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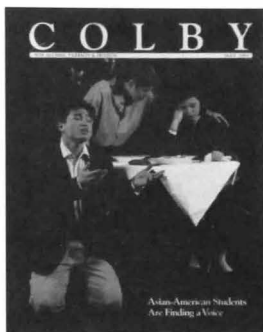
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Budget Gets Nod

Colby's trustees have approved a budget for 1993-94 that calls for a 4.9 percent increase in student charges, the smallest increase in two decades. The action continues a long string of balanced budgets and shows total 1993-94 expenditures of \$55.7 million. The new numbers will keep Colby in the middle of the 24 selective New England colleges. Tuition will be raised from \$16,810 to \$17,840, the general fee from \$800 to \$850, board charges from \$2,650 to \$2,860. Overall charges will increase from \$23,090 to \$24,230.

Russo's Work Touted

Publishers Weekly reports that booksellers who received advance galley proofs of Professor of English **Richard Russo's** latest novel, *Nobody's Fool*, were surprised to find a personal message from the publisher's sales force on the cover. The message, signed by 29 members of the Random House team, says, "For the first time in a long while, the Random House sales force has agreed upon a favorite author: Richard Russo." *Publishers Weekly* says Random House and Russo's editor, **David Rosenthal**, feel that the work will be Russo's "breakthrough" book.

Baker Becomes Director

Sally Baker, associate director of communications and managing editor of this award-winning magazine for the past three years, has become Colby's new director of communications with overall responsibility for both media relations and publications. A *magna cum laude* graduate of Duke University, Sally was news editor at *Africa News Service* in Durham, N.C., and editor of its national biweekly on African affairs before joining the Colby staff as sports information director in 1989. An accomplished writer, she is the coauthor of *Running Tide*, written with Maine's acclaimed marathoner **Joan Benoit Samuelson**.

Many Are Best

The Colby Dean's List has grown from approximately one third of the student body in 1988 to nearly one half after the most recent fall term. There were 505 students (30 percent of 1,686) on the list after the first semester of 1988-89, 834 (48 percent of 1,773) this year. The number of students with the perfect 4.0 GPA climbed from 13 to 33 in the same period.

To Name a Few

Al Hume, overseer and medical director, has been elected to the board of trustees of the Tilton School in New Hampshire. . . . **Lynn Sullivan** and **Anestes Fotiades**, both members of the Class of '89, have joined the College staff as assistant directors of communications.

Colby Pride

You may have seen the full-page interview with **Lyn Mikel Brown** (education and human development) in a recent issue of *People* magazine. She answered questions about the psychological development of teenaged girls, based upon her research and her acclaimed book, *Meeting at the Crossroads: Women's Psychology and Girls' Development*, written with **Carol Gilligan** of Harvard. . . . **Cal Mackenzie** (government) was quoted in a page-one *New York Times* piece on the issue of screening candidates for government jobs. The political appointment process is his specialty. . . . The two economics/finance texts that have most outdistanced their expected sales at Harper Collins, the world's largest textbook publisher, both are written by Colby authors. **Jan Hogendorn's** *Economic Development* and **Tom Tietenberg's** *Environmental Economics* top the list. . . . **Steve Saunders** (music), who earlier this year captured a prestigious National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship, has now been awarded a major grant from the American Council for Learned Societies. . . . **Cedric**

Bryant (English) has received an NEH Summer Fellowship for college teachers at the University of Kansas.

Better Safe Than Sorry

Although the Blizzard of '93 was kinder to Central Maine than it was to southern coastal areas, dire predictions from the National Weather Service in Portland on Friday, March 12, prompted the hasty development of campus emergency plans. Most worrisome was the possibility of extended power failures. Portable electrical generators were installed at the athletic complex, where students could have gone to sleep, and at Roberts Union, to keep a kitchen in business. By Friday evening, the Dean of Students Office had circulated a notice to all students, asking that they not travel from the campus until the storm was over and alerting them to the alternate sleeping and eating arrangements. The notice also suggested leaving messages on telephones to calm anxious parents and to refrain from jumping out of windows or off the roofs into the snow banks. Although the blizzard failed to disrupt power on the campus, the barometer hit a record low and some 18 inches of snow fell over the weekend, carrying the winter accumulation tally to nearly 100 inches.

Moosecellaneous

The constellation of Mayflower Hill faculty stars will be diminished by one when **Keith Devlin** (mathematics and computer science) leaves for California at the end of the term. He'll be missed. . . . Statistics show that the number of high school grads will rise 23 percent in the next decade, most of them from outside New England. . . . Salute our international students for their academic achievement. Of the 26 eligible for Dean's List honors last semester, 17 were named, including one who garnered a 4.18 GPA. . . . Colby's newest budget shows that 46 percent is spent on instruction.



Kudos Roll in for Colbians

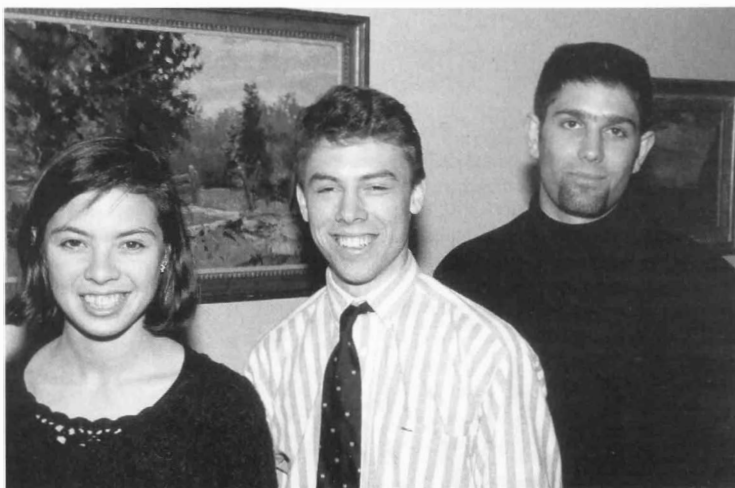
Colby students garnered an impressive array of fellowships, scholarships and awards this spring from nationally recognized foundations and organizations.

For the second year running, two Colby seniors received fellowships from the Thomas J. Watson Foundation of Providence, R.I. Brian O'Halloran, of Abington, Mass., and Andrew Nemiccolo of Watertown, Conn., were named Watson Fellows. The program provides one-year stipends of \$15,000 so recipients may live abroad while pursuing scholarly interests, testing their aspirations and abilities and viewing their lives and American society with new perspectives. The 65 1993-94 fellows were selected from more than 200 finalists nominated by their colleges.

O'Halloran, a government and Russian studies major, plans to study ethnic conflicts and politics in the republic of Georgia. Nemiccolo, an East Asian cultures and languages major, will examine the cultural geography of the ancient Gokaido highways in Japan.

Lynn Furrow '93 of Bath, Maine, is one of two recipients of graduate scholarships from the St. Andrew's Society of New York. Nominated by President William Cotter, who called her an "extremely motivated, hard-working and talented young woman," Furrow won the chance to spend one year at the University of Edinburgh studying the influences of Scottish missionaries on women in China. Furrow is an East Asian cultures and languages major and a leader of this semester's East Asian Awareness campaign at Colby (see related story, page 25).

Robb Aldrich '94, a chemistry major with a concentration in environmental sciences, has won a 1993-94 scholarship from the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation in Washington, D.C. Nearly 2,000 mathematics, science and engineering majors from



Seniors Lynn Furrow, Brian O'Halloran and Andrew Nemiccolo have won prestigious scholarships and fellowships this spring.

more than 600 colleges and universities throughout the nation competed for the awards after being nominated by faculty members. Aldrich, a native of Essex, Mass., was nominated by Assistant Professor of Chemistry Whitney King and was among 154 science majors selected. King called Aldrich "one of the top students I've worked with at Colby and an active partner in my research." Aldrich was listed as co-author, with King, on a paper examining the chemistry of iron in seawater.

Senior Michael Soth of Gainesville, Ga., was honored by the Maryland-based American Institute of Chemists at an awards dinner on April 22 at Boston College. According to Professor of Chemistry Wayne Smith, Soth was the unanimous choice of Colby's Chemistry Department to be nominated for the prestigious honor. Each year, the institute recognizes approximately 800 graduating seniors nationwide who show promise as budding chemists and demonstrate "an outstanding record of ability, leadership and character."

Conservation Alert

The Colby community and people from around Maine recently heard one of the world's most influential voices on the subject of energy conservation. And judging from the efforts of a fledgling conservation task force on campus, students were receptive to his message.

Amory Lovins, founder of the Colorado-based Rocky Mountain Institute, an environmental think tank, brought his message to Colby this spring as part of the popular Thursday morning Spotlight Event series. The speech was later broadcast throughout the state on Maine Public Radio.

Lovins challenged his audience to become more aware of energy conservation issues and threw down the gauntlet to the Colby administration. Gazing up past the chapel balconies, he noted that the incandescent lights in the chandeliers were an

acceptable way to heat the ceiling but terribly inefficient at providing light for lectures, music and worship services.

A tour of the campus with Physical Plant Director Alan Lewis and Administrative Vice President Arnold Yasinski showed Lovins what the College has done to augment and fine-tune energy initiatives that date back to the 1970s. Included were a new, central steam boiler that should reduce oil consumption by 20 percent, insulation projects, high-efficiency electronic motors and energy-efficient lighting conversions.

Despite the College's efforts, though, both Yasinski and Lewis said the biggest potential for energy savings lies in one of the hardest areas to influence—the habits of students and staff. "We lose a tremendous amount of energy with people just being careless," Yasinski said.

But that may be changing. The Colby Environmental Council, which has brought speakers to campus, helped teach environmental science at area high schools and spearheaded Colby's recycling program, formed a conservation task force following

Lovins's appearance.

Darrell Sofield '95 is one of the students involved. "It's great; it makes a lot of sense," he said of Lovins's message. "I was surprised we didn't have anyone advocating saving energy on campus."

What Sofield and his fellow task force members discovered is that most of the easy avenues to savings already have been taken. Students fanned out across campus to measure shower flows, for instance, hoping to cut down on hot water use. "We discovered Colby's doing a pretty good job of it already," Sofield said.

Next, alarmed by the fact that Colby pays Central Maine Power Company three quarters of a million dollars each year, the task force turned its attention to electricity. Again they found that the College has done "a pretty good job with sodium lamps and fluorescents. What we haven't addressed is all the lamps that students own," Sofield said.

Rough figuring showed that replacing a single 60-watt incandescent bulb in one student's lamp with a 15-watt compact fluorescent would save the College five

dollars in a single year. So, earlier this semester, Sofield began working with Gordon Cheesman of the Physical Plant Department on a plan to give students a subsidy or a rebate on the purchase of compact fluorescent bulbs. Printing posters to promote conservation and stickers to remind students and staff to turn out lights when they leave a room were other initiatives on the Environmental Council's agenda.

"The Physical Plant Department can only do so much," said council member Susan Nackoney '95. "It really comes down to individual students—how aware people are and whether they really care."

Lovins was part of a spring lineup of Spotlight Event lecturers that included Thomas Friedman, who won two Pulitzer Prizes for reporting on the Middle East and is now the *New York Times* chief diplomatic correspondent; Robert Meeropol, son of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg; sociologist Marcia Millman, author of popular books on love and money in American culture; and Robert Capers '71, who won a 1992 Pulitzer Prize for his reporting at the *Hartford Courant* on the Hubble space telescope.

Fair Trade

A chance meeting between Professor Hiroyuki Fujimaki of Tokyo, Japan, and Scott Reed of Colby's Art Department in the lobby of the Colby Museum of Art last summer has turned into an international art exchange.

Fujimaki, who teaches at the Hattori Institute of the Ochanomizu College of Fine Arts and Design in Tokyo, is married to Waterville native Mary Gallant Fujimaki. While they were in town last summer seeing her family, Hiroyuki Fujimaki visited the museum, where he had exhibited photographs and drawings in the mid-1980s. Reed noticed him standing outside the door of the museum's office and struck up a conversation.

"We decided it would be great to have an exchange of our students' work," Reed said. They agreed to assemble exhibits drawn from pieces about the size of postcards to simplify shipping the drawings, collages and paintings halfway around the world.

At the beginning of second semester, several members of the art faculty had stu-



Irish Poet Enchants Colby Audience

World-renowned Irish poet Seamus Heaney taught a class on W.B. Yeats in the Lovejoy Building and then read from his own poetry in Lorimer Chapel on February 25. He is shown here signing a book for Haines Sprunt Tate during a break between the two events. Heaney, who teaches at both Oxford and Harvard, charmed the near-capacity Lorimer crowd with a variety of poems, including several about the countryside around his home in Northern Ireland. Others who read during the spring Visiting Writers Series were Paule Marshall, author of the novel *Daughters*; Professor of English Ira Sadoff, whose new volume, *An Ira Sadoff Reader*, is reviewed on page 33; and James McConkey, author of *Court of Memory*. McConkey, who presented the first annual Edwin J. Kenney Jr. Memorial Reading, read from his own works as well as Kenney's essay-memoir "Waves."

dents in their Foundations in Studio Art classes to work on projects for the exchange. By March 1 the Colby entries were hung in the lobby of the Bixler art and music library briefly before being sent off to Tokyo.

Meanwhile, in Japan, Fujimaki's students were working on art based on the theme of U.S.-Japan relations. That display was mounted in the museum lobby in April.

"This is great," said Abbott Meader, associate professor of art, whose students participated in the exchange. "We should do more to get the students' art work out of the studio and on display."

A Russian Sampler

Early in April, as the Russian constitutional crisis grabbed front-page headlines for a second week and Boris Yeltsin was flying east to Vancouver for his first summit with Bill Clinton, Colby's Russian Studies Program was in high gear.

On the eve of the summit, Russian historian and television commentator Lev Lurie spoke in Roberts Union on the topic "Abandoned and Forgotten: Russia in 1993." A week earlier, the "Russian Sampler" program, organized by Associate Professor of Russian Sheila McCarthy, brought 156 junior high school students to the College for an introduction to Russian language, cooking, folk art, music, dancing, fairy tales and contemporary life.

Though both events were planned well in advance, they were just two of several activities on campus this spring that couldn't have been more timely. On the day the Maine legislature began debating a gay rights bill, for example, former National League umpire Dave Pallone spoke in Lorimer Chapel about his experiences as a gay man in major league baseball. In February, as French farmers protested trade policies, Associated Press Bureau Chief for Italy and the Mediterranean Dennis Redmont probed the question, "Is Europe falling apart, or is it an optical illusion?"

Talking about Russia in 1993, Lurie

Tops with Rolling Stone

A Colby junior has won the essay and criticism award in *Rolling Stone* magazine's 17th annual College Journalism Competition.

Matt Dubel '94, of Lowman, N.Y., entered a piece he wrote for *The Response*, a monthly published by Colby's Student Activities office. "The Cult of Discontentment," which focused on the 1992 Presidential election, was one of three winners in its category. Each received a \$2,500 prize.

Dubel says he was prompted to write the piece because he felt that key aspects of the campaign were overlooked by the major media.

"None of the big-time journalists were really arguing from the standpoint of discontentment," he said. "Protest candidates were popping up on all sides—liberal, moderate and conservative. During the primaries turnout was low and most votes were protest votes. The wave of discontentment was really affecting things."

Dubel's essay—which was among 500 submitted—examined, among other things, voter anger and frustration during the campaign, especially as they were reflected in the support that fell to candidates such as Jerry Brown.

downplayed the importance of his country's political upheaval. Ordinary Russians, he said, are too busy trying to make ends meet to pay attention to all the posturing between Yeltsin and the Russian Congress.

Prior to the collapse of the Soviet Union, Russian people took pride in their role as providers for the communist world, Lurie said. "We feed Estonia, Cuba, Poland. We feed everybody because we're kind—it's part of our national identity," he said, describing the previous viewpoint. "People understand they are living badly, but they are living in a country they can be proud of."

That pride evaporated, he said, when the dismantling of the Iron Curtain revealed the nation's poor economic status. "Now, when Yeltsin says the market economy will give yields in five years, [Russians] know he's lying," Lurie told the audience.

Lurie, who is curator of the Museum of the History of St. Petersburg, was a visiting professor in Colby's Russian Studies Pro-

gram in 1990. He is a frequent writer on contemporary issues in Russian society, host of a weekly current affairs television program and co-founder of the St. Petersburg Classical Gymnasium—one of the first private schools in Russia.

Going to the Dogs

You might call it a win-win-win proposition.

This year Tonya Boyle '95 is coordinating a volunteer activity called "Pet Therapy" for students interested in community service.

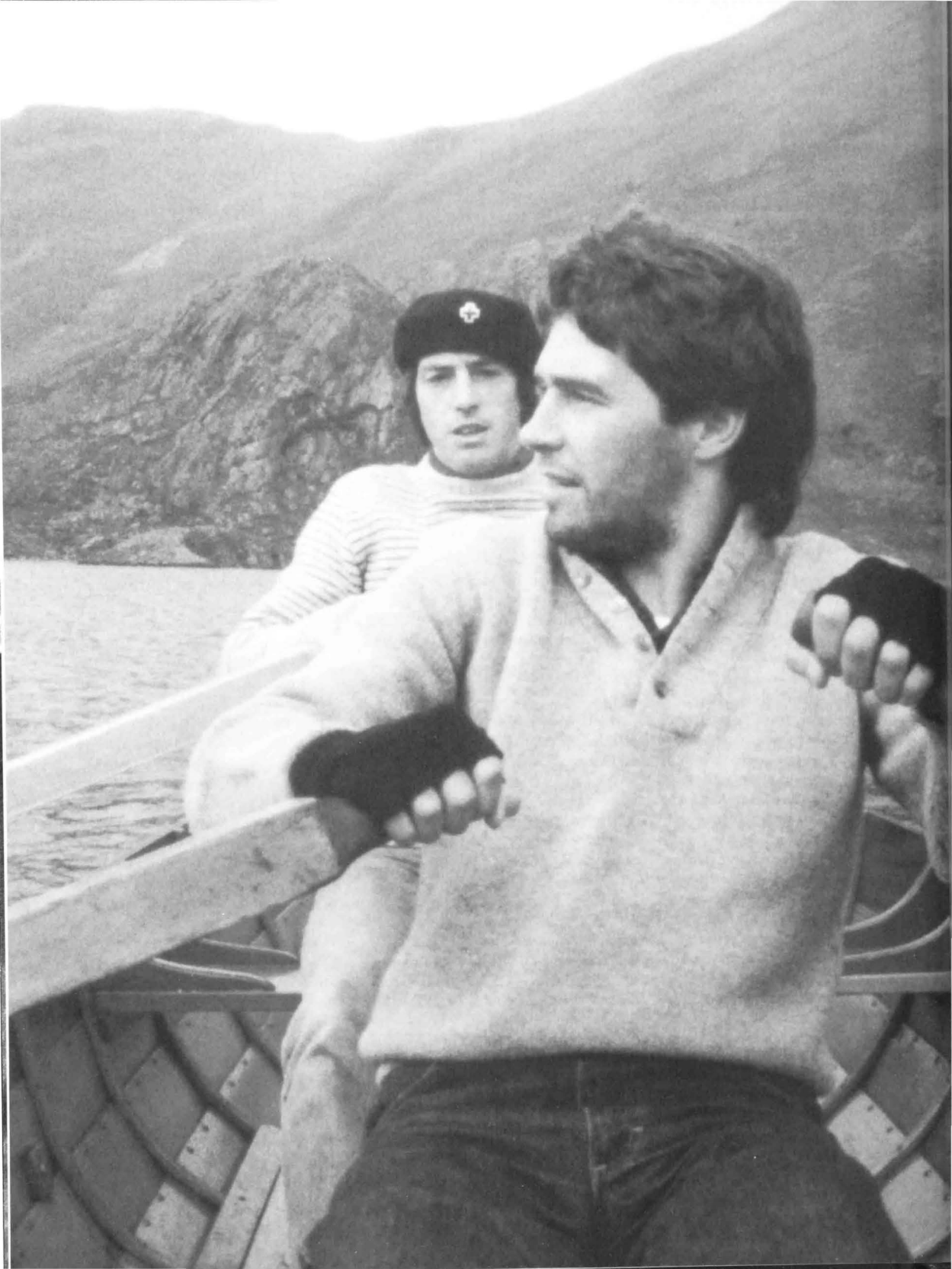
It's not counseling for neurotic Irish Setters, it's a program in which Colby students take puppies and kittens to Waterville nursing homes to visit residents. It's win-win-win because the students feel good, the nursing home residents love it and the animals from the Waterville Humane Society shelter get some needed exercise and a change of scenery once a week.

Every Friday students meet in the Student Center and carpool to the Humane Society to pick up dogs and cats. From there they go to Mount St. Joseph's and The Willows, two nursing homes on College Avenue.

Once inside they fan out, chatting with residents and encouraging them to snuggle with a pet. The animals are natural ice-breakers, turning what might be an awkward visit into a quick connection.

"I can tell it's Friday," a beaming, white-haired woman said on one of the students' visits. Giving shut-ins something they can look forward to and depend on can be a real tonic for their overall health, emotional well-being and even longevity, Boyle explains.

The benefits of the program for the students who participate may not be as dramatic, she adds, but they are important. "Kids miss their own pets at home," she said. Pet therapy gives them an opportunity to play with dogs and cats, to get off campus and to bridge the gaps between Colby and Waterville and between young and old.





Pulling Together

Multiple Sclerosis Cannot Daunt
Jim Hayes '76 and the Colbians
Who Love Him

By Sally Baker

A few weeks before Christmas 1979, employees at the Digital Equipment Corp. offices in Marlborough, Mass., received their holiday bonuses. They didn't get a little something extra in their pay packets, they got turkeys. Big turkeys.

Jim Hayes '76, then a master scheduler at Digital, took his 16-pound bonus to his parents' house in Westboro. "He wanted me to take it," Hayes's mother, Mary, remembered. "I told him we already had a turkey in the freezer, so he should use it, invite some friends over."

Hayes hauled the bird back to the apartment he shared with Colby classmates and Kappa Delta Rho fraternity brothers Mark Janos and John Mara.

"Jimmy has a lot of talents, but cooking is not one of them," Janos said in a recent interview. "So he just stood there in the hall, holding this turkey, and said, 'What am I supposed to do with this?' I grabbed it from him and said, 'You're supposed to cook it, dummy!'"

Bowing to the inevitable, Hayes organized a party.

"He invited some friends and his roommates' parents," Mary Hayes said. "We had to wash silverware and eat in shifts. He invited the neighbors but told them to bring their own utensils."

Little did Hayes know that he had inaugurated an annual event that would be among the most meaningful in his life—and in the lives of his friends from KDR.

Eight people got together for that first "Turkey Shoot." Last December, more than 10 times as many crowded into the Shrewsbury, Mass., house Hayes now shares with his older sister, Kathy, her husband, Al Cordoza, and their two teenaged children. Kathy does the bulk of the cooking these days, but Hayes is on hand to tell a few jokes ("Did you hear

Jim Hayes (foreground) and his brother John rowing in England's Lake District in 1982.

about the cannibal who passed his brother in the woods? . . . Think about it.") and to organize the "team picture," a print of which serves as the invitation to the next year's party.

Also on hand, year after year and from all over New England, are Hayes's fraternity brothers and their families. And it isn't just sentiment that brings them back; it's a deeper bond of brotherhood and of feeling for Hayes, who has a severe case of multiple sclerosis.

father, Bernard "Gunner" Hayes, makes sure his son gets to away games at Tufts and Amherst whenever he is up to the trip.

"We'll talk, catch up," Nancy Cooper says. "It's always just so great to see him."

Aside from the emotional support they provide—and Hayes says that's considerable—his fraternity brothers and their families also have gotten together to help Hayes financially. Stricken with MS in his early 20s and confined to a wheelchair six years ago, Hayes is unable to work, and although

"We talked to someone from the state about getting a van," Hayes wrote in his self-published memoir, *MS'ing in Action*. "They said that it usually took a few years but that if you could, the best way to do it was a private trust."

Hayes's friends raised more than \$20,000 for the James M. Hayes Trust, enough to ensure that the man whose greatest joys in life include movies, concerts and athletic events could continue to attend them. And in more recent years, fundraising efforts have continued with an informal annual golf tournament and a party at the Boston Children's Museum—the proceeds of which went toward replacing the original van.

"The response was overwhelming," said Gunner Hayes. "They had an auction of photographs Jimmy had taken. I couldn't believe that [the party] raised \$30,000. There was an older Colby alum there from Indiana. I asked him what he was doing there. He said he had heard about Jim and wanted to come and meet him."

What is it about Hayes that has caused such an outpouring of concern and affection? Just ask his friends.

At Colby, remembers Jay Sarson '76, who now lives in Hanover, Mass., and manages a copy supply company, Hayes "was the kind of guy everybody liked. He was a great athlete—one of the best I ever saw, especially for his size and weight—but he was really unassuming. All the best girls were after him and he didn't even know it, for Pete's sake!"

Hayes's many friends echo Sarson's sentiments. Adjectives like "funny," "kind," "charismatic" and "artistic" pepper their descriptions of Hayes.

Hayes was a standout in football and baseball in each of his four years on Mayflower Hill and a three-time recipient of the John Holden Parker II award for citizenship, loyalty and leadership. He calls those years "the best of my life" and now surrounds himself with Colby memorabilia in his apartment. He sports Colby sweats and tees, displays a Colby sticker on his van and even named his new German Shepherd puppy "Colby."

The Hayes/Colby love affair is mutual. Hayes came to Colby in 1972, recruited to play football and baseball. That year's squad was among the College's best ever, amassing a 7-1 record, and Hayes contrib-



Hayes in front of his Shrewsbury, Mass., house with a neighbor, Frank Lanotte.

"That party is important to a lot of people," said Don Sheehy Jr. '74, the owner of a Connecticut real estate company who is Hayes's "father" in KDR. "To Jimmy, sure, but to us, too."

For many of Hayes's fraternity brothers and former football and baseball teammates on Mayflower Hill, the "Turkey Shoot" is the one time each year they know they'll put aside the demands of work and family to visit Hayes. Others have stayed in closer touch. Last month, for instance, Janos and Sheehy planned to take Hayes to Fenway Park for an early-season Red Sox game, and Janos says that when he can he takes Hayes to rock concerts at the Worcester Centrum. Bob '76 and Nancy Coyne Cooper '76 say their fondest recent moments with Hayes have taken place on the sidelines of Colby football games in Massachusetts—Hayes's

he received a pension from Digital and his family members have done everything they can to help, the cost of his care is high. A personal care attendant sees to his needs during the hours when family members are at work or school; he requires special—and sometimes expensive—medical equipment; and he needs occasional hospitalization.

In March 1987 John Mara wrote a letter to his KDR brothers. "Many of us in KDR have talked about when and how we might help Jimmy," the letter read in part, "but he has never asked for any help. He has finally asked us."

What Hayes needed, Mara explained, was money for a specially equipped van. "[Jim] is increasingly dependent on others to get around. He wants to maintain his mobility and self-dependency to the extent possible."

uted heavily to its success. "Jimmy was our backup quarterback in 1972," recalled Dick McGee, head football coach at Colby from 1967-78 and now coach of the team's wide receivers. "He started at four different positions as a freshman, though—safety, cornerback, split end and flanker. He also started in center field for the baseball team for four years. He had such great athletic ability. That's what initially led us to recruit him. That and the fact he was a strong student. It was a bonus for us to find out he was an even better young man."

Hayes took over at quarterback in his sophomore season and went on to set a new passing record in his senior year. He played center field for the White Mule baseball team—some who saw him play say he was even better on the diamond than he was on the gridiron.

"You know that Robert Redford movie, *The Natural*?" said Sarson. "Well, Jim was a natural."

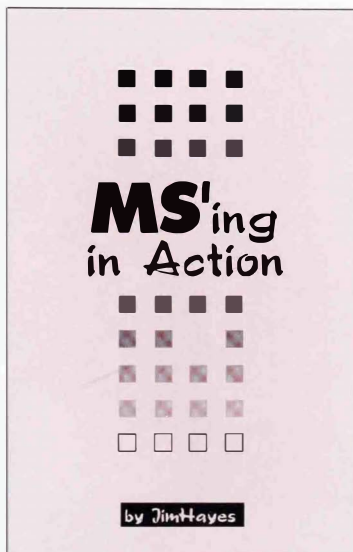
"He was an effortless athlete," Janos said. "I remember watching him play baseball in the Cape Cod league. There were scouts there all the time and they really looked at him. He was that good."

Delva King-Squires '77, who dated Hayes during and immediately after college and is now in graduate school in Houston, describes him as "very kind, upbeat and likable." King-Squires is African American, and she says neither Hayes's father nor hers really approved of their relationship. "Speaking for my dad," she said, "it wasn't a racial thing. He just didn't know what Hayes wanted. He was suspicious. But they got to know each other, and my father really liked him. They kept in touch, and when my father died about a year ago Jim wrote my mother a really nice note."

"Everybody at Colby loved him," King-Squires said. "I liked him because he was cute, but he wasn't into being cute. He was just a nice guy."

King-Squires was dating Hayes when he first learned about his MS. "Right after I graduated we went on a camping trip, and Hayes had trouble walking," she said. "And another time we were walking in New York and he splashed me by stamping in a puddle. I said, 'Hayes!' and he said, 'Look, I can't control this.'"

Concerned, King-Squires called a friend who was studying medicine at Harvard.



"I always thought I was tough, but now I know that for a fact. My toughness includes both physical and mental. There are times when certain parts of my body get sore. Basically, this happens on the couch and in bed because I am paralyzed. My solution is very simple. Just tough it out."

From MS'ing in Action.

After listening to an account of Hayes's symptoms, the friend recommended that Hayes see Harvard neurologist H. Harris Funkenstein.

"After examining me," Hayes writes in *MS'ing in Action*, "[Funkenstein] was 10 percent sure that I had a tumor on my spinal column and 90 percent sure it was something else." After a long series of painful tests—the only way to diagnose MS is to eliminate the other possibilities—Hayes had a name to apply to the vague and alarming symptoms he'd been experiencing, including lack of coordination and numbness in his legs.

"He told me when we were in the car," said King-Squires. "I said, 'What does this mean?' and he explained. I said, 'Okay, so we know what it is. Now you'll get better.'"

But Hayes has gotten much worse. He has "chronic" MS—unlike the more common manifestation of the disease, which is characterized by periods of remission and exacerbation, chronic MS is progressive without remission. For Hayes, each loss—speech, motor control, muscle response—is permanent.

"I could think of other people who could get it, you know?" King-Squires said. "I know that sounds terrible, but what I mean is, it doesn't make sense that he should get this disease. Usually when you date somebody and break up you can see some negatives. Not with Hayes. He's one of the kindest people I've ever known. And the reason it's so devastating is that he lost the ability to do the thing he loved most—athletics."

But if there is one thing the majority of those who know Hayes stress, it is his resilience and apparent acceptance of the disease.

"He's incredibly upbeat, unbelievable, an inspiration," said Don Sheehy. "He keeps plugging, every day. He has a tremendous sense of humor. He's great to be around."

"You'd think that with his athletic background he'd find it hard to accept," said Nancy Cooper, who has known Hayes since grade school. "But he has a lot of mental strength. He has a lot of faith and a wonderful family. You don't hear him complain. He's made me realize that some of the things I feel sorry for myself about are foolish." Cooper says she is training to run a marathon, and when the running hurts she reminds herself that "Jimmy can't do this even if he wants to. I tell myself to hang in there, thinking about what he has to face."

Cooper says she often has wondered if she's being insensitive to Hayes when she talks about her family. "Sometimes I think maybe he doesn't want to hear about my kids because he doesn't have any," she said, and in fact, Hayes writes poignantly, in *MS'ing in Action*, about not having a wife and children.

"But he doesn't seem to feel sorry for himself, so I tell him about my kids," Cooper said. "My son likes baseball. I introduced the kids to Jimmy and showed them pictures of Jimmy when he was playing baseball. My son can say, 'I met that man, but now he's in a wheelchair.' The kids were kind of nervous when they met him, but

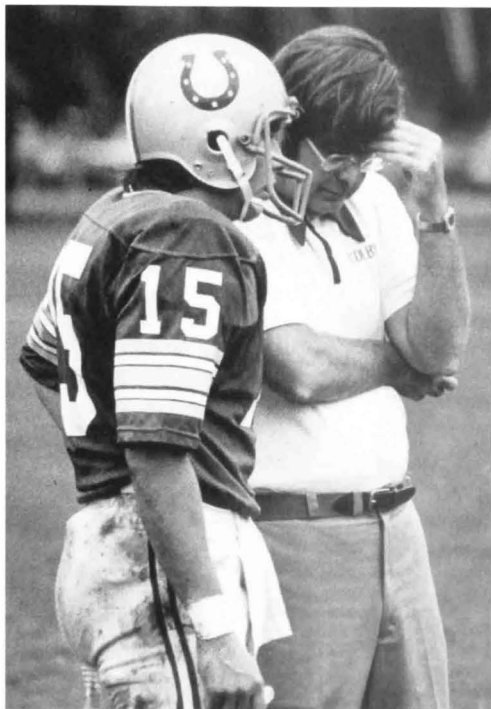
that passed. They know that's Jim Hayes, not just a man in a wheelchair. In our prayers at night we pray for a cure for Jim Hayes."

Many of Hayes's Colby friends say they have sometimes expected to be uncomfortable around him. His speech is severely slurred, making him difficult—occasionally impossible—to understand. When he can, Hayes copes by saying a few words to Sue Konopka, his personal care attendant, or to a family member and allowing that person to take over and tell the anecdote he wants to relate. When that isn't an option, Hayes struggles. At last year's Christmas party, Janos remembers, a guest pretty much had to "get right in his face" to understand Hayes.

"But there you'll be," Janos said, "bending right down into his face, and he'll blow you away with a joke. He's never lost that sense of humor." Hayes is a master, too, at putting strangers at their ease and making them, as one put it, "forget that the wheelchair is even there." His apartment is comfortable, and as he visits and sips Earl Grey tea his animals—a retired racing greyhound, a cat and Colby the dog—romp around him. He is surrounded, too, by reminders of other passions—particularly his own exquisite landscape and cityscape photographs.

McGee says he is not surprised at how Hayes has handled MS. "From the time he came down with it," the coach said, "he has fought a battle. When he first got it he jogged miles each day, until he couldn't do it anymore. When he was no longer able to run, he took up swimming and put hours into the pool and also lifted weights."

There is a dark side to that battle, and Hayes addresses it in his book. While his gratitude for the support of family and friends and his unique grace and humor are evident throughout its pages, so, too, are the inevitable anger and disappointment over potential gone unfulfilled. He is frank about the disease's physical and emotional effects, including diminished sexuality and occasional depression. He says he's thought about suicide—he once told a friend that the worst thing about MS is "you don't die."



