at Smith.  ● Lisa McDonough O’Neil worked at the Morning Sentinel and actually had her own byline! Lisa recently started an executive-recruiting consulting business focusing on pharmaceuticals and R & D in the food and beverage industry.   ● In September Deb Clark Nelson and Kathy McCulloch Wade spent a week in Barcelona, where they drank lots of cava, sampled the local seafood, and relived their junior year abroad.  ● Jamie Hansman started a small investment management firm about 20 years ago, and he’s still at it. He lives in Duxbury, Mass., and has a daughter who’s a junior at Harvard, another who’s a freshman at BC, and a son in high school. Jamie sent along a picture of him, Elliott Pratt, and a host of others from our era at the service for Sam Koch ’79. You can see it on our class Facebook page.  ● After 14 years, Becky Brunner-Peters left Credit Suisse and is now head of legal and compliance at Vontobel Swiss Wealth Advisors in Zurich. Her daughter just started at the University of St. Gallen (Switzerland), studying law and economy.  ● All Domar’s seventh book was due to be published in January. It’s a stress-reduction guide for pregnant women. Her daughter started at Hamilton in the fall.  ● Mark Garvin, president of the Tree Care Industry Association, was at a conference in Palm Springs in January and ran into the new president of the board of the American Society of Consulting Arborists, Barb Neal.  ● Inventor and engineer John Sylvan was honored by the Milton (Mass.) Foundation for Education as an outstanding graduate of the Milton public school system. John and Peter Dragne ’79, believing there was a need for a single-brew coffee system, started the company Keurig. John lives in Needham with his wife and four kids and is currently working at his new startup company, Zobak, hoping to forever alter the way people heat their homes.  ● On a terribly sad note, Rev. Jane Dibden was killed in a tragic automobile accident this January. Jane was pastor of two churches in the Oklahoma Panhandle. She leaves behind a husband and five children. Jane would have been touched to know how many of our classmates wrote to me expressing their sadness and shock. We were all lucky to have known a woman of such great faith and innate goodness. We’ll remember Jane and other members of our class at our reunion, June 5-7. I hope to see you all there.

**80s NEWSMAKERS**

Newly discovered trilobite fossil Holmiella domackae was named after Cynthia Wigley Domack ’80, professor of geosciences at Hamilton College in Clinton, N.Y. One of Domack’s former students, geologist Wesley Gapp, named the species after her in recognition of her influence on his professional development.  ● In September business newspaper Mainebiz featured Fletcher Kittredge ’84 as an Internet pioneer in the state, and in November he was appointed to the Maine Center for Public Interest Reporting board of directors. Kittredge is founder and CEO of Maine-based telecommunications company GWI, which celebrated its 20th anniversary last year.  ● Award-winning poet Maria Luisa Arroyo ’89 was named poet laureate of Springfield, Mass., in September. “This honor is for the community, not just for me,” she said. “I am very proud of being from the North End and attending Springfield public schools and being a Latina getting this recognition.” Arroyo has published two collections of poetry, Naming and Naming the Roots of This Tree and Gathering Words: Recogiendo Palabras.
at sea traveling from San Diego through Asia and Africa to end up in London five months later, third child Ryan is a senior at Becker College in Worcester, Mass. Youngest daughter Annie, a fashion design major at New York City’s Fashion Institute of Technology, is completing her senior year in the school’s IFD in Milan program. Since two of their children were already in Europe, Bob and Ginny enjoyed a wonderful family Christmas trip traveling through Tuscany.

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Don Vafides writes that “2014 was an incredibly busy year. My partner, Irv, and I took over a restaurant and bar and an ice cream shop in Provincetown, Mass. I’ve been splitting my time between my D.C. dental practice and Cape Cod, but the hope is to transition to retirement from dentistry and move full time to the Cape.” Don and Irv attended their first Patriots game at Gillette and hope to make it to more games and finally get back to visit Colby.

Jeffra Becknell brought her wife and two daughters (13 and 11) to Colby for the first time in July. “Mayflower Hill was spectacular, and I was able to point out my freshman dorm room in Avellir. We visited Sandy Maisel at his home on Great Pond. We enjoyed lobster rolls, speedboating, and watching our California girls jump off a dock into a lake before a summer storm drenched us.”

“2014 was an all is well, and life is good,” writes Jeff Brown, despite being in the throes of moving parents into retirement communities. In December Jeff and family visited son Alec, a junior at Davidson College, in London, as Alec finished up a semester there. They enjoyed food, theater, art, history, and more, then spent a few days in Vienna experiencing the Christmas spirit Austrian-style.

Mark Hopkins submitted a list of all the changes in his household: “My oldest daughter just had her third son. My oldest son was promoted and moved to Denver. My second daughter graduated from University of San Diego last summer. Two other children are in high school. Still teaching and coaching at Brunswick School in Greenwich, Conn., and serving in the Army Reserve. Hope to finish up the Army War College this summer. I’ve been selected for brigade command of a unit at Westover Air Base in Massachusetts, so I’m looking forward to that as well.”

Deb Nancy Hatchorn and daughter Dana are celebrating Dana’s driver’s license and early-decision acceptance to Bates. They both volunteer for the Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sport Program at Sugarbush Ski Resort, where they have encountered every imaginable snow condition, including skiing in the pouring rain! Deb looks forward to heading Down East to connect with family and old friends ... and catch a dance or two! Our last bit of news is quite sad. Last June Beth Ellis Tautkus lost her son, Austin, 18, to a work accident. Although they lost Austin, he made life-saving organ and tissue donations to help others. Numerous Colby friends traveled to Beth’s side to help her through her grief. “Colleen Plourde Harvey, Denise Glennon, Sue Kallio, and Kate Docherty were pillars of strength and levity. Patty Valavanis Smith ’80 also attended Austin’s services. The weekend after the services, Colleen, her children, and Denise joined me and my daughters in Dewey Beach, Del., for some relaxation and reflection. A week later I joined Sue Kallio for a few days at her house in Mattapoisett, Mass., for more beach time.” Beth and her husband are back teaching school, and they and their children—Jason, Katie, and Jenny—get through one day at a time. Beth prays that no one else will have to bury a child. Beth provided a link to a poem about a balloon release they did to honor Austin. The author didn’t know Austin, and a friend of a friend found the poem purely by chance: rattlec.com/poetry/after-the-memorial-by-megan-collins. Heartfelt condolences to you and your family, Beth.

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Classmates, I almost failed you by missing the deadline. This whole reinvention thing has clearly fried my brain cells (but only the weak ones). I moved to New Paltz in September, began a new career in corporate governance with the cybersecurity advisement portfolio, then got slammed with a Lyme disease diagnosis in November. To all of you who didn’t get a cheery response from me when you wrote, apologies! But I’m totally jazzed by all the news, so let’s get down on it! Because I hadn’t received permission, my last column did not report John Northrop’s near-fatal accident on a mountain bike trail. He updated me that after a full year of healing (I think that included a few months of not moving), he is now doing spin class and yoga with plans to get on a bike again in the spring for his daily commute to work. Cheers to your full recovery, my friend! From the New Career desk, I heard from Becky Crook Rogers, who is well on her way to a master’s in counseling ministries from Methodist Theological School of Ohio with a plan to graduate in 2016. She’ll be doing an internship this summer and then sitting for a professional counseling license in Ohio in June 2016. You go, girl!

Heidi Larson and husband Craig hiked the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu—four days over two 13,000-plus passes, one of which was 13,900 feet! Heidi and Craig see a number of our classmates including Jenny Knoll Bouchard, Deb Fenton, and Rick Manley. Craig is still employed by School Family Media, where he’s VP of content and marketing, and Heidi works for the Education Development Center, where she works directly with two other Colby grads. You guys are deputized to exhort your friends to write in next time, KKK?

Mair Sikakides Hill is an author, speaker, mentor, coach, and teacher with a new book, A GOOD PLAN: Ten Simple Steps to Make Healthy Choices a Habit. She summarizes it as “a primer, designed to get people to JUST START on a healthier lifestyle. Simple. Easy. Doable.” I’m in, Mair! She blogs at mairhill.com (loved the posts I read!), where her tag line is “You. Only Better. Personally. Professionally. Energetically.” Mair has a private coaching practice with passion-driven emphasis to help small businesses and entrepreneurs grow to the next level, and she conducts corporate presentations on a range of wellness topics. Mair has three boys, the oldest two at Tufts and Marymount, and the youngest a senior in high school, where he’s an All-American Division I lacrosse player who has been recruited to play at Quinnipiac next year. Coaching begins at home, Mair! Great to hear from Geoff Bialotti, who lives on a farm in New Jersey following a raft of career years in Europe. In addition to his work at Wyndham Worldwide, where he’s held C-level offices since 2008, Geoff is father to four girls, the youngest now preparing for college. His wife rescues horses, rehabilitates them, and relocates them to Massachusetts, where she and Geoff’s oldest daughter run a therapeutic riding camp for autistic and disabled children. Check it out at cranberrystrongfarm.com.

From Tunbridge, VT, Scott Russell sent up a flare! He wrote of a great trip to Scotland with wife Eve (Ermer) ’86, “hitting four breweries, seven distilleries (including six on Islay), and just about every pub in Edinburgh—my kind of holiday.” They did manage some quality family time with Eve’s cousins in Anstruther, Fife, “and visited ancestral and historic sites as well. Even cruised Loch Ness!” Their son and his wife are expecting their first son in February. Yes, Scott, we are really that old! Keep the news coming, and note my new e-mail address: jennifer@mottspoint.com.

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Greetings, members of the Class of ’84. While we have some news to report, sadly, it is not all good. I regret to inform you that Alice Seneay Lumpkin passed away July 5, 2014. After graduating from Colby with a degree in geology with an environmental science option, she worked for six years at the Brandywine Conservancy in Chadds Ford, Pa., attended Widener University Law School, received the prestigious Zelda Herrmann Memorial Cup Award and the American Jurisprudence Award in Torts, and graduated magna cum laude from Vermont Law School with an M.S. in environmental law. After passing the bar, Alice worked for the Wilderness Society in Washington, D.C. She and her husband, James C. Murray, settled at Mary’s Meadows, a family farm in Maryland, raising sheep and Christmas trees and overseeing an ongoing triad of yellow labs. Our condolences go out to her husband.

On the brighter side, Andrew “Masher” Brown ’85 and Ogden White planned to host their 26th annual ice fishing tournament March 5–8. Attendees were to include Brian Preney, Dan Toomey, Dave Auger, Mike Brown, Tom Cushman, and many others. Masher, I heard Nils Gjestby and Bernd Hefele were planning on crashing it.

Eric van Gestel still lives in the San Francisco Bay area, where he is building a nonprofit to help create awareness of male breast cancer (notjustpink.org). He’s been cancer-free for more than a year now, and all is well! John Tawa and his family live in Oregon, where his sons, Tim, Jordy, and Casey, are excelling at baseball and basketball. Becca Cunningham-Weiss is proud to report that all of her children are either Colby grads or soon to be.

Craig and Diane Perlowksi Alie have relocated back to Dover, N.H., where Craig is producing Granite State Challenge.

Kathryn Soderberg has been traveling extensively, most recently to India, Dubai, and Ecuador. Vanessa Alonso DeSimone met up with her old roommates Laurie Rutherford Slap and Kathy Musser.
Marshall for a day of fun in Cambridge, Mass. • Nathan “Waldo” Emerson and his wife, Lindsay, welcomed daughter Quincy. Mom and baby are doing very well and enjoyed the winter in Jackson Hole. • Bill Sheehan has been seen around town with George Harrington ’85. • I ran into John Olson ’83, Neil Wysocki, John Ayer, and Lisa Wormood at a Charlie Baker (now Governor Baker of Massachusetts) fundraising event a few months back. • Warren Burroughs recently shot his first eight-point buck while hunting in Maine with Juan Colon. • Keep the news coming in. Kathy, Joy, Feta, and Lori ... if I don’t hear from you, I’ll make something up for the next edition.

1985
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Lots of news this time around—thanks to everyone who contributed! • Roy Hirshland was in NYC recently to celebrate the birthday of “big” brother Bob Hirshland ’76. He caught up with Jeff Sherwood ’75 and Tau Delt roommate Greg Shefrin. • Carol Eisenberg and David Simpson ’86 have three children; their eldest, Maxine, transferred from Goucher to John Jay College. Charlotte starts at Haverford in the fall and plans to play field hockey, and Elias, 10, enjoys tap dancing and soccer. Carol has been practicing Bikram yoga for six years. • Sue Lang is the new manager of educational services for Square 9 Softworks out of New Haven, Conn. She credits her time at Colby teaching BASIC programming to students as directly responsible for her career. • Shireen Shahawy had a busy December; daughter Allison (also daughter of Ryan Stinneford) and her husband welcomed their first baby, Thea. The next day Shireen became engaged to a Bowdoin (!) man. She also concluded her part-time job at an ad agency to pursue voice-over work full time. Shireen’s website, thatgirlcanread.com, has demos of work she has done for clients nationwide. • Ed Maglicano recently shared some laughs at a comedy club with Harry Raphael ’84, Rob Boone and his longtime companion, Darlene, and Peter ’86 and Linda Flight Lull. Ed lives in Rhode Island and has four kids: Michael, a freshman at Coastal Carolina University; Mia, a senior in high school; Mollie, a freshman; and Matthew, a sixth grader. • James Gill enjoyed a two-week family trip to the Loire Valley in France last summer. While there, they visited several wine caves. Go to alumni.colby.edu and click on the “Stay Connected” tab to check out a picture of James in front of the Langlois Chateau (a long-lost relative of Stephen Langlois?). • Lynn Brunelle’s new book, *Mama Gone Geek*, launched in November to positive reviews. She is hoping to be invited on the Jimmy Kimmel show! Lynn lives on Bainbridge Island and reports her kids are doing well. Kai, 12, is a hip-hop dancer, and Leo, 10, is a gymnast. • Chris Feiss and his wife, Hadley Hubbard ’86, have three kids—Anna is a junior at Washington and Lee; Julia is heading to the University of Denver next fall, and Carter is a high school freshman. Chris’s kids all either attended or worked at Kieve-Wavus camp in Damariscotta, Maine. He has met great Colby students who are counselors there and has kept in touch with the camp’s executive director, Henry Kennedy ’80, with whom he served as a Colby overseer. • Gretchen Miller Crowley is a youth services librarian in Alexandria, Va., and runs science programs for elementary kids. She has twins who will graduate from college this year, and her eldest son relocated to NYC to work in the radio production industry. • Deborah England Gray’s daughter is a sophomore at the University of San Diego, and her youngest will attend Harvard next year and compete on the track team. After a fabulous family vacation in Costa Rica, Debbie decided to leave the corporate world and provide general counsel consulting services to companies. She loves it and has more time to spend with her family, work on behalf of her favorite charities, and travel with her husband. • Kevin Bruen has made lots of trips to Colby to see his son, Connor ’17, play football. Kevin’s still in the Coast Guard, traveling to assist other countries’ maritime forces in international maritime law. Kevin recently traveled to Ghana during the height of the Ebola crisis and was scheduled to go to the Congo in February. • Scott Blair passed away June 22, 2013, on St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. His wife, Linda Flora Blair, survives him. • I was sorry to miss Beth Towle Locke’s cocktail party for our class last November. They had a great turnout, and it was a fabulous pre-reunion event. Save the date for our 30th reunion, June 4-7. I hope to see you there!

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As I write, Massachusetts is digging out from June, the blizzard of 2015. After shoveling, we reward ourselves with wild sledding adventures. Last night Chris Engstrom and I and our 11-year-old son ended up sledding on a steep, snow-slick dead-end street. Much laughing and a few tumbles ensued. Who says 50 ain’t nifty? • Andy Burns celebrated that milestone in Tybee Island, Ga., where his family threw him a party. Happily married and living in Kentucky, Andy has four kids—daughter is grown, eldest son is in college, and the two younger boys are in school and are great musicians, students, and gamers. • Hamilton Brower pulled off a great surprise for Helene Landers Toomey by plotting with her husband and kids to spend a week in California with them—first at Helene’s beautiful Bel Air home and then on a two-day mini-vacation for Ham and Helene at the San Ysidro Ranch in Santa Barbara. Ham sold his company, Gorilla-Grips, and found his calling as a virtual franchisee for the Juice Plus Company. Learn about this whole-food nutritional product—which Ham credits with turning back his health-and-wellness clock 30 years—at hamiltonbrower.juiceplus.com. Ham, I guess you’ll be leading us on the dance floor at reunion! • Joyce Sutton Anderson hopes to host some classmates at reunion time at her Phippsburg, Maine, vacation home. She and husband Kevin will practice their party skills with a bash for daughter Lindsay and groom Linus, who were married recently. • Lila Hopson counts on seeing Joyce, as well as Cindy Castro-Minehan. • Jennifer Allen also hopes to attend. She is happily living on her small farm in Lincoln, VT, with husband Bob Tudek and three teenage daughters—Ayilee, Yana, and Leeya—not to mention horses, sled dogs, and “too many” cats! • Ricardo Sieveking is planning a trip back to Colby on top of other recent travel—including to San Diego to watch his youngest son play soccer at the Surf Cup. • We hope James Campbell can pop over from his work as an assistant general of Maine, where he enjoys state government and federal military issues. • Twenty-nine years ago, we were in our last Jan Plan. I was on campus, researching other colleges’ models for student telephone fundraising. Yes, thank me for those student calls you get! Now it’s my career. I’m currently morphing from campaign manager and development director to major gifts director, all at Mass Audubon. • Hilary Breed Van Dusen’s Jan Plan internships in publishing also connected her to her work, now focused on acquiring and editing middle-grade and young adult nonfiction books. Hilary is active with an open-water rowing club around Massachusetts’ North Shore coastline. Her first race was the Blackburn Challenge last summer—a 20-mile circumnavigation of Rockport and Gloucester—and she won in her class. We can fast-forward from Dorothy Mack Steppelmann’s Jan Plan working with third and fourth graders to her current position as elementary school principal in Sacramento. Dorothy and husband John celebrated 21 years of marriage last year and are recent empty-nesters with daughter Elizabeth at the University of Oregon. They’ll keep busy with home improvements and landscaping their two-plus acres, plus a trip to Hawaii. • Ethan Weisler was promoted to full professor and chief of hand and upper extremity surgery and fellowship director at Wake Forest. With his two kids grown, he enjoys travel for work and pleasure, and he lives happily with his best canine friend, Whiskey. • After years in the investment industry, Guy Holbrook started a private real estate fund, Tidegate Capital. Though he sometimes misses his downtown Boston Colby pals, he loves the perks of the 1.8-mile commute, including seeing his kids off to school and being able to focus on his eldest daughter’s college application process. • Marian Huntington Schinske is honored that her nonprofit, NovatoSpirit, was chosen as a partner of One World Children’s Fund. • Sally Jaffe Curley is celebrating seven years at Cardinal Health in Ohio and loves her business trips to Shanghai and Beijing. She and husband David enjoyed their spring trip to Italy and spent the holidays in Barcelona and Madrid. • Robert Loyn will retire from the U.S. Marine Corps this summer following more than 29 years of active-duty service. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant on graduation day at Colby. “I was the only graduate in a dress white U.S.M.C. uniform.” • Jay Allen encourages any Boston-based financial services professionals to join the next financial services career day for Colby students, Oct. 13. The 2014 gathering hosted more than 70 students with more than 125 alumni/parents involved, including Dan Cullaty, Evan Dangel, Guy Holbrook, Jeff King, Randy Mitchell, and Mike Savage. • Keep well, and keep writing!

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A big hello to Colby’s new president, David Greene. Since you don’t have the benefit of knowing through experience, President Greene, I will tell you that the Class of ‘87 is considered the most intelligent, thoughtful, and attractive class in Colby’s history. That’s a proven fact. Here are just a few examples: Tristram Korten writes, “I spent a month this summer on Block Island, R.I., where I speared a 45-pound striped bass in about 25 feet of water. Biggest fish of my life. [Y]ou still fish with a spear, Tris? They now have
striped bass at Whole Foods. Mental note for next time.] He continues, “My 6- and 9-year-old girls set up their first mint iced tea stand. The garden was overrun with mint; lemonade market seemed saturated. Now I’m back to my relatively new job as director/editor of the nonprofit Florida Center for Investigative Reporting, which funds in-depth reporting projects in the state.” • **Jeff Russell** is “happy to report that I wove dropping my daughter off at dear old Camp Colby on a picture-perfect summer day. The college looks fantastic and has amenities beyond anything we ever imagined.” [That’s true. Jeff. Though I think the new llamas are a bit much.] “She seemed to be in her natural habitat, so I departed a happy parent ’18 and wonder which 31 years went.” • **Andrew Rudman, Josh Shapiro, Jeff DiSandro, Bruce Dalbeck, Josh Goldberg ’88,** and a few others who shall remain nameless until the trial is over visited New Orleans to rekindle their intimate connections with beignets and voodoo. They would like to thank the many generous citizens for their beads. • **Lisa Kelly Coddington** offered one correction from the last column. She said, “I have two sons. Blake is a boy. Probably a typo, but in the column he is referenced as ‘her.’” [My apologies to Blake. And to the poor typographers who trusted me.] • I want to add a quick note. We are all approaching 50 or somehow past it, as the case may be. Now is a good time to do all those things that will take us to 100. Men, get a colonoscopy. Not kidding here. And don’t use the home kit! Former perky *Today Show* host and current Yahoo maven Katie Couric told me to tell you this. She’s a very close friend in my imagination. Spend more time doing the things you enjoy with the people you love. See the world. I hear Europe is an amazing country. Learn an instrument, like the lute. We need more lute players! If you are sad, reach out and tell people. Try to connect in ways other than by never writing, finally updated me on his class discount!] Dan works for Swarovski, his family’s business, and spends three months a year in Europe. I can go on your next trip, Dan, if you need someone to carry your luggage. • **Melissa Trend Staid** lives in Napa Valley, where she and her husband have an aerial-imaging business, VineView, focusing on premium wine grapes. They have two kids, and they welcome anyone wanting to visit wine country. Don’t be surprised if I show up on your doorstep! • Our very own poet laureate (of Springfield, Mass.), **Maria Luisa Arroyo,** is coordinating a monthly literary arts spotlight at the Springfield Library while also studying for her M.F.A. at Pine Manor College. Her son, Shaheen, started Hartwick College in the fall—which is not possible, because he is still a chubby-cheeked toddler as far as I’m concerned. • **Rebecca Zeilon** is enjoying life in California, where she works to raise funds for the sciences at UC Santa Cruz. • **John “Johnny P” Reynolds** is writing a new animated comedy series for Netflix starring the voice of SNL’s Chris Parnell. The show will come out this spring. John’s son just turned 6 “and already looks like he’s ready to go to college. But I’m not ready to pay for it.” Maybe with our class discount? • **Hilary Barnes Hoopes** sent a lovely photo from her and Rob’s annual New Year’s get-together with Dave and Cindy Cohen Fernandez and Matt Soifer and his wife, Suzi. Stephanie and **Marc Rando** weren’t able to join them as Marc was recovering from hip replacement surgery. • **When Shaun Dakin** isn’t chasing after his son, Joseph, Murray Valley is involved in planning the 30th, so reach her through the alumni directory if you’d like to be involved. • **Melissa Ruff Cassel** is in her 17th year as dean of students at the highly regarded Walnut Hill School for the Arts in Natick, Mass. She still loves going to work every day. She lives on campus with her husband, son, and three dogs. Melissa’s son is in the eighth grade and applying to Walnut Hill as a theater major. • **Tom Jester’s** Colby news is that his son, Nate, will be a member of Colby Class of ’19 and will be joining his sister, Hallie, Class of ’16! Someone needs to get a picture of the Colby kids from our class. • **Nancy Pare Burton** wrote from the beach in St. Lucia, vacationing with her kids before they headed back to college. She says it’s a fantastic place, absolutely beautiful, and she was feeling very lucky. • **Bran Claytor** made a big move. After nine years of plastic-surgery practice in New England, he returned home to Philadelphia. He’s joined Noone Plastic Surgery in Bryn Mawr. • **Tom Hiemstra** lives in Singapore with wife Melinda and their two children, Maisie and Hudson. Tom is establishing a corporate beachhead in Asia for Evolution Markets, and the family loves discovering Asia. They had just returned from a trip to Australia and the Margaret River wine region, and in March they planned to travel to Sri Lanka. Their 4-year-old’s passport is already full and needs extra pages! • **John Seidl’s** big news from Idaho is that Crosby Jack Seidl turned 1 on the winter solstice. They are all quite busy, as Crosby is now walking. His big sisters are very helpful and love having a baby in the house. • Great news turnout this time, so thanks! Some news had to be bumped to the next issue. Sorry, **Bunks**, but you’ll be the lead story next time.