Coach Dick McGee (right) says Hayes is among the finest athletes—and men—he's worked with at Colby.

But those thoughts pass, he says. Clearly, he knows how to fight. Just as he kept his muscles fit for as long as he could he now keeps his mind fit by writing, going to movies and seeing as many people as he can. He's part of a neighborhood group working on improving area streets, and without fail, Mondays find him volunteering at the Fairlawn Rehabilitation Hospital in Worcester, where he helps Ruth Ellis and Lucille Shepard sort mail. Hayes keeps things lively.

"I help out by looking at the census list and calling out room numbers," he said. "We were going through the mail A, B, C, and I said, 'This is boring.' So now I come in with a theme for the day, and we have to come up with a word for each letter that corresponds to the theme."

Hayes's ability to stay upbeat is mostly a matter of sheer grit.

"I always thought I was tough, but now I know that for a fact," he wrote in *MS'ing in Action*. "My toughness includes both physical and mental. There are times when certain parts of my body get sore. Basically,

this happens on the couch and in bed because I am paralyzed. My solution is very simple. Just tough it out."

Hayes knows, too, that he is loved. "His family has been incredible," said Sheehy, "tremendously loving and dedicated."

And so have his friends.

Last October, several members of the 1972 White Mule football team gathered at Colby to pay tribute to Dick McGee, the 1992 "C" Club person of the year. Hayes could not be at the party physically, but he was there in spirit.

"He read that Coach's office was destroyed in the [fieldhouse] fire in August," Sarson explained. "The article said one of the things that burned was a photo of Coach with Jimmy in the 1972 season. He called me and said he wasn't sure he had that picture, but he did have a picture of the two of them that he thought might be the one."

Sarson brought the photo to Colby and presented it to McGee at the ceremony. The moment was unforgettable, Sarson says. "I

don't know if [McGee] was choked up," he said. "I was too choked up myself to notice."

Also in attendance that night were current Colby football players. Later in the month, on a cold Saturday in Amherst, Mass., they noticed Hayes sitting on the sideline in his wheelchair, swathed in warm clothes. At the end of the game, a 28-14 victory for Colby, the entire squad ringed Hayes—15 in his playing days—and presented him with the game ball.

"I had nothing to do with it," said Dick McGee. "I knew Jimmy was at the game, but I was still up in the booth when the game ended. The players initiated it on their own."

Apparently, #15 will be an inspiration for years to come.

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For a copy of Jim Hayes's book, *MS'ing in Action*, send \$5 plus \$1 shipping and handling to The James M. Hayes Trust Fund, 29 Grace Ave., Shrewsbury, MA 01545.

COMMON GROUND

Colby in Microcosm, the Joseph Spa Changes to Accommodate Each College Generation

By Gerry Boyle '78

It's late morning on a blue-white winter day, and sunlight streams through the windows of the Joseph Family Spa. The tables on the ground floor are mostly empty. People sit alone or in pairs in the booths and nooks on the upper levels, taking advantage of the pre-rush quiet.

At the counter, Spa employees in striped Seiler's uniforms work amid signs advertising the grilled-chicken sandwich special, TCBY yogurt, Green Mountain Coffee, Dunkin' Donuts. At a nearby table, Beth

Curran and Nicki Maraganore, seniors who live off campus, regroup after a morning that included classes in child psychology and existential literature. Thomas McMillan, a recent addition to the College's development office, reads and enjoys a quiet lunch. At a corner table overlooking the ground floor, freshman Whitney Glockner of Woodside, Calif., reads Hegel while Pat

Gerry Boyle, a former Spa patron, is a columnist for the Central Maine Morning Sentinel.

Sykes of New York City, also a first-year student, writes a letter.

"It's a great place to come to get a snack, meet people, have a study break," Glockner says. "It's a really nice place to come and hang out."

Sykes pauses from her letter.

"Did you guys have a Spa when you were here?" she asks.

The quick answer, of course, is yes. It was in Miller Library and then in Roberts Union. But to try to reduce the evolution of the



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Colby Spa to a few changes in location or menu would be to ignore a history that is as rich in traditions and personalities as the history of the College itself.

Perhaps it's best to start with the bell.

It's at John and Mary Joseph's house in Waterville now, on a table in the back of the basement, next to a chest freezer. The bell is painted red and the sight of it, one recent afternoon, brought no great rush of nostalgia.

But when it rings. . .

The bell is from the Colby Spa, the old Spa in Roberts, and the even older Spa in the southwest corner of Miller Library. For some 30 years, it rang to punctuate the paying of a Spa bill, a noteworthy event for thousands of Colby students, and, when bills grew to the point that payment necessitated a call home, for thousands of Colby parents.

But the Spa bell, like the Spa itself, had as much to do with the College community in general as with a student paying for a semester's worth of hamburgers and coffee.

"I remember, one time, they told me the KDRs were going to do something special that day at 4 o'clock," John Joseph remembers. "So at 4 o'clock I rang the bell and



John Joseph at the grill in the early 1970s.

cleared everybody out. They're all out there waiting and here's 40 guys running up the driveway behind Averill wearing nothing but boots."

It was perhaps one of the more starkly unusual events in the history of the Colby Spa, whose evolution in many ways mirrors the evolution of the College itself from the relatively staid institution of the late 1940s and 50s—the campus that, like the country, was torn by the Vietnam war, when John Joseph's ringing of the Spa bell actually ended a small-scale riot in the Quad;

the College that deliberated over the issue of alcohol and how best to oversee its use; the College that has seen a steady growth in the student body and campus facilities.

Through it all, there's always been a Spa, from the small room with counter and booths in Miller Library where venerable professors held court, to the combined Spa and pub in Roberts Union, to the comparatively glitzy Spa in the Student Center, complete with TCBY machine and cappuccino.

The original Spa, in Miller Library, was the hub, the place where faculty and students were able to meet on a more equal footing than in the classroom. In its earliest years, the Spa shared quarters with the College bookstore, which later was moved to Roberts Union. The move made more room for the procrastinators who would drift down from their chairs upstairs every night and for the faculty and students who flooded the Spa at every class break.

"When classes were over, a new surge would come in and the old surge would go out," recalls William Gay '59, a retired stockbroker now living in Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y. "Like a big wave action."

That Spa wave action was the rhythm of the campus, and it swept up everyone, from freshman to faculty to administrators.

"When I started up there, Seelye [J. Seelye Bixler, Colby president] used to come through that room every day at noon," John Joseph says. "He knew every kid in there by name."

Colby was a smaller and, in some ways, more familiar place then, and the Spa was the most familiar of all. Students and faculty sat down to any of the two or three continuing bridge games that went on amidst the Spa hubbub.

While Bixler swept through, others anchored themselves in a booth and let the campus come to them. Alfred King "Chappie" Chapman, then English Department chair, Irving Suss and F. Celand "Ed" Witham, professors of English, all were fixtures. Discussions that began in the classroom often spilled over into the Spa.

James Valhouli '64, who worked the counter at the Spa, says it was partly those discussions that led him to a career teaching

Since its earliest days, the Spa has been a between-class meeting place for Colbians.



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literature, now as a member of the faculty at Phillips Academy in Exeter, N.H.

"It was a place where we could, for two or three hours, pretend that we were in a Paris cafe," Valhouli says.

John Joseph's brother Peter fondly recalls the students who wandered into the Spa in Miller Library in their socks and then had to be pried out at the 11 p.m. closing time.

"We couldn't get them out at night so we'd have to have a sing-along," he remem-

bers. "We'd sing 'Down By the Old Millstream,' and we'd end with 'Good Night, Ladies.' It was the only way we could get them out."

It was a different time, with Witham parked in a Spa booth, where he often held his student conferences. Chappie, who taught the Romantic poets, smoked Tarryton cigarettes and snared students who hadn't made it to class that day.

"He would summon you over. 'Now boy, why weren't you in class?'" says David Mills

'57, now a professor of speech and debate. "He was everybody's surrogate father."

But at Colby there was room for more than one surrogate parent, and in the Spa the most fatherly of all was John Joseph himself.

The Spa was opened in the mid-1940s by Jybyn Karter Sr. and Joe Joseph, John's brother, who were partners in a Waterville hotel, The Templeton. John and Mary Joseph had been running a grocery store in Waterville, but in 1954 Joe Joseph passed

Everybody's "Gram"

It isn't that Eric Rolfson '73 has trouble coming up with the right anecdote about Shirley Littlefield. It's just that he has trouble coming up with only one.

There's the one about going to New York City for a Colby wedding and seeing a big stretch limousine passing on a Manhattan street.

"The window comes down and there's Shirley," Rolfson, now director of development, remembers, grinning at the thought. "She's looking out and waving."

And there's the one from the time Shirley came to Paris to attend Rolfson's own wedding.

"She would stop on the street and have 15-minute conversations with somebody, and neither of them spoke the other's language," Rolfson said. "Oh, Shirley in Paris was a great scene."

But it was just one of many scenes for the diminutive grandmother who, for the past 23 years, has collected Colby students the way some people collect stamps.

Now a fixture behind the counter of the Spa, Littlefield, or "Gram" as she's known to students, is a walking alumni directory whose East Benton farm has served as a retreat for Colby students since 1970.

It was then that Littlefield, having raised nine children of her own, came to the College to work for the first time. She was assigned to the then "experimental" coed dorm in Roberts Union as a maid and soon had found her new calling.

"All the kids here want a mother,"

Littlefield said. "That's what I end up being, a mother to the college kids. Their Maine mom."

She worked as a maid for two years, then moved to the Dana dining hall, where she worked behind the counter for the rest of the 1970s. After four years away from Colby, when she gave her time to handicapped children, Littlefield came back to campus in 1983 to work in Roberts dining hall, then



Shirley Littlefield

moved to the Spa when it opened in the Student Center in 1985.

But Littlefield's place behind the counter at the Spa is just the tip of the always-growing iceberg that is her Colby connection.

"Just before Christmas I had about 15 out to the house," she said. "This week there were two girls who work here who came out to supper. Sometimes they come in two's

Sometimes they come in twenties or twenty fives."

And she never runs short of loaves and fishes.

"In college, we used to show up with 20 people, uninvited, for dinner," Rolfson said. "And there'd always be enough."

The students are still coming, the alumni still calling and Shirley Littlefield, almost 65, shows no sign of wanting to cool the Colby relationship.

At the Spa grill one recent morning, she said she'd just gotten a call from Richard Kaynor '72, "right out of the clear blue sky." Kaynor was looking for the address of another Colby grad, one of many who are in Littlefield's black book.

"I never know when I'm gonna run into somebody," Littlefield said. "Especially in the Boston area. I never have to worry about a place to stay."

"Just how many students can you name whom you've been friends with over the years?" she was asked.

Standing over a grilling sandwich, Littlefield didn't even pause to think.

"Greg Boardman, Chris Prickitt, Eric Rolfson, Jon Linn, Penny Bakewell," she said. "Ann Watson, Jonathan LeVeen, Richard Kaynor, Jill Jones, Joan Emery, Roger Sherman, Andy Koss. Jack McBride, Jim Shaw, Foose—his name is Bruce Forsley but I call him Foose—Lenny Saulter, Mike Roy, Mike Poulin, Alice Rodriguez, Tenley Joseph. I don't want to leave anybody out. Mimi Brodsky, Gretchen Daly, Janet Deering..."

—Gerry Boyle

away and John took over the Spa with Peter. By 1959, the Josephs had closed their store. Peter came on in full time in 1963 and the Josephs' family affair with Colby and the Spa was underway.

John ran the Spa and Pete ran the campus vending machines, though the two roles overlapped. Mary helped with the Spa books and later, when the Josephs' three sons were older, came to work in the Spa. All three sons—Johnny, George and Joey—worked the Spa counter and kitchen, as did Peter and Barbara Joseph's three children: Yasmen, Joyce '88 and Peter Jr. Barbara Joseph was a self-described gofer. Through it all, there were diehard employees like Jackie Libby and Dot Hurd, who since have passed away, and Mary Noel.

"They stayed 20, 25 years," John Joseph says. "Not much turnover."

It was a big extended family, and it extended to students.

"My memories of it were having all the kids we knew from Colby come down for

dinner," Barbara Joseph says. "You never knew who to expect, but we always had a full table."

Ray George '82 was summoned when Barbara Joseph was cooking Lebanese cuisine at home. William Yovic '77 was the Josephs' "fourth kid."

"He's just like our own," Barbara Joseph says. "We're like grandparents to his kids."

And the parental duties extended beyond meals.

The Spa's black book, now encased in the cornerstone of the Student Center, was perhaps the most-used volume on campus. Students and faculty were given credit without question. The bills sometimes were as much as \$300, but John Joseph says he collected 97 percent of the money owed, though occasionally payment came long after the student had left Colby.

"One, he was one of the hockey players from the '62 era," Joseph remembers. "He was in Florida or someplace. He owed me \$21. It must have been 20 years later, I got

a check. I never sent the guy a bill."

Adds Mary Joseph, "They used to say up at Colby, 'Screw anybody but don't screw John.'"

The feeling was mutual. Though the Josephs don't admit it, they helped countless Colby students through what, in college terms, might be called loans, grants and work-study.

"Johnny was a floating bank," explains R. Mark Benbow, retired professor of English. "I don't know how many students he helped through Colby—socially, financially and otherwise."

At Exeter, Vallhoulis sums up John Joseph as "a scholarship committee of one. If he recognized that you needed something, he would just go out of his way," he says.

In recognition of his contribution to Colby, the 1962 *Oracle* was dedicated to John. In the accompanying photo, he is filling a cigarette machine, which he likes to point to as an indication of how much times have changed.



For the Spa, the change began in 1975, when the facility was moved out of the then-crowded library to a new basement room off the sunken courtyard in front of Roberts Union. Joseph sees the move as the beginning of the end of the Spa's role as the single social center on campus.

"When they moved us down to that end of campus, you lost touch with people on the end of campus toward Woodman," he says. "You didn't see them anymore."

Students and faculty were less likely to drop in for a few minutes between classes. Only the worst of procrastinators would leave their books and walk all the way to the Spa in Roberts Union. The social community that was the Spa was scattered across the campus.

"That's just gone completely," says Benbow. "There's no place where that really can happen."

Mills, a veteran of the original library Spa, says the ready opportunity for interaction that was there in the era of "Chappie" has been lost.

"Most of my students don't see me outside of my classroom or my office," he says. "We never meet."

But if the Spa is no longer the Paris cafe of the past, the biggest reason for that change may be the natural growth of the College over the past 40 years. The student body has grown, the facilities have been improved and expanded and each graduating class takes a bit of its own era with it when it leaves Mayflower Hill.

"I really don't know much about [the old Spa] at all," admits Annmarie Faiella, a sophomore from Hanson, Mass., who works at the Spa part time. "All I know is it was in Roberts. I worked Alumni Weekend, and a lot of them were talking about it."

"What did they say?" she's asked.

"Mostly they just talked about the good old days," Faiella says.

"It's just like anything that anybody does," Barbara Joseph says. "Time passes and things change. Nothing stays the same."

When the new Spa opened in the Student Center in 1985, the Josephs retired



The Spa today.

from the business. Seiler's, the College food service, took over operation of the Spa. The Josephs continue to operate the campus vending machines and the games, which are located near the new Spa. A couple of the offerings from the earlier era—the Skitchwich, named by John Joseph for a student who came back to Colby after serving in the Vietnam War, and the Colby Eight, the origin of which is more obvious—still are on the menu. But everything else says times have changed for the Spa.

Today's Spa offers a myriad of offerings, from deli sandwiches to homemade soups to doughnuts from Mister Donut to pizza. The menu is tailored to students' tastes and wants, and the biggest problem in recent years has been that the place actually became too popular.

About four years ago, students were offered an alternative to the traditional fixed meal schedule that required them to be at a dining hall at a certain hour. "Missed Meal" allowed them to eat at the Spa anytime they didn't make it to a dining hall. Unfortunately, as many as 500 students would show up for breakfast, creating culinary gridlock.

"The students weren't actually missing their meals," says William Robertson, the Spa's manager. "They just preferred a burger and fries at three in the afternoon or a bagel and soda at eleven in the morning."

So the missed-meal program was dropped, and in its place is a continuous fast-food-type menu at the Dana dining hall. Students still don't have to worry about missing lunch, and the Spa no longer has lines stretching from one end of the

Student Center to the other. Robertson says people who may have been put off by the crowds of past years are coming back.

"It's a mix all day long," he says. "We're seeing a lot more faculty. A lot more staff. And students all day long."

The menu now includes a host of new sandwiches with names like "The Katahdin" and "The Sugarloaf." Sandwiches, served on bulky rolls, offer various combinations of turkey, ham, provolone and muenster cheeses and are served with a choice of chips or pasta salad. Spicy chicken wings arrive with bleu cheese dressing. Ben & Jerry's ice cream crowds the freezer window.

And what is now the best-seller in what was once the realm of the Greek Egg?

"The Cooter," says Eva Littlefield, a Spa employee. "Because it's vegetarian. We have a lot of vegetarians."

And the Spa also offers service, including free campus delivery for orders of \$5 or more. A convenience store sells most things you'd find in the local 7-Eleven. Residence halls can reserve the Spa for evening pizza parties for up to 60 people.

"They bring a video and watch it on the big screen," says Shirley Littlefield, a senior Spa employee known affectionately as "Gram." "They get sodas here and their pizzas. They have them every night of the week."

"They're booked up well in advance?"

"Booked solid," Littlefield says. "Two or three weeks ahead."

Robertson and Mary Attenweiler, director of dining services, say the new and varied offerings are part of an effort to increase Spa business. There is talk of adding a Spa credit card that would function as a kind of pre-paid version of the old Spa bill.

"We are sort of groping for a signature," Attenweiler says. "That's sort of evolving, too, this year."

And if it's any consolation to the Spa regulars of the past, that signature may include at least a little something from an earlier era.

"We certainly want it to be a place where students and faculty can meet, maybe have a conversation over a cup of cappuccino," Attenweiler says.

John Joseph dispensed Cokes—and fatherly advice—until his retirement in 1985.



A World-Class Leader



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By James P. Brown

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"Emily Spinelli taught English and Spanish and was adviser to the school newspaper, which I edited for a couple of years. She was constantly prodding me to think of new things. I'm still in touch with her," he reported with satisfaction. "She summers in Cape Rosier and has visited our campus."

Miss Spinelli and Washington Irving prepared the young Cotter well for Harvard, where he graduated *magna cum laude* in 1958. He entered Harvard Law the following year and graduated *cum laude* in 1961. "I loved Harvard," he said. "At Harvard I gained a sense of how colleges and universities can change the lives of young people, as important a role as I can think of and as exciting and satisfying."

For Cotter, gifted teachers made a differ-

ence at Harvard. "In those days there was a general education program that President Conant had devised, and you took these big survey courses," he said. "I had a great professor by the name of I. Bernard Cohen who taught me the history of science. I had taken all the sciences in high school but had never been very interested. Professor Cohen so excited me that he made me a literate reader about science, so now I can converse with our scientific colleagues at Colby."

"There was another wonderful survey course by Clyde Kluckhohn, a professor of anthropology. He asked all the good questions, the kind of questions you had never asked, or at least I had never asked, like: 'What is the meaning of life?' 'Is there a God?' 'What is man's responsibility to man?' 'What is the ideal government?' 'What is the perfect economic system?' He was just terrific. Another fine professor named [Robert Greene] McCluskey taught constitutional law. He is the one who convinced me I wanted to go to law school."

(One noted Harvard professor fell far short of impressing this student in the classroom. "John Kenneth Galbraith is a brilliant writer and a great raconteur," Cotter conceded, "but he was a terrible lecturer—dry and boring. He'd read from his books. He didn't take questions or stimulate questions. It was awful.")

It was at Harvard Law that Cotter met the teacher who was to make the deepest and most lasting impression on him—Derek Bok, who later served as president of Harvard and who spoke at Cotter's Colby inaugural.

"My first year at law school was also the year that Derek Bok joined the law school faculty," Cotter said. "I took a course from him, and contrary to a lot of press reports that tend to describe him as stuffy and standoffish, which I don't think he ever was, he was the only law school professor who came into the dining room to sit down with the students. We got to know him, and I took a number of courses from him. We remain in touch and rather good friends."

An even more important liaison formed in those days when Cotter met and married Linda Jane Kester, who forsook an urban studies doctoral fellowship at Columbia to teach school in Lexington while taking a master's in education at Harvard. "She changed her life to support me," Cotter said.

Linda Cotter continued to teach—in New York, Africa and Latin America—and worked at a variety of social service jobs while "juggling all these things with kids." (The Cotters have three children: David, 27, a lawyer; Deborah, 25, a member of Senator George Mitchell's Washington staff; and Elizabeth, a junior at Harvard.) Cotter says Linda has been "a full partner" in all of his endeavors, and her career at Colby has been distinguished in its own right. Now associate director of academic affairs and off-campus studies, she was and is instrumental in building a strong internship program that matches Colby students looking for work experience during summers and Jan Plans with Colby alumni and parents in the students' chosen professions. She also has served on numerous Colby committees, including Women's Studies and Campus Community, and gives her

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time to many Waterville volunteer organizations. Last summer she received a Colby Brick for her contributions to the College.

From Cambridge, the Cotters moved to New York City, where he went to work as a clerk for the late Federal District Court Judge Lloyd McMahon—"a good lawyer," Cotter said, "who worked incredibly hard and was smart and tough-minded."

Judge McMahon became another mentor in Cotter's continuing education: "He taught me to write. In the beginning he ripped up everything I wrote for him, but in the end he was able to accept a lot of what I wrote for his signature."

Cotter says he is sometimes discouraged with the quality of writing he sees from Colby students, mostly seniors, who take a course he teaches on law and social change. "But then I remember that I have gone back and read some of my writing while I was at Harvard and I am embarrassed," Cotter

said. "I don't think many people are natural-born writers. The more you write and the more critical feedback you get, the more you improve. You need to have someone who is a better writer than you are. My experience with the judge and later with a partner in the law firm where I worked did that for me. It was all postgraduate."

Toward the end of his clerkship Cotter met Carroll Wilson, an MIT-trained engineer, inventor and successful businessman who had returned to MIT to teach. "Carroll Wilson's whole life was on the cutting edge of new issues," Cotter recalled. "He realized in the late 1950s that a great wave of postwar decolonization was going to sweep through Africa and that the United States was quite ignorant about this important part of the world. He took a group from the Council on Foreign Relations over there to talk with the people who were going to become leaders and ask what kind of assistance the United States could give in nation-building. The word came back that they wanted some young lawyers and business school graduates to help with all the new laws and economics they were going to need. Carroll got a big grant from the Ford Foundation and went out to recruit recent law and M.B.A. graduates to go serve in Africa. For the legal side, he sent a letter to graduates of Harvard and Yale law schools who were clerking for federal judges, inviting us to dinner at a fine restaurant in New York City to talk about his new MIT Fellows in Africa program."

"I was clerking and Lin was teaching school. We didn't have the money to go out to many restaurants. We could barely afford our rent in those days. This invitation was a real treat, so we went, having no real interest in going to Africa."

"It was a wonderful meal, but beyond that, Carroll Wilson proved to be a charismatic leader. He told about his trip to Africa, about the excitement of these newly independent countries and what a lot there was to do. He explained the tremendous amount of responsibility we could have at our young age and that we could really make a contribution at the same time. So we applied and were accepted and went to Nigeria."

After a stimulating year in Africa and two years in a more conventional job as an associate in the New York law firm of



As an MIT Fellow in northern Nigeria, Cotter had the chance to "really make a contribution" to the development of post-colonial Africa.

Cahill, Gordon, Reindel and Ohl, serendipity struck Cotter again in 1965. That was the year John Gardner, then president of the Carnegie Corporation in New York and later Health, Education and Welfare Secretary in Washington, created the White House Fellows program.

"John had a great interest in leadership," Cotter remembered. "He felt it was important to pick young people who had achieved some success in whatever they were doing, to bring them into government for a year at a high level to sit next to cabinet officers and the president and presidential assistants and begin to understand what government can and cannot do. Then they could take that knowledge back into the private sector. They might be people who would come back as assistant secretaries or something else at some other time in their lives, so that there would be a bridge of under-

standing. The government would not be filled with just career servants." Cotter was one of 15 fellows chosen from thousands of nominees and was assigned as a special assistant to John T. Connor, the secretary of commerce from 1965 to 1967.

"It was a heady year," he observed with enthusiasm as he told of dinners at the White House with Lyndon and Lady Bird Johnson, Hubert Humphrey, members of the Supreme Court, Senate and House leaders and other governmental luminaries. "We'd have this small dinner, one or two of them and 15 of us and our spouses, and it was terrific! The president was a fascinating person. Of course, we bridged two crucial years. The first year he was omnipotent. Everything he sent to Congress passed. That was 1965. In '66 Vietnam had already begun to sap his power. The resistance and criticism was beginning to

grow. He was scrambling on Vietnam all the time, and the rest of the agenda was neglected.

"I must say we got to know Mrs. Johnson pretty well. She was smart and a calming influence on the president, which he needed."

While in Washington, Cotter met David Bell, then director of the Agency for International Development. Bell moved on to New York to head the international division of the Ford Foundation, and after finishing his Washington fellowship, Cotter called on Bell in his new headquarters. Bell offered him a chance to go to Latin America as the foundation's assistant representative for Colombia and Venezuela. "I had never been to Latin America, but we had greatly enjoyed the year in Africa and had a special interest in developing countries," Cotter said.

After a total immersion course in Arizona in spoken Spanish, "Lin and I and our 1-year-old son, David, went off to Bogota, and it was terrific," Cotter said. "I was lucky, because the person who had been appointed representative got ill or something and never came out, so I became the representative. We were active in family planning, economic planning, educational TV, agriculture. . . . This is where I really began to work with American universities. I would travel a lot in this country hiring faculty to go out and staff Ford programs in those disciplines, and on the other side I was awarding scholarships for advanced training in the United States to Colombians and Venezuelans."

The educational aspects of his mission must have been impressive—after four years in Latin America, Cotter was invited back to New York to head all international education programs for Ford. He had barely settled into the foundation's offices on East 42nd Street, however, when a fresh opportunity arose.

"The African-American Institute called me one day to say they were searching for a president, and would I come over and talk with them," he remembered. "I said, 'I just came back and have this wonderful new job. I don't really think I'm interested, but I'll give you some names of people you might like to talk to.' Well, it was another of those experiences. The search committee was impressive. I liked all of them and

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they laid out the challenges of this institute, which was then about 15 years old." He took the job and spent nine years in New York with frequent trips to Africa, working on African development and carrying on many of the educational functions he had performed for the Ford Foundation.

One day, after their weekly squash game, Colby overseer Sol Hurwitz, the father of Linda Hurwitz '82, asked Cotter if he'd ever thought about being a college president. He said he hadn't. "Well, you ought to," Hurwitz said, "because Colby is looking for a president, and they've asked parents to send in names. I'd like to send your name in." Although he had never set foot on the Colby campus and he and Linda had only been to Maine twice for brief holidays on Mt. Desert Island, Cotter rose to the bait.

Once again, he was captivated by the search committee—and vice versa—and he was excited by the spirit and the beauty of the Colby campus. "I've visited a lot of campuses, and I wouldn't trade ours with anybody's," he said. "I don't know of another that is more attractive."

In his inaugural address on Mayflower Hill on September 29, 1979, Cotter laid out some of his objectives. Notable among them were the desires to diversify the student body and to strengthen the faculty.

"Our student body was predominantly from New England, predominantly white," he said recently. "There were no blacks in the freshman class my first year. Zero. Our international population was pretty small. I don't think there were any Moslems. We still have a lot to do, but now we have 12 to 14 black students in a class in our best years, four to five in our worst, Hispanic students about the same and larger numbers of Asian students. We have quite large numbers of international students—7 percent of the freshman class last fall—and they come from everywhere: Angola, Australia, Bermuda, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Canada, China, Colombia, Denmark, Egypt, England, France, Germany, Greece, Haiti, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Jamaica, Japan, Lebanon, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland,

Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom, Venezuela, Vietnam and Wales." He ticked off the list with zest and obvious satisfaction, noting that there is now an associate dean for international students and that there is even a special place set aside on campus where Moslem students can pray.

The Colby faculty has grown by approximately one-third, to 170, since Cotter's arrival, and faculty salaries and other benefits are competitive with the best. With the student body remaining constant at around 1,700, the ratio of students to faculty has dropped from 12 to one to 10 to one, a crucial ratio for a college like Colby, Cotter says, because it is the teachers and the individual attention they can give to



students that make the high cost of a quality liberal arts college worthwhile.

As he expects students to do, Cotter pays attention to what his faculty has to say. "One of Bill's strengths," said one veteran faculty member, "is that he is receptive to ideas. He is ready to support innovative programs and help them flourish."

In view of his background of service in Africa and Latin America, it is not surprising that international studies have flourished at Colby under Cotter's leadership. On its own and in cooperation with others, Colby now offers a wide variety of opportunities for foreign study. A remarkable two thirds of any graduating class will have spent a semester or a year abroad—com-

pared with only 2 percent of college students nationally. Language studies on the campus also have been strengthened. Now, for example, two people teach Chinese and Japanese, three teach Russian.

Although he inherited a magnificent physical plant, for which he gives his predecessors glowing credit, Cotter has been mindful of the physical requirements of providing a good education. During his tenure, Colby has installed a new central heating plant, added a new wing to the Lovejoy Building and doubled the size of the library. The College also has built a new 100-bed dormitory, a new admissions building and a new student center—the latter in the wake of a bruising battle in which the trustees stood firm for the abolition of fraternities and sororities because, Cotter said, "we wanted residential life to reinforce the educational mission to the maximum extent possible."

In keeping with his concern about the mounting costs of higher education, which he thinks have been slowed but can't be altogether halted, Cotter has been pleased to see the Colby endowment grow from \$29 million to \$96 million in the past 14 years. But, he noted, "we're still under-endowed compared with our peers." Colby raised \$30.5 million in a fund drive that ended in 1986, but the president and trustees already are setting their sights for a major new drive. That seems like a formidable challenge for a man who already has confronted more than his fair share of the trials of running a college in the modern age for far longer than most of his peers. But Cotter does not appear to be running out of steam.

"I don't know about other people's presidencies," he said, "but certainly this one has had patterns. It has periods of experimentation and consolidation and then goes on to another period of a different set of challenges. I think you have to have those renewal periods, both for yourself and for your usefulness to the institution. If it became routine, I think then the president wouldn't be serving the college, and the president probably would be bored. My experience has been that as we wrap up one set of challenges there seems to be another new one, frequently unforeseen, on the horizon that we're going to need to tackle."

Six Who'll Be Missed

As They Prepare to Leave Mayflower Hill, These Seniors
Can Look Back on Careers of Solid Achievement—
And Forward to More of the Same

By Lynn Sullivan '89

The View Through a Lens

“The greatest contribution I could have given to the Colby community was *Common Ground*,” said Caleb Cooks '93 of the movie he wrote, produced and directed this year.

Common Ground is the story of a young African-American woman named Kenya who transfers to “Coldson College” from a predominantly black college in Baltimore because she wants “a change of environment” and “more diversity.”

Kenya is angered by what she sees as Coldson's misleading recruiting tactics. “This is false advertising,” she says of the college's catalogue photographs depicting racial diversity and harmony. “It's flat-out lying about minority students on campus.” The movie chronicles Kenya's first three months on campus and deals with the issues of racism, sexual assault, date rape and isolationism.

Cooks, who comes from Washington, D.C., says he wrote the screenplay to explore his experiences as a member of a minority at Colby and to address issues affecting minorities around the country.

“I was affected by a poster put up last spring to attract people to the senior art show,” Cooks said. “The picture was of Rodney King being beaten. The caption above the picture said, ‘It will hit you like a blow to the head.’ I thought it was totally insensitive. Then there were the Los Angeles riots and a few years ago there were the riots in Washington, D.C.—everything played a part. As a black person on a white campus I am constantly gathering informa-

tion. With all this information, I went home for the summer and wrote the screenplay. When I got back to campus I made the movie.”

The major theme of the movie, Cooks says, is communication, which he calls an “essential element to better understanding one's self and others.”

“Because of the lack of communication between the students—which is only symptomatic of society in general—the results are hurtful intolerance,” Cooks said.



Caleb Cooks '93

Common Ground had its premiere in Given Auditorium in December. The movie also was shown for Project Inward, a series of dinners during which students discussed social issues pertinent to the community.

“The familiar setting of the movie stirred people's emotions,” Cooks said. “The fact

that it was a dramatized story taking place at Colby had more of an effect on everyone. The movie had a tremendous impact. It provoked discussions on things we may take for granted—racial harmony, diversity and safety.”

Cooks says he produced the movie to shock people and to foster the dialogue necessary for overcoming stereotypes and prejudices.

“Here we are on an ideological utopian college campus where people aren't trying to be insensitive,” he said. “Sometimes people aren't aware that their actions have consequences, and they don't realize that what they are doing is damaging.”

Cooks says that he hopes to convey a message similar to that of *Common Ground* in his senior thesis, “Marginality and Its Impact on Students of Color at Colby.”

“For Caleb, marginality, which is the state of being suspended between two cultural worlds, has been a positive experience, not a negative one,” said Assistant Professor of Sociology Adam Weisberger, Cooks's thesis adviser. “It has enabled him to view the Colby community in a more objective light. *Common Ground* had the impact Caleb was looking for due to this unique perspective.”

Cooks, who transferred to Colby from Howard University, says he hopes his movie continues to have an impact on the community for years to come. And he is looking into the possibility of showing the film to students at Bates and Bowdoin as well.

Cooks has applied to the graduate program in film at New York University. Eventually, he says, he would like to direct movies professionally.

Giving It the Old College Try

Crew is still a club sport at Colby, but if David "Toby" Frothingham '93 gets his way, that will change.

"If I could leave a lasting mark, I would like to leave Colby with a varsity crew program, and it would be really nice to be here in person to see it happen," Frothingham said. The club has submitted a proposal for elevation to varsity status. A deci-

gious Head of the Charles in Cambridge, Mass., where the women's heavyweight squad finished 10 seconds behind the winning boat, to the CBB Novice Sprints at Colby's home course on Snow Pond in Oakland.

A number of factors account for the club's success—a new coach, new equipment, more money and, especially, Frothingham's commitment to see the program flourish. As club president, Frothingham, who rowed with the men's lightweight four in the fall and the heavy-

Last January, Cotter and Colby overseer Leon Allen helped Frothingham secure an internship with London-based Tambrands, Inc. For two weeks Frothingham conducted background research in Tambrands' home city on the Russian economy and banking system. Then Tambrands sent him to St. Petersburg, Moscow and Kiev to interview local bankers, accountants and business consultants about the financial situation in the Commonwealth of Independent States.