## 1988

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Ken Ginder has been a lawyer at Verrill Dana in Maine for 17 years. He practices in the area of employee benefits and executive compensation. Last April the family—wife Claire and daughters Julia and Kate—went on a college tour for Julia, now a senior. Kate is a sophmore. While in Maryland they visited Charles Pepin ’90 and family. Charles started as an ’88er. The Ginders see a lot of Dave ’89 and Cindy Cohen Fernandez ’89 during summers on Sebago Lake. Julia plays on a hockey team coached by Alex Essman ’11, who is reportedly an awesome coach. • **Steff Rocknak** was celebrated by a crowd including several classmatess at the unveiling of her bronze life-sized Edgar Allan Poe statue in Boston. To see her amazing work, visit the Edgar Allen Poe Foundation of Boston on Facebook. • **Jamie Arsenault** sent news from the New Hampton School, where he is director of athletics. Son Ryder ’17 absolutely loves Colby—he plays football and baseball. Daughter Dempsey is a lacrosse phenom, and I know that from sources other than Jamie! He humbly says, “She has done well with lacrosse.” Dempsey is coming off an ACL injury and will head to Boston College next year and play lacrosse for the Eagles. • After a long career as an event and conference producer, Martha Smith Conti now fills her days with her two children. Martha spent a few years in Washington, D.C., after Colby, then settled on Beacon Hill in Boston. She ran events for Reebok, an exciting time that provided many opportunities in the sports and entertainment industries. She then managed international conferences for an association management company. She and her husband, John, live in Medfield, Mass., raising their adorable son, Ryan, 2, and daughter, Christina, 4. Martha sees Karen Croff Bates often, and the day before she moved from Beacon Hill she realized that Hilary Seward Kenman lived less than one block from her for years! She had to miss the last reunion because Ryan was just a few months old. She looks forward to the 30th. • **Allison Johnson** is writing a new **classic film Roadhouse:** “Watch your back, and each other’s.” This is the same man who said, while getting a knife wound stapled without anesthesia, “Pain don’t hurt,” so I think we can be fairly sure he knows what he’s talking about. Until next time, I hope all your news is good and all your hopes come true.

## 1989

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Nearly a year later, I’m still feeling warm fuzzies from our 25th reunion. As **Brendan Cahill** wrote, it is “remarkable, 25 years out, how natural and comfortable” reunion was. He added, “I feel humbled and happy to have met so many interesting men and women who influenced me and continue to affect me for the good.” Couldn’t have said it better myself. • **Suzanne Milauskas** has a new job as director of prospect development and systems at Spaulding Rehabilitation Network in Harvard Square. Suzanne’s daughter turned 16 in January and—like mother, like daughter—loves Broadway musicals. • **Tripp and Heidi Lombard Johnson** are tired of the Maine Turnpike tolls [get yourselves an E-ZPass!] spent visiting daughter Abby, proud member of the Class of 2018. Abby plays on the women’s hoops team. For Jan Plan she moved into Mary Low, where Heidi started her own Colby adventures. Heidi and Tripp aren’t the only ’89ers with kids in the Class of 2018—**Chris Legault’s** daughter also joined the ranks this fall. • **Bill Auerswald** is enjoying his new job as CFO at Greenwich Country Day School, and his family is enjoying skiing and being close to friends and family. • **Kevin Powers** took my e-mail request literally, telling me he spent Jan Plan 1986 playing basketball. The question, Kevin, is whether you were doing the same this January! • **Bill and Anne Webster Stauffer** had a great time at reunion [was because you got to talk to me?]—so much so that Bill is going back to school, entering USM’s creative writing program this year. Can’t wait to read your great American novel, Bill. • **Dan Cohen,** who has been avoiding me by never writing, finally updated me on his life: married to Susan Bliss ’87, living in Rhode Island since 1996, two kids, one of whom is another member of the Class of 2018. [We really should get some sort of class discount!] Dan works for Sarovski, his family’s business, and spends three months a year in Europe. I can go on your next trip, Dan, if you need someone to carry your luggage. • **Melissa Trend Staid** lives in Napa Valley, where she and her husband have an aerial-imaging business, VineView, focusing on premium wine grapes. They have two kids, and they welcome anyone wanting to visit wine country. Don’t be surprised if I show up on your doorstep! • Our very own poet laureate (of Springfield, Mass.), **Maria Luisa Arroyo,** is coordinating a monthly literary arts spotlight at the Springfield Library while also studying for her M.F.A. at Pine Manor College. Her son, Shaheen, started Hartwick College in the fall—which is not possible, because he is still a chubby-cheeked toddler as far as I’m concerned. • **Rebecca Zeilon** is enjoying life in California, where she works to raise funds for the sciences at UC Santa Cruz. • **John “Johnny P” Reynolds** is writing a new animated comedy series for Netflix starring the voice of SNL’s Chris Parnell. The show will come out this spring. John’s son just turned 6 “and already looks like he’s ready to go to college. But I’m not ready to pay for it.” Maybe with our class discount? • **Hilary Barnes Hoopes** sent a lovely photo from her and Rob’s annual New Year’s get-together with Dave and Cindy Cohen Fernandez and Matt Soifer and his wife, Suzi. Stephanie and **Marc Rando** weren’t able to join them as Marc was recovering from hip replacement surgery. • **When Shaun Dakin** isn’t chasing after his son, Joseph,
or his two new standard poodle puppies, he’s on social media, where he produced the number one Facebook post for 2014 across all progressive organizations for client Moms Clean Air Force. Congrats!  ● Keep writing, and let me know how you feel about the fact that we entered Colby 30 years ago in September!

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Everyone, please join our class Facebook page: Colby College Class of 1990 25th Reunion. It’s a great way to reconnect before reunion.  ● Cindy Jones wins the prize for best recollection of where she was in January 25 years ago: interning at Inc. Magazine in Boston. These days she is seeking a dynamic entertainment venue for the 14,400-square-foot former sawmill in the growing Mill District in North Amherst, Mass.  ● Betsy Morgan (who was recently promoted to CEO of TheBlaze, an independent news and entertainment television network and website) did a fantastic job as moderator at the welcome reception for President Greene in New York this fall. Afterward, I caught up with Steve Nahley, Dan Forman, and Dyanne Kaufman, all of whom live in the city. Steve and Dan both practice law, and Dyanne teaches in a private elementary school.  ● Congratulations to Chris Haddad on being named partner at the Seattle architecture firm Suyama Peterson Deguchi. Chris is also an esteemed sculptor whose work—most often in metal—has been exhibited in many galleries and is featured in private collections nationally.  ● Erika and Rudy Pencer and their two kids moved back to Maine last summer to work and live at Kents Hill School in Readfield. She is assistant head and dean of faculty, and he teaches in the school’s learning center.  ● Dana Frost Allara and her husband have two teenage sons. She is a certified parent coach and works with moms and dads in achieving their parenting goals. She sees her freshman-year roommate, Melissa Lawton Bennett, and family often, most recently in Foxboro for Patriots game.  ● Kate Brennan Dailey, her husband, and their three kids live in Marblehead, Mass. She works as a charter yacht broker matching boats and crews to clients in the Caribbean, which requires travel to the Virgin Islands at least once a year.  ● David Coleman, his wife, and two kids still split their time between California and their farm in Vermont, where they grow grass and maple trees.  ● Scott Kessel lives with his wife and three daughters in Rockport, Maine. After his daughter’s high school track meet at Colby last fall, he decided he needed a Colby Eight so he headed over to the Spa. Initially dismayed not to see it listed on the menu, he was relieved the chef knew exactly what it was and happily made one for him. In his spare time, Scott runs a half-marathon every month and plays in a big-band jazz orchestra.  ● After 10 years as a stay-at-home mom, Eileen Kenney Lindgren earned her master’s in counseling psychology and is interning as a counselor in a Palo Alto elementary school.  ● Richard Marcus and his wife welcomed baby number two in November 2014 and now enjoy life with two kids under 2.  ● Carol Lockwood still lives in Hawaii and is busy with her eclectic law practice and raising her two sons.  ● Holly Peirce sent greetings from 8,200 feet in Mexico City, where she, husband Sean Pratt, and their son are in their second year with the U.S. Embassy.  ● Julie Ambrose Gray spends much of her time on fields and in gyms, often watching her girls compete with the daughters of Kirsten Rossner Buchanan, Debbie Adams, Matt Hancock, and Tom Whelan. Karin Killmer Kurry was her daughter’s science teacher last year. Julie often crosses paths with Marlene Feidelsisert Barry and was thrilled to run into Michelle Perron at Popham Beach last summer.  ● I ran into Jodie Brown Lawlor and Jen Lally Kent at a lacrosse tournament in Orlando this fall. Jen, who is one of the coaches of the BC women’s lacrosse team, was there recruiting. Jodie reported that she, Tom Whelan, and Cathy Hugo Swan have already reserved their own ultra-luxurious RV for reunion.

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Greetings, classmates!  ● Hilary Greene and her family remain happily settled in a farmhouse in Williamstown, Mass. Hilary directs a nonprofit for Russian immigrants, owns a curio shop, coaches a high school ski team, and imports and sells high-tech cross-country ski equipment. This past fall she spent time with Allen Carlson (an associate professor at Cornell University), who was a visiting fellow at Williams.  ● In early 2014 Jenna Hartel received tenure from the University of Toronto and was promoted to associate professor; she is on a yearlong sabbatical conducting research at universities in England and Australia.  ● Ashley Cornell keeps in touch with Caroline O’Malley, Cathy Breen, Patty Masters, Julie Daniele, Andrea Solomita, Jessica Butler, Liz Helft, Lesley Eydenberg, and Corinne Hauser Tardio. They are all doing amazingly well, with Cathy and Corinne to be the first to send their daughters off to college next year. Ashley wrote, “We are so fortunate to have had such an incredible opportunity at Colby. There isn’t a day that goes by that I don’t think of at least one fond memory. I am thankful for the special bonds I have maintained with so many classmates. In two years our nest will be empty, so I’ll be looking to reconnect even more with Colby friends.”  ● Magda Lacharite Kitano is going into her fourth year as a faculty member at Bunkyo University and has now lived longer in Japan than she lived in the United States. Her career has taken her from the advertising industry, to programming, to writing, to teaching, and finally to a university position. Aside from teaching and research (TESOL and media), she also does a good deal of writing, mostly for textbooks and other educational materials. Her husband, Yasuyoshi, is an editor in a publishing company, and they’ll be celebrating their 20th anniversary this March. Their daughter, Megumi, is now in high school.  ● Felise Kissell lives in Manhasset, N.Y., with her two sons, Landon and Mason, and hubby Rob. She heads up investor relations at HSN, Inc., which includes going back and forth to television studios in St. Petersburg, Fl., along with much travel elsewhere as the Wall Street spokesperson for the company. She is also on the board of the National Investor Relations Institute and on the advisory board for Fordham University’s Graduate School of Business MIR Program.  ● Since graduating from Colby, Beth Ackroyd has been teaching. She started out in Paterson, N.J., moved to Massachusetts to attend graduate school at Boston College, and has lived there ever since, working for Needham public schools. She has taught first, second, and third grade and worked as a K-5 literacy specialist, and she is now a sixth-grade reading teacher. She is still very close friends with Jen Flynn and Michele Friell Mullen.  ● Merrie (Post) ’90 and Rob Gramlich moved their family back into their Bethesda, Md., house, which was rebuilt as a high-efficiency green home after a fire last year. Rob is still working in wind-energy policy. Their daughter started at Hamilton this fall (Rob wishes they could say Colby, but these kids have minds of their own...).  ● Fred and Debbie MacWalter Bright report that their daughter, Mackenzie, was accepted early decision to Tufts. She loved Colby, but the athletics department at Tufts won her over. Their son, Matthew, is a freshman at Thayer Academy, so in another year or so they will be looking at colleges again—Colby has one more chance!  ● Kristin Herbst has no news to report for the magazine, but all is well in Cali.  ● Hope you are doing well too. Wishing you lots of fulfillment and opportunity. Thanks for the news—keep it coming!
linguists to better understand how they approach the study of conversations. • Lisa McMahon-Myhran wrote from Seattle: “I continue to practice law as a bankruptcy attorney. My kids (12 and 13 ... what?) are great, as is my husband, Rob. I’m in touch with Marsha Silverberg Derzon and Christy O’Rourke Habetz and saw Christy and her beautiful family in December. I hope to make it East again someday soon—maybe for our 25th?” • Katie Drowne was recently named associate dean for academic affairs at the Missouri University of Science and Technology, “I’m excited for the change and the new set of responsibilities. Our kids keep my husband and me running: Genevieve is 11 and a budding writer; William is 9 and obsessed with soccer. I keep in regular touch with Karen Santoro, who lives in West Hartford, Conn., and Amy Vreeland Dow, who lives in Newton, Mass., and is the mom of darling little Ava.” • This winter contemporary artist Jim Condron showed some of his works at Pulse Miami and was part of a two-person exhibition at Adah Rose Gallery in Kensington, Md. “I made many of the works while on residency at the Edward F. Albee Foundation in Montauk, N.Y. They are thickly painted abstractions that incorporate found objects, wood, scrap metal, concrete, plaster, plastic, and animal fur. They converse with the Siense and early Renaissance paintings by Gioto, Sassetta, and Fra Angelico. Ever an English major, I take my titles from literature by great authors such as James Salter, Anton Chekhov, Nikolai Gogol, Oscar Wilde, Hunter Thompson, Kurt Vonnegut, Ernest Hemingway, Henry Miller, and Anais Nin.” • Tabby Biddle wrote from California: “In December I published my first book, Find Your Voice: A Woman’s Call to Action. It quickly became an Amazon bestseller, reaching number-one status in business leadership and women’s studies. I’m extremely proud and excited to see the success of the book. It goes to show you how many women are ready to take a stand for their leadership, what they believe in, and their vision for the future. I hope the book will inspire women in the Colby community. I look forward to hearing about their successes and being a part of this growing movement of women’s leadership.” • Last fall Amy Selliger, Sura DuBow Lennon, Lynn Makely Best, and I spent a great weekend in Boston. Michael Stanton joined us for a giddily expensive round of drinks at the bar of the Taj Hotel. Later, while at dinner at a hip South End “breataurant,” Lyz and Sura cemented their (our?) middle-aged status by passing around reading glasses and using the flashlight function on their iPhones to read the menus. Good grief. Lots of laughs that night. In January I caught up with Elaine Bueschen O’Grady, who was visiting from Burlington, VT. Elaine is a senior policy advisor working on transportation and climate change at NERCAM, a nonprofit association of air-quality agencies in the Northeast. (She wears reading glasses, too.) • Please keep the news a-comin’!

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Bill Charron recalls his last Jan Plan was in Washington, D.C., working for a national polling firm run by Peter D. Hart ’64. This January Bill was best at man Chris Bennecchi’s wedding at the Duke University chapel. Bill is a litigator and partner at Pryor Cashman LLP in New York City, where he co-chairs the firm’s art law practice (dealing mostly with stolen art and fake-art cases) and handles intellectual-property cases in the film and music industries. Bill and wife Deb have been married for 15 years and have two kids, daughter Sydney, 10, and son Wyatt, 8. • Chris Chin recently hung out with Dave Bartlett at the House of Blues. Chris and wife Linda got the VIP treatment while watching Ryan Montbleau and Trombone Shorty, artists Dave manages. “It was amazing to see Dave living out his dream to work in the music industry.” Chinny’s youngest son, Kyle, 14, just played his last season of Duxbury youth football. That means after nine years, Chris is now a retired coach. Chinny’s son Zac, 16, is doing well with track and cross country. • Susan Krollick Newmeyer enjoyed a visit from Holly Coxe Brittingham. Sue lives in Sausalito, where she’s busy with her two children, Alice, 8, and Sam, 5, and volunteering at a local public charter school. Last summer Sue visited Rob McCarley and Kimberly Carr and their five daughters, as well as Paul and Sheri Petelle Marnoto and their three children. • Hilary Gehman and husband Matt Smith recently left collegiate rowing coaching positions at Cornell to relocate to Princeton, N.J. Matt is now an assistant for the Princeton University men’s rowing program. Hilary is enjoying spending more time with their sons Luke, 3, and Carson, 1, while she contemplates what’s next for her in the working world. • Janine Deforge Olson reports that in 2014 the oldest of her five children turned 18 while her youngest started kindergarten. “I spent a lot of time running last year, mostly to forget the prior kid facts. I ran my first marathon (Boston) in the spring. The experience was amazing, but my run was awful and disappointing. It was so bad that I realized I couldn’t let it define my marathon experience. So, while I had only planned to do one marathon in my lifetime, I decided to run another to redeem myself. I retrained and ran the marathon I wanted to run, in Chicago in October.” While in Chicago, Janine lunches with Jay Collins, who has his own real estate law practice. Janine also keeps in touch with Sarah Burditt, Mike Saad, Kristen Schuler Scammon, and Kris Balser Moussette. She reports they are all doing well. • Michelle Parady Malach’s three kids keep her busy. Abby, 14, is a high school freshman; J.J., 12, is in seventh grade; and Chelsea, 10, is in fourth grade. Michelle teaches sixth-grade science at the Franciscan School, a Catholic K-8 school in Raleigh, N.C., where she has 101 students. Michelle is also the middle school cross country and track coach. She has never had a day she disliked in the five years she’s taught at TFS. Michelle recently had a wonderful reunion with Colby roommate Beth Tilton Lake. “We spent our week catching up, chatting, drinking tea, and reminiscing over some of our days at Colby (like the time her mom told us that we really shouldn’t room together because we’d fail out from talking way into the night instead of studying). She’s kind of the friend who, although we’ve spent years apart, when we’re together it’s like we have been all along.” • As always, many thanks for sharing your news—don’t be shy about dropping me an e-mail!

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Thank you to those who wrote. Shout-out to Peter DeGreco, who wrote just to say hello (or ‘sup’). Much appreciated! He’s president and CEO of Maine & Co., bringing businesses to the great state. • Also good to hear from Jonathan Kaplan, who on Dec. 10, 2014, celebrated a year since he had his ascending aorta replaced. He and his family are very happy, and he credits the great support from longtime Colby friends Erik Belenky and T.J. Winick before and after the surgery. In addition to attending our reunion only six months after surgery, he and his family took trips to Telluride, Colo., and Truckee, Calif., last summer. They’re hoping 2015 is as much of an adventure as 2014 was (without the medical issues!). • Caleb Winder and his wife, Phoebe, still live in Boston with their kids, Avery, 8, and Charlie, 6. Phoebe remains a full-time partner at K&L Gates, where she focuses on consumer-financial litigation. Caleb is managing director at Excel Venture Management, a venture-capital firm, investing in health-care and life sciences companies. Despite the challenges with startups, he enjoys the opportunity to work with some of the top minds trying to find cures for cancer (and other serious diseases) and improve health care. They took the kids to Disney World just before Christmas and then spent time at Cannon, where they rented a house for the ski season. When he wrote he’d already seen one Colby family there—James Colligan ’95 and his son were skiing and came by the house for a visit. • Sigmund Schutz, as attorney for the Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram, has been involved in a recent controversy over a media gag order issued by a Maine judge in a criminal sentencing. Sigmund’s defense of journalists’ free-speech rights to report what happens in court has drawn national attention from First Amendment rights activists as well as national media like The Rachel Maddow Show, on which Maddow called the Press Herald’s defiance of the gag order “a one-fingered First Amendment salute.” • After more than four years of planning, Matthew Belson, cofounder and brewer of Devil’s Purse Brewing Company, is set to open his craft brewery on Cape Cod in time for the busy summer season. The brewery is located in South Dennis, Mass., and will focus on handcrafted ales inspired by European styles, especially English and German. When not brewing beer, Belson and his wife, Jodi (Schwartz) ’96, a certified nurse midwife at Cape Cod Hospital, are raising their kids, Noah, 8, and Ariel, 6, while enjoying the fun and beauty of Cape Cod. • Marina Netto Grande Campos has lived in São Paulo since 2007 and heads two global areas for the multinational BPO company Teleperformance. She spent the holidays in Orlando, Fla., with much of her family, and all the kids had a blast. They bought a house for rental there—if anyone from Colby is looking to rent a vacation home, let her know. Marina recently celebrated her 15th wedding anniversary and has two daughters, 11 and 5. Work has kept her very busy, and she’s traveled recently on business to Miami and Salt Lake City. She was preparing for a trip to India.

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Brent McLean and his wife, Tara, welcomed their first child, Alexander Grant McLean, March 25, 2014. “His papers have been submitted for his membership in the Sons of the American Revolution, and he’s proven himself a great traveler.” Alexander has already traveled on 30 flights between Bend, Ore., and Telluride,
Colo., where Brent and his family spend their winters. “If anyone is heading to Telluride, look us up at Madeline Hotel and Residences,” writes Brent. ● Darragh Fitzsimons Young recently saw Lisa Zorn Smeglin and her family for a New Year’s Day party. “Sadly, this is what New Year’s has come to—kids parties on New Year’s Day and early nights the night before!” Darragh’s daughter, Bryce, 11, is into fencing and archery, and her son Trip, 8, plays hockey. Her son Weston, 2, is doing his best to catch up to his older siblings. Darragh hopes to make the 20th reunion: “I have heard from older alums that this one is pretty special and a great year to make it. I hope to see everyone there!” ● Chris Fortune received his M.B.A. from Wharton in 2005 and has been a financial analyst at T. Rowe Price for 10 years. He and his wife, Ashley, have three kids (12, 10, and 6). They’re building a house in the Baltimore/Washington, D.C., area. Chris keeps in touch with JoRoy Lizewski; he lives on Maryland’s Eastern Shore and is happily married with two kids. “JoRoy is leading a charge to get a group to travel to Maine for our 20-year reunion,” writes Chris. ● Dave Chen is also looking forward to reunion. “Twenty years ago I was probably skiing at Sugarloaf during Jan Plan ... and these past couple of weeks, I was doing the same!” He and his wife, Georgia Brian ’96, live in Boxford, Mass., with their two girls, Ava, 9, and Zoe, 6. They bought a place near Sugarloaf 14 years ago and spend weekends there. They often hang with Pete Hoffmann and his wife, Natasha, and occasionally have dinner with Jason Spooner in Portland on their way to and from Sugarloaf. For New Year’s, Dave and Georgia celebrated with Brian and Michele Elliot Carovillano and their two kids; Dave, Brian, and Bill Logan skied together at Kicking Horse in British Columbia last January. ● Emily Fantasia Hayes and her family moved to England in December. They’re settling in and enjoying being able to travel so easily throughout Europe. They expect to be back in the States in 2017. ● Abe Rogers is in his final semester of graduate school at Boston College for elementary education. He is student-teaching in a fifth-grade classroom and serving in the Massachusetts National Guard. “Hope to see you at reunion this summer!” ● In September Bryan Carey founded Conn Maciel Carey PLLC, a boutique law firm in Washington, D.C. “We are off to a good start.” ● Lindsay Benningson Jemigan lives in the Mad River Valley of Vermont, where she enjoys watching her two daughters fall in love with winter play. She sees Beth Timm Preston on the ski slopes while they watch their kids compete as ski racers. Lindsay isn’t the only White Mule living in the area; she reminiscences about Colby days with local friends Helen Hopkins Kellogg ’92, Drew Simmons ’89, and Galen Carr ’97. Lindsay works as a psychologist with a private practice in the Burlington area. ● Sandra Jewors Dow was a guest speaker for a Colby Jan Plan course taught by Chad Higgins ’94. She shared her experience working in the U.S. attorney’s office in the district of Maine. Chad is a lawyer for Goodwin Procter LLP. ● “We’re looking forward to seeing many of you up on the Hill for our 20th reunion this summer, June 4-7.”

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I love writing class notes during Jan Plan, so let’s get to it. ● Storks galore: Miranda Miller had her second baby, Georgia, in October. She hinted that chasing Julia Tatsch’s son around the backyard caused her to go into labor. Miranda also reports seeing Joy Christoferson over the holidays. ● Andrew Milgram welcomed his second daughter and third child, Hannah Frances, Aug. 12. Hannah shares a birthday with Ryan “The Chief” Sullivan. ● And this blew my noodle: Tamela Spaulding Brocious is a grandmother. Her stepson’s wife welcomed a son, Evan James, June 13, 2014. Zut alors! ● Cathy (Neuger) ’97 and Gregg LeBlanc went on an unbelievable huge trip to Barcelona in October to celebrate turning 40. Later the LeBlancs hosted Christine Brown Irish ’97 and Karen Hoppe Bradford ’97 for a Friendsgiving dinner. [As an aside, here’s a shout-out to Dr. Brown for fixing up my daughter Eve during a late-night trip to the Maine Med ER back in the fall.] ● After a decade in Oregon, Jill Painé and her family moved to northern Arizona, where Jill started a new job at W.L. Gore. They spend their time skiing and mountain biking. ● Melissa Taylor and Bernadette Graham Hudson attended Nancy Zierman’s wedding in Seattle last March, which is news because that means that Nancy Zierman is now married. ● Tina Garan Branson lives in Washington State, working as a PA in an ob/gyn clinic. Her kids, Emma, 14, and Luke, 9, are busy dancing and skiing. She’s hoping to come East this summer to visit Heather Hunt Swales, who’s managing two sons and works as a cardiologist in Hartford. ● Jean-Michel Picher reports that his brother, GREGORIE ‘98, works on the Nick Jr. show Paw Patrol. Sarah Gelman Carney sent me a photo of Picher’s daughter visiting the Hockey Hall of Fame earlier this winter.