Frothingham spent much of this spring working toward his goal of landing a post-graduation job in international business or banking. But he hates to admit it.

"I put everything on the back burner for crew," Frothingham said. "Everything."

Smart, Savvy and Single-Minded

When she was in high school, Lisa Prenaveau '93 knew exactly what she wanted to study—advertising.

But a funny thing happened on the way to Madison Avenue. Prenaveau enrolled in a summer school course on government studies. Now, when asked what she might like to be doing 10 years from now, she says without hesitation, "I would like to be chief of staff of the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology—or at least be an adviser to the president for the committee."

In her four years on Mayflower Hill, Prenaveau has earned a reputation for intellectual curiosity and tenacity.

"Lisa is totally fearless," said G. Calvin Mackenzie, Distinguished Presidential Professor of American Government. "She will take on anybody in class, and she loves the verbal combat."

"I had Lisa in one of my classes her first year, and she stuck out in my mind," Mackenzie said. "I thought to myself, 'This is the type of person I'd like to have doing research for me.'" Prenaveau agreed. She has served as Mackenzie's research assistant for three years and shared his byline on an analytical paper, "Congressional Term Limits: Predictable Impacts, Unintended Consequences." The Newton, N.H., senior also co-wrote two papers with Dana Professor of Democratic Institutions L. Sandy Maisel.

In April 1992, at the meeting of the New



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Toby Frothingham '93

sion on their petition is expected by the end of the semester.

Interest in crew has increased since Frothingham arrived on Mayflower Hill. In those days, Frothingham remembers, he was one of very few seasoned rowers at Colby, and although there was no lack of enthusiasm among club members, crew was suffering.

"There was no full-time coach, and the program was underfunded," Frothingham wrote in a recent update on the club's progress. "Most repairs were made with what I would come to know as the Colby rower's best friend—duct tape."

"I quit the club my freshman year because it just wasn't serious enough for me," Frothingham said recently. "But the program has really turned around in attitude and commitment. We're a much more serious organization now, and because of that we're more successful." This year's club boasted 70 members, many of whom participated in races ranging from the presti-

weight eight in the spring, attends all crew practices—sometimes as many as four a day, starting at 5 a.m. He also has seized every opportunity to raise crew's visibility on campus, from leading the latest drive for varsity status to pitching articles to the *Echo* and *Colby* to raising funds for a rowing tank.

Frothingham's willingness to work hard has been evident in his four years at Colby. One of three brothers from Andover, Mass. (including Chris '92 and Jonathan '95), who attended Colby simultaneously, he has held as many as four campus jobs while maintaining a full course load (he'll graduate with majors in German and economics and a minor in administrative science), serving as head resident in Treworgy Hall and singing with the a capella group Tuxedo Junction, which he quit to devote more time to crew.

"Toby has always been a very resourceful and creative person," said Linda Cotter, associate director of academic affairs and off-campus study. "He is never dissuaded."

England Political Science Association, Prenaveau delivered part of the paper she wrote with Mackenzie. Last month she attended the association's convention, and, with Maisel, presented part of their paper, "Winners and Losers: Candidates For Congress in the 1992 Primaries."

Mackenzie says she watched with pride as Prenaveau held her own among the scholars at last month's convention. "She was dynamite," he said. "She was right in the middle of the fray answering all the questions about the paper. She has grown enormously in her intellectual capacity. And above all that she's charming."

"Lisa is terrific," Maisel added. "She is poised and competent and is as good a public speaker as any student I've ever seen."

Prenaveau will graduate with a government major and a science and technology minor. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and the national political science honor society, and during her Colby career she was a member of the debate society and president of the speech council and the student review board for the Government Department. She volunteers for programs sponsored by the Catholic Church in Waterville, participates in the Multiple Sclerosis Walk-a-Thon and the Walk for



Lisa Prenaveau '93

Hunger and volunteers at the Waterville area Boys and Girls Club.

Prenaveau plans to marry this August and move to the Washington, D.C., area with her future husband, Keith Andrzejewski. She hopes to find a job with a science and technology policy or consulting group.

"I want to experience as much of the working world as possible before I go to grad school," she said. "I think everyone needs to get out there and find out what they really want."

Getting the Most Out of Every Day

I try to contribute the most possible in whatever I do," Barrett Smith '93 said.

Whether he is doing wetlands research with Assistant Professor of Geology Paul Doss, competing with the track, cross-country and swimming teams or participating in triathlons, Smith says, he gives it his all.

"I decided to start running triathlons a few years ago," Smith said. "The past two summers I have done about 12 triathlons. This year I joined the swim team to strengthen my ability because [swimming] was the weak link. I wasn't a scoring competitor, but, if nothing else, I'd like to think I contributed to the moral support of the team."

Smith says he is constantly training. In addition to the workouts he must put in to stay in shape for triathlons, he used to participate in martial arts. And that, says cross-country and track coach Jim Wescott, conditioned Smith's mind as well as his body.

"Barrett gets as much out of every day as possible," Wescott said. "He is mentally and physically tough. During the cross-country season he continues to bike and swim just to keep training for the triathlons. His mental strength is incredible. He has the mental tenacity it takes to train for the running and triathlons."

Smith has been working with Doss on the professor's research project on the Great Bog in Belgrade Lakes for about a year. The two are examining the way wetlands operate, how and why water flows in and out, the role of water in the wetlands and the



Barrett Smith '93

environmental impact of development.

"The bulk of my research," Smith said, "has been figuring out the physical processes that take place in wetlands. We've been studying the whole area to figure out the physical characteristics of the wetland area. It is a major work in progress. The amount of time in the field hasn't been that extensive, especially this winter, but I don't think I could put a number on the hours I've spent in the lab."

The research will go on long after Smith is off competing in triathlons and studying at graduate school, but according to Doss, Smith's contribution has been invaluable.

"Barrett's been an excellent research assistant," Doss said. "It's been fun working with him, and he's been a lot of help."

Last month Smith was a presenter at the Geological Society of Maine's convention at Bates College. His talk, "Configuration of the Water Table Along an Esker Wetland Margin at Horse Point, Maine," was one of many presenting research from the French Alps to the Belgrade Lakes.

A dedicated environmentalist, Smith is a member of the Colby Environmental Council and he says that although he doesn't have a lot of time to spend with the group, he does whatever he can for them.

"I have tried to organize the best possible recycling program in my dorm," he said. "I did a lot of educating about the environment in my free time and tried to get the

students interested. I wanted to raise their awareness."

Smith says he plans to compete in the triathlon nationals in Indiana this summer. After that it's off to graduate school, at the University of Maryland, where he plans to study wetland hydrogeology, the interaction between ground and surface waters.

Bragging About Colby Before Graduation

Bill Higgins '93 says he was inspired to run for president of the Student Association when he noticed students talking about wanting certain changes but not motivating themselves to make them. And Higgins inspired Karyn Rimas '93 to run as his vice president.

The pair, both from Massachusetts, won a campus-wide election that made them the student representatives to the faculty, administration and trustees. Time and effort have gone into the often difficult job of polling students' wants and needs and delivering the results to the administration. But Higgins and Rimas say their Colby experiences have been enriched by their association with Stu-A.

Their motto during the campaign was "Every Voice Heard," and both say they think they accomplished that goal.

Student Activities Director Tullio Nieman agrees. "Last year there was a lot of tension on campus," he said. "There were two student demonstrations during a trustee visit about how the students have no voice. Bill and Karyn have made that voice heard. One thing that's different from years past, though, is that they made sure that what the administration was saying was being heard by the students, too. Essentially they were able to bridge the gap between students and administration."

"Because they didn't understand the process, I think students were scared," Rimas said. "We wanted to involve the student body more. We wanted everybody to know the Colby student voice."

Higgins says he thinks the pair's work with Stu-A has given Colby students greater confidence in their ability to elicit change. "They weren't voicing their opinions in the right way, and we opened some eyes," he said. "We have made their voices heard by instilling faith in the student government. This place is great. I'm just trying to get people to start bragging about Colby a little earlier instead of after graduation."

Higgins, a history major, has played on the football and golf teams and is president of the Newman Club, the Catholic association on campus. He also organized Project Inward, a series of dinners at which students discuss issues affecting the community such as racism, homophobia, sexual assault and sexual awareness.

Higgins says he wishes he had another

year at the College—which is remarkable, considering that during his sophomore year he was suspended for a semester due to his involvement with an underground fraternity.

"After the suspension I heard about all the negative stuff being said about us, people saying we were bad for the school," Higgins said. "I wanted to come back and do something to prove these people wrong."

"Bill went from being a cut-up type of guy to being a terrific student leader," said Dean of the College Earl Smith. "He's one of the best Student Association presidents of all time."

Rimas, an East Asian studies major, says Stu-A has consumed all of her extra time this year. Aside from being Stu-A vice president, she is co-chair of the cultural events committee and has helped to organize the College's Spotlight Event series.

Rimas says she never imagined she would be involved with student government at this level and thinks that inexperience was actually an asset.

"Bill and I didn't know anything about how Stu-A was run," she said. "We had the administration explaining it to us, and we were researching it on our own. We put the structure of Stu-A in the *Echo*, like a flow chart, for our own benefit and for all the students. It really helped us understand the way it works better."

Nieman echoes that sentiment. "Bill and Karyn were given a resounding vote," he said. "They were two different students—outsiders—and they went out of their way to find out what was going on and inform students. They came up in the summer and devoted an entire weekend to just trying to understand the system better. And they championed causes other students haven't done in the past."

Both Rimas and Higgins have jobs to look forward to after graduation. Rimas will head to Atlanta for Macy's department store's executive training program; Higgins will be working for Sun-Life Insurance Company of Canada.

They leave behind a strengthened student government and, in many ways, a more confident student body. And they have touched people, too.

"Here's another thing you can say," Nieman prompted. "These are two people I'll keep as friends for the rest of my life."



Bill Higgins '93 (third from left) and Karyn Rimas '93 (right) confer with Trustee James Crawford '64 and Dean of Students Janice Seitzinger.

"Blending" No More



For Years a "Hidden" Minority, Colby's Asian-American Students Are Taking an Active Role in Introducing Their Cultures to Campus

By Stephen Collins '74



Steve Sanchez '95 grew up in a Chicago neighborhood surrounded by Hispanics, African Americans and other Asian Americans. His parents immigrated from the Philippines just before he was born, and his ethnically diverse neighborhood is where he feels most comfortable. "I love the city of Chicago," he said.

Rothana Chap '95, a biology major from Scarborough, Maine, is thoughtful and serious. He spent half his life in Cambodia before coming to the United States with his parents in the early 1980s. He says he hopes to return to Cambodia someday and use his education to make his native country a better place. "I knew what Colby was going to be like," he said. "I wasn't looking for cultural diversity here. . . . I came for an education."

Lynn Furrow '93 also is a Mainer. Born in Taiwan, she is half Chinese and learned Mandarin before English. She moved to Bath with her American father at an early age and soon forgot her mother's tongue. "In high school, being Chinese wasn't anything. I was in Maine—there weren't any Chinese around," she said. After attending Clark University she transferred to Colby for its East Asian studies program and now speaks Chinese on the job as a student assistant in the East Asian Cultures and Languages Department.

These Asian-American students easily could have gone through their years on Mayflower Hill without knowing one another. In many respects, their backgrounds and family traditions are so diverse that they have no more in common with one

Lynn Furrow '93, Steve Sanchez '95 and Rothana Chap '95 in F.O.B.

another than with any other Colby student.

But thanks to a new consciousness of Asian-American identity that is fermenting on college campuses—Colby included—and thanks specifically to the new Cultural Awareness Repertory Ensemble (CARE) drama group, Sanchez, Chap and Furrow discovered this spring that there are some important connections among them.

Like many people their age, they are exploring their own senses of individuality and identity, but as Asian Americans their ethnic characteristics and cultural traditions make them different from the majority of Colby students, and they don't fit the mold of predominantly white northern New England. Nonetheless, like Asian Americans on many campuses, they are members of the largest minority group at Colby. And while the Asian presence on Mayflower Hill has increased more quickly and with fewer apparent growing pains than that of some other minority groups, issues of racial and cultural identity frequently come into play for these students.

"Asian Americans are entering colleges and universities in unprecedented numbers," said Ronald Takaki, professor of ethnic studies at the University of California at Berkeley and a national authority on the Asian-American experience. "They don't see themselves represented on the faculty; they don't see themselves represented in courses; they don't see themselves represented in lectures.

"African-American and Hispanic-American students will ask them, 'How long have you been in this country?' They figure they look Asian, so they must be foreign students," Takaki said. "Asian Americans resent that. They still feel like strangers on campus. They are trying to find their voice. . . . What does it mean to be not Asians but Asian Americans?"

"A sense of community is something we haven't reached yet, but there is an awareness," said Maria Kim '93, a Korean American from Glendale, Calif. "I'm hearing other Asian-American students say, 'There's something wrong. There's something that isn't being considered here at Colby. We need to do something. We need to get together.' . . . People are conscious. They want to build a community."

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awareness of Asian-American issues on campus, it is the production at Colby this spring of David Henry Hwang's play *F.O.B.*, which explores issues of cultural identity and assimilation through the experiences of an Americanized second-generation Chinese American, his cousin, who arrived from China as a girl, and an *F.O.B.* (a person "Fresh Off the Boat" from China).

After a year of groundwork and one false start, three actors (Furrow, Sanchez and Chap) and a production crew were recruited by director Ruth Brancaccio. The first show sold out and dozens of disappointed theatergoers were turned away at the door. The next night the cast lived by the maxim "the show must go on" and performed for a full house at the height of the Blizzard of '93.

By all accounts, *F.O.B.* was a success. The students who put it on, none of whom had acted before, felt the thrill of live the-

ater. Members of the audience, regardless of ethnicity, were exposed to issues surrounding the Chinese-American experience. Even students who didn't attend were at least aware that Asian Americans had gotten together to put on an Asian-American play.

"Not until very late in the rehearsals did I realize that the struggle—that this play—really meant something to all of us," said Chap, who played Steve, the *F.O.B.* "Ruth [Brancaccio] said, 'Use your experience.' There's a lot of feeling and expression that went into the play."

Sanchez, who is majoring in art at Colby, played the role of the assimilated, sports-car driving, second-generation Chinese American. "This character I played, Dale—I was a lot like him at one point in my life," Sanchez said. "If he could be white he would be."

"As a performer, you always take a risk," said Brancaccio, who has been involved with theater at Colby for many years. "But to reveal who you really are is even scarier. It was so brave of these kids to do a three-person play that lasts for an hour and a half."

Chap says he was surprised that his mother traveled the hundred miles to Colby from Scarborough to see the play. And the fact that at least one scene made her cry gave him some insight into how powerful both the text and the performances were.

The play was among an extensive lineup of "East Asian Awareness" events running from mid-March into May. Chinese-American comedian Phil Nee, up from New York City, kept students laughing for more than an hour following a sold-out Chinese buffet in the Student Center in April. Students also participated in a Japanese tea ceremony, watched and discussed a variety of Japanese and Chinese films and mounted an exhibit of East Asian art from the Colby Museum of Art's permanent collection.

The awareness campaign was the work of the East Asian Cultural Society, which has a long tradition as an academic club but has taken on increasing significance for Asian-American students. Next year, for the first time, three Asian Americans will serve as club officers, and according to Colby President William Cotter, besides increasing the budget for the society as a whole next year, the College also will provide funding for an Asian-American Stu-

dent Coalition.

Keenan Gates '95, a Korean-American from Boulder, Colo., says he has high hopes for the coalition. "A lot of students are involved, and they're young—freshmen and sophomores," he said. "We haven't talked about where we want to go with it, but it has the potential to be very important, especially to incoming freshmen."

In the meantime, says Maria Kim, "Lynn [Furrow] has done a great job this year making [the East Asian Cultural Society] reach out beyond just majors." But Kim, who says she has tried over the years to form more informal and personal alliances among Asian Americans, recognizes that more is needed before there is a true Asian-American community at Colby.

"You have to have a place where you can connect to people," said Kim, who immigrated to the United States when she was 3 and says she grew up feeling somewhat disconnected from her culture despite the fact that her family is bilingual. In her neighborhood, a variety of ethnic minori-



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ties coexisted under a code that made it okay to acknowledge one another's differences. There the differences are "in your face," she said. Coming to Colby required adjustments.

"Here," she said, "the approach is, 'Let's smooth it out. Let's have a subcommittee.' At least at home I had the freedom to be in their face, too. With this, I have to develop a new way to react."

"Some people can feel 'I don't need a group,' and that's fine," Kim said. "All we're talking about is having something available. . . . Not just a home or a base, but a well where you can go back and get new ideas—a place where you can do more than just feel settled."

Sabina King '93 grew up in Connecticut with her adoptive family—her siblings are from India, Korea and the United States. "I'm a Korean American but I feel more American," she said. King can point to subtle forms of discrimination she has felt at Colby, whether it's being left out of racism discussions that focus on black-white issues or having people assume she gets special treatment because she belongs to a minority. "I tell myself I can't worry about it," she said, "but I work harder to break that stereotype."

Being overlooked as an Asian in discussions of racism bothers Gates, too. He participated in discussions at Colby about the disturbances that followed the first Rodney King verdict in 1992 but says those sessions made no mention of the extent to which the problems involved Hispanics and Asians. "It's not a question of black or white," Gates said, "it's, 'Is this education we're getting breaking down the walls of ignorance?'"

Sanchez points to The Bridge, Colby's gay-lesbian-bisexual alliance, as a model for an organization that balances intimate discussion groups with high-profile outreach and education efforts. "They're a big organization," he said. "I don't think Asians are there yet, but maybe we can follow their example."

Sanchez says his parents stayed involved with their culture through Filipino clubs and organizations in Chicago and kept him in touch with his heritage—up to a point. When he reached eighth grade he started pulling away, rebelling against his parents' efforts. Not until he was a senior in high

school, when his Caucasian girlfriend's mother objected to their relationship, did he begin to take an interest in his ethnicity.

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thing," Sanchez said. In some respects, he says, his wanting to assimilate into the majority culture was a form of racism.

Furrow says that helping to run the East Asian Cultural Society and acting in the play were "sort of a coming out" for her, and she linked her experience with the bigger picture. "I used to be shy, unwilling to speak out," she said shortly after performing in F.O.B. "My Dad was amazed."

"For me, the character I played sums up my experience," Furrow said. In the play, Grace, torn between her assimilated cousin and the traditions represented by the newcomer from the old world, is transformed into Fa Mu Lan, the woman warrior. The same struggle, Furrow says, exists for Asian Americans as a group. "There hasn't been an Asian identity, an Asian community, on campus," Furrow said. "The Asian students on campus just wanted to blend."

Karen Oh '93, a Korean American from Worthington, Ohio, put the struggle this



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F.O.B. was among an extensive lineup of East Asian cultural awareness events at Colby this spring. Theatergoers braved the Blizzard of '93 to attend—and were rewarded with a stunning performance.

way: "I came here because I felt I wouldn't be singled out. I thought I could be myself rather than be Korean." What she found, though, was that being accepted meant being assimilated on the majority's terms. "I haven't been told who I am, so I need an Asian community to be backed up. You can choose [your identity as an Asian] or deny it, but it's very hard to ride the fence."

Professor Lee Feigon, chair of the East Asian Cultures and Languages Department, calls it "one of the oldest East Asian programs in the nation." It was started in 1965 by President Robert E.L. Strider II, who foresaw that understanding the Eastern world would become an important component of a liberal arts education. "Now, with the ascendance of the Asian economies, a

lot of other colleges have jumped on the bandwagon," Feigon said.

But, he says, the department can't afford to rest on its laurels. "Colby was at the forefront, but it's now in danger of losing its lead," Feigon said. Besides expanding Japanese and Chinese courses, the department has asked for new staff to teach economics and Korean language and culture.

In addition to Japanese and Chinese language teachers, there are professors of art, government and history who teach in the department and two anthropology positions and one religion position affiliated with it. And the Government Department recently hired Suisheng Zhao, a native of China whose specialty is Japan's economic relationship with that country. He will teach international and comparative government courses beginning next fall.

For Oh and others, the new interest in Asian-American identity on campus has raised several questions: Can Colby be more inclusive in its East Asian events and curriculum? Maybe the curriculum will include Korea, but what about Vietnam? Cambodia? The Philippines?

"East Asian department. For such an inclusive name, it's very exclusive," Oh said. "I'd rather be excluded totally than be excluded from something I should be included in."

Ronald Takaki stresses the importance of Asian-American studies as part of Ameri-

can studies, not as an add-on to the East Asian curriculum. "One of the criticisms many of us have is that East Asian studies continue to stereotype Asians as foreigners," he said, adding that in American history, literature and sociology, Asian contributions have been "not just overlooked but excluded."

In Colby's American studies program, Asian Americans are included in a 300-level course, Comparative American Cultures in Historical Context, which considers the American experience from the perspectives of gender, race, ethnicity and class. But Charles Bassett, Dana Professor of American Studies and English, said of the program, "Right now it's certainly not doing enough. Clearly."

Bassett says the Asian-American experience should be included in more survey courses as an integral part of American history and literature, and a separate course in Asian-American studies also should be offered.

"The problem, of course, is the demands of a wide variety of ethnic Americans to have an academic place in this thing," Bassett said, adding that as a practical matter, "it's a question of interest and training." The program currently has no one with training or research interests in Asian-American studies, he said.

Bassett uses extremes to characterize the debate, and he puts himself somewhere in the middle. "On the one hand you have the arch-conservative old fogies who don't want to make room, and on the other you have the new guys who say, 'Charlie, you've just got to die,'" he said. "Well, I'm not ready yet."

Bassett said that including Asians in American Studies presents unique problems. "Because [Asians'] achievements in traditional mainstream academics have been enormous, their difficulties have been less clearly etched," he said. "It isn't as if we have tried to 'disappear' them."

Cotter said that increasing the enrollment of both Asian Americans and international students from Asia is crucial to the College and its educational mission. "The Asian Americans have a double role," he said. "They help diversify our student body, and they also help with the linkage to a part of the world that's increasingly important."

The College will soon get recruiting



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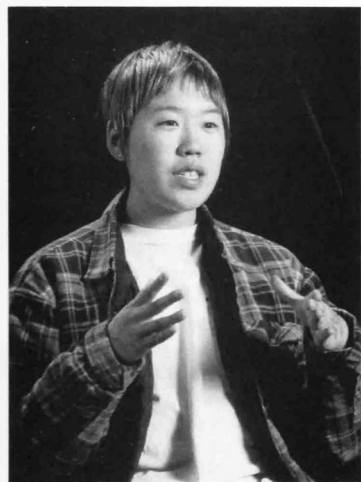
—Steve Sanchez

help from the East Asian Cultural Society. Furrow says students are making a video in Chinese to try to recruit international students and may send it to North American cities with large Asian populations as well.

"I definitely think the administration is aware of what's going on and how the Asian students feel—what they're going through," said Gates. "As far as what the administration can do, it's very limited. Yes, you can educate the students once they come here, but if you want change, you need to bring in different, diverse students." Gates says he thinks more scholarships are needed to get minority students to an expensive, geographically isolated college in Maine.

Other Asian-American students say they, too, recognize that there is still a ways to go before anyone can identify a solid Asian-American community at Colby, but they have come a long way from the invisible minority of years gone by.

"I can remember listening to students say, 'Hey, I'm the only Asian student on this campus,' when that wasn't true," said Feigon. "Their consciousness has changed dramatically."



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Mrs. Arey Helps Chairs Stack Up

~ By Anestes Fotiadēs '89 ~

At the April meeting of the Board of Trustees, President Bill Cotter announced that Mary Edith Arey has pledged the funds to establish Colby's newest endowed chair, the Leslie Brainerd Arey Chair of Biosciences. The Arey chair, named in honor of Mrs. Arey's late husband, will support a faculty member whose teaching and research are most closely related to Dr. Arey's life's work in the field of anatomy. The chair, which will be filled in the next few months, is Colby's 11th fully endowed chair and the eighth to be secured in the last three years.

"It's hard to think of a family that has been more involved with the sciences or with Colby, and hard to think of a more loyal friend to the College than Mrs. Mary Arey," said Randy Helm, Colby vice president for development and alumni relations.

Mrs. Arey, a graduate of the University of Chicago, married Dr. Arey, a 1912 graduate of Colby, in 1923 and has shared his love of the College ever since. In establishing the Arey Chair she continues the Arey family tradition of supporting the life sciences on Mayflower Hill.

"Colby had a very special place in Leslie's heart, and I know how this would have pleased him," Mrs. Arey said. "Moreover, I am glad that I can continue Leslie's long-term investment in the College."

After his graduation from Colby, Dr. Arey received a Ph.D. in zoology from Harvard University. He joined the faculty of Northwestern University Medical School in 1915 and became chair of its anatomy department eight years later, a position he held until his retirement in 1956. He continued to teach on a voluntary basis until 1987, when he was nearly 96 years old—a span of 72 years in the classroom.

The Leslie Brainerd Arey professorship in the biosciences is a significant watershed in the drive for support of the sciences at Colby. It has helped the College match a Kresge Foundation challenge grant for labo-

ratory equipment in the biosciences and should, according to Helm, act as an inspiration to other alumni, trustees and friends of the College who are committed to preeminence in the sciences at Colby.

"All in all, the impact has been—and will be—tremendous," said Helm.

Big Boost for Katz Wing

Colby Trustee Paul J. Schupf has pledged \$150,000 towards construction of the new Katz Wing of the Colby Museum of Art. The gift will help satisfy a challenge grant issued in 1993 by the Parker Poe Charitable Trust that requires the College to raise \$400,000 before 1998 to receive \$150,000 from the Poe Trust.

"Alex Katz is one of the most important American artists of the second half of the 20th century," said Museum Director Hugh Gourley. "It is through his interest and generosity and that of his major collector, Paul Jacques Schupf, that a comprehensive collection of his work is entering the museum's permanent collection and a gallery is being built to exhibit it. It is an extraordinary event in the history of the museum and will focus attention on the College internationally."

The inspiration for the Katz Wing came from Schupf, who, after the joint 1985 Katz exhibition at Colby and Bowdoin, suggested that there be a permanent gallery to show the artist's works. The idea gained added momentum last year when Katz offered to donate more than 400 works to the collection if Colby constructed the wing within five years.

The wing, which will cost \$1.5 million, will be designed specially to best display the large donation from the artist. It will have more than 8,000 square feet and will include a painting storage space in which to house works not on display.

Schupf is a portfolio manager at Steinhardt Partners, a New York investment management firm. He has loaned many Katz works to the Colby museum and has donated numerous works by other artists, including Ed Ruscha and Christo.

Trent Fund Aids Research

Colby has received a gift of \$125,000 from Winona R. Trent of North Conway, N.H., a friend of the College and daughter of Linville W. Robbins, Class of 1894. The money will be used to endow the Judson Trent Student Research Fellowship Fund in memory of Mrs. Trent's late husband, who for many years designed crossword puzzles for the *New York Times* and *Washington Post*. The Trent Fund will provide stipends for summer student research internships.

"It's a godsend," said Associate Professor of Geology Robert Nelson of the gift. "Anything that helps support student research in science will be a great help."

The Trent gift comes on the heels of a long series of gifts and grants to benefit science education at Colby, including the Arey chair, the Kresge Foundation Challenge and a \$500,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to renovate the laboratory facilities in Keyes.

Judson and Winona Trent's relationship with Colby began more than 30 years ago when they first inquired about making a gift to the College. They have made many generous gifts, including one to establish the Linville W. Robbins Financial Aid Fund in remembrance of Mrs. Trent's father, an educator, amateur botanist and friend of the famous Maine poet Edwin Arlington Robinson, and one to fund renovation of the laboratory used by Piper Professor of Environmental Studies David Firmage.



Voices of the White Fleet

~ By Douglas Rooks '76 ~

We think of international trade as a contemporary issue, but in fact it dates back to the first voyages of exploration. Priscilla Doel's new book, *Port O' Call: Memories of the Portuguese White Fleet in St. John's* (ISER Books, 1992), takes a small piece of that largestory—the once famous Portuguese White Fleet—and develops themes she hopes will interest scholars in a new field.

When she first traveled to St. John's in 1988, Doel, associate professor of Spanish and Portuguese at Colby, envisioned vessels thronging St. John's harbor, one of the Atlantic's finest deep-water ports. Instead, she found only "some boats from Canada's inshore fleet, a few rusty Soviet hulks and the lonely Newfoundland schooner which offered sail trips for tourists."

The White Fleet, which once boasted scores of ships and 6,000 men, was gone, the victim of a changing industry, disputes about overfishing and trade tensions between Canada and the European Community. Taking unilateral action, Canada actually had banned Spanish and Portuguese ships from all Canadian ports.

Although research suggests that Portuguese sailors may have been exploring the North American coast since about the time of Columbus and have been fishing the Grand Banks off Newfoundland almost as long, the heyday of the White Fleet dates from the years immediately following World War II. The ships were painted white to indicate neutrality during the war, and after

it the wooden and steel sailing ships fished from Greenland south six months of the year.

The fleet's methods now seem incredibly primitive. One-man dories set out from the mother ships each morning with hand lines and bait. The Portuguese fishermen labored all day alone, sometimes hauling in

Doel found scanty written evidence of the Portuguese fleet in St. John's. She wrote an author's query to the local newspaper and received an overwhelming response. It seemed that everyone had memories of the White Fleet and was especially eager to share them now that the 500-year Portuguese presence seemed at an end. She ended

up conducting dozens of interviews on both sides of the Atlantic—and the research became a labor of love.

"Once you meet a Portuguese you make a friend for life," Doel said in a recent interview. She and her husband, Bob, spent most of their vacations in the past five years pursuing those friendships and gathering material for the book. Although there is archival material in Portugal's libraries and museums, Doel decided to present her book as a series of interviews, using the techniques of oral history. These in-

terviews, or "voices," are the heart of the book. They range from the somewhat bureaucratic, cautious recollections of Canadian Supreme Court Justice Robert Wells to the gossipy, opinionated storytelling of Angelo Fernandes da Silva, a fleet medical officer.

Although the interview format inevitably leads to some repetition and digressions, Doel keeps the narrative moving and calls on a wide variety of witnesses. Virtually everyone connected with the enterprise, from the dorymen to the captains, the port officers to the women back home, is heard from.

"The richness of what was there, in people's memories," was what convinced



Priscilla Doel

catches large enough to swamp their dories.

"You wanted to catch more than the next man," fisherman Joaquim dos Santos Paroleiro recalled for Doel. "So you fished and you threw them in, more and more and more, and you didn't notice you were sinking. A lot of men died like that."

Doel came by her subject naturally enough. For years, she and her family have sailed boats out of Rockland. They now have a 40-foot schooner, *Pharoahs* (the name is a previous owner's, but the engraved wooden letters make a change inadvisable). *Pharoahs* has sailed from Florida to the Bay of Fundy, but neither Doel nor her husband had seen St. John's before their 1988 visit.

her to cast her book as an oral history, Doel says. As she interviewed each subject another would be suggested, and so she went from person to person, coming to realize, she said, that "[the fleet] was something special to the people who had been intimately involved and were sad that their friendships had ended." The intensity of the recollections convinced her that "something beyond the bounds of conventional research" was needed for a subject she sees as "meaningful and important" to both Portugal and Canada.

"I think this is real research, too," Doel said. "Research shouldn't be about something that's yours, that you own. It's something you share."

Through her interviews and library research, Doel discovered that the activities of the White Fleet reached their zenith in 1955, when the *Gil Eannes*, named for a 15th-century explorer, made its first voyage to the Grand Banks. A brand-new, well-equipped hospital and supply ship, it made the once lonely and harsh existence of the Portuguese fishermen distinctly more bearable. That summer, a large statue of the Lady of Fatima was carried in solemn procession by 6,000 Portuguese seamen from the harbor to the cathedral in St. John's and presented as a gift to the people of Newfoundland. The day remains vivid for all the Portuguese, Doel says, and figures as a leitmotif in their accounts. The cathedral statue—along with a monumental bronze of famed explorer Gaspar Corte Real presented in 1965—are the only tangible reminders of the Portuguese presence.

By 1958 the White Fleet numbered 120 sailing ships. Sixteen years later, all were gone, replaced by trawlers and draggers amid increasingly contentious disputes about fishing on the Grand Banks. The intrusion of large factory ships from the Soviet bloc escalated the pressure on the fishing stocks, and Newfoundland's cod fishery—once the richest in the world—seemed to go into steep decline. Following new international agreements, Canada exercised its right to a 200-mile exclusionary zone. This led eventually to the partitioning of the Banks between the United States and Canada by the World Court. In the much larger Canadian zone, the Portuguese were, for a time, granted a small quota of cod, but when they joined the European

Community even that was withdrawn. As part of a continuing dispute about fishing outside the 200-mile zone, Canada banned Portuguese and Spanish vessels from its ports in 1986.

Not everyone agreed that the cod was being overfished. Almedia Paiao, at 90 the oldest surviving captain of the Bank fleet, told Doel that one need only know where to look: "... there are spots there that only the Portuguese people know," he said. "Only the Portuguese people know all the corners of the Banks that are now forbidden to them."

Though Doel remains neutral in the

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—Priscilla Doel

dispute, it's clear that her sympathies are with the Portuguese. And objectively considered, the closing of the ports wasn't good for Canada. The Portuguese fleet once did about \$20 million worth of business a year in St. John's, but for the last six years it has called at the much inferior French Colony port of St. Pierre. A self-imposed, two-year moratorium on Canada's own cod fishing has caused some rethinking, and this summer St. John's may again be open to the Portuguese.

What impresses Doel about the story she tells is the cordiality that still exists between people who scarcely know each other's languages. Even though practically no Newfoundlanders knew Portuguese and few Portuguese knew more than a few English phrases, much visiting went on and some intimate relationships even sprang up each summer in port. The Portuguese seemed to fit in with the taciturn northerners. As Fernandes put it, "Our men, in comparison with others such as the Spanish, who are more aggressive, especially in their social relationships with women, are more contemplative, not as boisterous."

The decline of the fleet, even before the

territorial disputes, had much to do with changes in Portugal, Doel contends.

The last big influx of fishermen came in the years between 1969-74, when independence wars in Portugal's African colonies placed enormous burdens on the Portuguese army. Draftees served four to five years and were always subject to recall. Fishermen, however, were exempt from the draft. The new recruits earned the hearty contempt of fleet old-timers, who considered them untrained landlubbers unsuited for the harsh life at sea. And ironically, those fleeing Africa service were probably no better off as fisherman.

"The possibilities of dying were just the same fishing on the Grand Banks as fighting in the Army in Angola," concluded Angelo Fernandes. When Portugal began emerging as a democracy, fewer men were willing to make the long journey westward each year. The death of the autocratic Portuguese leader Antonio Salazar, as well as independence for Angola and Mozambique, finally eliminated the need for deferments.