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We start this column with a general “Happy 40th Birthday” to most members of the Class of 1997. (How is this even possible?) In any case, several members wrote in and asked that I pass along birthday greetings to all of you. ● One such member was Jenna Klein Jonsson, who said that 11 members of our class had a mini-reunion in Colorado in September to celebrate the “big 4-0.” They went on some spectacular hikes, drank great wine, and laughed lots.” J.J. Eklund McGawn hosted, and Jenna and J.J. were joined by Katie Nevin Naylor, Amanda Sprang, Zoe Kaplan Presley, Sue Hesselbach Pierce, Sara DiMage Atwood, Jen Mason Drolet, Margot Higgins, Meghan Jeans, and Amy Stengel. Jenna added that she recently left her job at L.L.Bean to start a marketing/brand-consulting practice. ● Jen Mason Drolet recently saw Josh and Kate Charbonnier Oeltjen. Kate works as an attorney, and Josh works for Coca-Cola. They have four children and live near Philadelphia. ● Last summer Zoe Kaplan Presley opened a private psychotherapy practice, Enlightened Nature, a nature-based ecotherapy center housed in a yurt. ● Andy Kruppa married Maxie Marie Villanueva in San Juan in November 2013. In November 2014 we welcomed their first child, Maximiliano Andres Kruppa. ● Mark Adelman got married at Sunday River in May 2014 and is expecting his first child in April. C.J. Polcari and Dana Cease served as groomsman, and Steve Kidd (also recently married) performed the ceremony. Prior to the wedding, they had a bachelor party in Las Vegas attended by C.J., Dana, and Steve, as well as Carter Davis and Don Quinby. ● Pete and Tay Evans Rhoads live in Reading, Mass., and were expecting a baby girl in early March. ● Matt Toms and Kathy Kohatsu live in Bethesda, N.H., where Kathy owns and runs a dance studio. Matt works at the White Mountain School, where he runs the counseling, whitewater kayaking, and backcountry ski programs. Matt also founded and directs a small nonprofit, the Batey Foundation, that works in impoverished communities in the Dominican Republic. Matt and Kathy have two sons, Kobe, 8, and Asa, 6. ● Yawa Duse-Anthony started a small toy company, Sister Afi, in 2014. It features knitted dolls, felt monsters, and baby layettes—all washable and kid-friendly. She is working to get a catalog together and online presence mid-year 2015. Yawa adds, “The kids are great and play often with their cousins courtesy of Vanessa Newell Coutu. Talked recently to Anne Miller Crumlish ’98, who is down in Atlanta, thriving with hubby Tom and daughter Emily.” ● Amalie Gosine Howard now lives in Colorado with her husband and three children, Connor, 10, Noah, 8, and Olivia, 5. She had her fifth novel published in 2015. In spring 2014 she was included on the Kids’ Indie Next List for her novel Alpha Goddess. ● Karen Blaisdell Faiman is a grant writer for Womanspace, a nonprofit in Lawrenceville, N.J., dedicated to serving victims/survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence. ● Rebecca Durham has been creating botanical art pieces, and her work was featured in January at the Montana Natural History Center in Missoula. ● Tony Hernandez, now living in Colorado, responded to the call for members of Jan Plans past. He wrote, “I can’t remember what I did for freshman-year Jan Plan. I know I did a funky yoga class junior year and a scriptwriting class senior year, but I can’t remember the first!” Can anyone help him out? ● Until next time, Colby friends.

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Christine Goudreau Collison has been married to Bill Maguire since 2012. They took a family vacation to Mexico last July, spent a long weekend in Boston showing their kids the Freedom Trail in October, and enjoyed a wonderful Christmas in Connecticut visiting Bill’s family. While in Connecticut they met up with Julie Williams Norman, Elizabeth Ivry Cooper, and Elisabeth Pimentel, who is recently engaged to be married next fall. Yay, the Woodman Wonder Women have a reason to get together next year! Christine is a tenured professor of chemistry at Rochester Institute of Technology. Her youngest, Luke, is in the second grade, and her oldest, Andrew, is in fourth. Her stepdaughter is a freshman in high school, and her stepson is graduating from high school this year and has been accepted to RIT. ● Alex Howard temporarily moved back to Cambridge, Mass., with his wife and 18-month-old daughter after more than five years in Washington. He will continue writing about technology, government, and society there, as well as do a bit of consulting on open innovation and digital media, while his wife pursues a law school fellowship. He is excited to travel to Hyderabad, India, to read a workshop on blogging and social media. They’re really looking forward to eight
months in New England, even with the return to real winter after balmy D.C., and hope to catch up with family, friends, and fellow Colby alumni in the Boston area. • Jonathan Foster continues to work tirelessly to find new products to sell. He recently trialed bella cabbage, which is chopped and fried pickled cabbage. • Kevin Wong initially worked in finance with Deutsche and left just before 9/11. He is now in Asia running a manufacturing business from Hong Kong. His son, Connor, is 1. • Geoff Bennett divides his time between taking people fishing and chasing his small children around the house. This will be his seventh year working as an inshore fishing guide for his company, Charleston Charter Fishing. His daughter, 4, and son, 3, fill in the rest of the space. • Maggie Drummond and her husband, Matt, moved back to Portland in June 2014, saying goodbye to their midcoast home where they got married. Though it was a hard choice, they’re glad they’ve eliminated their commute to work and have more time with the little guys, Flynn, 2, and their second little boy, who was scheduled to arrive in February. Matt works for Maine Health, and Maggie has been doing consulting work so she can be home part time with the boys. • Hope all is well. It’s great to hear from everyone.

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Peter and Karena Bullock Bailey ran the TCS NYC marathon Nov. 2 for B*CURED to raise awareness and fund research for brain cancer. Karena lost her mom eight years ago to brain cancer. The team raised more than $160,000. Although it was a crazy, exhilarating experience, Karena will stick to other forms of fundraising that require less running. • After spending 10 wonderful years as a physics professor at Castleton State College, Catherine Garland is leaving Vermont for New York City. She accepted a position teaching high school science with Uncommon Schools—Brooklyn, whose mission is to close the achievement gap and prepare low-income students to graduate from college. • Brad Sicchitano has been busy working as director of primary and lower school admission at the Fay School, a job that got its start from days volunteering in the lounge of the Admissions Office at Colby. With one of his three children beginning to embark on the college search, Brad hopes to include Mayflower Hill for their 15th reunion June 5-7, 2015. It will be a great time to catch up with old friends and stay connected. I hope you can make it. • Annalise Blech Rivas is an instructor of Russian at the U.S. Air Force Academy. • Krissy Swanson Yetman and her husband, Aaron, just welcomed their first child, Calvin Roger Yetman. • Peter Hans and wife Sarah are happy to announce the birth of Charlotte Nancy Sept. 30. Charlotte joined her parents and her siblings, Lucia, 4, and Nicky, 2, on a trip to visit Jen (Romak) ‘02 and Michael Siegel and their daughters, Maren and Frankie. • Kim McCarron Camuso and her husband, Josh, were excited for their second child, a boy, due Feb. 5. • September 2014 brought the birth of Erin Roberts Keysor’s son, George Allan Keysor. He joins big brother Henry and big sister Rose. • Parke Burmeister opened his own law practice in Portland, Maine: Casco Bay Law. He is focusing on business law and trusts and estates. His two daughters, Elizabeth and Stella, are now 3 and 1 respectively, so things are a little chaotic, but it’s a good chaos. • In August Jennifer Kassakian Anderson and her husband welcomed another little boy, Gabriel Steven, who joins big brother Henley.2 With graduate school, various fellowships, and the associated geographic uncertainty finally behind them, they have settled in Olympia, Wash., and purchased their first home in November. • Jen Multari accepted a position at Boehringer Ingelheim, and she and her family left St. Louis for Germany! They sold, donated, or gave away 70 percent of their belongings before the big move. Jen’s husband, 7-year-old daughter, 3-year-old son, and Jen all love it. Since October they have explored their new home country, and they spent Christmas at Disneyland Paris. They look forward to traveling throughout Europe. • Danny Schmidt, his wife, Larkin, and three boys (twins George and Arthur, 3, and Charlie, 7) randomly crashed into Ben Mackay near the Boiling River in Yellowstone. How freaking random was that! My goal for 2015 is to randomly run into you again in the middle of nowhere. • In October Mark Edgar completed his half-marathon and full marathon, called the Polar Bear Challenge, in Kangerlussuaq, Greenland, where the temperature was 10 below. Their team of nine (five civilians and four SEALs) raised more than $300,000 for the Navy SEAL Foundation. • Alison Silberman married Russ Dudley Aug. 9 in the Berkshires. Attending were Christine Pirani Hollenhorst, Eddie Piasecki ‘03, Laura Morrison ’03, Alan Silberman ’50, and Bruce Ansnes ’65.

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Kelly Falsani reports that life is good in Minneapolis. His son, Sam, 5, is a Mighty Mite hockey player for the city’s hockey organization. He likes it, but not as much as Star Wars Legos. Kelly’s daughter, Lucy, 3, is a bruiser and takes her brother to task, which is always fun to revere. They saw Jon and Jenny Bubrick Engel and kids Emmett and Macey in D.C. last October. Kelly also visited Kim and Mat Solso in Montana but did not catch the biggest trout. • On Dec. 26 Michelle Cook and husband Jon Penn welcomed their first child, Genevieve, who is happy and healthy. • After spending six years in Bangkok, Jemison Foster moved to Beijing to continue working as a high school counselor and teacher at the Western Academy of Beijing. Moving to China has its challenges, but finding amazing dumplings isn’t one of them. • As executive director at the American Independence Museum in Exeter, N.H., Julie “Drew” Hall Williams is plugging away at a new strategic plan. She and Joel go to Maine every chance they can with their two boys. Last fall they traveled to Minneapolis, where they saw the Patriots play and visited Gauri Luthra, Jesse Randzie, and Kelly Falsani. • Jeff and Katie Lee Fishbone welcomed Benjamin Russell Nov. 29. He joins big brother Sam, 4, and big sister Libby, 2. • Oliver and Sarah Belanger Hay welcomed their son, Theo Gilbert, Nov. 10. Oliver teaches middle school science at Shore Country Day School in Beverly, Mass., and Sarah is coming up on 10 years working in communications at Citizens Financial Group. • Ted Wallach moved to Amsterdam with his wife and 13-month-old, Gabriel. He is the new chief strategic officer of TimeRepublic. His movie Misdirection will premiere in NYC in April. It’s a collaboration with Google and Morgan Spurlock and includes a cameo by David Blaine. • Ripley Martin and wife Jenn have two kids, Grace, 6, and Cooper, 4, and live in Acton, Mass. Ripley still works for Philips Healthcare. This spring they’re excited to launch Sprouting Threads, a kids’ clothing subscription service with a twist (think Stitch Fix for kids). • Danielle D’Entremont Lom works as a primary-care pediatrician at Pediatric Associates of Norwood and Franklin in Massachusetts. She and husband Hue Lam ’00 and son Tyler, 2, expected a baby girl this March. • Sam Matesosian and his family took a break from the Maine winter, spending the colder months in and around San Francisco. He’d love to hear from other Bay Area Colby folks, especially any fellow startup entrepreneurs. They recently hired their fourth Colby alum, Zack McCartney ’13. • JJ Abodeely and his wife, Piper Elliot Abodeely ’02, had child number three, Margo Hoyt, in September.