Doel says her greatest difficulty in preparing the book, aside from the many hours spent translating and editing the interviews, was finding someone to transcribe them from the tapes. "You really need a native speaker to do that, because there are so many regional accents," she said. But the Portuguese natives she found "did not necessarily understand computers," and it took perseverance to complete the job.

Many of the book's fine photographs were taken by the late Dr. Arthur de Sousa, a Portuguese who lived for many years in St. John's and retired there with his Newfoundland-born wife, Mary. Doel says he may well be the subject of her next book. A physicist who knew Einstein, a medical doctor who served aboard the *Gil Eannes*, a research chemist as well as a talented painter, de Sousa was a kind of Renaissance man whom Doel calls "endlessly fascinating." Although such a project would involve more conventional research than the present book, she says she intends to keep pursuing the interview methods that served her well. She considers *Port O' Call* "a beginning" that she hopes will open new areas of research in both Canada and Portugal.

"It was a very satisfying book to do

because of the enthusiasm among the interviewees," Doel said. "And I don't look at this as my book—it's really theirs, the Portuguese." ♦

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After a Vision

Ira Sadoff, who is best known for his four books of poetry, shows his "other side" in *An Ira Sadoff Reader*, a collection that sets the best of Sadoff's short fiction and essays on contemporary literature and music beside a selection of his poetry. Offered in The Bread Loaf Contemporary Writers Series of the Middlebury College Press, the stories and essays written over the last two decades echo and extend the poet's concerns with craft, vision and transformation. They also confirm Sadoff's stature as "man of letters."

Awareness of the dangers of craft dissociated from vision—separation and distance of poetry and fiction from the real life of people—is behind all of Sadoff's work but most evident in his criticism. In the essay "Neo-Formalism: A Dangerous Nostalgia," he writes that the poems in Robert Richman's anthology, *The Direction of Poetry*, pay "precious little attention to the social world" and instead aim to adhere to standards of metrical prosody and the conservative cultural values those standards reflect. This is an ongoing form-versus-content argument that writers have fought at least since the Romantic poets charged the Neo-Classical poets of the 18th century with slavish adherence to rules and paucity of imagination. Sadoff is against what he called in an interview "18th-century decoration and upholding bourgeoisie values. My view is that poetry challenges the as-

sumptions of the culture."

Sadoff's own best poetry and fiction come out of painful family experience—the absent father and the relationship of son to a mother who never filled the gap are recurring themes—so his definition of the "social world" and what constitutes challenges to cultural assumptions is narrowly personal but crucial to his work.

"I'm writing about a 20th-century cultural and social institution," he said, "about the power that family exerts in our lives, about the way in which our families create our characters. It's a really awful feature of 20th-century life."

Sadoff's stories were written under the influence of three or four different literary trends of the last two decades. "An Enemy of the People" and "Ward #3," stories influenced by the nonrealistic comedies of John Barth and Donald Barthelme, are of a lesser level of accomplishment than his realistic stories if only because their craft threatens to out-march vision. They "have the cleverness of a young writer," Sadoff acknowledged, and "characters are caricatures—because young writers shy away from emotion." The more recent realistic stories reflect Sadoff's opinion that readers today want to forego the ironies and one-note characterizations that remind them they are reading fiction and be treated instead to the illusion of reality. Literary realism deals best with the individual in a social world, and realism is what Sadoff does best, most notably in "The Depression" and "In Loco Parentis," which delve into aging as well as coming of age. Plot and characterization and the compressed, concise language of poetry combine in "Sorties," a haunting story of a girl's sexual discovery.

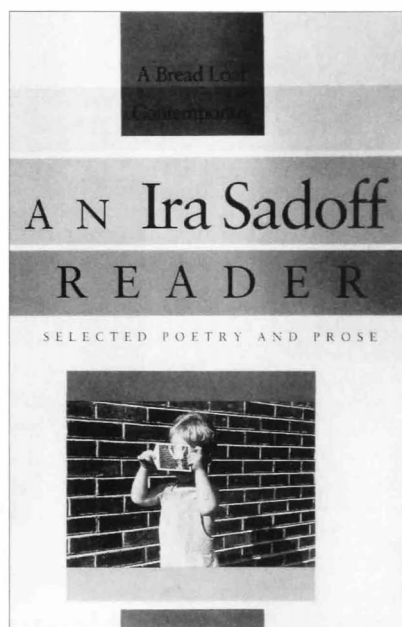
"Now I have access to emotional material that, when you're younger, you deflect with irony," said Sadoff, a professor of English who for many years directed Colby's creative writing program. "You come to a willingness to understand that you're not entertaining but are after a vision, a way of seeing."

Sadoff's concern with vision is at bottom a concern with transformation. Showing what the family does to the individual, he hopes to transform what the family did to the individual. That notion of transformation is behind Sadoff's personal declara-

tion in his introduction: "I want to write the poem or story or novel that will make me feel more fully, the poem or story that will change my life."

His concern with transforming lives extends to transforming the lives of readers, too. What he wants is what we get: "poetry always serves to bring me back to my senses and to intensify feeling," he writes, "fiction helps me investigate characters in the social world, and essays sharpen my thought processes, helping me discriminate and qualify half-formed ideas."

More directly than the poems, the essays aim to educate the audience for poetry, which he believes is diminishing not only



because more and more people watch television and don't read poetry but also because fewer publishers are in the business of publishing poetry books. Sadoff helps us appreciate the value of reading, especially the value of literature that can accomplish the transformation of lives. ♦

—Robert Gillespie

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A Deft Hand at Recruiting

~ By Ernie Clark ~

To stroll into Dick Whitmore's office is to stroll into the history of the Colby men's basketball program.

Championship trophies, team pictures, certificates recognizing players who earned All-American honors on Mayflower Hill, game balls painted to acknowledge milestones achieved—the office isn't cluttered, but it is full.

New additions to the decor arrive every year, most recently the 1993 ECAC Division III New England championship trophy won in March, marking the third championship in four years for the White Mules.

Many who follow the program credit Whitmore's own knowledge of basketball—and especially his ability to make the right moves at the right time in a game—as reasons why Colby has achieved regional and national recognition as a leader in NCAA Division III basketball.

But of equal importance, perhaps, is the recruiting touch Whitmore and his staff have displayed since he came to Mayflower Hill in 1970. Year after year, the men's basketball program boasts student-athletes who are true to the academic and athletic missions of the program and the College.

"Dick appeals to a certain type of kid," said Boston University head coach Bob Brown, a long-time friend of Whitmore who recruited against him while coaching at the University of Southern Maine in the late 1980s. "First, a kid has to understand a school like Colby and the academic challenges it presents to anyone who goes there. And Dick also appeals to youngsters who want to be very, very good, because he has the reputation of bringing out the best in

players who have gone through his system."

This year's championship squad featured nine players from Maine and six from locales from New Hampshire to Maryland. Leading the team was Paul Butler, a senior center from Bangor, Maine, who was named New England Small College Athletic Conference Player of the Year.

Butler's college choice, like that of most of his NESCAC peers, was made with both academic and athletic considerations in mind.

Whitmore of his own most basic recruiting philosophy. "It's an athletic type of thing, where you really want the kid to be able to create advantages by running hard up and down the floor all the time. The other thing a player must be able to do is shoot the ball."

It's a combination that has paid off. Colby typically ranks among the leaders regionally in 3-point shooting and nationally in free-throw shooting. And rarely have the White Mules been passive in any phase of the game, compiling five straight 20-win seasons that constitute an .869 winning percentage.

In the mid-1980s, Colby fielded physically large teams, with the likes of 6'6 Harland Storey Jr. '85 and 6'8 center Bill MacIndear '85. As that decade passed, the White Mules took on a leaner, more up-tempo style with players such as former NCAA Division III Player of the Year Matt Hancock '90, Tom Dorion '90, Kevin Whitmore '91 and John Daileanes '92 keying back-to-back championship runs in 1990 and 1991. This year's ECAC champions had yet another look, a smallish but athletic unit featuring Butler and guards Matt Gauder '95 and

Chip Clark '94 that succeeded by denying opponents scoring opportunities.

"We've had big teams and smaller teams, offense-oriented teams and, this year, a defense-oriented team," Whitmore said. "What you're concerned about year after year is the character of the kids you're recruiting, how they'll fit in and how they handle a given situation."

Some players contribute immediately, like Storey or Hancock or this year's freshman standout, forward David Stephens, who scored 20 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in the championship game against



Dick Whitmore and his staff know how to make the right moves in a game and in their recruiting.

"I knew the type of school that I wanted to go to," said Butler, who looked at Colby, Bates and St. Joseph's College in Standish. "Once I knew that, then basketball came into it. Colby had an outstanding basketball program already in place, while Bates had to try and sell me on the future. With Colby, I didn't have to be sold on anything, because it was already there."

Choice is a two-way street in recruiting student athletes—both the individual and the athletic program are striving to address specific needs.

"If he can't run the floor, forget it," said

Williams. Others, like Daileanes and Butler, grow into starring roles in the program more gradually.

"I think one of the keys at this level, and one of the things that Dick does so well, is to look at a youngster in terms of what he can become rather than in terms of what he is at the time he's being recruited," said Brown.

Daileanes, for instance, was little more than an extra as a freshman. He finished his career the fifth-leading scorer in Colby history—and his No. 33 was retired by the College this season.

"With a lot of kids you look at work ethic," Whitmore said. "Some kids will come in here not knowing completely what is required of them, but they learn. Then you see their character and work ethic come out on the floor as they work to get playing time."

Matching an 18-year-old high school phenom with the right college program isn't easy, but more than two decades of experience in stating the case for Colby helps.

"I'd guess we've made less than 10 [mistakes] in my time," said Whitmore. "You have to remember in the recruiting process basketball is not the only factor. It doesn't matter whether he's a basketball player or not, because if a kid comes to Colby he's going to get a good education."

As much of Whitmore's time in recent years has been absorbed by duties relating to his role as athletic director, the task of seeking out new players for the Colby basketball program has fallen largely to assistant coach Gerry McDowell '76. In concert with Whitmore and the Admissions Office, McDowell funnels the initial pool of prospects into the recruiting class of any given year.

"You have to do your homework," said Whitmore. "When we start out with the initial steps of the recruiting process, we're probably dealing with 250 or 300 names that have come across our desk. We usually end up with somewhere between two and four who actually come here."

That initial list is compiled from many sources, including a vast alumni network that has proven adept at completing some of the necessary preliminary work before the coaching staff becomes involved directly.

"There aren't many days that go by when we don't get a call from someone who played for us telling us about someone," said Whitmore. "We use those guys a lot."

"I tell kids about my experiences at Colby," Butler noted. "I don't try to push anyone, but I tell them what this school has done for me."

The nature of the institution itself plays a major factor in the recruiting process. Academic qualifying standards, along with other factors such as Colby's size, location and cost, eliminate many potential recruits. Once they are winnowed out, the process

defeat tells you more about a recruit than in any other situation, and sometimes based on the reaction we might not be interested in him anymore."

If the coaches are attracted by in a recruit, they try to gauge how well he would fit at Colby, McDowell says.

"You don't want to recruit someone who's capable of playing at a higher level unless they show a specific interest in the school," he said "And ultimately they've got to gain final acceptance and you've got to assess their financial situation, because for a lot of these kids this may be a more

expensive school than some of the other ones that are recruiting them."

No matter how talented and qualified a player is, though, Whitmore says he has a litmus test that rarely fails. "We'll only take a kid if our guys respect and enjoy him when he comes for a visit," he said. "There has to be compatibility there."

Recruiting for Colby is made easier by the program's reputation, which few of Whitmore's competitors can match.

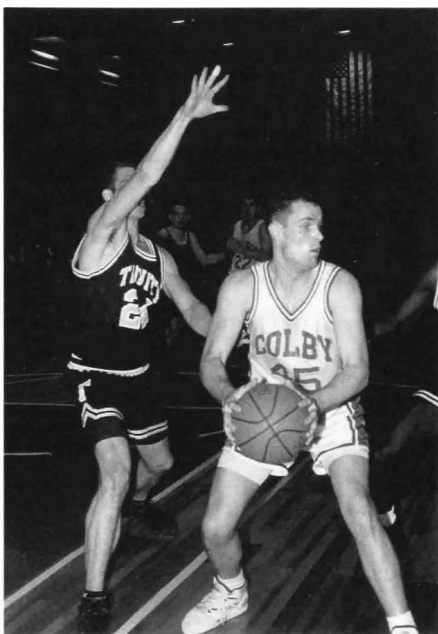
"If you're in Maine and you follow basketball, Colby and Husson and St. Joseph's all appeal to you because they're successful programs and you hear and read a lot about them," said Butler. "That's why Coach Whitmore has a lot of Maine kids on his teams."

"I think we went after the same player just twice when I was at Southern Maine," said Brown. "We got one, the other went to Thomas."

And in the quirky world of college basketball—at least in Division III, a recruiting foe can turn into a recruiting reference when the situation is right.

"When Harland Storey came out of Greely High [in Cumberland, Maine], I was talking to him and I asked him where he was going to school," said Brown. "He said, 'I think I'll go to New Hampshire and try to walk on.' I told him he was crazy, because I knew Colby was the other school he was interested in. I told him that with Coach Whitmore he could become an All-American, to look at the other players who had gone through that program and done that."

It was good advice: at Colby, Storey earned All-American honors and finished his career as the College's fourth-leading scorer and fifth-leading rebounder, achieve-



"With Colby," says star center Paul Butler '93, "I didn't have to be sold on anything."

enters a more active phase—and for McDowell, that means lots of travel to gyms throughout the state and region.

"You go to watch a kid, and you're really looking at a lot of different things," McDowell said. "You look to see if he can play, see if there's a differential between what the report on him said and how good he really is."

"You also look to see how he reacts to situations, how well he handles himself on the court. You almost like to see a kid when his team loses, to see how he handles that adversity. Sometimes the way he acts in

ments he has yet to relinquish.

"There's no guarantee when you come here," said Butler. "You understand that you have to work to get playing time, and you know you'll have to work hard because the guys that have come up through the ranks have had to work hard to get their playing time. But you see how that hard work pays off, in the championships and all the All-Americans that have come out of this program. I don't think Coach Whitmore has ever handed anything to anybody."

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Sports Shorts

The presidents of the New England Small College Athletic Conference, which includes Colby, voted in April to lift the conference's prohibition against NESCAC teams competing in NCAA Division III tournaments.

The ban, which was instituted at NESCAC's founding in 1971, will be lifted beginning this fall for a three-year trial period for all teams, except football teams, fielded by the members of the 11-college group. Currently, only individual athletes in sports such as crosscountry, track, swimming and tennis may compete at the national level.



Pole vaulter Conrad Saam '96 already is turning things upside down in the Colby men's track and field program. An accomplished vaulter before he arrived at Colby, the 5'8, 155-lb. Skillman, N.J., native began breaking records in his first collegiate meet. At Tufts University on January 16, he vaulted 13 feet, one inch, bettering the freshman standard by an inch.

Saam topped that effort in most of the subsequent meets during the indoor season and had his best vault, 14 feet, six inches (one inch shy of the 24-year old College record of 14'7), at the New England Division I Championships at Boston University.



All-American . . . Again

Five-time All-American Michelle Severance '94 raced to a second-place finish in the 5,000-meter race at the 1993 NCAA Division III National Indoor Track and Field Championships held at Bowdoin in March.

Severance's time of 17 minutes, 20.28 seconds was a personal best and shattered Colby records in the indoor and outdoor 5,000-meter races. Severance, who entered the race as the lowest seed with a time of 17:58, had run the 5,000 only once during the indoor season before the national championships.



Data from a recent survey of New England Small College Athletic Conference institutions show Colby is a leader in meeting standards of the Federal Title IX requirements for equal opportunity and support for women in athletics. Colby has 249 women varsity athletes on 14 teams. The figure represents 29 percent of enrollment, a percentage equaled by Amherst and the second highest participation rate reported among the 11 NESCAC colleges. Bates, with 33 percent (245) of its women as varsity athletes, tops the list. Overall—including varsity, junior varsity and club teams—Colby, with 1,110 athletes, joins Bowdoin with the highest participation rate among all students. The survey tallied team members, not individual athletes, so a multi-sport athlete is counted for each sport.



Senior alpine ski captains Jennifer Comstock and Chris Bither represented the White Mules at the 1993 NCAA Division I championship meet in Steamboat Springs, Colo., March 10-12.

Although Colby skiers have qualified for national Division I competition before, the White Mule ski team this season became the first in College history to elevate its program to that level. The team was invited to join Division I after winning the national Division II championship each of the last three years.

Comstock and Bither each finished in 17th place in the women's and men's slalom races.

Colby will play host to the national Division I meet next year at Sugarloaf/USA. ♦



Commencement Speaker Dole-drums

~ By Earl Smith ~

Bill Cosby had the platform party in stitches well before the academic procession filed through the big front doors of Miller Library to begin what was to be, at once, Colby's coldest (40°) and warmest (Cosby hugging) commencement ever.

The flag bearers leading that 1992 parade were Jeff Baron and Tina Buffam, newly elected president and vice president of the Class of '93. They, too, were caught up in Cosby's antics, laughing even while they struggled to keep the flags from hitting the ground as they passed through the doors and onto the granite steps.

Outside, swarms of camera-toting relatives lined the walkway. As we neared the first corner, Jeff turned to look at me, his flag swirling wildly in the air. "Look out," I told him, "or you'll spoil a thousand pictures and have the entire faculty walking up your back!" He reversed just in time to dip the flag under the limb of a maple tree, and then he turned again.

"How will we ever top this?" he asked above the cheering and clapping. His worried look was decidedly out of place. "No sweat," I said (as if it were warm enough to sweat). "Next year is a long way off."

What Jeff Baron was fussing about on that gray morning when Bill Cosby saved several thousand from hypothermia, was the job he faced in leading the search for a commencement speaker for 1993, work that would be made exceedingly more difficult by the fact that his immediate predecessors had captured one of the great American entertainers of all time.

After several years as a participant in this speaker-finding effort (class presidents use my phone a lot), I'm resigned to the fact that most things that need to be done to make this exercise work smoothly simply can't be done. How could 400 bright about-to-be Colby graduates ever be expected to agree upon a list of potential commencement speakers? It's a small miracle if they can agree on the process of selecting candidates, and an added blessing if a respectable majority of them can be pleased with the final choice.

And, for the sake of discussion, let's say the first part works and they do find an agreeable list. How, then, do they get their favorite person to accept the president's



Little did he know. . . Jeff Baron shares a laugh with Tina Buffam at the 1992 Commencement, before he discovered the difficulty of recruiting a Cosby-topping speaker.

official invitation? Several relevant principles apply here: a) the more important people are, the longer it takes for them to answer their mail; b) a lot of them don't answer their mail at all; and c) as smart as they are, college seniors have not yet learned that all not important people are good speakers.

Undaunted, the Class of '93 began its search even before Bill Cosby had set a new standard of difficulty. In early May 1992, officers sent a letter to their classmates

asking for speaker suggestions. Forty-three names came back. Ross Perot was on the list; so were Jacques Cousteau, Ben & Jerry, Walter Cronkite, altogether too many movie stars and a small collection of world leaders.

It must be noted that while seniors decide who will speak, trustees have the last word on who will receive honorary degrees. The risk, of course, is that the seniors will invite a speaker whom the trustees will not honor with a degree.

The list of "impossibles" stayed at 43.

Summer intervened.

In September, seniors gathered for a class meeting, and the first item of business was to narrow the list. President Cotter described the process and then explained that he had told the previous year's class that it was nonsense to think of inviting Bill Cosby; that he would never accept. Based on that experience, he said, he had abandoned the idea of giving further advice on the subject of who might be reasonable to invite. The sky remained the limit.

The meeting continued and, in a moment of misplaced magnanimity, Baron

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asked if anyone wanted to add to the spring list. It was a mistake.

Someone in the balcony threw out Oprah Winfrey (the name of course, not Oprah), and that provoking thought triggered a whole TV *Guide* of new suggestions—Rush Limbaugh, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Larry Bird, Steve Martin, the Dalai Lama and several others. Baron saved himself by declaring the new offerings “reservists” (a category he quickly made up) and then inquired if anybody had special connections to names on the original list. (Bill Cosby had been secured, in large measure, by the grandmother of a class member.) Several such ties—some of dubious merit—were noted. The class then balloted. Potential speakers who received the most votes were moved to a final list.

The next morning Baron moved in to use my office telephone budget and to find out who on the short list might be available for an invite. No sense to have the president write Robin Williams if Robin were going to be tied up. He was. Same for Billy Crystal. A noted author on the list said that she had a policy of not giving commencement addresses. (A woman worthy of widespread emulation, if you ask me.)

Next in line was Mikhail Gorbachev. (Sure, and no finals and a sunny commencement, too.) It would have been easy to nix this one as being well outside the realm of possibility, but there was the haunting specter of the Cosby experience forever more to discourage reality checks.

I suggested, as a start, that Baron contact Colby's man in the State Department, Ambassador Robert Gelbard '64, deputy assistant secretary for inter-American affairs. Gelbard is exceedingly well connected to the upper reaches of world leadership. He has been especially good to Colby and he took a shine to Baron.

The two of them quickly cooked up a whole new world of possibilities. If Gorbach was no, then how about Vaclav Havel—at the time out of power in Czechoslovakia—or perhaps United Nations Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali? We might easily have called time out, but we didn't dare. So, in early October the inquiry to Gorbachev went through the back channels of the State Department, and Cotter sent the official invitation to his place on Leningradskiy Prospekt in Moscow.

Soon afterward, a reporter for the student newspaper asked Baron how the com-

mencement speaker search was going and Baron explained that an invitation was out to Mikhail Gorbachev. In a flash, the subsequent *Echo* story was on the national Associated Press news wire. The pitch was not only that Colby had invited Gorbachev but also that there was no way that the senior class was going to pay a kazillion dollars for a whole entourage of Gorbachev associates to come from Leningradskiy Prospekt to Mayflower Hill. The grads would cover the cost of the speaker and an interpreter, not a cent more. A Florida radio station sent \$2, the apparent result of an appeal to listeners for help.

By late October, Gorbachev had not answered his mail (he was under house arrest at the time) and Baron was getting anxious. He wrote his classmates and, with classic understatement, declared that Gorbachev was a “long shot.” He asked if they would authorize the class officers, working within the approved list, “to exercise their judgment in continuing the search for a speaker.” In other words, no more meetings; no more loud consultations. Bravely, he took the subsequent lack of response to be agreement (which it probably wasn't) rather than apathy (which it probably was) and moved on.

With the Gorbachev invitation still hanging, Baron and Gelbard huddled again in early November. They agreed to give Havel a try. The tone of subsequent phone calls and messages between the two suggested that a positive response was at least possible. College adjourned for the holiday recess. (Once, during this period, Gelbard called Baron at home. Baron's mother answered the early-morning call. The operator said the ambassador was calling from the State Department. She didn't believe it and said her son was in bed and she would not disturb him for a prankster.) In the end, Havel politely declined. Close, but no speaker yet.

Robert Redford was removed from the short list for a closer look. A senior said she had connections. (Her uncle operated a Hollywood car dealership where the actor had purchased a Porsche.) That didn't work. Nor did an inquiry to Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Colin Powell. (A top Powell aide had once ached a ROTC class that I had failed. He had been best man at my wedding.) Powell was slated for a NATO meeting that conflicted with Colby's commencement. Life is full of choices. That

didn't work, either.

All the time, Senate Minority Leader Robert Dole was high on the seniors' voting list, a name that many seniors were pushing for. It was getting late. Seniors were placing orders for caps and gowns. No time to fool around.

Baron put on a full-court press for Dole. He called the senator's office, and Cotter sent the official invitation letter on behalf of the seniors. Baron followed by sending a Colby sweatshirt to Dole and to a most helpful administrative aide in the senator's office. He also called Maine Governor John McKernan, Senator George Mitchell, Senator Bill Cohen and Representative Olympia Snowe and pestered their offices until he had confirmation that they had each written “Dear Bob” letters to reinforce the Colby invitation. The Kansas senator replied promptly. It was too soon to decide. The May schedule had not yet been set.

Baron wrote his own letter. “Dear Senator Dole,” it said. “I know you already have the official invitation from President Cotter, that you already have your Colby sweatshirt and that I have very nearly worn out my welcome from Mariam Bechtel [the senator's aide], but I thought an extra letter would not hurt our effort to convince you to agree to be our speaker at commencement here on May 23. As president of the senior class, it has been my job to secure the commencement speaker. They want you, and if I can't deliver, my life isn't going to be worth a snowball in Kansas.”

By mid-April, an *Echo* columnist was on Baron's case, calling the speaker search “inept” and castigating Dole for dithering. She suggested that the seniors find a classmate to sing to them for an hour. Baron responded by suggesting that the *Echo* be disbanded.

On April 19, in the midst of the Senate debate on the federal budget, Baron sat on my telephone recall button until he finally reached the leader's office. Bechtel said an answer would be coming soon, and, that week, Dole accepted. Within a few days the officers of the Class of '94 were pondering how they might do as well.

My phone budget suffers still. ◆

Dean of the College Earl Smith is, among other things, Colby's commencement platform marshal and a sometime confidant of senior class president commencement speaker seekers.

REUNION

Schedule of Events

Wednesday, June 2–Friday, June 4

Class of '63 Hurricane Island/Camden Adventure Getaway Trips

Thursday, June 3

9:30, 10:30, 11:30 a.m., 1:30, 2:30, 3:30 p.m.
 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. Campus Tours
 Registration Desk Open
Student Center Lobby
 Noon–1:00 p.m. Luncheon for Seminar Participants
 1:15–4:30 p.m. Creative Estate Planning Seminar conducted by Terry D. Mayo '57
 3:00 p.m. Mountain Biking up Mt. Waldo in Frankfort
 5:00 p.m. Class of '43 Reception and Dinner
 5:30 p.m. Reception for Seminar Participants
 Evening Class of '68 Reception and Dinner
 6:30 p.m. Dinner for Seminar Participants

Friday, June 4

7:00–9:00 a.m. Breakfast
 8:30 a.m.–11:00 p.m. Registration Desk Open
Student Center Lobby
 9:00 a.m. Class of '43 meet bus for trip to boat cruise on the Kennebec River
 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 a.m., 1:30, 2:30, 3:30 p.m. Campus Tours
 10:00 a.m. Alumni Golf Tournament
Natanis Golf Course, Vassalboro
 10:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Class of '48 Trip to Camden
 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Class of '43 Boat Cruise on the Kennebec River
 10:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Class of '68 Cruise on Casco Bay
 Noon–1:00 p.m. Lunch
 1:00–5:00 p.m. Colby Film Series
 1:30 p.m. Tour of the Colby Museum of Art and Jetté and Davis Galleries
 4:30–5:30 p.m. Class of '68 Welcoming Open House
 4:30–6:30 p.m. Class of '58 Welcoming Reception
 5:45–6:45 p.m. Welcome Back Cocktail Party
 6:45 p.m. Reunion Awards Banquet in honor of the 1993 Alumni Association Award Recipients
Distinguished Alumna: Marcia Curtis '54
Marriner Distinguished Service: Edward H. Turner
Colby Bricks: Eleanor Smart Braummuller '43, John B. Devine, Jr. '78, William H. Goldfarb '68, Douglas S. Hatfield '58, Philip W. Hussey, Jr. '53, and Lois Munson Morrill '58
Outstanding Educator: Walter B. Rideout '38
 Seating is limited. Tickets will be distributed on first-come, first-served basis.
 9:00 p.m.–midnight Class Receptions in Reunion Headquarters
 10:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous/Narcotics Anonymous Meeting

Saturday, June 5

7:00–9:00 a.m. Breakfast
 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Registration Desk Open
Student Center Lobby
 8:00–9:30 a.m. Class of '58 Continental Breakfast
 8:15 a.m. Alumni Council Committee meetings
 8:30 a.m. New Class Officer meeting for all newly elected officers
 9:00 a.m. Class of '43 Campus Tour
 9:00 a.m. "Master Blaster" Aerobics (a combination of high and low impact) with Jill Taylor Harrison '88 (Owner of Gold's Gym, Augusta)
 9:00 a.m. Class of '68 Discussion: "From the '60s to the '90s: Who Were We, Who Are We?" with Deborah Ayer Sitter '68 (Prof. of English at Emory University), Ellen Dockser '68 (Publicist, WGBH in Boston), and Thomas Morriane '65 (Prof. of Sociology and Dep't Chair at Colby)
 9:30 a.m. "Understanding College Admissions" for alumni and their children
 9:45 a.m. Alumni Association Spring Meeting
 Council Committee Reports; President Cotter will speak on The State of the College
 11:00 a.m. The Parade of Classes
 After parade Check presentation ceremony
 Class Reunion Photographs for 50+ Club, '48, '53, '58, '63, '73, '78, '83, '88
 Noon–1:30 p.m. Lobster Bake/Cookout Lunch
 Afternoon Class activities
 1:00–5:00 p.m. Colby Film Series
 1:00–3:00 p.m. Book signing with Professors Lyn Mikel Brown and Ira Sadoff
 1:30, 3:00 p.m. Campus Tours
 Afternoon **Alumni and Faculty Panels**
 1:30–2:30 p.m. "TV News: Deadlines, Ethics, and Shrinking Budgets" with Susan Jacobson '88 (CNN) and Susan Gernert Adams '78 (Dateline: NBC)
 2:00–3:00 p.m. "The Business of Sport" with Jan Volk '68 (General Manager, Boston Celtics Basketball)
 2:30–3:30 p.m. Class of '68 Discussion: "Our Generation in the White House: Six Months of Clinton" with Deborah Nutter Miner '68 (Prof. of Political Science at Simmons College) and G. Calvin Mackenzie (Prof. of Government at Colby)
 3:00–4:00 p.m. "Investment Strategies: Asset Allocation in the '90s" with Lynne Jones '78 (Director, Rowayton Capital Management), Miguel Browne '78 (VP, EMCOR), Peter Vlachos '58 (President and Founder, Austin Investment Management Co.), Michael Caulfield '68 (President of Ordinary Agencies, Prudential Insurance Company of America), and James Meehan (Prof. of Economics at Colby)

Schedule of Events Continued

3:30-4:30 p.m.	"Terrorism" with Nathan Adams '58 (Editor, Reader's Digest) and Carlos Davila '58 (President, Cadimpex USA)	Sunday, June 6	
3:00 p.m.	Tour of the Colby Museum of Art and Jetté and Davis Galleries	7:30 a.m.-Noon	Brunch Buffet Boxed Lunches Available for Pick-up
3:00-4:30 p.m.	Math Department Reception	Morning	Class Continental Breakfasts
4:00-5:00 p.m.	American Studies Reception	8:30 a.m.-Noon	Registration Desk Open Student Center Lobby
5:00-6:30 p.m.	Class of '68 Reception	9:00 a.m.	Class of '53 Memorial Service and Dedication of the Whitey Johnson Plaque
5:15 p.m.	Class of '43 Reunion Photograph	9:30 a.m.	Class of '58 Tree Planting Ceremony
6:45 p.m.	Class of '68 Reunion Photograph	10:15 a.m.	Boardman Memorial Service
Evening	Class Reunion Dinners, Dances, and Parties		
10:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous/Narcotics Anonymous Meeting		

Reservation Information

Accommodations are available on campus in the residence halls for \$25 per adult for the weekend or part of the weekend and \$15 per child under age 12 for the weekend or part of the weekend. Accommodations are in the residence halls—*these are not luxury accommodations* (they lack the personal feel of one's own dorm room, and the bathrooms are shared)—but campus accommodations are convenient to campus events. Included in the accommodations are a single bed, one pillow, sheets, one blanket, and towels. You might consider bringing an extra blanket, pillow, towels, a bedside light, or a teddy bear to meet your personal preference. Each residence hall is configured differently, and rooms range from single rooms to six-person suites. If you would be willing to share a room with a classmate or a friend, please indicate so on the reservation form. Please call the Alumni Office if you would like a list of area hotels and motels.

Dress is casual for most activities, except the dinners.

50+ Club and 50th Reunion Class: You and your spouse/guest are guests of the College for the weekend, but you must complete and return the reservation form for all meals that you plan to attend and for your on-campus accommodation needs. You must let us know which nights you will need lodging so that we can reserve a space for you.

Making reservations: The reservation deadline is May 21; after that date, there is a \$10 late fee per registration. There are no refunds after May 28 or for phone reservations.

By mail: Your check should be made payable to Colby College and returned with the reservation form, or indicate credit card payment. Please include one check to cover campus accommodations and meals and send to: Reunion Reservations, Alumni Office, Colby College, Waterville, ME 04901. *By phone:* Reservations will be accepted with credit card payment only (VISA, Mastercard, or American Express). There are no refunds for phone-in reservations. Please call Jodi Gifford or Pat Bourbeau at 207-872-3190.

Please make reservations by May 21. We cannot guarantee that there will be meals or rooms available without prior reservation. There is a late fee of \$10 for any reservation received after May 21.

Child Care Services

A full program of supervised activities has been scheduled for children of all ages, from morning until night. Registration for child care programs will be in the Caporale Lounge in the Student Center Friday 3 p.m.-10 p.m. and Saturday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. There is a \$20 activity fee for each child through age 12 and a \$15 activity fee for teenagers to participate in the child care program for all or part of the weekend. Meals are included with the infant and preschool program so you need not get meal tickets for registered children. Unregistered children may attend scheduled children's meals and should make advance reservations for those meals.

FOR MORE INFORMATION Call Jodi Gifford or Pat Bourbeau on the Reunion Hotline at 207-872-3190.



REUNION

1993 Reunion Weekend Reservations

Name (first, maiden/Colby, last): _____ Class year _____

Spouse/guest's Name: Colby Class Year (if applicable): _____

Please indicate preferred names for nametags: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Business phone: _____

ON-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATIONS

Adults

# of people	Rate	Total	# of people	Rate	Total
_____	\$25.00*	\$ _____	_____	\$15.00	\$ _____

_____ Check here for Thursday arrival.
 Yes, I would be glad to share a room.
 Please assign me with _____ or _____ another classmate.
 *Class of '43 and 50+ Club—no charge, but you must indicate if you need on-campus accommodations.

ACTIVITIES

_____ Check here if you plan to attend the **Estate Planning Seminar** on Thurs.
 _____ Check here if you are interested in the **mountain bike ride** on Thurs.
 _____ Check here if you are interested in the **Class of '48 trip to Camden**.
 _____ Check here if you are interested in the **Class of '53 tour of Waterville**.
 _____ Check here if you are interested in the **Alumni Golf Tournament**.

Number	Golf Fee	Total	*Check to reserve golf cart
_____	\$20.00	\$ _____	_____

 *Cost will be \$16 per person, payable at the course.