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Chris Multari and his wife, Colleen, had twin boys, Andrew Joseph and Logan George, in October. • Daniel and Erika Thoreson Tristan welcomed their third baby, Luke Santiago, in October. They reside in Houston. • Erin Gardner Broudo moved to Sterling, Mass., with her two children and started a new job as the lead teacher in a program for middle school kids with language-based learning disabilities in the Wachusett Regional School District. •
Chris Hale packed up his truck last October and drove across the country to Atlanta to accept a new job at President Carter’s NGO, the Carter Center, as associate director of the Global Access to Information Initiative. He works on government transparency and anti-corruption projects in Asia, Africa, and Latin America and would love to get in touch with alumni in the area. Loryn Traversi and husband Matt had a third son, Erik Achilles, in August. Sarah Dressler Benson gave birth to a son, Finn Michael, in October. * Austin Stonebraker married Jennifer Lonergan in August 2013. Scotty MacPherson and Bill Spencer attended. Austin, who’s changing his career to physical therapy, will graduate in May. * Sister Madeleine (Sarah) Miller graduated from Wayne State College in December with a B.S. in political science education and is now a licensed teacher in Nebraska. She’s traveling to Brazil, where she will spend three months assisting at her school and preparing meals for the poor in local slums. * Piper Elliott Abodeely is loving life with three kids and continues working on women’s conferences including one in Sonoma in March and one in Vail in June. Join the experience: g3sonoma.com.

Lindsey Morse is based in Portland, Ore., but is usually on the road exploring and collecting stories and adventures for her outdoor-lifestyle website, the Elegant Hippie. Some people think it’s pretty rad, and everyone should sign up for the newsletter at theeleganthippie.com.

Victor Canel’s wife, Aileen, was promoted to assistant program director at one of the residential programs at Emear, Inc. in Reading, Mass. One of Victor’s goals for 2015 is to become fluent in Tagalog (i.e., Filipino), his wife’s native language. * Amanda Cuillo lives in West Newton, Mass., with her wife, Christy, and their son, Saben, 4. Amanda works at Wheelock College as associate director of athletics. She often hangs with Jessica Weisbein Brooks ‘01, and she keeps in touch with Candice Parent, Colby’s volleyball coach. * Noah Charney and his wife, Urska, welcomed their second daughter, Izabella, in January—she joins 20-month-old Eleonora. They live in Slovenia. Noah has three books coming out in 2015: *The Art of Forgery,* *The Collector of Lives: Giorgio Vasari and the Invention of Art* (cowritten with Ingrid Rowland), and a collection of essays on art crime. In May he will teach a Guardian Masterclass in London called How to Write about Art. Connect with him on Facebook or visit noahcharney.com.

2003

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I’m going to get right to it as we had a great response! * Lexi Grant married Ben Collins in September at a vineyard outside D.C., where they live. She still works as a writer and digital entrepreneur. * Bradley Petersen married Sara Gargiulo Nov. 11 in NYC. There was a whole pack of Mules–20 to be exact—at their wedding. * Rick Harbison married Heidi Walls this fall in Milinocket, Maine. Attending were Hal Hallstein, Mike Wiley, Jake Beren, Mike Lee, Aaron McCluskey, Nick Owens ’04, and Jay and Tracy Schloss Combs. Rick and Heidi bought a house in Portland, where Heidi is in med school and Rick works at a regional planning agency doing town/city planning. * Clay Smith and his wife, Samantha Collins, moved to the Denver area, where Clay works as an in-house attorney for a mercury emissions control company. They spend every extra minute on the slopes. * Kevin Brunelle opened his own accounting firm in Windham, Maine, and he’s expecting his third daughter in April with wife Kate (Wheeler) ‘04. * Caroline Riss is an administrative law judge for the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. She focuses on child support case enforcement. Last summer she floated the Green River in Utah with some Colby alumni—lots of reminiscing! * Susan Ellsworth and her partner, Colin Dixon, are happily settled in Oakland, Calif., splitting their time between the city and the Sacramento Valley, where they grow peonies and harvest and mill olives for olive oil. * Jessica Kellett visited Emily Posner ’04 in New Orleans over Halloween, and she got engaged in November to Drew Zernpicken. Jessica and Drew live in hermosa Beach, Calif. * Jenn Brenneman Clements lives at Three Forks Ranch, where she’s lodge manager, on the Colorado-Wyoming border. She and husband Dave welcomed their first child, son Augustus, Aug. 17. Gus is an awesome addition to their lives. Jenn regularly sees Shelley Hughes, still at Kellogg in Chicago, Katie Alfneu, still practicing acupuncture in Denver, and Marin Hoffman Kemnitz, still working for Target in Minneapolis and raising her two boys, 3 and 1. * Alex Yarbrough lives in Mill Valley, Calif., with his wife, Anna Zwahlen-Tronick ’02, and their boys, Wesley and Grayson. He works in San Francisco for a financial software firm and sees Nate Lindsay around the Bay Area. Matt Farley came up from LA for a long weekend. * Alicia Ford Pelletier introduced her identical twin girls, Emma and Erin, to Donna Pitteri in New Hampshire while Donna was visiting family. * Bill and Anna Carlson McCoy live in Rutland, Vt., with their girls, Elsa, 4, and Alice, 1—close to family and the mountains! * Erika Togashi left her job as men’s outerwear designer for J.Crew in NYC to go on a six-week surf trip to Sri Lanka and Bali. Six weeks turned into a few months … into now living in Bali with her boyfriend and designing for Deus Ex Machina. * Greg Sawyer, wife Anna, and kids Lylah and Jude live in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Greg works at Maine Medical Center as an orthopedic sports medicine surgeon. * Bianca Belcher took an amazing vacation to St. John with Colby folks including Catherine Chuprevich ’04, Elizabeth Bomze ’04, and Kate Hurd ’05. * Tom Sterio and his wife, Caroline, welcomed their second child, Katie, in early December. Big brother TJ is excited! * Luke Ferriter and his wife, Liz, had a baby girl, Lily, Nov. 30. They’re having a blast being parents. * Doug Lalliberte and his wife, Rebecca, were blessed with a baby boy, Wyatt, Sept. 16. They live in Owls Head, Maine, where their practice, Granite Coast Orthodontics, is doing well. * Alex Libby Wool had an eventful year. She earned her Ph.D. in art history in May, had a baby—Elizabeth “Libby”—in August, and then landed her dream job at the National Gallery of Art in December. She’s the assistant curator of northern Baroque paintings. * The year 2014 was also big for Erin Estey Hertzog, with a new job as director of reimbursement and health policy for the Biotechnology Industry Organization, a move to a new (albeit 120-year-old) house on Capitol Hill in D.C., and the birth of her second child, Greta, Nov 28. * Eric and Courtney Fry Lerch welcomed their third child in December. Siblings William and Catherine are excited about baby brother John. * While many of you have probably heard, I’ll note the passing of our classmate Sarah Dressler, a life cut much too short.

2004

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Emma McCandless and Karen Prager are very happy in Connecticut. Emma started a new job as a middle school librarian in Griswold, and Karen is dean of college at Achievement First in Hartford. Their son, Teddy, is 2 and keeping them busy. * Jonathan Nickerson lives in Denver with his wife, Ryan, who is pregnant and due in April. He loves his job at Point B Consulting. * Josh and Allison Turner Osgood welcomed another baby girl, Julia, in August. * In search of a warmer climate, a slower pace of life, and more space, Marley Orr Reilly and husband Gabe moved from San Francisco to Oakland. They’ve spent time with Crystal Ward Simons and Parker Thompson, who live nearby. Marley works at Dropbox on the enterprise product as a strategic account manager. Several of her colleagues attended Colby and other NESCAC schools, and they have fun swapping stories. * Erin Dube was sworn in as a school committee member in Pawtucket, R.I., where she, her husband, and two children live. * Annika Svore Wicklund spent the holidays in Maui and caught up with Alison Cook ’05 and her family. Annika is design director at Greenpoint Technologies, designing interiors for wide-body Boeing airplanes for international clients. She and her husband were expecting baby number two in March. * Samantha Saeger married Ross Smith (Williams ’05) in Florida, Mass., in the Berkshires. Attending were Molly Given, Eric ’05 and Emily Quann Luth, and a half dozen other Colby grads. * Evan and Kim Betz Kearns welcomed Parker Marie Aug. 25. Her big brothers adore her more each day. They moved to Needham, and Evan left the law-firm world and started a job as in-house counsel at Agenus Inc. in Lexington. * Will Sander is finishing the second year of his AAAS policy fellowship at EPA. He spent a month with USAID and Veterinarians Without Borders in Uganda, working with farmers, traders, and veterinary officers on recognizing signs of foreign animal diseases in their livestock. * Kathryn Hulick Gargolinski and her husband welcomed their son, Seth Steven, Dec. 3. * Jesse Morrissey works at VCA Inc. in Northampton, Mass., making fine custom furniture. She recently bought her first house, in Southampton. * Meredith Collins finished her plastic surgery residency at Mount Sinai in NYC in June 2014 and is doing a microvascular surgery fellowship at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston. In July she and her husband will move to West Palm Beach, where she will go into private practice. * Anne Olmsted planned a March wedding to Lori Kirk. Anne is in her last semester at Lesley, where she’s working on her M.Ed., and her 10th year teaching arts-based science at the Neighborhood House Charter School in Dorchester. * Ryan and Grace Becker Lochhead and Evan Kearns cheered on Mike Kennedy in the NYC Marathon. Ryan says you can check his time if you don’t believe him. * Errol and Diane Nelson Iachini welcomed daughter Isabella in October. Errol is in financial services, and Diane is a dentist. They live in Richmond,
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Mark Edgar ’00 was part of a nine-member team that ran the Polar Circle Marathon—26.2 miles across polar ice inside the Arctic Circle in Kangerlussuag, Greenland—on Oct. 26 to raise money for the Navy SEAL Foundation. His team raised more than $30,000.

Samantha Saeger ’04 was on the U.S. team that won the Björn Kjellström Cup in the North American Orienteering Championships in Ampron, Ont., in October. Teams vie in three individual races and a team relay. Leading in points for her team, Saeger provided a come-from-behind, last-leg effort in the relay to secure the win.

In the fall Melissa Mullen Davis ’05 began a term as president of Graduate Women in Science, which seeks to advance the participation and recognition of women in science and to foster research through grants, awards, and fellowships. Davis is a postdoctoral research fellow in molecular genetics at the Cleveland Clinic’s Lerner Research Institute.

In November Dan Vassallo ’07 won the 2014 Philadelphia Marathon with a time of 2:17:27, qualifying him for the 2016 U.S. Olympic Team Trials. This was Vassallo’s second Philadelphia Marathon win—he took first place in 2010 with a time of 2:21:28.

Va., and have two dogs and a cat.  Amanda Belden welcomed her second baby last June. Delliah enjoys being a big sister. After a few too many New England winters, Meghan Finneran Grant moved to LA, where her husband pursued his M.B.A. She’s working on marketing for 20th Century Fox with Ali Offer ’12 and Nick Aubin ’13.  Maura Myers Bisogno finished her M.L.S. at Pratt, and she and husband Jared moved to Cape Elizabeth, Maine. They welcomed son Everett in October. They’re excited that Andy Lizotte and family moved to Portland from New York at the same time.

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Pavel Brodalka moved to Washington, D.C., to join PricewaterhouseCoopers’ strategy and consulting group. Emily Goodyear Forgett, her husband, Kevin, and son Ryan relocated from Boston to Denver, where Emily grew up. Isabelle Reining and husband Steve Bayes ’04 welcomed a new addition to their family Dec. 24—daughter Eleanor Marlow Bayes. They live in Petaluma, Calif., where Isabelle works as a sustainability manager at Straus Family Creamery and Steve teaches science at Marin Academy. Courtney Smith married Martin Gryzb (Trinity ’05) in Brooklyn, N.Y., Nov. 15.  Margaret Trynza Marks and Alex Ridder were in the wedding party, and several more Mules attended. Ted Farwell and his wife, Katie (O’Neill) ’04, are enjoying their second year as expats in Lausanne, Switzerland. Ted rows on Lake Geneva with fellow crew alum Kevin Selby.  

Emma Lynch Brown married Donald Brown at Black Mountain Lodge, nestled at 11,500 feet in the Colorado Rockies. Fellow Mules Eric ’06 and Beth Scherer Richmond, Heather Hansman, and Dana Gwinn were there to celebrate. Former 2005 class couple Bill and Michelle Cote Gallitto welcomed baby girl Grace Dec. 24. Grace was warmly welcomed into the Mule family by her elder Mules, including Melissa Hinkle, Jake Colognesi, Bill Foley, Lily Maltz, and Cheka Gage. Bill and Michelle look forward to introducing Grace to the rest of the Colby clan at reunion.

Adrienne LeClair got engaged over the holidays to Jonathan Parrelli. They’ve been acquainted more than 10 years and both are taking over family businesses north of Boston (Parrelli Optical and LeClair Dental). A destination wedding is planned for November 2015 in the Mayan Riviera.

Sarah (Belden) ’06 and Steve Markesich welcomed baby Maya Nov. 24. She was 7 lbs. 3 oz. and lives to eat. Sarah is back to work in her first year of residency at University Hospitals in Cleveland, and Steve is teaching high school science. On Nov. 1 Carreau Mueller and Jonathan Ryder ’02 were married on Nantucket. The festivities were punctuated by a Nor’easter that kept some from arriving and marooned a hardy group of Colby grads for an extra day and a half—Jared and Nicole Wessen Cushman, Courtney Morris Drauschke, Maureen and Matt Lynes, Steph Pierce, Heather Hansman, Melissa Plante Dubois, Katie Lucas Geant ‘06, Jessica Pilcher, Nathaniel Huime, Sheldon Stevenson, Katie Gagne Callow, Brad Kasnet, Tom Curran ’02, Blake Grosch ’03, Russ Mink ’02, Martin Schnermann ’02, and John Brownell ’02 were along for the adventure!  

Rory Kelly and Jessica Hardy got engaged while apple picking last fall and plan an October wedding in Maine. Jess recently led the operational planning for the October opening of Holy Cross Germantown Hospital, the first new hospital in Maryland in 25 years. 

Brendan and Amy Campfield Blake welcomed a baby girl, Bailey, in June. They continue to live in Denver, where Amy is completing her neonatology fellowship at Children’s Hospital Colorado. They often see Lorraine Beane Baline ’04 and her baby, Lilly, whom they hope will be Bailey’s freshman roommate when the girls join the Colby Class of 2036! Thinks spring! I look forward to seeing many of you at reunion in June.

2006

Dan Giuliani is running Volt Athletics, a company in Seattle providing technology-based strength and conditioning solutions to more than 12,000 athletes on 600 sports teams across the country. After eight years at Google, Charlie Hale joined Pinterest to head public policy and government affairs. He attended Bram Gellar’s New Year’s Eve wedding, where he saw Josh Montague, Rebecca Longworth, and Chris Zajchowski ’07.

Chad and Liz Mollo-Christenipple Whipple are expecting a baby girl in April! Kim Devine McDevitt and her husband moved out of the city to Princeton, N.J. She is an educator for Vega, which specializes in plant-based nutrition and supplements. Kim launched her own brand focusing on personalized nutrition consulting and nutrition communications. Check out kimmcdetttrd.com and follow her on social@foodierunnergrl or through weekly newsletters.  

Steff Scherer accepted a position in Ghana doing education and girls leadership. Her contract is for one year, and she’s excited to be moving into international development. Lauren Erickson is working as a therapist for Jail Psychiatric Services in San Francisco. 

Christian and Amanda Stein Rieben happily shared that Hadley Lillian Rieben was born Sept. 27, 2014. 

Caroline Theoharides finished her Ph.D. in economics at Michigan and is assistant professor of economics at Amherst. She and her husband live in Northampton, Mass., and enjoy being back in New England.

Emily Boyle Westbrook spent the last few months working and traveling with her husband, Michael ’07. They spent Christmas in Maine. Emily visited Professor Mackenzie during office hours at Thanksgiving and writes that he hasn’t changed a bit. Over the holidays Noah Balazs caught up with Steven Weinberg, Nick Beard, and Matt Busch ’07 in Northfield, Mass. It was the first time they had been together since Noah’s wedding in 2013, and Noah says it was great to hang out around a crackling fire. Dan Breen moved to the San Francisco area and started a job as a biologist with the Army Corps of Engineers. Max Brown passed away in September. Max was a competitive lumberjack on Colby’s woodsmen’s team. At his funeral, friends and woodsmen remembered Max as “loving life, loving family and friends, living passionately.” A classmate remembered Max as “a sweet, kind, insanely creative, and brilliant guy who embodied everything it means to be a Colby woodsmen.” Please take a moment to remember our friend.

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Claire Deelely and Jamie Singelais expected their first child in February. They live in Norwood, Mass. Claire works as a business analyst/senior accountant at a book publisher in Boston, and Jamie teaches English as a second language to elementary kids in Needham. Jill Greenstein is engaged to Chris Metcalf, Bowdoin ’06. They live in NYC. Ian London is racing bikes semi-pro for Primal-Audi Denver and winning civil trials with his boss, David Jones ’99.  Carolina Willette, her husband, Dave, and their Yorkie, Lulu, will move from Colorado to Carolina’s home state of Florida in March. They’re excited for this new chapter and warmer weather. John DeBruicker lives in Philly and volunteers as staff for his sister’s wheelchair rugby team. He spent New Year’s in Charleston, S.C., with friends. Sara Morgan is completing her M.S.W. this May and getting married June 27 in her hometown of Manitou Springs, Colo. There should be a number of Colby folks attending between Sara’s friends and her father’s friends from Colby Class of ’68! Austin Phillips Kupke and husband Brian ’09 relocated to Austin, Texas, to chase warmer winters and world-class tacos. Austin says, “We will miss our Boston friends but invite anyone in the area to look us up!” And finally, CONGRATULATIONS to Jamie
Kline and Jamie Winterbottom, who got engaged Dec. 21 next to Miller Library. (They enjoyed a little champagne on the steps with no reports of open-container violations.) They’ve been dating since January 2004, when female Jamie came to campus after a semester in Salamanca (yep, nearly 11 years). Kudos to Jake Hanin for stealthily taking play-by-play photos from inside Johnson dormitory.

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Jon and Erica Kreuter Schechter announce the arrival of daughter Adele Oct. 4. In October the Colby Club of Boston hosted a cooking class at the Cambridge School of Culinary Arts. Emily Parker Beekman and her husband attended along with Daniel and Katherine Boyce Herrick, Sarah (Bruce) ’10 and Will Cantley, and Jamie Warner ’09. They cooked tapas and drank Spanish wine. Justine Ludwig is director of exhibitions/senior curator at Dallas Contemporary. Gretchen Markiewicz married Chris Johnson on a beautiful fall day in Concord, Mass. Guests celebrated “With her car windows. She’s on a consulting project for a Chinese microbrewery. Meaghan is still involved with contra dancing, and Matt is going to the beach instead of scraping ice off her car windows.”

In August Rebecca Short and Matthew Weston were married in Connecticut. This spring Laura Perille is finishing her Ph.D. in history at Brown while teaching at Wheaton and serving as a fellowship advisor at Brown. Over the holidays, she reunited with Jon and Leslie Wardwell-Scott, Jennifer Bushue, Katie Harris, and Brian Lam in Boston and with Sarah E. Clark, Kiky Clark, Ling U, Brian Putnam, and Julia Stuebing Michniacki in Denver. In September Laura attended Julia’s beautiful wedding to Tom Michniacki in Wellesley, as did the Clarks, Lucas LaViolet, Meaghan Fitzgerald, Eric Hansen, and Katherine Koleski. Joerose Tharakan is enjoying her experience on the Colby board and is excited for Colby’s future under David Greene. She discovered that President Greene’s brother is a colleague at Microsoft.

Brad Woodworth lives in London, working as a transport economist. He had a great time with Eric Hansen and Evan Kaplan over Christmas in Boston for Eric’s bachelor party. Julie Bero and Rishi Chattrath celebrated their marriage with many friends at weddings in Brooklyn and Dehradun, India. The NYC wedding was a reunion of alums from around the globe, featuring Billy Fong, Jon Kester, and Dhruv Chadha ‘07 in the wedding party. In India, Ishan Bir Singh, Sarah Switchenko, Alex Pietroforte, Rebekah Fasel, and Addie Fasel participated in the ceremony and closed out the dancing in proper Colby style.

Shaelyn Germain was delighted to see Juan Colon, Patrick Sanders, Cait Miller ‘06, and Catherine Woodiwis ‘09 between lots of work travel to NYC, D.C., England, Scotland, and France. She was working with her boss to establish an independent bookstore, café, and event space in Plainville, Mass. They hope to open by May, and they welcome Colby alumni.

In the last issue, the 2009 column incorrectly reported that Kat Cosgrove ’10 married Wes Miller. It was Kat Brzozowski ‘09 who married Wes. Colby apologizes for the error.

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Adam Goldfarb is on the board of directors for WNY Planned Giving Consortium and is a treasurer and board member for Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus Rotary Club. His paper “It’s Not Rocket Science: Back to the Basics of Nonprofits’ Sustainability” was published in Advancing Philanthropy.

After building a hotel-and-travel site, Nikolai Barnwell invested in 43 Internet startups across Africa through his company, 88mp. This year he cofounded a media startup that aims to fill the local content gap in sub-Saharan Africa. Sarah Storms lives in Brooklyn, is style editor at Lonny magazine, and is getting married in October. Kat Brzozowski married Wes Miller ’08 in Richmond, N.H., last May. In attendance were John Chung ‘08, Nolan Gagne ‘08, Skylar Sutton ‘08, Ronnie Wise ‘08, Keane Ng ‘08, Hang Chang ‘08, Jim Kelly, Patrick Boland, Andrew Chernow, Elizabeth Zagroba, Casey Lynch, Rob Dillon, and Mike Barrett. Dan Zawitoski is the legislative director for Congressman Scott Peters from San Diego. Jen Caruso is director at Octagon, a sports and entertainment marketing agency. She spent two months in Brazil for the FIFA World Cup for work and got engaged to James Farris in August. Liz O’Neill married John Dennison in September at the Milton Academy Chapel. Caroline Hunt read a Yeats poem. Ben Hauptman and Elyse Apantaku are now certified foster parents. Garley Millian graduated from UCLA School of Law last spring and was admitted to practice law in California in December. Kate Vasconi moved to Houston, where she’s teaching sixth-grade social studies at the Presbyterian School. In March she planned to marry Jack Stoessel in Sonoma County, Calif. Kim Cohen and Christopher Neil ’07 welcomed son Griffin Dyer Neil in November. Amy Keefe Bauer got married in October. Sarah Storms, Lee Rotenberg, Kalii White, and Nadège Roux were bridesmaids. Harry Goldstein lives in Singapore, where he’s teaching number theory and applied educational psychology at Northeastern. And Jeff Jarnot and Naamah Azoulay are engaged and will marry in July 2016 on Nantucket Island. Naamah is pursuing a master’s in counseling and applied educational psychology from Northeastern, and Jeff a master’s in elementary education from Lesley. Colin Hutzer is teaching Chinese and coaching soccer at Collegiate School in NYC, as well as launching a summer camp. Next Level Sports and Leadership Academy, in Kent, Conn. He has a new passion for scuba diving and spearfishing and is working toward his rescue diver and dive master licenses.

Delia Langan

Hassan Bhatti is pursuing a master’s in international peace and conflict resolution at American University and interning at Ashoka International. He worked as a counselor at Seeds of Peace. Jeff Jarnot and Naamah Azoulay are engaged and will marry in July 2016 on Nantucket Island. Naamah is pursuing a master’s in counseling and applied educational psychology from Northeastern, and Jeff a master’s in elementary education from Lesley. Colin Hutzer is teaching Chinese and coaching soccer at Collegiate School in NYC, as well as launching a summer camp. Next Level Sports and Leadership Academy, in Kent, Conn. He has a new passion for scuba diving and spearfishing and is working toward his rescue diver and dive master licenses.

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in Manhattan and runs delia langan jewelry, which is five years old. She moved into a larger jewelry studio in downtown Brooklyn and was pleasantly surprised to find that Megan Towe lives across the street. Jim Rockafellow moved from Portland, Maine, to Philadelphia. He loves work at the D4 Creative Group. Driving back from a long weekend in Maine, Jim passed a car with a Colby sticker. The driver turned out to be former roommate Alex Basset!

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**2011**

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After graduating from Tulane Law School and passing the bar in Massachusetts and New York last spring, Katie Brezinski is working as a clerk for a federal judge in New Orleans. She is busy helping plan the summer wedding of classmate Katie Muto and Craig Zevin. Will Junkin is pursuing his Ph.D. in ecology, and Fran an M.P.H. in epidemiology.

Zach Hussain will earn his M.B.A. at Boston College this May and will join Pfizer upon graduation. Chelsea Stillman lives in D.C., finishing her doctorate in cognitive neuroscience at Georgetown. She hopes to defend by the end of the year. Patrick Findaro works at LCR Capital Partners and is responsible for Latin America (based in Miami). The company provides foreign nationals permanent residence in the United States through investment in its funds.