MEALS			Children age 5-8 (4 and under no charge)			
Adults	Rate	Total	Number	Rate	Total	TOTAL
Thursday, June 3						
Lunch*	\$8.00	\$ _____	_____	\$4.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
Dinner—Class of '68	\$20.00	\$ _____	_____	\$10.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
Please indicate number of each: _____ chicken Dijonnaise			_____ shrimp macadamia			
Dinner on campus*	\$18.00	\$ _____	_____	\$18.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
Class of '43 Dinner	no charge					
Friday, June 4						
Breakfast*	\$4.00	\$ _____	_____	\$3.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
Lunch*	\$6.00	\$ _____	_____	\$4.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
Awards Banquet*	\$20.00	\$ _____	_____			
Children's Cookout (same price for all children, 5 and older)			_____	\$5.50	\$ _____	\$ _____
Saturday, June 5						
Breakfast*	\$4.00	\$ _____	_____	\$3.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
Class of '58 Continental Breakfast	\$5.50	\$ _____	_____	\$5.50	\$ _____	\$ _____
Lunch: Lobster Bake*	\$16.00	\$ _____	_____	\$16.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
or Chicken BBQ*	\$9.50	\$ _____	_____	\$9.50	\$ _____	\$ _____
or Class of '73 Cookout	\$6.00	\$ _____	_____	\$3.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
Children's Dinner (same price for all children, 5 and older)			_____	\$5.00	\$ _____	\$ _____
Reunion Class Dinner (circle one)						
50+ Club, Class of '43	no charge					
Class of '48, '53, '58	\$25.00	\$ _____				
Class of '63, '68, '73, '78, '83, '88	\$22.00	\$ _____				
Sunday, June 6						
Breakfast Buffet*	\$7.00	\$ _____	_____	\$4.50	\$ _____	\$ _____
Class Continental Breakfast:						
Class of '68, '58, '53	\$5.50	\$ _____	_____	\$5.50	\$ _____	\$ _____
Class of '88	\$3.50	\$ _____	_____	\$3.50	\$ _____	\$ _____
Boxed Lunch for travelers*	\$4.50	\$ _____	_____	\$4.50	\$ _____	\$ _____

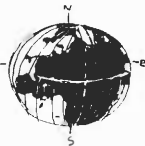
*Class of '43 and 50+ Club—no charge but you must indicate if you plan to attend.

CHILD CARE PROGRAMS

	Names/Ages/Sexes	Number	Rate	Total
Babysitting (age 0-4)	_____	_____	\$20.00	\$ _____
Youngsters (age 5-8)	_____	_____	\$20.00	\$ _____
Youngsters (age 9-12)	_____	_____	\$20.00	\$ _____
Teenagers (over age 12)	_____	_____	\$15.00	\$ _____
TOTALS				
Meals		\$ _____	Payment form:	
Accommodations		\$ _____		
Golf		\$ _____		
Child care		\$ _____		
Late/On-site registration fee (after May 21) @ \$10.00		\$ _____		
Total		\$ _____		

Credit Card Payment # _____ Exp. Date _____
 Mastercard VISA American Express

Special needs—Vegetarian and other special diet menus available at all meals. Please indicate preferences, as well as any other special needs here:



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PRE-TWENTIES

Remember that the oldest alumnus or alumna who returns for Reunion Weekend in June will have a chance to ride in state at the head of the Class Parade around the Colby campus on Saturday morning! Last year it was **Harold Hall '17**, Norway, Maine, distinguished educator and loyal friend of Colby, who rode around the Fieldhouse in style, followed by balloons and all of the reuniting classes. . . . On February 8, all of the family of **Phyllis Sturdivant Sweetser '19**, Portland, Maine, gathered to honor her 95th birthday. Congratulations! ♦

TWENTIES

Arthur Sullivan '22, Pawling, N.Y., reports that he still feels an enormous debt to Colby because when he was a student he had a full athletic scholarship. Then, as class agent, he learned the continuing high standards of the College. . . . **Realistic Helen Dresser McDonald '23** admits that now that she is 90 years old, it takes her twice as long to do anything, and then she is all tired out! But she still feels lucky to be around. . . . **Peg Davis Farnham '28**, Hampden, Maine, tries to keep track of her 11 grandchildren, who probably laugh when she tells them about the bloomers she had to wear in "Auntie" Vorman's gym classes! . . . Here's a correction: **Weldon R. Knox '28** and his wife, Laytonville, Md., celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary, not their 50th, last July

21. We stand corrected, with apologies to their unsuspecting children, who at ages 58 and 56 would have been surprised to learn of a marriage several years after they were born! Congratulations anyway for so many good years together. . . . Thanks for the kind words from **Alice Paul Allen '29**, E. Providence, R.I. Hope to see you at reunion! . . . And we hope to learn the details of the November cruise taken by **Philip R. Higgins '29**, Springfield, Mass. ♦

THIRTIES

Kathleen and George Andrews '30, Dallas, Texas, attended their oldest grandson's Navy wedding a year ago in Charlottesville, Va. The bridegroom later flew patrol over the Red Sea as part of the UN embargo of Iraq in May and June. From there he went to Sicily and then was assigned to Jidda, Saudi Arabia. (Justifiably proud grandparents!) In college, Professor Strong was George's favorite professor, but he still remembers "Bugsie" Chester's insistence that his student say, "Thin, damp membrane" and not reverse the adjectives! . . . **Norman Palmer '30**, Friday Harbor, Wash., says of his recent assignment as visiting professor at the Graduate Institute of Peace Studies at Kyung Hee University in Seoul: "We [he and his wife] both had a fascinating experience in South Korea, which I have visited six times over some 25 years. For me as a political scientist it was a particularly interesting time to be in South Korea, for many reasons, mainly because very crucial national elections to the National Assembly were held in late March and because that country is clearly in a transition period, politically, economically, culturally and in many other ways. We were able to travel to different parts of that beautiful country. Just before

we left in May (1992), we visited Panmunjon, the site of the prolonged negotiations between the North Koreans, the United Nations (mainly the United States) and the South Koreans over the issue of reunification. Until fairly recently, South Korea had few relations with the Communist world, but now it has relations with almost all of the Communist and ex-Communist states, including China and the former republics of the Soviet Union, especially the Russian Republic." He added that last fall he was involved in teaching at an Elderhostel on San Juan Island near his home. He sent his regards to members of Fifty-Plus. . . . **Myrtle Paine Barker '31**, Watertown, Conn., writes that her grandson is showing some interest in attending Colby, although he is only a sophomore in high school now. . . . **Rod '31** and **Peg Davis Farnham '28**, Hampden, Maine, don't mind traveling half way across the country to attend one of their grandchildren's graduations. . . . **Vivian Russell '31**, Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla., was one of three to attend her 60th reunion. She enjoys her many activities, such as singing at church, going to museums, enjoying travel and making friends. . . . **Frances Page Taylor '31**, Tavares, Fla., remembers "Judy" Taylor's smiles when she made an erroneous Latin II translation, but she doesn't say how much Latin she remembers today. Her advice is to "Work hard." . . . **Christo Nasse '32**, Ormond Beach, Fla., reports that he keeps in touch with at least two of his classmates, **John Curtis '32**, Palm Harbor, Fla., and **James Fell '32**, Fall River, Mass., and also with **John Dolan '36**, Des Moines, Iowa. . . . Both **William Steinhoff '32** and **Bob Anthony '38** seem to be enjoying their new homes at Kendal at Hanover, N.H. . . . **Hildred Nelson Wentworth '32**, Millinocket, Maine, and **Seven Springs, Fla.**, writes of one of her

favorite professors: "How I loved Prof. Joey Colgan! He was so kind when my father died in May of my junior year." . . . We send best wishes for better health to **Charlotte Blomfield Auger '33**, Norwich, Conn. . . . **Evelyn Stapleton Burns '33**, Norway, Maine, writes that while she was a student at Colby during the Depression, "One year I had only one pair of shoes to wear besides my gym sneakers. My roommate, **Elizabeth Haley** (now Brewster, Asheville, N.C.) '33, sold five-cent candy bars at a profit of one cent each bar. That was her spending money! Each year since, I have appreciated more and more the wonderful education I got at Colby and the individual attention and encouragement I received from my professors." . . . **Donald '33** and **Dorothy Gould Rhoades '36**, Claremont, Calif., are proud that their son Charles is one of those at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory who are working on the Mars Exploration Project with computers as well as managing the roving robot spacecraft Galileo, which is on its way to Jupiter. In January they visited their daughter Becky in Seattle and enjoyed trying to keep pace with their two energetic granddaughters. . . . **Adelaide Jordan Cleaves '34**, South Portland, Maine, reports that she and her husband, Ken, have been married for 58 years and have eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. They feel fortunate in having most of their family living nearby. Their son is a judge in the Portland court system, and one daughter, **Erla Cleaves Davis '59**, is a social worker at the Maine Medical Center in Portland while the other daughter is a legal secretary in a local law firm. Last summer her husband received the National Jefferson Award for distinguished public service. . . . **Barbara "B.Z." White Morse '34**, Springvale, Maine, was honored in January as a "lifelong learner" at the Sanford

Curious About the World

"You have to hang loose because you never know what happens."

In her Waterville home, Alice Bocquel Hartwell '36 is talking about her favorite means of foreign travel: as a passenger on "tramp" freighters that carry cargo all over the world.

"A port can be canceled, a port can be added, a ship can be detoured. Of course, the weather can be vile. You can be 'dead in the water'—that isn't frequent, but it's possible. You can have stowaways—that doesn't happen often, but it can happen."

Hartwell is a former president of the Maine chapter of the American Association of Teachers of French (for which she was awarded the Colby Gavel in 1968). Following her retirement in 1978 after 41 years of teaching, primarily in high school, she decided to pursue a long-time dream. "I read about freighters long, long ago, before it was possible for me to do anything like that," she said.

Since her first voyage in 1980 up and down the west coast of South America, she has traveled by freighter along the eastern South American coast, through the Mediterranean and to Australia.

Her latest journey, begun in November 1991, took her, in 74 days, from Florida to Ascension Island and on up the western coast of Africa. The ship unloaded Agency for International Development supplies in ports along the way before heading back to Alabama, complete with a Gambian stowaway.

She sailed to Africa on the S.S. *James Lykes*, of the Lykes Brothers line, a U.S. Merchant Marine shipping line. Author John McPhee describes a voyage on a Lykes ship in his recent *Looking for a Ship*, a book Hartwell recommends to anyone interested in freightering (on his journey to South America, McPhee encountered something Hartwell hasn't:

pirates).

Hartwell says freighters provide diversions such as movies, books and games for passengers, who are mostly retired people. Twelve passengers are the most allowed by the Coast Guard to be on board without a doctor.

And there's always the ocean to watch, she says. "Sometimes you see whales, sometimes porpoise. You see the sunsets, the sunrises, the stars overhead."

Hartwell says she's not as adventuresome in foreign ports now as she used to be. One time in Guayaquil, Ecuador, the ship's agent helped her get a ticket on a bus that went over the first range of the Andes, a four-hour ride to see an inactive volcano. "The other passengers thought I was nuts!" she said.

In Panama, Hartwell once managed to see a high school production of *Alice in Wonderland*, despite warnings of the area's dangers. With her long experience, it was easy for her to spot teachers and "casually happen" to sit nearby. "We'll get to talking," said Hartwell, "and if I'm lucky, they'll offer to drive me back to the ship."

Hartwell says she'd like to take another freighter trip but hasn't made any plans. At 79, she says age limits might make things difficult. "That's another problem, because I'm getting there," she said, pointing out limits of 75 and 79 in a list of freighter voyages. "I can understand," she said. "But not everyone is senile or decrepit at age 80!"

She says she doesn't even get seasick.

Hartwell's father was born in France and her mother was born in Switzerland. She says her language studies and family roots reinforced her love of going to new places. "I've always been curious about the world," she said. "If you have a love of history, geography, nature and you love the sea, this is a good way to travel.

"It's not everybody's cup of tea," she said, "but it's mine."



Center of the University of Maine System, where she has been auditing courses since 1985. The honor was a tribute to her "endless pursuit of education, for the peace and serenity you exude, and for the inspiration you are to all of us." Barbara has continued this semester with a course, Experience of the Arts, which is a survey of the content of creative disciplines in music, dance, film, painting, sculpture, drama and literature. . . . **Portia Pendleton Rideout '34**, Augusta, Maine, seems to be enjoying the pleasures of having a house and garden again, but she also still likes to travel, and when it was time to celebrate her Big 80 birthday, she flew out to Oregon to her daughter's, where her family gave her 14 coffee mugs, each decorated with different family pictures. . . . When Elizabeth Weeks '34, Claremont, Calif., and Hanawa Falls, N.Y., had the misfortune to break a hip last August, she discovered the pleasures of a new acquaintance during her convalescence: a lovely Amish woman named Delilah, mother of 11 children, who told of the large farm that she and her family take care of: her husband and boys care for the cattle and farm, while she and her daughters care for a garden of several acres, raising vegetables to be sold at their wayside stand. They also prepare baked goods to sell. Like other Amish women, they make quilts and straw hats to sell. Elizabeth also reported attending in Portland (in July, before her accident) the annual mini-reunion of her Colby classmates and a gathering of her family in Plaistow, N.H. Also, she walked the famous Marginal Way at Ogunquit Beach! . . . Hope to have a report of the winter cruise taken with her family by **Beth Pendleton Clark '35**, Selingsgrove, Pa. . . . Maybe this year **Robert Colony '35**, Sacramento, Calif., will include a visit to Colby on his way east to a family gathering in Nova Scotia. He remembers warmly his experience in Powder and Wig productions as well as his classes with Dr. Libby and Prof. Wilkinson. Moreover, he is a great fan of Barbara Tuchman's studies of history. . . . **Mary Small Copithorne '35**, Exeter, N.H., has been taking some writing courses and enjoying them. . . . **Blanche Silverman Field '35**,

Brookline, Mass., keeps in touch with her Colby friends, including Arthur and Catherine "Kay" Laughton Briggs '36, Somers, Conn., and June Wight Mason '35, Vero Beach, Fla. June has recovered from a broken hip and now is beginning regular activity. . . . **Charles '35** and **Winnifred White Houghton '36**, Intervale, N.H., are discovering reasons to travel south, since their son Ted '66 is working at Andrews Air Force Base and has a house in Maryland. They attended the wedding of their granddaughter, child of their

daughter Pat '61 and her husband, Dave Marr '61, in Natick in July. . . . Invertebrate traveler **Kay Herrick McCrodden '35**, Berkeley, Calif., has just reported on her three-week tour of South Africa, where she went from Johannesburg by bus through Kruger Park, a wild animal preserve, and saw lions, elephants, giraffes, rhinos, hippos and others in their native surroundings. From the park the bus went through the tiny country of Swaziland to the Zulu village of Shakaland to spend the night in a "rondavel," a round hut with a

thatched roof. There she ate roast kudu and ostrich steak for dinner. From there she took her through huge timber forests into an area of banana and sugar cane plantations to the port city of Durban. From there she flew south to Cape Elizabeth and spent a memorable several days driving along the beautiful coastal tip of South Africa to Capetown, which has a charm of its own. She said, "I wouldn't mind living there." Thence she returned to Johannesburg for more sightseeing and a chance to talk with Afrikaners to learn their point of view about apartheid. A final stop at the capital, Pretoria, concluded a fascinating and educational experience. Kay recommends the movie *Sarafma!*, which she says "tells it like it really is!" . . . Hope to have a full report from **Sidney Schiffman '35**, Maitland, Fla., of his trip to Barcelona last summer on the maiden voyage of the *Crown Jewel*. . . . **Betty Thompson Clark '36**, Waterville, Maine, has a keen interest in China since her daughter Kate has departed for two years of teaching at a college in Nanjing. . . . **John Dolan '36** was one of the lucky ones to fly back to Colby in the fall for Homecoming. . . . **Alice Bocquel Hartwell '36**, Waterville and Ocean Point, Maine, flew out to California in January to visit her daughter Alice. . . . **Jeanne Peyrot Hoffman '36**, Kennet Square, Pa., seems to have recovered from her hospitalization of last summer and may make her yearly return to France this summer. . . . **Asa '36** and **Jessie Adams Roach '38**, Houlton, Maine, report that they have sold the house where they have lived for the past 39 years and are moving to an apartment in Bartley Gardens. . . . **Dorothy Gould Rhoades '36** and her husband, Don '33, made their annual pilgrimage east to New England and New York state in the fall. They visited friends and family in Newton and Millis, Mass.; Concord, N.H.; Albany, Saratoga Springs and Whitesboro, N.Y.; and Stamford, Conn. In Connecticut they also visited former parishes in Mansfield and Durham. Dorothy continues responsibilities in Pi Lambda Theta, honorary education society, and in the Claremont Church. . . . Our sympathies to **Beulah Fenderson Smith '36**, Wells, Maine, on the recent death

NEWSMAKERS

Ida Phoebe Keen '05 turned 109 on March 1. Featured in a Pomona, Calif., newspaper article, she spends her days in a local retirement home reading the newspaper and watching sports on TV. . . . The 100th birthday celebration in Wethersfield, Conn., of **Lucy Taylor Pratt '17** was written up in the *Wethersfield Post*. . . . Former Westbrook (Maine) High School coach and athletic director **John P. "Paddy" Davan '33** shared his recipe for happiness—discipline, sacrifice, a good family and good health—in an interview in the "Maine Milestones" section of the *Portland (Maine) Press Herald*. . . . **Barbara "B.Z." White Morse '34** was honored as a "lifelong learner" at the recognition evening of the Sanford Center of the University of Maine System in Sanford, Maine. . . . **Gardiner E. Gregory '39** was recently elected to the Mineral and Lapidary Hall of Fame for his work in establishing the Hicksville Gregory Museum in Hicksville, N.Y. The museum, which houses some 13,000 mineral specimens, celebrated its 30th anniversary April 23. . . . **Ruth Stebbins Cadwell '41** was recognized for her volunteer work at the New Hope-Solebury Free Library and her involvement in several local organizations in New Hope, Pa.



Barbara White Morse '34

MILEPOSTS

Deaths: **Wendell F. Grant '23** in Portsmouth, N.H., at 93. . . . **Alice R. Nelson '27** in Wentworth, N.H., at 87. . . . **Dorothy Sylvester Carman '28** in Bangor, Maine, at 91. . . . **Ena Page Hawkins '28** in St. George, Maine, at 86. . . . **Margaret Mooers Hatch '30** in Caribou, Maine, at 83. . . . **William N. Dexter '33** in Mattapoisett, Mass., at 83. . . . **Eleanor Rowell Dorsett '33** in Morris, Conn., at 80. . . . **Leslie R. Rhoda '34** in Houlton, Maine, at 82. . . . **Robert M. Smith '37** in Wells, Maine, at 78.

of her husband, Robert '37. They had been married 52 years and have four children and several grandchildren. . . . Bob William '36, Los Angeles, Calif., still remembers playing golf with Prof. Wilkinson. He also regrets that he had to miss reunion last year. . . . Edmund "Ed" Barnard '37, Northport, Maine, observed that he has to live through the winter to be able to enjoy the summer as he told of the zero temperature, which the wind made a chill-factor of 20-30 below! When he made a trip to his doctor recently, he looked up classmate Fred Demers '37, Thomaston, Maine, and along with Muriel, Fred's wife, they commiserated on the trials of being over 70: neither one likes to drive at night. . . . We're still waiting for that letter promised by Jane Tarbell Brown '37, Cropseyville, N.Y. . . . Ruth Yeaton McKee '37, East Boothbay, Maine, had the pleasure of showing her little grandsons the mountains of Utah last summer, when she and her three children gathered there for a reunion. At the end of the summer she had her annual dinner with Rebecca and Willard Libby '37, Pemaquid Point, Maine, and Rochester, N.Y., at the Fishermen's Wharf in East Boothbay. Now she says that she is content to stay at home. . . . Elizabeth "Betty" Wilkinson Ryan '37, New York City, tells of a memorable and heartwarming reunion with her Japanese friends in Tokyo, after a separation of many years, when she visited Japan in November. . . . Richard '35 and Janet "Jay" Goodridge Sawyer '37, New London, N.H., decided not to go to Florida this year but instead to enjoy the winter beauty of New Hampshire. Dick may have missed playing golf and walking on the beach, but Jay enjoyed playing cards and reading. . . . Our sympathies to the family and friends of Joseph Ciechon '38, Ridgefield, Conn., former secretary of Fifty-Plus, who died in December. . . . Although Alfred "Al" Beerbaum '38, Pacific Grove, Calif., has been besieged with requests to return for a visit to Germany, he and his wife, Martha, are not quite sure that traveling there is worth the hassle, what with "the crowdedness of 80 million overactive people there and the disdain that German merchants

have for our dollar." More and more they are appreciating the comforts of home. . . . William "Bill" Littlefield '38, Sanford, Maine, has reached the stage when he can write, "In our younger years, my wife and I took many trips abroad. We have been in every European country and even Morocco, but don't go there!" . . . Edwin "Ed" Shuman '38, Penney Farms, Fla., preached the Christmas sermon at the multi-denominational Penney Memorial Church last December and then flew off with his wife, Marjorie (Gould '37), to snow country in Park City, Utah, to spend Christmas week with his oldest son and family, most of whom like to ski. Ed is becoming a skilled fashioner of clocks at the Hobby Shop, but he also finds time to play tennis with Marjorie and several friends at least twice a week. Marjorie read a paper on Willa Cather early in February, and then she and Ed took a freighter voyage in the Caribbean. . . . J. Marble "Jim" and Hazel "Hay" Wepfer Thayer '37, Orr's Island, Maine, have made two trips across country to visit their two daughters in the San Francisco area and are hoping that their older daughter will continue in her present state of recovery from hospitalization last summer. Marble plays tennis twice a week. . . . Belated congratulations to Donald Thompson '39, Pembroke, Maine, and his wife, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in September 1991. . . . Margaret "Peg" Higgins Williams '38, West Bath, Maine, noted with interest that Maine politics does move slowly: an issue about reduction of the state legislature was being debated when she was in college and still is today! . . . Sally Aldrich Adams '39, Medfield, Mass., Elizabeth "Ippy" Solie Howard '39, Acton, Mass., and Arline Bamber Veracka '39, Norwood, Mass., seem to be successful in getting together in Wellesley every Saturday for lunch and good conversation. Sally and her husband, Dwight, took Amtrak's Club Car service in order to spend Thanksgiving with their son Joel and his wife, Mary, in their new home on Valley Forge Mountain and with their son Roger, wife Diane and granddaughter Rebecca. Ippy is off to the Amazon again, with her botanist husband, Dick,

and next summer they are finally going to Alaska. Arline keeps the equilibrium at home with her housebound husband, Peter, and checks on her various grandchildren. . . . Gardiner Gregory '39, Orland, Maine, tends his orchards, cares for his moths, helps his wife, organizes his many photographs and keeps in touch by mail or phone with his Colby friends. . . . Last June, retired librarian Margaret Ann Whalen '39, Augusta, Maine, could not attend the events at Reunion Weekend because she was touring France with an Elderhostel group. For two weeks they toured Paris and the Provence, then for eight days she was on her own in Paris with day trips to Malmaison, Tours, Fontainebleau, etc. She was surprised by the cold weather brought in by "Le Mistral." Quite a contrast from last year's trip to Norway. . . . Michael A. Spina '39, Duncanville, Texas, notes that his class participated in the first varsity basketball team (in 1936). While he was in college, Colby had its first girl cheerleaders and the first buildings were erected on Mayflower Hill. ♦

FORTIES

Frank Jewell '40, Interlachen, Fla., called on the Shumans in Penney Farms recently on his way to Jacksonville. Frank enjoys music, sings in his church choir and performs frequently on his harmonica. Soon he will start north for the summer. . . . Priscilla Mailey '40, Clovis, Calif., joined friends from Antioch to watch the nation's Christmas lighting ceremony. . . . Roger '40 and Ruth Gould Stebbins '40, Sequim, Wash., told in their Christmas letter of their involvements: Ruth is active in PEO, AAUW and church and even does some modeling. Roger takes art lessons and paints, volunteers for SCORE and is on the board of the Chamber of Commerce. . . . Jim Daly '41, Seattle, Wash., was sorry not to attend his 50th reunion, but he thinks that his classmate Jane Russell Abbott did a fine job as gifts chair. . . . Hoover Goffin '41, West Babylon, N.Y., likes to tell the story of his brief meeting with Eleanor Roosevelt when she was a guest of the College. He says that

President Johnson took great delight in introducing him to Mrs. Roosevelt and that "her reaction was warm and ingratiating. What a delightful and charming woman she was." . . . Hiram P. MacIntosh '41, Philadelphia, Pa., recommends the following: Elderhostel, Red Fox Inn, Smuggler's Notch, Vt., good fly-fishing and watercolor courses. . . . Linwood Potter '41 and his wife, Sanbornville, N.H., and Nobleton, Fla., have recovered from a bad summer of hospitals, etc., and enjoyed spending the winter in Florida. He rides his bike 15 miles each day and listens to broadcasts from Waterville on his amateur radio, so he often hears Colby news. . . . Jane Leighton Carr '42, Hamilton, New Zealand, and Seattle, Wash., suggests that the best time to visit New Zealand is from November to March. The scenery is great. . . . Jean Cannell MacRae '42, Auburndale, Fla., comments that there ain't spoil her reunion last year at all! From Colby she and her husband traveled to Colorado, where they met people from Penney Farms, Fla., who knew Ed and Marjorie Shuman (tennis partners, actually). Her most embarrassing moment must have been when her roommate, Marlee Bragdon Monroe '42, Alden, N.Y., threw an orange at her, hitting the top of the door just when Dean Runnals came into their room—juice everywhere! . . . Frank Pineo '42, Odessa, N.Y., says, "Once you're over the hill, you begin to pick up speed, but growing old ain't for sissies." . . . That's it. See you at the reunion. ♦

THE FORTIES

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Correspondent:
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43 It is difficult for me to believe that this is my last column and that from now on we shall be included in Fifty-Plus news. Although it often seems that I've been class correspondent forever, in retrospect the years have gone by rapidly since I took over from Hilda Niehoff True. At the moment the Alumni Fund and the Mule are subjects for consideration by all of us. Kaye Monaghan Corey is working very hard to assure that we will meet our fund goal, and Hilda has spent a great deal of time researching the Mule. Knowing the pride we have in Colby, I know we'll respond to the best of our abilities. Kaye and Nels spent the month of March in Florida—a much-needed respite. I had welcome holiday greetings from several of you, and I'm delighted that so many of you plan to be at reunion. . . . Icah Shapiro Mellon admonished me for the age of my atlas, which doesn't show her town of Coral Springs, Fla., nor Key Biscayne, the home of Eliot "Huck" Kraft. Icah is still looking for someone in her area who is coming to reunion. . . . Lawrence Gurney sent a very nice poem titled "Some Less Familiar Street," which I will bring to reunion. He sends best wishes for a successful celebration and wishes he might be there. . . . Elizabeth Field Blanchard wrote that in 1991 they bought a home in Florida in the same park in which they had lived in their Airstream since 1984. Becky volunteers three days a week (October-May) as a pastoral care person at the Pasco Medical Center in Zephyrhills. Son Arthur is still in the Netherlands, but the other four children and grandchildren visit either in Florida or Massachusetts. . . . Mac and

Louise Trahan McCombs are looking forward to reunion. Louise commented on how time flies! . . . Another classmate with multiple children is Priscilla Moldenke Drake, who, though retired, continues to be busy—with her Bible study group among other pursuits—while husband Bill is defending malpractice cases. Priscilla was delighted to receive her 50th year membership award from Sigma Kappa. . . . Elizabeth Durand Ransom sends her best regards from New Zealand to those of us who remember her from the one year she spent at Colby. Her letter was filled with interesting family activities. Four family members belong to the Tinakori Handbell Choir and last August took part in the International Handbell Symposium in Edmonton, Alta., attended by 560 handbell players. Once back at home they returned to their busy life, Charles with his work on the Oxford Dictionary of New Zealand and Betty with the Wadestown singers and the Bach Choir plus handwork for the Wellington Handweavers and Spinners Guild. How about a class trip to New Zealand? . . . To all of you my apologies for not being able to include more of your interesting news in the columns, my regrets at not hearing from many more of you and my most sincere thanks to you who have faithfully responded to letters and thus made the column interesting and informative for your classmates. See you at reunion. ♦

Correspondent:
Louis M. Deraney

44 The old adage "no news is good news" does not apply here. My attempt to wrest out news of your current activities by having a questionnaire sent out got favorable re-

sponses. Of course some of you failed and should be given a poor grade. My intent and job is to keep abreast of newsworthy items, and since I have reported whatever news you submitted about yourselves, I now feel that maybe the column would be more interesting if you reported the accomplishments and achievements of your offspring or relatives. . . . In this regard, I have been communicating with Phil Nutting and requested that he fill us in as to what his daughter is doing in Tangiers, and surprisingly enough he and she cooperated. Cherie Nutting is a New York-Tangier-based photographer whose work has appeared in *Detail Magazine*, *The Boston Globe*, *The New York Times Sunday Magazine* and the Swiss art magazine *DU* among other major publications. Her photographs of the American novelist and composer Paul Bowles have been purchased by the Kustmuseum in both Zurich and Bern, Switzerland. She is currently working on a book of photographs concerning Morocco. She also acts as manager to a group from Morocco called the Master Musicians of Jajouka. Their new CD with Island Records soared to #1 in the world music charts in 1992. Cherie Nutting is well into a very exciting career. It would be appreciated if you all wrote about your respective prides and joys. . . . My son, Frederick George Deraney II, USN, SK 2/c, is stationed in Mobile, Ala. He was recently hired as an extra in the movie *Under Siege*, which was filmed on location in Mobile. If you haven't seen it yet, I was informed that it will be on video or at your local theater. If you happen to view this, look for a sailor who sports a moustache and thinks Clark Gable is no competition. . . . So let's hear from y'all. Do not wait for further prompting. I'd prefer writing about you and yours. Plan now to be at our 50th in 1994. ♦

Correspondent:
Dee Sanford McCunn

45 I need an update from all of you on your recent activities and/or interests and concerns or some day this column may be vacant. I did, however, receive a nice run-down from Grace Keefer Parker. Although recently retired from Union Theological Seminary in New York City, where she managed their guidance on ecumenical programs related to global theological education, she is now equally involved in helping set up "soup kitchens" to aid the more than 30,000 homeless in Nassau and Suffolk counties. For personal pleasure, Grace has taken her first piano lesson in 54 years. She also leads the sacred dance choir. Last year Grace visited and was thrilled by the Colby art ex-

hibit at the Port Washington Public Library, arranged by Joan Gay Kent. . . . Constance Stanley Shane is a homemaker in Watervliet, Mich. Connie's husband is a horticultural consultant and agronomy expert. She is involved in volunteer work at the hospital and in church activities as well as nature walks, sewing and traveling and has little time left after she keeps in touch with her seven children and 11 grandchildren. . . . From Oakland, N.J., Laura Tapia Aitken writes that she is currently a professor and involved with curriculum and instruction and that her husband of 46 years is a composer and professor of music. Concerned about world poverty and human rights abuses, she has traveled extensively and has been able to observe these situations firsthand. She also has completed her Ph.D. in child development and

literacy and feels that Women's Lib has eased the advancement of her career. Two Colby classmates she has kept in touch with are Muriel Marker Gould and Marge Owen Fallon. Laura attended our 40th anniversary at Colby, and we're all looking forward to our 50th in two years. . . . At this point I have the sad news to report that Mary Louise Fraser Woods passed away on January 4. Those of us at the 45th reunion will remember how youthful she looked and how great it was to see her. We are all saddened by this news and send our condolences to her family. ♦

Correspondent:
Nancy Jacobsen

46 I had a good talk with Fred Sontag in East Orange, N.J. We covered subjects ranging from politics to his 50th reunion at Phillips Andover this past fall. "That was George Bush's class," he said, "so most of us were not in the limelight." Fred has had a wide-ranging career in public affairs and as a research consultant with blue ribbon clients. He goes through 18 newspapers daily to keep current. He and Edith, a former Time-Lifer and his wife of 35 years, have a camp at Seal Harbor and keep up with Maine news. We talked about Bill Millett '25, who was a large presence in Fred's Colby life and got him his first public affairs position. Names kept coming up. "Jackie Taylor Jacobs '45 gave me an understanding of black living that I had not had," he said. "Later, when I went south to do civil rights work that Mississippi summer, I had learned from Jackie what we could do there." Fred had read with much interest the brief article in the January Colby about Barbara Pattee Healy and her outstanding work with the Salem Hospital. He had clipped it out and sent it to friends. "Such a bright lady!" he said. Maybe he and Edith will come to our 50th reunion. . . . Doty Dunham Hobbs also had a "50th": her wedding anniversary last year. Remember, she was a bride our freshman year when she and Richard were married during Christmas break. She brought him up to Colby in his new Army uniform to meet

her ecstatic friends. Dot and Richard spend summers in New Hampshire and winters in Pompano Beach, Fla. ♦

Correspondent:
Beverly Benner Cassara

47 The snow finally came to Bethel two days ago, but this was not in time to help my son and his wife, who were visiting from Alaska since December. Their cross-country skis just lay in waiting for six weeks until they were shipped back. . . . Had an interesting chat with Helen Jacobs Eddy. Since she retired from her law practice some years ago, she has spent her time and energies serving on a number of boards in the Portland, Maine, area. Currently she is a member of the board of the Cerebral Palsy Center. She feels that while mainstreaming has been good for some, others have not benefited so much because they can become isolated in the larger situation. She praised the work of the special preschool, which gives students good preparation for public school, and the work of the Greenhouse, which has a training program for about 15 adults, some of whom go on to other jobs. While the program is funded by various state and federal agencies, it still depends on the United Way and other private fund-raising projects. She pointed out that one of these projects, selling Christmas trees, has taught her how to dress in layers for tough December weather. She also serves on the board of the Little Sebago Lake Association, which monitors water quality and boating safety among other things. Add to all this babysitting for three grandchildren who also live in Portland. . . . Carl Wright, semi-retired also from the law, does his community work with young people. . . . I know I have mentioned the Richard Sampsons previously, but I want to quote from their Christmas letter about their Elderhostel experience: "the choice of the Elderhostel was Dick's since he has a Loyalist ancestor, Ward Chipman, who went to New Brunswick at the time of the Revolution and became its lord chief justice. It was a pleasure to spend a week at an Elderhostel in St. Andrew's, N.B., where we heard

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James W. Moriarty '43 was appointed overseer for life for his outstanding service over multiple terms on the governing body of the New-Well Health Care System, the parent organization of the Newton-Wellesley Hospital in Massachusetts. . . . An article in the *Winchester* (Va.) *Star* detailed Cloyd Aarseth '46's world travels during his professional career as an educational filmmaker. . . . Some 40 years ago, Waterville, Maine's Cyril M. Joly Jr. '48 was responsible for a combined local fund-raising effort that evolved into United Way of Mid-Maine. In January he was honored for his support of the United Way at the organization's annual banquet in Waterville. . . . The Rev. Gilbert Y. Taverner '48 was a guest preacher at the Weston United Methodist Church in Weston, Mass., where he delivered a sermon titled "Building/Breaking Down Walls."



Cyril M. Joly Jr. '48

MILEPOSTS

Deaths: Priscilla Tibbetts Durgin '46 in Durham, N. H., at 67. . . . Marguerite Overn Kirkwood '48 in Orleans, Mass., at 65.

lectures on Champlain, the Loyalists who settled the province, violin making and glass blowing, as well as lectures on Currier and Ives prints. We made a day-long visit to St. John's as well as to St. Stephen's. The weather in New Brunswick was mostly fine, and our rooms overlooked the harbor. Our group was a very compatible mix of Canadians and Americans." ... How about some more reports from all of you who have been Elderhosteling? ♦

Correspondent:
Kay Weisman Jaffe

48 '48ers heed the call,
Reunion time for one
and all!

Our class must as whole be on
The hill to see the Colby dawn—
June 4th. So just arrange that trip.
We'll meet old friends and have a sip
To times now past, but in each heart
Remembering much before we part.
Your questionnaire and reservations
must be in the mail—last call
is just about as this issue arrives.
Any '47-'49ers who want to join
our special reunion doings must
reserve ahead or cannot join with
us. ... The final pre-reunion news:
the **Folinos, Bud and Virginia**
(Brewer), having put their new/
old seaside home into living condition
in Stonington, Maine, are
settled into watching the ocean. ...
Elizabeth Parker Forman, retired
from teaching reading, now volunteers
as same. Healthy and with
five grandchildren, she enjoyed
touching base last summer with
family in Maine and Canada—and
with a group of Colbyites in late
September for lunch and beach-
walking. ... **Hattie White Hannigan**
has a son working in Taiwan.
We (M. and K. Jaffe) hope to meet
with him shortly before you read
this. ... **Ev Helfant Malkin** continues
her busy work and travel life
and reports meeting with Bob '46
and Harriet Glasgow Singer '46 in
Rhode Island. ... **Betty Damon**
Marsh retired from real estate, traveled
in October through Seattle,
Vancouver, Victoria, Sun Valley
and Lake Louise and enjoys lots of
tennis, golf, decorating and grandchildren.
... **Hazel Huckins Merrill** still runs
Merrill's cottages in season and is in fine health,

enjoying three almost-grown
grands, walks and swimming in the
Bahamas, Florida and Denver,
Colo., and x-country skiing and
knitting. ... **Edmund Miselis**, retired
from the P.O., is in good
health. Wife Eleanor has suffered
long-time heart problems, but both
enjoy their young grandkids. ...

Phyllis O'Connell Murray in Vermont is retired from multi-age team
teaching (K-3) but continues all
other activities. She travels on the
East Coast and was wintering on
the North Carolina coast. ... **Betty**
Coombs Corke Myers is happily
retired with husband Charles. They
married in '85 when she had been
widowed nine years. Now she manages
two homes, and entertaining
immediate family means 20 adults
and 20 grands. During September
they spent two weeks in England
and another two traveling through
Germany, Austria and Switzerland.
... **Mary Burrison Odell** is
still real-estating, has six grands, is
in fine health and was recently in
Oregon. ... **Dick Rabner** is also
still at his desk consulting managerially
and soon to celebrate his
38th wedding anniversary. With
two unmarried male children, he
can't boast grands nor does he boast
perfect health—only mutters,
"don't ask." He occasionally visits
New York, sees Chet Harrington
'51 now and again and sends greetings
to our class. Hope that doesn't
mean you might miss reunion,
Dick. ... **Gloria Shine Seidenberg**
moved from her house to an apartment
a while back and is very happy
about it. Retired from teaching,
she missed the children so is now
part-time children's librarian. With
same husband but no grandkids
and good health, she travels but
was last overseas in the then-Soviet
Union. ... **Carl and Shirley**
Smith Chellquist have their 45th
coming up two months after ours
and enjoy good health and three
grands. They've 10 years of retirement
behind them (he seven and she three)
and spent time last year in the
United Kingdom and Ireland. He's
an amateur radio buff with an advanced
license and she's an adult literacy
volunteer. ... **Herbert Parisi** is a
widower retired from doctoring, the
Civil Service and the National Guard.
He has five grandkids, travels the
continental U.S. and Europe and
recently started woodworking. ...

Shirley Stowe Sarkis, also widowed,
is a retired librarian with three
children not rushing to make her
Grandma (but cat, Sebastian, will
be 10 this year). In fine health,
she visited kids in Washington,
D.C., and Boulder, Colo., this year
and enjoys her local and Met Opera
guilds. ♦

Correspondent:
Anne Hagar Eustis

49 Whenever a new questionnaire
goes out, your responses add spice
to my daily mail. It's fun to hear from
you and renew old friendships. ...
Our thanks to Vivian Maxwell
Brown '44, who has brought us up
to date on two of our classmates.
Her husband, **John "Jack" Brown**,
though retired, keeps busy as a
member of the board of directors of
the Hornell chapter of the American
Red Cross, chair of the Service
to Military Families Committee,
substitute teacher at Hornell High
School and chair of the Substitute
Teachers Association. Unfortunately
Jack's health has not been of the
best this past year, and he spent
the week before Christmas in the
hospital. Vivian and Jack have a
grandson, Maxwell, 8, and a grand-
daughter, Brandy, 6. We were sorry
to hear from Vivian that her
brother, **Robert J. Maxwell**, died
at his home in Westbrook, Maine,
on January 1 after a long illness.
Our sympathy to you and your family,
Vivian. ... I am also sorry to
have to report that the Office of
Alumni Relations has notified me
of the death of **Carleton P.**
Stinchfield on October 16.
... **Mario Di Frederico** writes that
he has retired as a teacher-coach at
Kennebunk (Maine) High School
and is now devoting his life to
volunteer endeavors. He is involved
in giving service to St. Mary's
Church in Wells, where he works
in the food pantry. And as a
Grand Knight in the Knights of
Columbus in Wells, he is engaged
in many charitable services, such
as supporting the York County
Special Olympics and a wheelchair-
accessible boardwalk to the beach
at Wells Harbor. Mario's motto:
To give help and service to anyone
in need. ... I was delighted to hear
from a long-lost friend, Don

Heacock, who is a child psychiatrist
and associate professor of psychiatry
at New York Medical College. Don
and his wife, Celia, have three
children: Don Stephan, who has
just passed his internal medicine
boards, Roland, a graduate of
Harvard who has yet to decide on
his future but is also interested in
medicine, and Maria, a social
worker. Don keeps busy not only
with his practice in child psychiatry
but writes papers on psychiatric
subjects and directs a child psychiatry
program. Recently he has published
several articles on adolescent
suicide and edited a book, *A
Psychodynamic Approach to Adolescent
Psychiatry*, The Mt. Sinai
Experience. ... **Ray Deltz** and his
wife, Veronica, sold their house of
27 years in December and now live
in an apartment condo and love it.
They have also sold their RV after
five years and 70,000 miles. Having
now gotten rid of all of their
"stuff," they plan to continue their
travels via plane, car and motel for
a change—with a trip to Alaska
via ship and rail set for this July to
commemorate Ray's 70th birthday.
Last summer they attended an
Elderhostel at Bates, which Ray
reports was one of the best, with
outstanding food! He says the welcome
mat is still out for anyone going
through or in the area of Raleigh,
N.C.: "A spare room, food and
spirits are free as is my chatter." ...
Lon and I were off to Honduras
at the end of January for some
white-water rafting and scuba diving,
a visit to Mayan ruins and, last
but not least, a visit with our
son, Dick! ♦

THE FIFTIES

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Correspondent:

Nancy Ricker Sears

50 Dick Armknecht writes about his work as vice president of a sports-oriented conglomerate founded by Dick Kazmaier, the former football great and 1951 Heisman Trophy winner. Under Dick's management, the company acquired Bike Athletic Company several years back, and now his wife, recently retired from Digital, is looking into further business opportunities. Dick's entire family seems to have their parents' ambitious, energetic manner of achievement: his four children have, among them, accumulated four undergraduate degrees and five graduate degrees. And four spouses and three children have been gained along with the formal education. . . . Terry and John Harriman spent a month in '92 traveling from Labrador along the northeast coast through Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, five of the New England states and New York. Their trip included several days with Harriet and George Wiswell at their Southport, Conn., home. . . .

Jerry Baker writes that what keeps him young is working 50-hour weeks! He also enjoys tennis, bike riding and community activities, especially running for township committee as a Democrat in a 75/25 Republican town—just to have contested elections. Last spring he organized a family reunion that celebrated the 100th anniversary of his family's coming to America. Sixty strong, they visited Ellis Island. . . . Rev. Charles L. Smith Jr. is retired from the ministry and enjoying travel, genealogical research, a creative writing class and occasional preaching. His son Christopher received a Ph.D. in December of '92 from a combined program at Boston College and Andover Newton Theological School. This is the second Ph.D. among the Smith kids. . . . Jack Alex writes about another bunch of smart kids—seven of them. Daughter Becky '79 is an artist and teacher. Other siblings: movie actor, doctor, attorney, hospital administrator and district attorney, and one is studying veterinary medicine. Jack has been very active in politics in California both on the line and behind the scenes. He and Nida have been invited to the White House three times over the years. The Alexes lectured in Lithuania to a thousand new attorneys this past year, accompanied by their daughter Nida (the D.A.) and her D.A. husband, both of whom speak Lithuanian. . . . Nancy (Weare '52) and Bob Merriman look forward to retirement in Rye, N.H., where they have property and plan to build a home in 1994. He says he is into computers and wants to do volunteer work there. In the meantime he is president of National Research, an insurance firm. Their children are all married, all college graduates and scattered in separate corners of the country. Daughter Cathy and her husband are both entertainers with national TV and some theater

work. Bob plans to be on hand in June of 1995. . . . The column ends on a somber note. News has been received of the death of our classmate, John Stanley Sparkes, on New Year's Day of this year. ♦

Correspondent:

Barbara Walker

51 Be on the lookout for a questionnaire that will reach each one of you some time during the next year. Answer it thoughtfully, whimsically and seriously so that classmates can know who we are now and what we are now thinking and doing. . . . Whatever Danny Hall has been doing has brought him significant recognition. The Colby Alumni Council honored him as the 1992 Outstanding Educator. Congratulations, Danny! Among those who attended the luncheon honoring Danny were Warren Finegan, Jane Perry Lindquist, Ed Whitney and Ralph Bailey. Bob Lee would have been there if he had not been off chasing his roots to New Zealand. . . . Hal Eastman remains busy with town meeting affairs in Springvale, Maine, letting his 94-year-old mother serve as his evening answering service. . . . Bruce Carswell, although officially "retired" from his office in GTE, remains busy with the company and with the Electronic Industries Association in Washington, D.C., where he is an officer. . . . Ernie Fortin, our erstwhile class vice president and Alumni Fund agent, is now retired from New England Telephone and spending lots of time in sunny Florida. . . . Ed Laverty lives his retirement life in Gorham, Maine, and reportedly picks a mean country western guitar. . . . Bob Lee and "Bump" Bean have become the Pacy and Ludy Levine of '51. They were seen pacing the sidelines of

the Tufts and Bowdoin football games. . . . **Art Mc Mahon** has pretty much retired from his own contracting business in Warwick, R.I., and is spending the winter months on the Alabama Gulf Coast. . . . **Thornton "Don" Merriam** continues his practice of medicine in the Bangor, Maine, area and continues his musical in-

terests by singing in a men's barber-shop chorus. . . . **Ned Stuart** is still involved but is turning over his business, Stuart Enterprises, to his son. . . . **Harry Wiley** is now on his third career. He was bumped into by Bump Bean serving as a "revenue enhancement specialist" for the State of Maine Highway Department. Bump reports that we

should read R.E.S. as "toll collector." . . . **Edie Harris Edgerton** and her recently retired husband took a "super" cruise to France, Italy and the Greek Islands. . . . The sad news that must be reported is that classmate **Patricia Ann Blake Thomas** died on April 3, 1992. . . . I can hardly wait to get your questionnaires back! ♦

Correspondent:
Eddi Miller Mordecai

52 My request for news from all of you received a heart-warming response. Thanks!—and I was right. We're not just "retired," we're doing a lot of interesting stuff. . . .

A Success More Than Skin Deep

Dr. Gerald S. Lazarus '59 tells what he calls an "amusing story" about his early days—long before the newly appointed dean of the University of California-Davis School of Medicine even earned his M.D. Lazarus, who in his heart had wanted to major in philosophy at Colby, knew that he wanted to go to medical school and made the switch, painfully, to chemistry. "I was a real disaster in the laboratory," he said. "I would break things—I was awful!"

When Professor of Chemistry Evans B. Reid, then head of the premedical steering committee, heard that Lazarus had been accepted into medical school at George Washington University, he called him in to express his congratulations—and his doubts—regarding Lazarus's prospects. "He predicted that I had no future at all as a scientist. None. He said, 'Lazarus, stay out of the laboratory.'"

A few years later, after earning his M.D., Lazarus published his first three professional papers in major national medical journals. He bundled them off to his former professor with a note that said, "Dear Dr. Reid: Wrong."

"After that," said Lazarus, chuckling, "I've had a reasonably successful investigative career."

For Lazarus, "reasonably successful" has meant a decade leading the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center's department of dermatology—the oldest and one of the largest in the U.S.—to the cutting edge of research in the field, developing it into the current primary recipient of National Institutes of Health funding for dermatology. In recent years, as the principal investigator in a group of Penn researchers, Lazarus was awarded the largest NIH program project grant ever in dermatology—nearly \$5 million.

Lazarus says his research can be "extraordinarily interesting," intersecting other fields from oncology to genetics in its study of skin cancers and other conditions and often calling for such exciting techniques as gene cloning. His research focuses on mechanisms of inflammation and the breakdown of tissue, especially in relation to disease, in which, he says, discoveries



about skin have broad applications.

Numerous awards and fellowships, hundreds of published articles, five co-authored books, chief residencies and department chairmanships at institutions such as Harvard, Massachusetts General Hospital and Duke University also describe Lazarus's success. So does a recent listing in *The Best Doctors in America*.

But ask Lazarus which accomplishment means the most, and he'll likely say it was receiving Penn's Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching in 1990, voted by his medical students. "That's one that really makes a difference," he said. Lazarus says he is "totally committed" to an active role in medical education: "I really think teaching is the most exciting thing some-

body can do."

As the first dermatologist in not-so-recent memory to lead a major medical institution, Lazarus says he welcomes the challenges at UC-Davis, ranked highly for its emphasis on general care training. While he'll continue to teach and see patients, he plans to encourage the school's "islands of excellence," such as its neurobiology center, which involves several schools and departments within the university.

Lazarus says he feels very fortunate to be involved in shaping what he says may become an "extraordinarily distinguished" academic medical center. He jokes that in these uncertain days of U.S. health care, his new post—officially an extendable five-year term—could last anywhere from "five minutes to five years, depending on what happens next."

He doesn't hesitate to voice his real concern for the future of medical schools. "I think the restructuring of health care will have its greatest impact on the medical educational establishment because what we do is not the kind of thing that can be easily cost-accounted," he said.

In his profession—teaching, research, patient care and administration—Lazarus believes survival is in looking ahead. "What you're doing," he said, "is investing in the future."

And sometimes, he says, that's hard medicine to swallow.

Richard Chamberlin writes from Cumberland, Maine, that he is still "trying to reach the goal of improving medical care for the state of Maine" and that he is mentoring Colby premed seniors on their research projects. . . . Ellen Lewis Huff, now back at U Maine after a sabbatical year in Nebraska with husband Bill, enjoys playing the viola in the university orchestra and leading a Pioneer Girl group and two Bible study groups. . . . Dave Robinson retired from the NYS Department of Transportation all of six years ago and now serves as village administrator for Arkport, N.Y. (pop. 770). He sent news of Bill Gardner, whose wife, Barbara, was just elected to a third term in the Massachusetts legislature. (I had the pleasure of meeting Barbara while lobbying for the rights of developmentally disabled adults.) . . . Dave Saltzman is health sciences educator at Santa Fe Community College in Florida. He is the creator and instructor of The Healing Experience, an introduction to holistic healing. He's also on his way to certification in tennis instruction. Wife Lynn is in the business of drafting sexual harassment policies for law schools. . . . John Baum lives in Wales, U.K., with wife and children (ages 16, 12 and 9) and says he has retired from making "bread & butter" pottery to concentrate on individual gallery pieces. . . . Nancy Nelson Cedrone, whose husband, Lou, is the retired movie and drama critic for the *Baltimore Sun*, continues to see all the movies and plays that come to the area. Those two found a great way to combine play and work. . . . Carolyn Stigman Burnham and husband Bill run a summer resort in Maine called Wind-in-Pines. . . . Congratulations to Nancy (Ricker '50) and Ben Sears, who recently celebrated their 42nd anniversary; to Pete and Elin Christenson Honsberger, who renewed their vows on their 39th; and to Shirley and Arnold "Jesse" James on the recent celebration of their first anniversary. . . . Dick Tupper noted in his letter (full of travels to exotic places and plans to enter NYU in the winter semester to "study something fun") that he suspects "retirement is a custom honored more in the breach than the observance." . . . Dave Morse's wonder-

ful note included a piece he had written for a newsletter of the Five College Learning in Retirement Program in western Massachusetts. "Along comes retirement:—A whole series of questions arises—profound questions—The answers will come—It means opening the mind to learning about peoples, places, space and self. The options are limitless. It can truly be a voyage of great discovery." . . . There's lots more that I shall save for the next issue. Thanks to all contributors. Keep the news coming. ♦

Correspondent:
Nelson Beveridge

53 Plans for our 40th reunion have been finalized, and your reunion committee would like to say thanks for the positive response to their questionnaire and to those who have volunteered to help "make it all happen" in June. A lot of thought has gone into making this a memorable reunion. The schedule of events will be sent out shortly. . . .

HEADLINERS

E. Annie Proulx '57 received the PEN/Faulkner Award, one of the country's most prestigious literary honors, for her novel *Postcards*.

NEWSMAKERS

Robert S. Lee '51 represented Colby at the inauguration of R. Judson Carlberg as president of Gordon College. . . . Louise Fall "Pinkie" Achor '55 was treated to a surprise farewell party on her retirement after 18 years of service as the town clerk for Clifton, Va. . . . Mary "Peg" Nutting Emerson '55, who recently retired after 36 years of teaching math at Freeport High School in Freeport, Maine, was toasted by nearly 200 former students and colleagues at a retirement roast at the Portland Club in Falmouth, Maine. . . . Victor J. Ladetto '55 was featured in an article in the *Sunday Herald News* of Fall River, Mass., for his innovative educational philosophy and his contributions as principal of the Cushman Elementary School.

MILEPOSTS

Deaths: Suzanne Clough Kerns '52 in Akron, N.Y., at 62. . . . Geneva Smith Douglas '54 in Las Vegas, Nev., at 60.

It grieves me that this is my last report as class correspondent. My thanks to all for the flow of information to me. The happy note is that my replacement will be Barbara Easterbrooks Mailey. See you in June. ♦

Correspondent:
Marlene Hurd Jabar

54 What Carol Hourula Hart remembers most about Colby was dormitory life in Mary Low and Dana. She writes that her occupation is "housewife," then goes on to state that she and husband Ken have had eight children. It seems she never anticipated doing anything of substance when she left Colby, but obviously she has—and has not lost her sense of humor, either, because she anticipates going to Pluto and back in future travel. . . . John Hammond sent an informative note. His Colby roommate, Gerald Cowperthwaite, died of cancer in April 1992. We certainly offer our condolences to the

Cowperthwaite family. Any time a member of the Class of 1954 passes away, we all are diminished. John went on to say that he had seen Dick Hobart '53 and had had several visits with Roger '53 and Dot Forster Olson in Kansas City. Roger is retired, but Dot is still working for H&R Block. Despite still working, Dot and Roger winter in Florida, summer in Maine and spring and fall in Kansas City. John also has seen Al Hibbert '53, who is also retired. . . . Ruth Brindley Cheney thinks of her Colby friends as she enjoys her retirement and anticipates going to Disney World and the Kentucky Derby. . . . Diane Chamberlin Starcher writes from France, where she now gets up at 5 a.m. to study for a master's degree program in adult education. She will participate in an 18-month tutorial program, working with one professor at Vermont College and another at the University of Geneva in Switzerland. She is very happy, she says, doing "what I want to do" and leaves us with some words of wisdom: "Americans work too hard and have too little vacationing time compared to Europeans, who value quality of life—five-week vacations." Anticipated travel includes vacationing in the States this coming summer, when she will visit her two sons, who both live in the U.S. . . . Joyce Whitham Spencer misses the smell of sulfur and reminisces about being the last class to live on the old campus. She also remembers friends and happy times at Colby. Joyce never anticipated following husband Chuck, a geologist, up and down the eastern U.S. and then up and down the Rocky Mountain area, but she's not done: when they retire, they want to check out all the waterways with their boat. Joyce recently retired from the Jefferson County School District, Colo., where she was secretary, but Chuck continues to work. . . . Art Eddy wrote all kinds of news. First, he remembers Lucille Pinette Zukowski '37 as one of the best teachers he ever had (strange, I just saw Lucille's husband, Walter, this morning). And Art is totally contented with his life. Not only is he retired after 34 years of teaching secondary school math (the last 29 years at the Hotchkiss School in Connecticut), he was engaged on Labor Day and married at Christ



Mary Nutting Emerson '55

mas time to Anne Rudd Wahlberg. Our best wishes and congratulations to the happy couple as they begin married life and as Art takes on new duties as a member of the board of finance (even though he is a Democrat). . . . I thought the English were masters of understatement, but Robert ("Ace" as I remember him) Parker has them beat. He writes that he is a writer who is married to Joan Hall Parker, has a son David who is a choreographer in New York City, a son Daniel who is an actor in Los Angeles and a wonder-dog, Pearl, who is bicoastal. The Parkers live in Cambridge, Mass., but stay in Los Angeles from January through April. Now you know there's more to the story than that! ♦

Correspondent:
Ann Dillingham Ingraham

55 Joanne B. Anderson writes from China Village, Maine, that she has opened Evergreen Shop, which retails the work of local craftspeople. Her son Todd's marriage is planned for May. She lives with her father, and her children and grandchildren were all together for the holidays. . . . After five years of retirement and getting his golf handicap back to five, K. Dino Sirakides tells us that he has bought one-half interest in Data Clean Corp. and is working again. He and Buni have a daughter, Mary Beth '83, who is owner of Mair Hill and Associates, a sales rep firm specializing in gift lines. She presented the Sirakides with a grandson, Nicholas, on Christmas Day. Son Dean is a design engineer with Motorola Corp. . . . "Just enjoying the challenge of this job, the culture of the city and the glistening miles of beach in my back yard," writes Kathie Flynn Carrigan from Jacksonville Beach, Fla. She is director of supportive services for Cathedral Residences, a retirement community of 743 apartments for the elderly in Jacksonville. . . . Allan J. Landau says he enjoyed seeing everyone at the dedication of the Lunder House last fall. He is grandfather of two. Both his children live in New Jersey, and Allan is in Boston as a partner in the law firm of Widett, Slater & Gold-

man. . . . Richard Tripp of Belgrade Lakes, who is retiring after 38 years with Maine state government, spent two-three weeks in Florida as "transition time" and then returned to Maine to do some consulting, piano practice and doting on children. He and his wife, Joan, who is a nurse, have three children: daugh-

ter Krysia, who has a master's degree in music performance and lives in the Boston area, and sons Kenneth, who is married and has two children and works in the electronics field, and Paul, a mechanic at an area marina/snowmobile dealership. . . . Sylvia Jennison Spike tells us from Bath, Maine,

that a milestone in her life is the new generation taking office and that she and her husband were Clinton delegates to the state convention. Her four stepchildren and four children sent her and her husband on a European tour in 1991. . . . Lou Zambello has retired as senior vice president of sales at Rockport Co. and has learned "less-son one is that you can live without meetings and sales quotas." Lou's and Kathy's son, Lou III, has been promoted to the position of vice president with L.L. Bean. Their daughter, Gwenne, has presented them with a new grandson, making three grandchildren. . . . Nancy Winters Ludwig is a teaching naturalist with Morton Arboretum in Illinois and writes workbooks for teachers and children. In semi-retirement, she has more free time to travel and hopes to be able to spend short periods (six weeks) volunteering in the national parks. She recently received a grant to write a program for preschool nature activities. Nancy's husband, Lew, is semi-retired and will spend 60 days a year as a technical consultant. . . . Andy Boisvevain has moved from Germany to Hawaii and looks forward to retirement in five years. He has bought land in Ashland, Ore., where he and wife Judy plan to build a home. Andy says it is a town of 16,000, with 5,000 students, a Shakespeare Festival Theater, etc. Before the move, Andy took a 45-day trip through Norway, Scotland and England. . . . Barbara Kearns Younghasse in Sarasota, Fla., writes that she has sold her four-seater plane and purchased a 27-foot sailboat, giving up the life of an aviator and spending her days on the seas—and says, "watch for me on the coast of Maine." She works as executive secretary to the city manager in Venice, Fla., and is anticipating the completion of a paralegal course. She and husband Allen, who is retired, have a new granddaughter. . . . More next time. ♦

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Correspondent:
Eleanor Edmunds Grout

56 The basket is bulging with your news, and I thank you. . . . Rosie Crouthamel Sortor wrote a won-

derful long letter. She and Dave invite anyone in the Boston area to try their Sherbourn Inn for a meal or, if traveling, to stay overnight in one of their four guest rooms. Dave and Rosie get to see lots of Colby people and saw Lou '55 and Kathy McConaughy Zambello at a dinner send-off for them. The Zambellos were leaving Westboro and have now moved permanently to Amherst. The Sortors also report that F. Robert "Brownie" and Barbara Barnes Brown were at the dinner, and Brownie told them about his interesting second career working through Habitat for Humanity. It provides homes for low-income families to purchase. Rose said Brownie's stories were fascinating, and he is truly excited about what he is doing. . . . Two of you have said Joan Wentworth is remarried, looks great and is living in England. Thanks for the reports. Now let's hear from you, Joan—all your news, married name, etc. . . . The Sortors see Barbara Nardozi Saxon, who is a dear friend and one of many college friends who "become dearer the older they grow." Also on the nostalgic line, it was good to hear from Carol Moore Hutchins. Carol, a retired elementary teacher, and husband Bruce have raised six children and have three grandchildren. They live in Milford, Mich. Carol well remembers the freshman "Foursome" in Foss Hall of Anne Baker Kany, Linda Burrage Sprague, Carol and me. What a crew, and we all became ADPi's. The Hutchinses spend January, February and March in Mesa, Ariz., where Bruce's work for Saturn Corp. takes them every winter. Somehow, they find time to raise leader dogs for the blind. They are given a 6- to 8-week-old puppy each year, keep it until it is 12 to 14 months old and then return it to the school for leader dog training. Our married children are going through puppies and kids. Can't imagine doing it again—certainly not every year. . . . Nancy Gilligan Torborg writes from Sheffield, Mass., that she has sold their Country Inn. Nancy and her husband, J. Gerhardt, a consulting engineer, have three sons. Nancy restores 18th- and 19th-century houses. She is currently selling children's antique furniture. McCall's *Needlework and Craft* magazine featured a

doll house she built. Don '54 and I (mostly Don) built a Colonial doll house for our granddaughters. Don has made some nice furniture, but we would love to learn more. We'll have to visit the pro. . . . Vashti O. Boddie Roberts says she'd like to retire from public education in California and, as her second career, plan business management and educational seminars and conferences. Vashti and spouse Robert have just moved into a new home. Too bad Lucy Blainey Groening of E. Syracuse, N.Y., is not closer to Vashti. Lucy has just been certified a conference center administrator. She is director of the Cazenovia, N.Y., Thronfield Conference Center. . . . There was so much interesting to report that I'll have to save the rest of the goodies till next time. I wish I had time to write to thank you all. Keep those wonderful letters coming. Many thanks for making this a fun job. ♦

Correspondent:
Marietta Pane

58 As I sit down to write this column, I am still receiving notes from classmates. Most of you will be gathering for the 35th reunion. Terrific response—many thanks to all of you. Now to business. . . . The Colby chapel was the wedding site for Pete Doran's daughter last summer. . . . Guess who is now living in Tuscaloosa, Ala.?—Beryl Scott Glover, whose husband, Bob, is on the faculty at the university. Both are new 'Bama fans. . . . Ellie Fortenbaugh de la Bandera just completed her M.A. in Spanish and is a federally certified court interpreter. . . . George Stetson reports that he has "graduated three children from college, restored an old house and reached middle age!" . . . Jan Pratt Brown has also graduated three from college. She counts traveling from Botswana to Japan and still living with David, her husband, as her excitement over the last 10 years. . . . Stan Moger is a TV executive who did the acquiring, refinishing and distribution for the *March of Time* library on video cassettes. . . . Caroline Hall Hui, an adult education instructor, is currently serving as board president for a ballet

company and school. . . . Helen Payson Seager celebrated the birth of her first grandchild in '91 and retirement in '92. Helen lives in Nantucket and is very much enjoying the extra time to take her music seriously. . . . Recently, Peter Vlachos sponsored a talk at Colby titled "Crimes of Passion and Innocence in Seneca's *Phaedra*." . . . Al Dean and his wife, Kay (German '59), celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary in New Zealand. Answering the question, "How has Colby served you?" Al says it all in two words: "finding Kay." . . . Along those same lines, Doug Davidson reports that his life is filled with a "great marriage, great kids, great family." . . . More on the subject of marriage from Lois Munson Morrill, who wants us to know that "remarrying after 50 qualifies as the most interesting, exciting and funniest event" in her last 10 years. . . . Remember Marty Burger? His questionnaire was very mysterious. None of the questions was answered! All he admitted to was being married to a photographer for 32 years. Makes me wonder if he is a CIA agent or just up to no good. But Marty will be at our reunion, so we'll find out what he has been doing for 35 years. Inquiring minds want to know! So you be there, too. ♦

Correspondent:
Ann Marie Segrave Lieber

59 Many thanks for the 36 questionnaire responses. That group produced 99 children and 31 grandchildren! In the order received: Prof. Art Goldschmidt (Middle East history, Penn State) is listed in *Who's Who in America* and spends some time as a frat adviser. . . . Jackie Bendelius Davidson chaired Deer Isle Recycling and makes greeting cards. She recalls wine and cheese on the rocks at Pemaquid. . . . Tom Connors, veep and treasurer of Sweet Briar College, is active in Rotary—and still excels in sports. . . . Alden Belcher, with the FAA, enjoys strips in his plane and getting the family homestead ready for his retirement. . . . Ann "Marty" Worster, a freelance editor and formerly president of Berkeley Landmarks, has fond memories of singing at the Chez Paree. . . . Lloyd Cohen owns

D'n J Bears & Dolls and raises funds for City of Hope. He'll never forget shoveling snow off the baseball field before the first game. . . . Janice Cronk Marston likes tap dancing and remembers pulling the Sigma Kappa float in a farm tractor. . . . Stan Armstrong enjoys boat racing and recalls fraternity life. . . . Al Wilbur, executive director of the National Auto Dealers Association, won a book award and says dealing with Capitol Hill is challenging and amusing. . . . Jay Church is president of Cordage Paper, his grandfather's company, which celebrated its centennial in 1992. . . . Steve Levine, who enjoys photography and working with stained glass, remembers a certain young lady's dimples. . . . Realtor Peggy Lippincott Brezel says her "long-distance marriage" works. Her daughter, Laura, is a Colby frosh. . . . Peggy Egan Alley wrote a historical novel about Chicago in 1903; she also cares for two elderly relatives. . . . Dr. Gerry Lazarus is the new dean of the School of Medicine, University of California, Davis. . . . Sally Weber Girard teaches college French. Her daughter will be a '93 Colby grad. . . . Bob Younes, regional medical director of Group Health Association, sent a charming photo of his family; he recalls moving the Lovejoy Stone to the stage of a new building. . . . Jean Balfour Vears, an avid pro-choicer, recalls jam sessions at the DU house. . . . Retiree Kay German Dean commutes between Massachusetts and Maine and requests that you send along your single daughters! . . . Lee Oberparleiter teaches fifth grade, has an educational consulting business and has survived two divorces. . . . Felix Schecki, an insurance VP, boats on the Great Lakes. . . . Ian Tatlock is self-employed and is a "river rat" with an emphasis on the Thousand Islands and the St. Lawrence. . . . Chuck Foley recalls arriving at Colby without ever having seen it. His son "saw the light" and transferred there. . . . Mary Ranlett Mossman is a nursing care manager and remembers, at age 8, seeing the new campus. She enjoys rose malling (Norwegian folk art). . . . There's so much more—I thoroughly enjoyed catching up with all of you and will continue and elaborate in a class letter. Best regards. ♦

THE SIXTIES

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60 Peter N. "Mac" McFarlane writes from Falls Church, Va., that he retired from the Air Force in August 1990. His new job enables him to travel all over the world, including Europe and Japan and Korea. And if that weren't enough, Mac and his wife vacationed on a cruise from Anchorage, Alaska, to Vancouver, B.C. His kids are grown (of course!). . . . Another who loves traveling is **Judy Miller Heekin**, who traveled all over the U.S. last year. After the death of her husband, Judy went back to work for a bank, which immediately merged. Although she has stayed on, she points out that "mergers are not fun." Judy lives in Ann Arbor, Mich., where the local AAUW branch gave a named gift to the National Educational Institute to honor her efforts on behalf of education for women. . . . **Patricia Sturges Aufdenberg** writes that after hating French at Colby, she's been taking lessons for the last several years—and is still not as fluent as she wishes to be. But she travels to Europe often and would like to live in Switzerland someday. That is a ways from Cleveland Heights, Ohio, where she has her

M.S.W. and is now licensed to do private practice, including drug and alcohol counseling. . . . **Peg Barnes Dyer** joined her husband, Cal, in Scotland this fall, where he was on sabbatical. From there they toured parts of Scotland and then took a whirl through Europe. . . . Dr. Dennison Bancroft, physics professor during the time we were at Colby, reports that he was beautifully entertained by the Dennis Tings in Hong Kong, a visit that included a tour of the harbor in Dennis's yacht. If you recently bought a plastic toy marked "Made in Hong Kong," the chances are that it was made by the Tings' firm, Kadar Industrial Co., Ltd. Dennis's physics major at Colby was an excellent background for managing the sophisticated manufacturing techniques his firm employs. . . . Fred '59 and **Carol Anderson Panciera** are now living in Phoenix, Md., and enjoying all the things to see and do that the Washington, D.C., area offers. . . . **Jane Wiggin Sullivan** is teaching high school English in Houston, Texas. . . . A recent conversation with **Joanne Price Rockett** produced the information that Joanne is still working hard as a real estate agent in New York City, mostly renting apartments. She describes her job as "part social worker and part psychiatrist" but said it was going along well. She's got one daughter in college and a son getting ready to go, so she has a lot of incentive. . . . Thanks for keeping in touch and happy spring! ♦

Correspondent:
Penny Dietz Sullivan

61 What a great response to the questionnaire! I've enough news to carry me through to summertime—so if you haven't answered it yet,

answer this summer and we'll have fresher news of you. . . . **Gale Holtz Golden Hartstein** writes from her new home in Burlington, Vt., that she has married an IBMer who comes complete with two married sons and 3 1/2 grandchildren to join her two children, Lieba and Nathan. She sounds happy with her new marriage, work as a psychotherapist and community involvement. She enjoyed a trip to Japan: "Unbelievable place—beautiful and friendly." . . . Last winter **William Byers** and his wife, Susi, housed members of the Colby Chorus who were in Hartford to give a concert. Their friendship with the girls lasted through to graduation. In fact, he helped one of them with her senior project involving photography, which he has been teaching for 20 years. This is a modern friendship—they kept in touch via e-mail! He and his wife also visited someone many of us knew and loved—Bill Bryan '48, who is married to Karen Beganny '63. He had been Karen's tutor for geology and feels that the tutoring experience at Colby is what led him into education. He also officiated at his own son's wedding and says, "Saying the service while watching those two faces was an experience nearly beyond description"—all the stages he experienced during his son's growing up passed in front of him during the ceremony. . . . In the "small world" department: **Scotty MacLeod Folger's** youngest daughter, a student at UMaine, has **Judy Hoffman Hakola** as her adviser, and **Scotty** had one of Judy's children as a student at Orono High School, where she is in her 25th year of teaching. **Scotty** went to Nepal last spring for two months and "lived and trekked" with her Colby roommate of three years, **Judy Chase**. Speaking of Colbyites getting together, it seems that twice a year a group of '61ers meets for a weekend at the camp of Norman '58 and **Charlotte Clifton Lee** on

The World Is Garment's District

Steve Garment '62 has always been fascinated by "relations," both personal and international.