Jean Burnet is working on her first novel as a Made at Hugo House Column with Richard Hugo House in Seattle. Her work has been published or is forthcoming in The Los Angeles Review, Brevity, the James Franco Review, and others. Rob Knipp took a job as a risk analyst for an insurance company in Sydney, Australia, in August and loves life down under.

Kat Cosgrove still loves work at Human Rights First. She spent a week at the military commission at Guantanamo to observe one of the hearing proceedings. In the military commission at Guantanamo to observe one of the hearing proceedings. In the military commission at Guantanamo to observe one of the hearing proceedings. In the military commission at Guantanamo to observe one of the hearing proceedings. In the military commission at Guantanamo to observe one of the hearing proceedings. In the military commission at Guantanamo to observe one of the hearing proceedings.

Blair Braverman races sled dogs. Her first book, Welcome to the Goddamn Ice Cube, is forthcoming from Ecco/HarperCollins this year. Sara Field is completing a graduate degree in social work in Washington, D.C., and recently got engaged to Eddie Vogtman.

Lia Engelsted is pursuing a master's in industrial organizational psychology at George Mason. She keeps up with many Colby alumni in the D.C. area. After saying goodbye to her job as an editor at America's Test Kitchen, Charlotte Wilder started a new gig as a staff writer at boston.com. Peter Williams and Zach Currier continue to live in D.C., where they enjoy building and racing cars. After graduating from UNH School of Law and being sworn in to the New Hampshire and Massachusetts bars, Stephen Zaharias is a law clerk for justices at the New Hampshire Supreme Court. Mark McNulty is the new communications director for the Republican Jewish Coalition. Michelle Russell is busy building a renewable-energy network in the Monadnock region of New Hampshire.

She also works on a project to make her hometown of Hancock, N.H., 100-percent solar powered by the end of 2015. Check out her independent arts business at humminghands.com. In December Annie Warner got engaged to Gil Haylon '10. Their Colby-fledged wedding is planned for August. In her free time Tory Gray can be found at a CrossFit gym, where enjoys a great workout and community. She lives in Reading, Mass., where she works for Game Plan, a nutrition supplement company that provides products for coaches and members of CrossFit gyms.

Chelsea Heneghan continues to work as a nurse while pursuing her master's in nursing from Columbia. She lives in New York with Catherine Mullin, and they recently adopted an oversized cat, Fitz.

Kaitlyn Billington said she was seeing Raymond '54 and Priscilla Eaton Billington '53 regularly for banana split and cookie dates. Has it been five years already? Not quite, but it is time to save the date for our five-year reunion, June 2-5, 2016! Details to follow, but in the meantime contact class presidents Grayson Palmer and Annie Warner with any questions.

**2012**

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Eric Barthold is taking Mules Against Violence (MAV) on the road. He is a guest speaker at high schools and colleges, where he talks about masculinity, gender norms, and male privilege and links these elements to sexual-violence awareness and prevention. Trip Ventura is one of two employees at a theater company in Chelsea, Mass. He is involved in building three new theater spaces in Chelsea Square to be used by the Greater Boston theater community.

Nathan Katsiakias completed his master's in earth and environmental sciences at Vanderbilt and began a job as a geology technician at Tetra Tech, Inc. in Portland, Maine. Andy Estrada is a special assistant for scheduling and advance for Secretary Anthony Fox. At the U.S. Department of Transportation. He's loving D.C. and linking up with classmates Anne Burton, Yuri Maruyama, and Nathan Lord.

Sarah Harmon is pursuing her Ph.D. in computer science on the California shore. Between teaching, research, and designing new tech experiences, she has plenty to dream about. This May Alison Reader will graduate from the Actors Studio Drama School with her M.F.A. in acting. She cannot wait to see what will come as she starts her career in NYC. Yuri Min is in her first year at the UConn School of Law. She is enjoying UConn's version of Jan Plan with a class called Moot Court. Meg Winthrop lives in San Francisco and works for American Giant, an apparel startup. In April she will compete in a half Ironman triathlon, and in June she will bike 545 miles from SF to LA for the annual AIDS/LifeCycle. Gabriel Lerner entered Boston University Med School in August. He is thankful for friends he's made at BU and his strong network of Colby friends in Boston and Cambridge.

Yuki Yoshida works in marketing consulting for Facebook and is excited about what the future holds. After two years in France, Aileen Evans is working toward a joint degree in public administration (M.P.A.) and international education management at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey. Alex Hymanson works at the Advisory Board Company in Washington, D.C., managing hospital finance teams from Vermont to Hawaii. Alex is looking forward to skiing with Thomas Lampert, Pat Dolan, Jamie Axelrod, Jordan Ansell, and Jason Schlundt, and to helping the D.C. Colby family plan the best Doghead yet. Lauren Harris teaches first grade in Lexington, Mass. She lives with Claire Grady in Brighton. Rebecca Gonzalez-Kreisberg moved to NYC's West Harlem neighborhood. An assistant with an architecture project management firm, she consults at the American Museum of Natural History. After two years in Boston working at Brigham and Women's, Meg Kruithoff is moving to Charlottesville, Va., to begin a postbaccalaureate premed program at UVA. Chassy Breene is working on her M.A. in social impact communications and cause consulting at Georgetown. She lives on Capitol Hill with Joe Albano, who is in his second year at Georgetown Law.
hoped to return to Boston in 2016.  

Nick Iodice left Cambridge, Mass., to pursue a master’s of engineering in computer science at UPenn. He’ll spend this summer interning as a software developer at Avaya Corporation in Boston. Thank you to all who wrote in with updates. Hope your year is off to a wonderful start.

2013
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It was great to receive updates from many of you. Holly Mawn is in her second year teaching at the Park School in Brookline, Mass., and lives with Taylor Horan ‘12 and Samantha Merriweather ‘12. “It’s amazing how frequently I see fellow Mules,” Holly says. Also true for Callie Wade, who met Kathy Muhlhausen McIntyre ’72 and Laura Hudecek 05 at Ben Hannon’s family holiday party in the Salt Lake City area.

Elicott Dandy works on environmental justice policy in Washington State. She’s visited Claudia Camerino, Alec Peters, and Carly Rushford in Portland, Ore. In LA, Daria Jones is an assistant editor at Buddha Weekly and nightlife guide that tells you what is happening at a place before you arrive.” Kati Muto ‘11 is one of three co-founders. Patrick Fitzgerald spent a portion of last year “helping to launch an indoor cycling startup in Charleston, S.C.” He describes it as similar to SoulCycle.

Becca Levenson lives in Manhattan and is publicity and marketing assistant and project manager of social media for the U.S. at Phaidon, a food and art book publisher. Tom Letourneau will move from the Mississippi Delta to NYC after his Teach for America commitment ends this spring. “I will teach lower elementary school in Harlem, work on my M.S.Ed. from Johns Hopkins, and hopefully take advantage of the closer proximity to watch my Mules have another exceptional cross-country season.” Kareem Kall is in his second year teaching sixth grade math through TFA in Philadelphia. “Excited to pursue different options that will keep me in the classroom and impacting students next year and beyond!”

Jayson Ito-Alder completed a 10-month FEMA Corps national service program. “I spent six months in Denton, Texas, and two months in Conway, Ark., after a tornado hit that area.” Gordon Fischer went to East Africa on a grant from the Cotter Fund to make a documentary about history and education in Tanzania. “It was an amazing, raw, and fulfilling experience that will forever stay with me.” He lives in the Bronx with two fellow Mules and started teaching in the city in February.

Lauren Fisher spent the summer in Fiji leading tours for high school students and is now leading a 10-month gap-year trip in Israel.

Peter Markoe and Sophie Hamblett ‘14 completed a 70-day Europe trip. “Now my compass is pointed west to help Elliot Mermel ’12 on his farming venture,” Peter says, adding that Jordan Ansell ’12 and Hadrien Vasseloncouer ’12 are part of the endeavor. Dhokela Zyeira became accredited as a NOFA (Northeast Organic Farming Association) organic land care professional. “I’m undertaking a residency at a Zen center that I’ve been involved with for five years, and I’m working with women in addiction recovery through gardening on the same property.”

Abbott Matthews received a second Fulbright to return to Brazil. She met Professor Patrice Franco in both Rio de Janeiro and Brasilia last year.

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Pamela Alakai lives in Boston, where she is a program coordinator for nonprofit Tutors for All. She lives with Mugyenzi Innocent ’13 and has Abebu Kassie as a neighbor.

Alice Anamosa works as a deputy probation officer for Lake County, Calif., and is pursuing a career in criminal justice.

Felix Baldauf-Lenschen lives in Boston’s North End with Jason Schlundt ’11 and Nick Carrellas ’12. Christian Romano and Kevin Galvin live just down the street. Felix works in KPMG’s consulting department and specializes in advising banks on their credit risk.

Anders Peterson enjoyed being unemployed for the summer in Chicago before moving to Newport Beach, Calif., in November for a job in a technical sales for Arbitech, a data center technology distributor. He spends free time in the Pacific Ocean.

Guga Gogia is working toward his Ph.D. in physics at Emory.

Susan Weidner, Philip Hussey, and Jenny Sher live together in Somerville, Mass. Anna Hess and Julia Prezioso planned to visit them for Valentine’s.

Leigh Fryxell and Andrew Beauchesne took a three-week road trip from Maine to Santa Cruz, where they currently live and work. Leigh is director of a campaign office for nonprofit organizations. Andrew works at a tutoring center helping underprivileged students.

Leilani Pao lives in London, where she is completing an internship at Richard James, a men’s retail company in Savile Row. She spent the summer in NYC taking classes at the Fashion Institute of Technology, and Grace Dickinson is teaching and coaching at the Pomfret School in Connecticut.

Ben Lewis works as an operations specialist for Brown Brothers Harriman.

OBITUARIES

Hildreth “Hilly” Wheeler Finn ’37, Jan. 23, 2015, in North Chelmsford, Mass., at 100. A 40-year resident of Hilton Head Island, S.C., she loved being a homemaker, knitting, sewing, and volunteering. She was an avid golfer and churchgoer. Predeceased by her husband of 54 years, Howard, and two children, she is survived by a son, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Gordon Wolman ’41, Nov. 18, 2014, in Waterville, Maine, at 95. He served in the U.S. Army Dental Corps during WWII and then entered his father’s business, becoming owner-operator of Lewis Wolman Co. and president of Wolman Steel until his retirement in 1984. A lifetime member of the Elks Lodge, he was also a 50-year member of the Kora Shriners and the Freemasons and was active with Beth Israel Congregation. Predeceased by his brother Harold Wolman ’38, he is survived by his wife of 68 years, Myrtle, one daughter, two sons, three grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Albert J. Rimoskas ’41, Jan. 30, 2015, at 95. A basketball aficionado, he played throughout his school years and semiprofessionally. He served with the armed forces in the Philippines and Japan, and he was director of adult education and recreation in Windsor, Conn., and athletic director for Windsor High School. He earned a master’s from the University of Hartford and in 1976 retired as administrative assistant to the Windsor superintendent of schools. He and his wife, Evelyn, spent their retirement in Florida, where he was active with his church choir, AARP, and the Knights of Columbus. His wife died the following week.

Martha Rogers Beach ’42, Nov. 20, 2014, in Waterville, Maine, at 94. A Waterville native, she was a lifelong member of the First Congregational Church and was on the board of many local organizations. She taught in Waterville for 10 years and volunteered for Meals on Wheels. A two-term Alumni Council member, she received a Colby Brick. She was predeceased by her husband of 56 years, George Beach ’41; grandfather Harvey Eaton, Class of 1887; parents A. Raymond Rogers, Class of 1917, and Harriet Eaton Rogers, Class of 1919; and brother A. Raymond Rogers Jr. ’49. She is survived by her daughter, Margo Beach ’65, and sister Estelle Rogers MacDonald ’39.

Betsey Libbey Williams ’42, Oct. 14, 2014, in Provo, Utah, at 95. She earned her M.L.S. at Simmons College. A longtime Massachusetts resident, she was a high school librarian in Lynnfield and Winchester, retiring in 1976. She and her husband traveled in Europe, Asia, and Africa, as well as in all 50 U.S. states. Predeceased by her husband, Glenn, and brother David Libbey ’39, she is survived by two daughters, a son, 20 grandchildren, and 36 great-grandchildren.