After graduating from Colby, where he concentrated in philosophy and linguistics, Garment studied moral philosophy at the University of Paris. Drafted by the U.S. Army and assigned to France and Belgium because of his ability to speak the language, he worked as a translator in different Army offices, including that of the Commander in Chief of the U.S. Army in Europe.

"[The military] is one of the greatest postgraduate educations you can get," Garment said. "The Army really pushes you beyond your limits. The people and experiences were fantastic." Not least important among the people he met was Geneviève, his wife of 26 years.

Garment served as a bureaucrat in the International Trade Administration and then as an anti-dumping investigator for the Department of Treasury. Promoted in 1978, he moved from New York to the hubbub of Washington. When he left the government in 1982, he took a sabbatical for just under a year—a time for reflection, he says (not to mention a lot of tennis), simply because "We all get so caught up in the rat race."

He went to work for the graphics and photography department at *USA Today* in August 1983. Currently in charge of logistical operations, he said, "I move people and things in all directions."

One of his most exciting moves came during his time as *USA Today's* coordinator for the 1992 Winter Olympics in Albertville, France. He and his staff of 32 were in charge of setting up the computer systems and electronic photography equipment being sent over from America, and he found himself working from 8 a.m. to midnight, seven days a week. As the only member of his staff who spoke French, he also served as an interpreter for a *USA Today* interview with Olympic skier Jean Claude Killy's priest, a former member of the Resistance during World War II. And Garment had a



chance to drive a military tracked vehicle across an open valley with *Les Chasseurs Alpins* (the French mountain troops).

His Olympic exploits may continue in Atlanta in 1996. Even though the Olympics are a great deal of work, Garment said, "The '92 games were an adventure. [Atlanta] is definitely something I'm considering."

At Colby, Garment was a member of the Chess Club and the International Relations Club. In 1960 he was coauthor of a piece in the *Echo* calling for the diplomatic recognition of China—"a definite no at the time," he said. Thirty-one years later, at *USA Today*, he co-wrote another piece, this time calling for the political and economic union of Japan and the United States.

"A new kind of thinking is required to produce a working, growing and peaceful partnership," Garment wrote.

He is proud of the organization he works for and says, "*USA Today* is the only general interest national newspaper anywhere in the world." Besides the United States, the paper is printed in Switzerland and Hong Kong and distributed to more than 90 countries.

Garment is a long-time member of the Hunger Project, and he and Geneviève, who is social secretary to the French ambassador to the U.S., enjoy ski vacations. After the '92 Olympics they skied in Courchevel for a week, and this past March they were off to Colorado.

Thirteen years after his Colby graduation, Garment returned to his study of philosophy, this time concentrating on ontological design, a school of thought that emphasizes the function of who one is in contrast to what one is doing. He tries to incorporate the teachings of ontological design into his everyday life and work.

"The ability to relate to other people is the ability to get a job done," he said. "It's like dancing the rumba with one person, and then turning around and dancing the foxtrot with someone else and the waltz with another."

Kear Lake, Maine. . . **Gordon Cummings** has enjoyed traveling from Atlanta, Ga., to give seminars and work with physical therapists in Nagoya, Japan, and Rio, Brazil. . . Speaking of traveling, **Anne Larkin Connolly** mentions that her new address in Carlisle, Pa.—at the Army War College (wonder if they'll change the name of that one of these days?), where her husband is the new deputy commandant—is the 24th move they have made. They have one son, Chris, a senior in high school. She is one of many who voted "yes" for a few days at Samoset before our 35th reunion. . . **Sue Miller Anderson** and her husband, Ralph, have retired in Boulder, Colo., after working two years to sell their home in Alexandria, Va. "Retired" is probably stretching the term as it sounds like they are both gearing up to take on new challenges in their new home. Son Doug graduated from the U of Chicago Law School in June. She reports that the good news about Boulder is that it is very relaxed and friendly: "No one is in a mad rush." As a former D.C. area resident, she is enjoying the change. . . If you are confused about the change in my name, I'm married to Paul Hill, and after 5 p.m. I will answer to Penny Hill, but everyone at IBM (where I am in my 18th year) and the bank and credit card companies knows me as Penny Sullivan, so I have asked Colby to go back to using Penny Dietz: Sullivan as my name. Paul and I are very happy to be back in the D.C. area (in spite of the traffic problems) because many friends and both my children are here. In fact, we are working now on my daughter's wedding to be held in September, so you know what we'll be doing! We have seen both **Nancy Tozier Knox** and **Bebe Clark** recently. Nancy and her husband, Jim, helped get us a great Dodge Caravan through Jim's work for Chrysler. I always look forward to seeing them when I go to Boston on business. Bebe is happy as a librarian at the DAR, and she and her husband, Dale, helped celebrate my birthday (which happens to be Nancy's birthday also, so we toasted her!). That's it for now—if your news didn't make it into this issue, hang in there, your turn will come. ♦

Correspondent:
Judith Hoagland Bristol

62 I wasn't sure that I'd get to do a column this time. Harry, my folks and I were in a major car wreck in late January. My mother, Harry and I escaped with bruises and cuts. But my 80-year-old dad, already disabled by a stroke, hit his head and hurt his leg and has been hospitalized and rehospitalized. We just don't know if he'll recover or how fast. . . I also had some sad news from **Roey Carbino**, who lost her brother suddenly to a heart attack. . . On to happier notes. **Patty Downs Berger**, an internist, and husband **Bob**, a surgeon in Brookline, Mass., have two daughters, **Shana**, 18, at Colby and **Diana**, 19, at Wesleyan. Patty observed that college freshmen have so many things to take with them—phones, computers, refrigerators. I wonder how they would feel about those bunk beds we had in **Louise Coburn** as freshmen? Patty also requests that **Frank Stephenson** call, write or stop by if he is in the Boston area. Frank, you need to plan now to attend our 35th. I agree with Patty that "we really do have a nice group of classmates, who are not only good people but fun to be with." Patty also mentioned that **Nancy Rowe Adams** is still in Germany and trying to find a job in the U.S.A. We might have to help Nancy relocate to get her back for the 35th! . . . **Bob Marr** and wife **Patricia**, in **Monroe, N.Y.**, are both teachers and have two daughters, **Pamela** and **Debbie**. Bob hasn't been back to Colby since 1969 but remembers the "personableness, warmth and kindness." It's still there when we're back together, **Bob**. . . **Rick Levesque** is a manufacturer's rep in Lancaster, Ohio. He and wife **Nancy** have two children, one a graduate of **Hillsdale College** and one a senior at **Dennison University**. Rick keeps up with **Jay Frazee '63** and **Jeff Savastano**. In fact, they had an ATO reunion in NYC in October. When Rick goes home twice a year to visit his parents, he schedules his visits to coincide with Colby football and basketball seasons. We missed you at the 30th, **Rick**. . . **Alice Webb Webb** is a supermar-

ket bagger in Reading, Mass. She and her husband, **William**, who is a nurse's aide, are very proud of their son, **Michael**, who is a theater arts major at **St. Michael's** in Vermont. **Michael**, a senior, is a playwright, director and actor. (He obviously inherited your love of the theater, **Alice**.) . . . **Peter Leofanti**, a high school economics teacher in **Newton, Mass.**, went to a mini-reunion a while back at **Cy Theobald's** house in **Exeter, N.H.**, with **Sue (Keith)** and **Jay Webster**, **Bruce Kingdon**, **Betsy Perry Burke '61**, **Wayne "Enno" Fillback '64** and the "Honorable" **John "Spud" McHale**. . . **Rich Simkins** sent a brochure for his most recent venture—the **Newbury Perennial Gardens**. The gorgeous pictures show 10 acres of display gardens with 20 themes, a garden center, greenhouse, etc. Sounds like a great place to visit if you're in New England. **Rich** and wife **Patricia** still own the **Grog Shop and Restaurant**. Their daughter, **Nicole**, is 18 and will be in college next fall. **Rich** saw **Pete Thompson** in **Portland** at a **KDR** reunion. . . **Bill Waldeyer** is director of guidance at **Asbury Park Middle School** and co-owner with his wife, **Barbara**, of **B and B Trophy**. They have two children—**Lisa**, 26, and **Robert**, 23. **Bill** was back at **Colby** this past fall and was disappointed that "the new construction was so close to existing buildings." He observed that although the town of **Waterville** had changed a great deal, the **Bob In** is still standing and a good starting point to find your way back to the campus. (It really is more fun to be back together, **Bill**, so I'm not giving up on you coming back to a reunion.) . . . **Janet "Kathy" Hertzberg**, a professor of mathematics at **New Hampshire Technical Institute**, also attended a mini-reunion of sorts with **Margie Brown York** and her daughter **Sandy** at **Lynn Kimball's** summer place at **Pemaquid Point**. **Kathy** wants **Bobbie Loveland Vest** and **Cindy Dunn Barber** to come back to a reunion. . . I will run out of news after the next issue! If you have never seen your name in this column, you probably haven't sent anything in, and we all do like to know what's happening. Drop a note or call. ♦

Correspondent:
Sara Shaw Rhoades

64 Notes from Swaziland: fascinating letters from **Sally Page Carville** about her experiences with the Peace Corps in this far-flung country in southern Africa. I thought you'd like to hear some of them. **Sally** is in a group of 40 Peace Corps trainees under a brand-new PC director for Swaziland. This must be a pretty good area for the Peace Corps since it is their 25th year there. The "early termination" rate is only 10 percent in Swaziland compared to 30 percent for the PC as a whole. **Sally's** group is training on the campus of **Ngwane Teacher's College**, three kilometers from **Nhlangano**. Since the students were on campus for the early part of **Sally's** training, she has learned a lot about the Swazis firsthand. In addition, there are intensive classes in **siSwati**, the local language, and Swazi culture. Those who will be teaching also take courses in teacher preparation. **Sally** is finding the countryside beautiful. She writes, "all is green and dark red—the soil looks like Hawaii's fields. If you think the weather in Maine is changeable, try Swaziland! We have had hot, dry days with dust everywhere from the unpaved roads. We have had cool, rainy days when one needed a sweater or sweatshirt to be comfortable. We have had torrential downpours and violent thunderstorms and one-inch hailstones all in the same day. When I sit at my desk there's an open window to my left. Early in the morning (I rise at 5:30) the sun shines in and dries my hair. Later I see all the students walking by on their way to meals or classes. Frequently other trainees stop to talk, and at night I watch lightning bolts and listen to the thunder. I feel very connected to the weather. (Of course, stepping outside every time I go to the bathroom makes that connection, too!) Swazis are clean, stylish and quiet people, and most are very poor. The society is very male-oriented, but women are highly respected. Men feel free to make crude sexual comments to any unmarried women they meet but have great respect for mothers. Traditional dress for women bares

their breasts, but a woman who wears pants in public is considered a prostitute. (I wear a skirt for my morning walk. This is considered being 'culturally sensitive.') Missionary influence is strong, with prayers said in schools and churches, but witch doctors still can control behavior with 'muti.' The daily newspapers report muti killings along with news of Clinton's election and Princess Di's latest travels. The African music that I have heard sung by the college students, the language teachers, even the school children has the most incredible harmony and rhythm—one has to think that all of these people performed in *Sarafina!*. But radios play American rock (Michael Jackson is big) or—would you believe it?—country and western! Swazis live in a tribal culture but have no traditional villages. Instead of building homes together, each family has a 'homestead' that consists of several small buildings surrounded by farming and grazing land. So each family is quite separate from another. This has created all sorts of problems, as the government has tried to provide schools, electricity, water and medical services without having a central place to locate them. Some schools have no electricity or water, but families pay for their children to walk as far as 10 km to attend school. The children wear uniforms, which are always clean, but they are often very worn and too small.—The electricity has just gone out (a frequent occurrence during a thunderstorm) so I am finishing by the light of my mini-magflashlight." Many thanks to Sally for writing such interesting letters, and to Al for sharing them with us. ♦

Correspondent:
Richard Bankart

65 Elephants! The postcard showed a parade of seven, with mahouts atop, traversing a river bed in northern Thailand. What an adventure! I know who would cause my own wanderlust to flare? In a colorful mosaic were greetings from Rick and Nancy Winslow Harwood,

Sunny Coady and George Hooker. George noted that Rick, Nancy and Sunny had followed a trail to Bangkok blazed a year earlier by Ken Gray. Nancy writes, "George was a fantastic host and escorted us all over his beautiful adopted country." She quotes Sunny as they were riding an elephant in Chian Dao: "We've come a long way from first floor Louise Coburn." ... Dr. Lesley Forman Fishelman spent three weeks as a psychiatric volunteer at the Netraprahash Eye Camp in India. This clinic does 1,000 intra oculo lens transplants a year for villagers with cataracts. She says, "It was truly a trip." ... More travel news. After 18 years in Urbana, Ill., Callie Kelley Gothard has moved to York, Maine, where she works as an emergency department nurse. She has enjoyed long-distance biking for the past 14 years. In 1990 she spent two weeks with friends cycling through Alaska. ... Corry Roberts Dietz is in her 11th year as executive director of the Eldergarden adult day program in Greeley, Colo. Corry went on a European concert tour with the Greeley chorale, visiting Vienna and the Montreaux, Switzerland, jazz festival. She says, "Carol Christy Rickauer stopped by—looks just the same!" ... While in Thornton, Colo., be sure to visit Bob Hodge at the Water Works car washes. Bob's the president and may cut you a deal on some hot wax! He enjoys snow- and water skiing and with wife Karen chases after two preschool-age boys. ... Joan Copithorne Bowen is a full-time student pursuing an M.B.A. and says, "Should finish my degree almost the day I turn 50!" Her son Charlie completes his first year at Colby as you read this. ... Gerry Garon is now president at Taxbridge Financial Group in Cambridge, Mass. He took his family to the Wailing Wall in Israel for the bar mitzvah of his son in 1991. Gerry owns Boston Chicken franchises in Needham and Dedham, Mass. ... Hey Rick Davis, how about a restaurant review? ... Betsy Frazer Eck continues as a trade show manager for Reed Exhibition Companies. The recent recipient of a "Spike Award" from the National Homebuilders Assn., she travels extensively and manages to fit in volunteer work at Foothills

HEADLINERS

The highest ranking elected Republican in Connecticut, Secretary of State Pauline Ryder Kezer '63 was recently featured in several articles in local newspapers that described her goals of increasing public involvement in state government and developing an "open democracy." She has spoken at various engagements, including the fourth annual Bristol PLUS (Positive Leadership/Unselfish Service) awards banquet in Bristol, Conn. ... Doris Kearns Goodwin '64 and husband Richard Goodwin, the Johnson White House speechwriter, are credited with coining Al Gore's campaign phrase "It's time for them to go." She delivered the 1993 Maurine and Robert Rothschild Lecture at Radcliffe College on the topic of her upcoming book on Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt. The Rothschild lectureship was established to provide a series of annual lectures by women distinguished in the fields of history, library science, women's studies and other related fields. ... Classmates Steve Freyer '68 and Jan Volk '68 were recently included among the "100 Most Influential People in New England Sports" by *Sport New England* magazine.



Doris Kearns Goodwin '64

NEWSMAKERS

The artwork of Peter J. Ketchum '63 was exhibited at The Moviehouse Studio Main Gallery in Millerton, N.Y. The exhibit, *30 Lost Souls at the Moving Pictures*, comprises paintings created with collages of old black and white snapshots glued onto original painted backgrounds. ... As he handed Greeley High School's graduating seniors their diplomas, Josiah Drummond '64, the school board chair in Cumberland, Maine, received condoms in return—about 100 of them by the time commencement ended. Such prank exchanges are a graduation tradition at the school. ... Barbara Ackerson McClure '66 recently received a license as a certified international planner from the International Board of Certified Financial Planners in Ridgefield, Conn. ... Newspaper articles about the residents of islands in Puget Sound feature Leonard "Len" Parks '67, who makes paper for his self-owned business, The Handmade Paper Company, in Anacortes, Wash. ... Anthony P. Carnevale '68, a leading expert on modernizing the workplace and training workers in high-tech skills, was featured in an article in the *National Journal*. ... Susan Davidson Lombard '68 has been appointed to a three-year term as a member of the board of trustees of the Berkshire Health Systems Inc. in Pittsfield, Mass. ... Virginia Coates Denton '69 has been named senior education consultant for Coldwell Banker Residential Affiliates, Inc.

MILEPOSTS

Deaths: Margaret Wetzel Plath '60 in Mount Kisco, N.Y., at 54.

Theatre in Worcester, Mass., and enjoys running, golf, music and biking. . . . **Myles Denny-Brown** is an international economist and spent two months detailed to the U.S. State Department last winter. . . . Florida circuit judge **Jim Foxman** reports that his son attends Florida State University law school. . . . **Tom Donahue** continues at Harvard School, "a pleasantly upscale prep school" near Los Angeles, where he teaches Spanish lit, European history and Portuguese. "My true loves, beyond the classroom," he says, "continue to be hiking the California Sierra, cross-country skiing, collecting books and art." . . . As we turn 50, why not send a check for the same to the Alumni Fund. Hail, Colby, Hail!

Correspondent:
Russ Monbleau

66 Nostalgia isn't what it used to be. I managed to intrude upon Bill Doll and had a lengthy and enjoyable conversation with yet another one of our "shy" classmates. When you ask Bill what he's been doing lately, he prepared to write fast and leave the spelling for later. Besides waiting '83 to find and marry Carolyn Buller, his "most important discovery at law school," he now has a 6-year-old son. Bill earned a law degree to go alongside his Ph.D. in sociology. Last year he was named president of the Cleveland Chapter of the ACLU (no, that's not UCLA). He also runs his own contract-writing firm, where he prepares speeches, commentary and research papers. Periodically he writes theater reviews and occasional feature articles for the local paper. Bill says he still stays in touch with Professor Yeager Hudson at Colby. I have Bill moved up to a serious "maybe" for our next reunion. . . . Under the joys of parenthood: my son immolated my car last week. No, there were no injuries, but the noteworthy element is that he had the thoughtfulness to do it on our own private road so he had time to run home and get me so I could watch. Hell of a fire. Now, I don't mean to make

Bill Doll nervous about fatherhood, but trust me, empty nesting is not something to fear. . . . Anybody know the current or recent whereabouts of Ed Mowry? Bob Sears was kind enough to do a little sleuthing in the Philippines, one suspected former address of Ed, but no luck. I need some new leads. . . . George and Joan Manegold Dukes celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last summer. They managed a trip back East last fall to visit Joan's niece, a senior at Colby. They also visited with Kay McGee Christie-Wilson and Lynn Seidenstuecker Gall in Maine and then saw Christie Higginbottom White at Sturbridge Village, Mass. Joan has been dividing her time between tutoring, reading for the learning impaired and being an active advocate in the Right To Choose effort. George reports that he is basically retired and is engaged in studying *The Course of Miracles*. He still maintains an active interest in economics and is doing some investing. Now I know you all, like me, are wanting to know what to invest in so that we, too, may retire under age 50. George would only offer advice to invest conservatively in munis. I think I need more information. George and Joan are planning a trip this June to an island off the coast of Honduras, where they will be snorkeling and diving. I asked Joan if she was still dancing, remembering the time when she talked me into a modern dance routine during Parents Weekend. My father still hasn't gotten over it. At any rate, Joan says she is taking jazzercise to keep toned and trim. (I've given it up myself.) . . . I finally got Paul Colcher on the phone, and after convincing him I wasn't seeking annual pledges still managed to get precious little out of him. He is still living in Manhattan and spends his spare time traveling and collecting art. He'd like to hear from Barry Kligerman—in fact, so would I. . . . Which brings me to answering machines. I've really learned to hate them—at least the long-distance ones that tell me my party is either not at home or not coming to the phone, while I still endure the charges for the long-distance call. . . . Remember: there is absolutely no substitute for a genuine lack of preparation. ♦

Correspondent:
Robert Gracia

67 Bob and Fran Richter Comstock have visited friends in Eastern Europe who lived behind formerly closed borders. . . . Jean (Clark '69) and Jim Davis and son Scott, 12, live in Pfafftown, N.C., where Jim works in the aerospace industry. Last year Jim spent many hours painting scenes of Pemaquid and making baptismal certificates in calligraphy for his church. . . . Tom McCrumm extends a hearty thanks to the 25th planning committee. With wife Judy Haupt and son Jed, 14, Tom gardens and cooks on his tree farm in Ashfield, Mass. . . . **David Aronson** says that he and his wife, Alexis Loeb, take a lab course called "Having two kids in high school." Danielle, 15, and Todd, 13, provide the instruction. When not playing baseball in the Boston Park League, David does exquisite designing and building in renovating his house in Needham, Mass. . . . **Carole Betterley Buchanan** and husband James celebrated their 20th anniversary with their six children, James, 19, Cara, 17, Margaret, 16, Edward, 15, Matthew, 10, and Andrew, 8. Carole notes that her reaction time to crises has lengthened considerably. . . . **Joyce Demkowicz-Henckler** started her 22nd year at the University of Maine. She currently holds the position of assistant vice president for enrollment and has responsibility for admissions, financial aid and career planning. Joyce, husband Donald and sons Adam, 13, and Aaron, 11, enjoy traveling. Somehow, Joyce finds time for gourmet cooking and has about 200 cookbooks. . . . **Kurt Swenson** and Elaine, along with sons Todd, 23, and Jake, 19, enjoy the winter in Vermont. Kurt will get out an updated class list with his next class agent letter so that you can track down old friends. . . . Nine years in preparation, **Kate Maloy's** book, *Birth or Abortion: Private Struggles in a Political World*, analyzes and presents individuals' responses to deciding on abortion. Kate lives with her husband, Preston Covey, and son Adam, 7, in Pittsburgh, where she enjoys gardening and being a member of the commu-

nity. . . . **Roberta "Sookie" Stockwell Danielson** is active in local community and church affairs in Winthrop, Maine, where she lives with daughter Heather, a senior in high school. Her son, Todd, is a junior at UNH. In addition to singing in the church choir, Sookie creates stained glass artwork. . . . **George Markley** has assumed the presidency of the Northeast Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, a regional board that serves 80 Reform congregations in New England and central New York. His wife, Chris, and son, Todd, a freshman at Tufts, appreciate George's artistic outlet—baking divine cheesecake. . . . **Walter Procko** enjoys woodworking projects like refinishing furniture and fence building. He and his wife, Elizabeth, live in South Carolina, where Walter consults for the state department of education. . . . While **Martin Gliserman** feels fortunate that his life now affords him the opportunity to express himself creatively in his work and relationships, he says he has fond memories of Colby, the people, the place and the times of his youth. With his wife, Marilyn Rye, stepdaughter Jane, 21, and son Nicholas, 6, Martin lives in New Jersey, where he is a professor at Rutgers. . . . **Barbara "Bobby" Webster Black** writes that she and anthropologist husband Peter travel to exotic spots in the western Pacific. Bobby has also recently published a book, *All of a Piece: A Life with Multiple Sclerosis*. . . . **A. Eric Rosen** sent a clipping of a piece he wrote for a local Framingham, Mass., newspaper on his experience as a young boy whose father never came home from World War II. Eric lives with his wife, Barbara Epstein, in Framingham and practices law. He reports that his political views have shifted, like many middle-aged bodies—toward the middle. . . . Fran Richter Comstock would like to see us plan a class event in Boston or New York around a game or other event. As I have mentioned before, the Tufts football game every other year is a fine opportunity for such a gathering. . . . Your responses to the questionnaire have been generous and thoughtful. I will, when all are in, summarize them in a subjective and anecdotal way. ♦

Correspondent:
Barbara Bixby

68 I am pleased to hear from so many of you (and I'm sure you are, too, so you don't have to put up with me rattling on and on about myself. Again.) . . . **Debbie Nutter** was married to Alan Ruten on October 26 in Hong Kong. . . . **Steve Zweibaum** sent a lovely note from West Hartford, Conn. Like Steve, I remember freshman year just like yesterday. (Steve, I just wrote you a letter.) . . . **Judith de Luce** leads an amazing and beautiful and intriguing life, chairing the women's studies department at Miami University in Ohio while still being a Ph.D. scholar in Latin and Greek classics and a madrigal singer in a vocal ensemble. . . . I got the greatest "glamor photo" of Dr. **Bruce McDonald**, surgeon and chair of the Medical Society Mediation Committee, standing by his Lamborghini. . . . In Ellsworth, Maine, **Dick Jude** is the owner of Branch Pond Marine. Dick's and Mary's two sons are about to start college. . . . **Lisa Fernald Williams** leads a wonderful, full life, teaching art, raising two children with husband Rick, an investment broker, and studying jazz dance and piano. Lisa looks forward to seeing us all at our reunion. . . . Dr. **Victor Pinansky** practices dentistry, plays music with a rock group, The Alliance, plays golf and remains his usual humorous self. . . . Best wishes to **Steve Ward**, who had moved to Brussels but now has just returned! . . . Attorney **Edward Quinto** is busy with law practice, family and Rotary in Woodbridge, Va. . . . Librarian **Lorraine MacCarter Lessey** says I should ask her all my class correspondent's questions in about 10 years. She's too busy raising teenagers! I know the feeling. And one is enough for me! . . . **Margo Schmidt** is a counselor and consultant specializing in holistic, psycho-spiritual and intuitive development. Appropriate philosophical activities for a resident of Lexington, Mass. . . . **Patricia Andrea Zlotin** writes us for the first time in many years. She has an active and exciting life as executive vice president of an in-

vestment company. Pat lives in Sharon, Mass. . . . Also from Massachusetts, **Rick Mansfield** (of Hopkinton) has two grown sons who are great athletes, at William and Mary College and Whitinsville Christian College. . . . Do I seem low-key this time, honorable class-

mates? It is because I experienced the great flood of December 11, 1992. My poor little house took a beating—and took in quite a few feet of water from this rare astronomical lunar tidal surge and nor'easter. But all is well! And I wish you well. ♦

Correspondent:
Anna Thompson Bragg

69 **Anne Curtis-Curfman** sent a Christmas picture of her three handsome sons, Josh, 12, Charles, 9 1/2, and Matthew, 8. She is now living in Longmont, Colo., where she and her husband, George, are both teachers. She completed her master's degree in 1971 and has since helped write three federal grants for her district and several local grants for her classroom. One of the local grants funded bilingual education in her district. Anne and her family have enjoyed packing up their camper to head to parts unknown for fun and relaxation. Plans are in the works for a trip east in 1994, so maybe a visit to Colby during reunion time would be on the agenda! Thanks for writing, Anne. . . . The new residence of **GINNY COATES DENTON** is Laguna Niguel, Calif., where, as of January, she is a real estate trainer/consultant for Coldwell Banker Residential Group. Ginny has been extremely successful in real estate since 1977. She says her midlife crisis has resulted in a separation, divorce, moving from Syracuse, N.Y. (she lived there for 21 years), and a safari in Tanzania, Africa. Since she enjoys bicycling, tennis, skiing, scuba diving, traveling and painting, I don't think there are a lot of free minutes for Ginny! Good luck with your new home and job. . . . Closer to home is **Mary Jane Clifford**, who is an income maintenance specialist for the state of Maine. She has held this job for over 17 years. Active in amateur golf, Mary Jane is past president of the Maine Women's Golf Association and will be president of the New England Women's Golf Association in 1994. In addition to golf, she is active in Lakewood Summer Theater and has received many awards from those productions. Lastly, if you see a white convertible in the Skowhegan area, it may be Mary Jane! . . . Those of you who not yet been included, please be patient. The responses are most appreciated! My best for a pleasant spring to everyone. ♦

What's New?

Share your news and views with your classmates! Please write in the blank and send this form to the Alumni Office for forwarding to your class correspondent.

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71 This column salutes the volunteers from the Class of '71. Over two thirds of all respondents answered the volunteering question. The projects we're involved in are as diverse as our class itself: political action, social services, schools, churches, athletic organizations and issues-oriented, non-profit groups of all dimensions benefit from our efforts. In addition to the March of Dimes, Kiwanis, Red Cross, United Way, Heart Association and Boy and Girl Scouts, members of our class actively support such diverse causes as U.S. Rep. Bernie Sanders in Vermont; the League of Women Voters; Aspirations Compact; ANUDA, providing legal services for low-income Hispanics; the AIDS project and AIDS Children; the Pembroke Senior Citizens Center; the Child Guidance Clinic; Legal Aid; the Health Board; the Regional Environmental Council; WCUW-FM Community Radio; Maharishi International University; People for Animal Rights; The International Business Center of New England; and Habitat for Humanity. By far the most popular volunteer projects include local school and sports programs. School programs that ben-

efit from Class of '71 energy include an anti-drug program in New York City, a special program in East Boston, libraries, PTOs, arts councils and the New School of Design. As chair of the board of education in the Hampton, Conn., area, **Bill Johnson, M.D.**, is one of several elected officials from our class, and **Kendall Didsbury** is active in the New Hampshire Association for Supervision of Curriculum and Development. And—from coaches to board and commission members—we also are active in many sports, including sailing, skiing, baseball, hockey, basketball and softball. . . . I'll close with further information about assorted classmates, including the rest of the "Steves." **Steve Cain** is a CPA at Sprague, Cain & Cullen in Chelmsford, Mass. **Steve Dane** is the general manager of Kluwer Academic Publishers in Norwell, Mass. **Steve Magyar** is a sales manager for CIGNA Individual Financial Services in Elmsford, N.Y. **Steve Orlov** is a professor of humanities at John Abbott College in Anne de Bellevue, Quebec. **Steve Terrio** lives in Columbia, Md., and is a VP of the KEY Marketing Group, Inc. . . . **Emily Eaton Woodman** is the admissions director at the Waynflete School in Portland, Maine. . . . **Brenda Daigle Baker** is living in Bedford, N.H. . . . **Malinda Nelson Applebaum** is the owner of Sahaj Glass Studio in the Prattsburg, N.Y., area. . . . **Deborah Asbeck** is a teacher at the Sant Bani Ashram School in Franklin, N.H. . . . And **Mark Frisch** is the network manager for Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce on Lexington Avenue in New York City. . . . Next time I'll consider simply our names and ask you to guess what the most common and the most unusual names were of both male and female members of the Class of '71. (I bet you'll be surprised!) ♦

Correspondent:

Anne Huff Jordan

73 **Anastasia E. Marsden** and **Roger Belanger** live in Bolton, Mass. They have two children, a son, **Raymond Marsden Belanger**, born 7/17/92, and a daughter, **Margaret**, born 6/10/88. . . . **Kathy O'Dell**, married to John Mernit, is an assistant professor of art history and theory at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. They live in both Manhattan and Baltimore, which was a recent change, and say it's fun and a luxury to own a car once again after 10 years in NYC! She mentions that the late Professor **James Carpenter** was a big inspiration for her career pursuit. . . . **Thane Pratt** is a wildlife biologist, married to Linda Cuddihy, a botanist, in Volcano, Hawaii. They are building a home near Hawaii National Park. . . . **Doug Gorman**, married to Cheryl Booker Gorman '74, is president of Information Mapping, Inc. Their son, **Bobby**, is 7 and **Katie** is 3. Doug runs three times a week and is active with Hale Reservation of Westwood, Mass., the largest day camp in the country for disadvantaged children. Doug has traveled recently to India, Switzerland and South Africa. . . . **Seth Dunn** and his wife, **Jennifer Luddy**, live in Northampton, Mass. He is director of professional services for Child and Family Service of Springfield, Mass. Seth has taught at Western New England College and has been very busy professionally. He still finds time, however, to swim two or three times each week and does long-distance bicycling. He was in California and Oregon last August and New Mexico in January. . . . Definitely coming to reunion (so far): **Holly Armitage Belmont**, **Lloyd Benson**, **Wayne Brown**, **Lisa Kehler Bubar**, **Pat Costello**, **Fran**

Playing Matchmaker, High-Tech

Even before Alfred "Buz" Brown '70 left Colby, a biology major on his way to a Ph.D. in pharmacology from the University of Rochester, business was in his heart.

"I went down the scientific path, but I always knew that somehow I wanted to be involved in my own business," said Brown, founder and president of Knowledge Express Data Systems, the only database producer and on-line service designed specifically around the exchange of technological information between universities, federal labs and industry.

Brown, a Waterville native whose parents both attended Colby, says his entrepreneurial roots began at the College "back in the days when people wore pressed, starched shirts." He and a partner represented the local Red Star laundry company on campus, collecting student bills on Sunday nights.

After five years at Rochester and another five at Yale, Brown found himself doing research management at a pharmaceutical company, trying to determine what new technologies and products to bank on for the future—relying heavily, as Brown says most major high-tech companies must, on discoveries and products made elsewhere.

A few years later, Brown was working on the opposite side of that business, in the technology transfer office of the University of Pennsylvania, trying to find and interest companies in new discoveries at Penn labs. Experience in both jobs eventually led him to set up an information system that he says is a "highway" of technology transfer between research labs and business.

Knowledge Express started up in 1991, a real "cottage industry"—Brown had the cottage; other people had the industry, research and technology. Now, with two dozen employees and over 500 subscribers to the service—major corporations like DuPont, Johnson & Johnson and Exxon—and with 22 databases on line and growing, Brown has moved into more traditional offices in Wayne, Pa.

Brown's service is now widely used by companies either in locating new inventions or in getting research expertise from labs. In turn, universities and federal labs use the service to market their own finds as well as check on company profiles. All three parties contribute new information to the service.

Brown likens all this to a kind of technological dating service that uses a powerful information retrieval system, virtually unique in the field, called Natural Language Processing. NLP can, at the proverbial—but literal—touch of a



computer's button, quickly match information from different sources so that researchers and companies, according to Brown, "are able to pick potential partners with a much higher percentage of accuracy."

One such matchmaking venture, a program called UC-ACCESS that links the University of California with the three Department of Energy national laboratories, is supported by nearly \$1 million of state, industry and federal funds.

Brown says the key to success in his business is keeping information current. His service gets almost weekly updates from its network of universities and federal labs. It describes thousands of products and inventions from companies and labs and also provides hourly business news updates. In Brown's view, when a lab has to tell an inquiring industry, "Gee, we licensed that a year ago," he's lost a customer.

From his own experience, Brown knows time is crucial. "If I wanted to find a new technology related to, say, nerve growth factor, I had to call up a hundred universities," he said. Now it takes 30 seconds.

He says he sees a "tremendous need" regionally, nationally and internationally to form more effective partnerships between universities, industry and government labs. "If the country is going to be successful economically, we must improve," he said.

The company's activities seem right in step with the Clinton administration's goals for research and industry. "It's very possible we'll play some role in the administration's plans," Brown said.

But he's not letting this vision determine the company's direction. "Right now," he said, "we're just trying to forge ahead and do it."

Gates Demgen, Ken Gross, Nancy Magee Hanna, Anne Huff Jordan, Margaret Lichtenberg, Jon Linn, Cindy Carlisle Lovitz, Rich Randazzo, Martha Wetmore Scott, Mark Serdjian, Patience Gruber Stoddard, and probably Sue Schink, Duncan Leith, Joe Mattos and Karen Winttingham. Hoping to attend: Ed Allen, Sue Alling, Jacquelyn Nienaber Appeldorn, Marjorie Berman, Ida Dionne Burroughs, Seth Dunn, Allan Hill, Wendy Knickerbocker, Andy Koss, Ron Majdalany, Judy McDivitt, Malcolm "Jim" Perkins and Betty Robinson. That list was as of January 14. . . . The new class officer list is almost finalized. Thank you to those who said "yes." Think reunion! ♦

Correspondent:
Stephen B. Collins

74 A couple of people called to report in! Dan Rapaport phoned to say that he and spouse Lisa Tripler '77 just bought Camp Kohut on Thompson Lake in Oxford, Maine (for kids 7 to 16). Dan and Lisa live in Cape Elizabeth; he's a lawyer with Preti Flaherty Beliveau & Pachios. . . . From the Big Apple, Blair Fox says she's now a financial consultant in the flagship office of Shearson Lehman. She's eager to find other Colby alumni in Manhattan. . . . From the mailbox: Myron Berry checked in from York, Pa., where he is a professional engineer and professional registered geologist. He now has three kids. . . . Michael McNamara is in Pt. Pleasant, N.J., where he's practicing law after a nine-year career as a high school teacher. . . . Ken Hardigan, a cardiologist who lists "sedentary respiration" as his fitness program, reported last year that he was finishing a fellowship in Cleveland and moving to Arizona. His identical twins and their younger brother all play soccer. "They pass the ball about as much as — did," he said, referring to a certain former White Mule teammate who will remain unnamed. . . . Judy Sidell Westerlund is still in Taby, Sweden, working at the Royal Institute of Technology. Last November she was weighing an offer to be a department head-ad-

ministrator against her responsibilities as mother of three. . . . Ronda Luce, M.D., reports from Bremerton, Wash., that she's out of the Navy, works as an emergency room physician and loves the Northwest. . . . Louise McTigue Hesser is in Cumberland Center, Maine, staying home with two boys, a kennel of sled dogs and a menagerie of farm animals. She volunteers at school, sings a little and spins and weaves for "therapeutic" reasons. . . . David DiCola is in Providence, R.I., where his practice is shifting more toward criminal law. . . . The Rev. Steve Kelsey has just moved to St. Ignace, Mich., as a "missioner" for the Episcopal diocese. "Want real wilderness? Try the U.P. (upper peninsula)," he suggests. . . . Kathe Misch Tuttmann is in Andover, Mass., where she and Alan '71 have two daughters. She's assistant district attorney in Essex County and was recently appointed to head a domestic violence prosecution unit that started in her office. ♦

Correspondent:
Susan Gearhart Wuest

75 In September, Maryliz Moynihan Levy and family moved from a one-bedroom condo on the Boston waterfront to the suburbs, sacrificing a walking commute to work for a backyard, trees, flowers and their own room! Son Daniel is almost 2 and a busy little boy with swimming, Gymboree, etc. Maryliz describes every day as a "joyous learning experience" for the three of them. Husband Rob is an attorney, and Maryliz is director of business operations, providing support for New England Telephone's largest, most strategic business customers. For three years now, the Levys have spent summer vacations at Damariscotta Lake, visiting in Camden and Rockport and eating plenty of Maine lobster. Maryliz still sees Kathy Overhiser Valone, who lives in Winchester, Mass., on an irregular basis. Kathy, husband Dick and their two children, Lauren and Chris, are "a happy and lively crew." . . . David Pinansky and family also moved last fall, from San Antonio, Texas, to Herndon, Va., in the D.C. area. David is

counsel for Resolution Trust Corporation. His wife, Harriet (Buxbaum '76), is a homemaker, volunteer and mother to their two children, Sam, 13, and Sarah, 8 1/2. David enjoys writing music and playing golf. . . . Jim '78 and Sue Conant Cook's second child, David, was born in August, the day after big sister Emily's third birthday and their seventh wedding anniversary. Such timing! Sue was on maternity leave for most of the fall from her job as director of alumni relations at Colby. Emily started nursery school in September two afternoons a week, and David is a very good-natured baby. Sue finds that she is much more relaxed this second time around! Both Sue and Marty Womer sent word about Charlie Le Royer. In Camden Sue happened to meet up with Charlie and his wife, who is a high school friend of Sue. They

hadn't seen each other since graduation. Marty also enclosed a long Christmas letter, which I will save for my next column in order to give it full justice. . . . From Salt Lake City, Utah, I heard from Walter Lienhard, who is a geologist and in December was preparing for a new assignment in Honduras. Walt does a lot of traveling, mostly for work. He's hoping to go mountaineering in Switzerland this year. When in Utah, he enjoys skiing, hiking and some climbing but does miss the ocean out there! ♦

Correspondent:
Noël Barry Stella

76 Don Buckley '75 recently recruited a number of alumni to attend the Colby-Amherst basketball

NEWSMAKERS

David Bailey '74 was recently featured in the *Boston Sunday Globe* for his work as conductor of the Nashua Flute Choir in Nashua, N.H. . . . Dana Pope '76 has been appointed president of the Greater Boston Real Estate Board, one of the major real estate associations in Massachusetts. . . . At the Margaret Chase Smith Library in Skowhegan, Maine, the library's assistant director, Margaret Felton Viens '77, compiled an exhibit of political cartoons covering the political life of the former U.S. Senator. The exhibit included reprints of 100 political cartoons printed about the senator during her career. . . . Timothy Hussey '78, chief operating officer of Hussey Seating Co., was quoted in an article in the *Maine Sunday Telegram* featuring several companies that have restructured and rebounded during tough economic times.



Dana Pope '76

MILEPOSTS

Births: A daughter, Kristina Ymkje, to Renee and David Kayatta '78.

Marriages: P. James "Chuck" Sasu-Clarke '76 to Mirela Liana in Oakland, Maine. . . . Mark P. Tanguay '76 to Karen Ann Gardner in Plymouth, Mass.

Deaths: Elizabeth Allen Lamb '78 in Kingston, N.Y., at 35.

game in Amherst. Among those enjoying our victory were Bill Walthall '75 with his wife, son and daughter. He reported that Gene DeLorenzo '75 is enjoying success as the head basketball coach at Oberlin, and Norma Boutet DeLorenzo '77 is rising within the ranks of Key Bank (headquartered in Albany but doing lots of traveling). We also had a chance to talk with Rob Anderson and Rich Oparowski, who was there with Gail, Beth and Jonathan. Opie (sorry, I can't get used to Dick or Rich) is still working for Citicorp but has recently changed jobs and now only commutes from Ridgefield, Conn., to Stamford. Ask him about his mode of transportation!

Sam and Karen Smith Gowan traveled from greater Albany to Amherst with their three sons, Josh, Trevor and Spencer, all of whom are involved in youth hockey. So, of course, are Karen and Sam. Sam has recently become an entrepreneur in the geology business and relishes the new challenges. We glimpsed Scott Smith over from Deerfield and chatted with Gerry McDowell, Colby's assistant basketball coach, who loves his job and is rightfully proud of the team. . . . Back home, the mailbox held news from Karen Gillum, who has returned to Waterville after a long absence, and James Gay, whose letter was a delight to read. James lives in Ojai, Calif. (pronounced "oh, hi!"), with his wife, Patricia, who is a nurse, two teenage stepdaughters and a 4-year-old son, whom Dr. Gay delivered himself. James is a physician working for a clinic while doing his National Health Service Corps payback. His patients are mainly migrant farm workers and other medical indigents. Additionally, James is very active in the pro-choice political movement and Planned Parenthood and last fall found himself doing political work for pro-choice candidates in Ventura County. . . . Jan Barber Ferguson wrote from Bolivia, where she and her husband, Keith, are teachers at an MK/Bolivia school—Jan at the kinder level and Keith at the secondary level. They have a son, Matthew, 9, and a daughter, Abby, 6, along with three parrots, an alpaca and a bunny. The Fergusons moved to Bolivia in 1991 as short-term mis-

sionary teachers and expect to return to their home in New Hampshire's Lakes Region this coming summer. At the time of her letter, Jan had recently returned from a 40-mile hike on the Inca trail, beginning in La Paz (elevation: 15,000 feet), and was planning a trip to Brazil in April with yet another group of high school students. . . . I have a few more questionnaires to cover and will save them for next time. Please write. ♦

Correspondent:
Leslie A. Ramsay

77 I received this year, as I do every year, Noel cards from Ed Decker '75 and Pat Kelly '76. Ed's card showed a pole-vaulting tall man with a mite of a woman, close together, following snow-laden evergreens uphill, leaving a tumbling, meandering, chill brook at the gentle slope's base, their eyes leading them towards a big red barn with a romantic wreath under its roof's crest. Ed is a writer in suburban New York City. And Pat's card I love, too, of a granite-stepped entrance of a welcoming urban brownstone, buttressed on either side by columns festooned with bows of holly. Pat is in corporate human resources management at VICOR in Andover, Mass. Furthermore, my young friend Emilia Elisabeth Di Cola, first cousin once removed of David Di Cola '74 (for whose father I once worked as a legal secretary), sent me a Christmas card of a trimmed tree around which four calling birds are fluttering and about to nest. (I know it is May, and this is not Christmas in July yet, but I was born this month 38 years ago, and I guess I am chugging those Jelly Beans. Remember those? I forget which frat, but I know its position on the old row.) . . . I have some new "old friends" who sent in their alumni questionnaires, on the whole answered with searing honesty. If you would all please line up in alphabetical order so I may thank you once again for writing: Priscilla Bondy Dubé, Peter Breu, Chris McKeown Barry, Peter Cohn, Meredith Bean Eley, Dr. Stuart J. Georgitis, Tom Green, Bob Guillory, Jane C. Hoffman,

"Alix" Levintow Howell, Jon Hubbard, Melissa Hurley, Teresa Grassy Sciore, Karen Gustafson Crossley, Nick Jans, Bob Kaake, Joanne Karlin Giudicelli, Evan Katz, Diane McCoy Bither, Ellen O'Brien Neiley, Sherrie Perkins, Steve Potter, Mona Pinette, Jonathan Reisman, Mark Richardson, Steve Roy, Patti Stoll, Laurel Van Stone Lewis, Carl Witthoft and Susan Woods. I promise you all that I will get to every one of you over time. As a preview of coming attractions, I'm reading a news release about Evan T. M. Katz, the finance director and benefits administrator for the city of Medford, Mass. His health insurance plan won the 1993 Innovation Award, which recognizes the year's most innovative Massachusetts local government project. And in the words of Evan and his wife, Larinda (she, a human resources consultant), on their data sheet, "We are extremely grateful for two very successful open-heart surgeries that have allowed our youngest son to overcome, for the time being, his major congenital heart defects." More to come. (P.S. We have more alumni questionnaire blanks.) ♦

Correspondent:
Susan Gernert Adams

78 He's back! Sam Cremin, that is. For the past seven years Sam's been living abroad in Tokyo and Singapore working for Molex, an electronic components company. Sam writes that he's married with two children and would love to get back in touch with his old pals. Sam can be found under Cremin in Hinsdale, Ill. . . . Barbara Shemin St. John's letter was postmarked Barbados, where she's been for 13 years. Barbara is married to a veterinarian pathologist, and now that her children, Meg, 9, and Laurie, 7, are older, she works full time as a remedial teacher. . . . Carl Snyder reports that he recently moved from Manhattan to Richmond, Va., where he owns a car wash and is a partner in an architectural/interior design firm. . . . Further north, Anastasia Marsden and hubby Roger Belanger '73 (brother of classmate Steve) live in Bolton, Mass. They have two children,

newborn son Raymond and 4-year-old daughter Margaret. . . . Out west, dentist Peter Sheerin lives in L.A. with his wife, Nancy, and their two children, Erica, 5, and Todd, 3. As a member of the attending staff at Cedars Sinai Medical Center, Peter volunteers his time treating indigent immigrants. Peter's curious about where Bonny Roy is these days. Does anybody know? . . . Susan Pollis and her husband, Ted Reed '80, have stayed in Maine all these years. They live in Falmouth with their year-old daughter, Perrin. Susan works in commercial real estate, and she and Ted are members of a local theater group comprising other Colbyites—Ronni-Jo Posner Carpenter and her husband, John '80, along with Louise Swift Price '80, Katie Wilkinson '82 and Jay Moody '80 and his wife, Sue. . . . Up the road in Lincolnville, Maine, is Sheila Wentworth Polson. Sheila's primary work is with the George's River Land Trust, but she's also a member of the Natural Resource Council of Maine, the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Assoc. and Tanglewood 4-H Camp. Busy as she is, she says she misses her children, Mae, 9, and Birgitte, 5, now that they're in school. . . . In the impressive-feats-at-our-age category, this fall Tom Suddath traveled from his home base in Philadelphia to Washington, D.C., to run the 26-mile Marine Marathon, which he finished fast enough (just over three hours) to qualify for Boston. . . . And the Sweeneys, Pat and Joao (Vicario) just moved into their newly built house in Waterville, N.H. They're parents to a happy first grader, Brian, and a 10-year-old skier, Katie. Last year Pat was promoted to CEO of the Waterville Co., a resort management firm. Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney have suggested the class reunion be moved to Waterville, N.H. Okay, let's switch it—not! . . . Finally, Joseph Tyler wrote that he and his year-old daughter, Jordan, are living in Rockville, Md. Included in Joe's letter was the very sad news that this past November his wife of five years died of cancer. Joe, I know I speak for the entire class when I express our collective sympathy. I hope you and your daughter can make it to our 15th reunion June 4-6. Everybody else come, too! ♦

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Patricia Valavanis Smith

80 After 10 years in Boston, Somerville and New York City, Peter and Lynne Seeley Lee are enjoying a quieter life in Maine with their 3-year-old son, Spencer. Peter is an attorney with a solo general practice in Yarmouth, while Lynne runs the Maine office of a Boston-based planning and architectural firm. . . . 1992 was a busy, not to mention significant, year for Pete and Louise Swift Price. They celebrated the birth of their first child, Sarah Eliza, just a few months after building their dream house in Freeport, Maine. . . . Back to work as a gemologist two days a week, Robin MacLeod Goodridge reports seeing many Colby grads shopping at DeSoenza Diamonds in Framingham, Mass. She's been busy keeping up with 2-year-old Meredith and taking time for herself by swimming and participating in a women's group at church. . . . Chasing 1 1/2-year-old Greg around the house has been the main leisure-time activity for Jim Nelson, an assistant principal at Timberlane Regional Middle School in Plaistow, N.H., and for his wife, Heidi, a guidance counselor at nearby Merrimack High School. Jim's trying to figure out how he can work in a few rounds of

golf on occasion, too. Any suggestions? . . . Karen Caine Babbitt is preparing for certification to teach elementary school, "something I never thought I'd want to do when we were at Colby," she said. She's had a bit of a preview already, teaching Sunday school, volunteering at her daughter's kindergarten and observing her son's fourth grade class. . . . Marjorie Smith, product manager for a software company in Needham, Mass., is considering starting her own business, perhaps in high-tech marketing or direct mail. Right now she's engaged to "a great guy from Illinois. The wedding is in Northeast Harbor, Maine—sort of a sentimental choice since he asked me to marry him on top of Cadillac Mountain in Bar Harbor!" . . . "It's a girl!" wrote Brad Richards, three weeks after the birth of Haley Star, who joined her two big brothers last October. Brad is a specialty sales manager at a Boston-area B. J.'s Wholesale Club. . . . Three each of kids, dogs, cats and horses plus one rabbit make up the family of Tom '81 and Marty Young Stratton in Goffstown, N.H. Tom is vice president of H.F. Staples, and Marty tutors children who are unable to attend school due to prolonged illness. In addition to teaching riding and judging horse shows, she recently competed in the U.S. Eastern Dressage Championships, earning a high ranking in her division. . . . Jack McBride, a self-employed real estate developer and builder, has been developing affordable projects and getting involved in community affairs in the Concord, Mass., area. He's been working with a homeless shelter in Lowell and founded a housing scholarship for University of Lowell students. He also enjoys playing with his two young sons, gardening and "thinking of ways to provide for an early retirement." If you've discovered any foolproof strategies, Jack, please let us know! ♦

Correspondent:

Beth Pniewski Wilson

81 Eleanor Campbell lives in Chester, N.J., and is the special projects coordinator for the New Jersey Conservation Foundation. She writes that she enjoys combining traveling to dog shows internationally with a German shepherd, a Shetland sheepdog and two cats. Also busy with civic life, Eleanor is on the board of directors of the West Morris Area League of Women Voters, a member of the Chester Township Environmental Commission and a trustee of the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions. . . . Champ Fisher and his wife, Ann, live in New Haven, Conn., where he is working for an oil import-export company. . . . Joel Cutler is in Boston and is president of National Leisure Group, a travel agency. . . . Bryon Wenrich is doing well and living in Tucson, Ariz. . . . Tom Schofield and his wife, Tracy, who just bought a new house in Westford, Mass., had a baby boy named Dean on December 16, 1991. . . . Jeff McLaughlin and his wife, Martha (a Bowdoin grad), are living in Providence, R.I., where Jeff works for Fleet National Bank. David Ryley is godfather to their child. . . . Joseph Huber is living and working in London, England. . . . Harvey Coco and his wife, Deborah, had a baby girl, Olivia Mae, born December 23. They recently moved to Bennington, Vt. . . . Terry Jacques is living in Bloomsburg, Pa., where she is the assistant to the director of the women's center. She is involved with grant proposals, educational materials, promotional pieces and policy. Last year she worked on the theatrically based acquaintance rape/date battering awareness program that is being sold to colleges in the Mid-Atlantic states. She has

also worked on a prison counseling program that she hopes will become a national model and is a board member of Big Brother/Big Sister. . . . **Joan Molino** is living in Mantua, N.J., with her husband, Jeffrey Muller. Joan is working in real estate management, and Jeff is an avionics engineer for Boeing Helicopters. They got married in

Las Vegas, Nev., in August and honeymooned on the cruise ship *Monarch of the Seas* in the southern Caribbean for seven days. They are building a home in South Jersey. . . . **Scott '82** and **Lynne D'Angelo** Many had a baby girl, Chloe, last spring. She joins brothers Josh, 7, and Ben, 5. Lynn and Scott recently built a house in

Goldens Bridge, N.Y. Lynn writes that building a home is "chaos," so they did manage to escape to Key West, Fla., in November. . . . **Nancy (Smith '82)** and **Joe Daly** have both been working at Bridgton Academy for the past 10 years. Joe is dean of students and also coaches football, skiing and biking and teaches government. Nancy

teaches English. They have three sons: Michael, 7, Thomas, 5, and Patrick, 4, plus two black Labradors and two cats. They enjoy the Maine outdoors, swimming the lakes in the summer and skiing the mountains in winter. . . . **Stewart Babbott** is living in Silver Spring, Md., with his wife, Cecelia Carfrey Babbott. Stu is an internist and

Drawing Culture's Battle Lines

When it comes to censorship, Jill Bond '86 is on the front lines. "We're fighting the culture wars," she said, describing her efforts as the coordinator of Artsave, a project of People for the American Way in Washington, D.C.

When the Fairfield Family Association in Lancaster, Ohio, started a letter-writing and media campaign attacking two photographs on display at Ohio University, People for the American Way quickly orchestrated a counter-offensive. From Washington Bond arranged contacts with the gallery director to offer the resources of her national organization, which champions constitutional rights to freedom of expression. She initiated meetings between her group and the area's arts community to explain the nature of the threat and to suggest ways to combat it. Following the strategy she devised, Artsave got on to local media and tried to shift the focus of the argument to what she calls "the big picture."

Bond's take on the big picture is that the Fairfield Family Association is more than just a group of local residents worried about their children and their community. It is a local chapter of the fundamentalist American Family Association, an organization run by fundamentalist minister Don Wildmon of Tupelo, Miss.—"the Jerry Falwell of the '90s," she said. Bond believes that the Ohio case is part of a pattern of attacks on art, music lyrics and literature—attacks on the American way as defined by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution.

"The controversy over the NEA [National Endowment for the Arts] is just the tip of the iceberg," Bond said. "Attacks like the one in Ohio are occurring at the local level in communities all over the country."

In the Ohio case, the clash is over homoerotic art that includes religious iconography. "I don't like everything I have to defend, but that's not the point," said Bond, who in the

course of her work has taken up the microphone on radio talk shows as well as the pen. "As Patrick Henry said, I may not like what you have to say, but I will defend your right to say it."

People for the American Way was started in 1980 by television producer Norman Lear and others who were alarmed by the ascendance of powerful television evangelists and the religious right during the early Reagan-Bush years.

After working as a field organizer for Michael Dukakis's presidential campaign, Bond transferred her organizational skills to People for the American Way in 1988. While there she has worked to build support for civil rights and freedom of choice initiatives. She worked against the Bush administration's "gag rule" on abortion counseling and against the Clarence Thomas nomination to the Supreme Court (the concern, she says, was over his qualifications).

Artsave was created in 1991, and Bond took over as project coordinator last year. "In some respects, the First Amendment and art are really the same thing," she said. "They both allow us to disagree, and they both foster dialogue and discourse."

Harking back to her Colby years, Bond said, "I certainly exercised my first amendment rights with a few professors in the Government Department." In particular she remembers a battle with Roger Bowen, former professor of government, over what she called his slanting of a class about Vietnam.

Now, when her job takes her to colleges and universities, she is startled by students—and administrators'—intolerance for materials like provocative AIDS posters or images of gay lifestyles. The attacks are not on the quality of the works but on the messages, Bond says. Battle lines are drawn over what makes people uncomfortable.

"To find that kind of censorship on campuses is surprising and disappointing," said Bond.



AMY FARMER '90

Cecelia is a pediatrician. Last year they traveled around the world for five months—starting with two months of volunteer work in a rural hospital in Tanzania followed by a successful climb of Kilimanjaro and a game safari. They continued on to New Zealand for two months and headed home via the great Barrier Reef and Bali. . . . Thanks to everyone who answered the survey last fall. I'll have more news in the next column, but please send those surveys in if you haven't already. ♦

Correspondent:
Mimi Rasmussen

82 I have been receiving news from the Classes of '81 and '83—but this column is for the Class of '82! I know that people are disappointed when there is no column to read, but no news results in no column. To help start the flow of news again, a questionnaire is being mailed out. I hope to hear from any and all of you soon! ♦

Correspondent:
Sally Lovegren Merchant

83 My mailbox was brimming with news, so this column will be dedicated to rousing us all to remember the June 4-6 weekend at Mayflower Hill—a time for our class to get together and catch up in person. It's not too late to make plans now. If you have further questions, don't hesitate to inquire as we will want to get as many together as possible! . . . Freelance writer Emily Laurence Baker is in London, England. . . . Cynthia Trone Berger's hubby is Denis. . . . Debbie Bombaci is engaged to be wed to George Pappas in September of this year. . . . Michael and Beth Coates expected their first baby in March. . . . Mariellen and Noble Carpenter have just moved back to New York from Chicago. . . . Terry Lewis and John Clevenger '81 plan to bring the children (one expected in February 1993) to reunion. . . . Homemaker Jennifer Ellery Colby and family are in Newburyport, Mass. . . . Graphic

designer Victoria Cole lives in Los Angeles. . . . Neal '84 and Liz Mason Cousins work at Trinity Pawling School in New York. . . . Katrina Jannen Donnelly is busy at home finishing their new house. . . . Scott and Ashley Lasbury Dow celebrated the birth of their first baby, daughter Samantha, and their move to Portland, Maine. . . . Terry and Nora Putnam Dunn, in Lynchburg, Va., work as lawyers—Nora as assistant city attorney in Lynchburg. . . . On-leave art librarian Lee-Anne Famolare and family, Tim Fraser, Hannah and Luke, live in Watertown, Mass. . . . Steve Finch, wife Ruth and son Parker live in Durham, Conn., where Steve is a chemist and lab director. Steve says, "See you at the reunion!" . . . Teresa Forster is a human factors engineer designing and evaluating software at TASC in Reading, Mass. . . . Phin Gay is director of sales at CPS, Inc., a full-service direct marketing firm specializing in business to business applications. . . . From their home in Upton, Mass., Jim '84 and Chris Marshall Gaudette remember Jan Plan, men's varsity basketball games—complete with Coach Whitmore's famous antics—and breakfast at Bonnie's. (Someday we will stage a class production of the musical "Breakfast at Bonnie's" since the place was so instrumental in the lives of many of our classmates.) . . . Gabrielle Duker Gelines is at school to get her elementary education teaching certificate to find a job in September 1993 teaching grades 1-6. She and her family live in Westboro, Mass. . . . Leslie Gregory, in Swanville, Maine, returned three questionnaires to me at once. For a minute, she had me believing that her occupation was "brain surgeon" until I read between the lines to learn that she is a teacher and lives with partner Tristan and pets Quinn, Wild Thing and Chutney. . . . Christianna Smith Farinelli and husband Charles live in Leominster, Mass., where Christianna works nearby at Aries Technology, Inc. as a software engineer, performing all the graphics programming. . . . Dancing for various modern dance companies in New York City is Heidi Henderson. . . . Ed Higham is also in NYC working as vice president of corpo-

NEWSMAKERS



Diane Berry '80

Diane Berry '80 was granted tenure in the department of psychology at Southern Methodist University. . . . Richard J. Dube '81 is the new vice president of finance at Anna Jacques Hospital in Newburyport, Mass. . . . Nancy Briggs Marshall '82 and her husband, Jay, have purchased Carrabasset Printers, a small custom printing company located in North Anson, Maine, and have formed a corporation called Marshall Communications, Inc. . . . Paul Revere III '83 has been elected to partnership in Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn, one of the largest law firms in the nation. . . . Bruce A. Leonard '83 has joined a practice in Rock Hill, S.C., as a radiologist. . . . John G. Batherson '84 has joined Isaacson & Raymond as an associate attorney in Rumford, Maine, where he will concentrate in civil and criminal litigation and family law. . . . Timothy C. Kastrielis '86 has been promoted to associate manager of the Northeast Employee Benefits Sales Operation of Confederation Life Insurance Co. in Boston, where for the last three years he has been the leading group insured sales representative in the U.S. . . . Mike Rollins '87, in his third year of medical school at the University of Vermont, was featured in a *Gloucester Daily Times* article about former Gloucester High School quarterbacks in the medical profession. . . . Chris Preston '87 holds the title of country director of Estonia for the Center for International Management Education, a nonprofit organization dedicated to management training and aiding nations such as the Baltic states in their transition to a market economy.

MILEPOSTS

Births: A son, Daniel, to David '80 and Sally Fernsten Buffum '81. . . . A son, Daniel Patrick, to Elizabeth and David Biggar '81. . . . A daughter, Laura, to Emil and Julia Mellentin Michelotti '81. . . . A daughter, Sarah Virginia, to Brian and Karen Cowles Berkley '82. . . . A son, Clark, to Ellen and John T.P. Jackson '82. . . . A son, Craig Briggs, to Jay and Nancy Briggs Marshall '82. . . . A daughter, Briana, to Edilio and Cynthia Gemmell Bermudez '84. . . . A son, Riley, to Patricia and Jeffrey B. Johnson '84. . . . A son, Nathaniel, to Christopher and Julie Sands Causey '85. . . . A son, Derek Jans, to Jens and Debra Lindberg Thoresen '85. . . . A daughter, Meghan, to William and Lisa Poulin Marr '86.
Marriages: William W. Storey '82 to Cheryl Powell in Knoxville, Tenn. . . . Todd W. Halloran '84 to Julie Starkweather in Old Greenwich, Conn. . . . James K. Goetz '85 to Danielle Thys in Inverness, Calif. . . . Jim Polk '85 to Colleen Connors. . . . Caroline D. Rymer '85 to Glendon M. Elliott III in Providence, R.I. . . . Gregory P. Shefrin '85 to Nancy Abrahams in Tarrytown, N.Y. . . . Kevin F. Hulse '86 to Patricia J. Delaney in Worcester, Mass. . . . Edith Van Hoven Bernhard '87 to Martinus van Harwegen den Breems in Saugatuck, Conn. . . . Patricia D. Wagstaff '88 to Christian Dohrmann in Verbier, Switzerland. . . . Lynly J. Anderson '89 to David C. Loffredo in Bradford, Mass. . . . Heidi K. Lombard '89 to David D. Johnson III '89 in Redding, Calif.

rate finance at Socimer International, an investment bank and consulting firm specializing in emerging markets. . . . **Richard and Mair Sirakides Hill** are enjoying life with new baby Nick while running their manufacturers representative firm selling gift items—stationery, cards, gift wrap, etc.—in Wilmette, Ill. . . . **Karla Hostetler** enjoys sailing, photography and horses in her spare time from work as projects coordinator assisting disadvantaged artisans worldwide in developing profitable craft-related businesses. . . . **Nancy Goers** and **John Hubbell** live with their many, many pets in Alexandria, Va., where Nancy and John are enjoying their new home and where Nancy volunteers in many charitable activities in their community besides working as an editor at the American Society for Horticulture Science. . . . I'm only half through what I've got from those who wrote before the deadline for this column, and that is all the room I have. We are getting responses from far and near and from many of you who have never written before. Thanks so much. Try to attend reunion in June! ♦

Correspondent:
Amy Carlson

84 Greetings to everyone! **Marc Garson** sent a wonderful letter updating me on his happenings and whereabouts for the past eight or so years. Marc received both a law degree and a master's in business administration from Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia in 1988. He then moved to Toronto, where he practiced corporate law for a year and a half. In 1991 Marc decided to "switch gears" and became a crown attorney (the equivalent of a U. S. assistant district attorney) in Sudbury, Ont. On August 9, 1992, Marc married his girlfriend of four years in St. John's, Newfoundland. They currently live in Sudbury, where Marc continues to practice as a crown attorney and his wife practices dentistry. . . . **Michelle Wolpert** also sent me a long note. After graduating from Colby, Michelle worked for Data Resources Inc. for five years, for two years as a

consultant in New York City and for three years as an economist in Boston. She then took two years off to get her M.B.A. from MIT's Sloan School of Management. After Sloan, Michelle became an economist for Amoco, where she worked for a year in Houston, Texas. Most recently, she was transferred to Buenos Aires, Argentina, for six months. She expects to be back in Houston by this summer. Michelle asked to say "Hi!" to Betsy, Tanya, Jenni, Leda and Carol '85. . . . **Deborah Sleeman Daniloff** and her husband, Yuri, were married on October 4, 1991, and are living in the San Francisco Bay area. Their son Gregory was born July 13, 1992. Yuri, who is originally from Moscow, is the director of science at Metra Biosystem, and Deborah is now working at home taking care of Gregory. . . . **Adam '83 and Becca Cunningham Weiss** are new parents as well. Becca had a baby girl, Amara Margaret Weiss, on August 30, 1992. The Weiss family lives happily in rural Vermont, where Adam teaches high school and Becca is a Vermont handcraft artist. . . . Last but not least, **Edward McCartin** married **Victoria Koneschusky** on March 14, 1992. Edward graduated from Seton Hall Law School in 1987 and currently works for Riker Dansig in Morristown, N.J. . . . One final note: mark your calendars today for our 10th reunion, June 3-5, 1994! ♦

Correspondent:
Mary Alice Weller-Mayan

85 **Suzanne Yerdon** recently transferred from Pacific Telesis in the San Francisco Bay area back home to New Jersey to work for Bell Communications Research. . . . **Martha Merrifield Martin** had her first child, Lucas Charles, on July 29, 1992. She is currently on a one-year maternity leave from teaching high school English in Rowayton, Conn. . . . **Beth Towle** recently moved from Newport, R.I., to the Boston area to expand her advertising sales territory for three marine publications. . . . **Kathleen Gillespie** is just one foreign language exam shy of an M.A. in English literature from Tufts Uni-

versity. She is enrolled in the Ph.D. program and teaching one section a semester of expository writing. She writes that **Julia Farwell** is enrolled in the same program at Tufts. . . . **Susan Perry Jones** is expecting another baby, a little girl, and already has twin boys. . . . **Wendell Perkins** has finished his master's in finance at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He is the vice president of capital markets at Johnson International. . . . **Ryan and Shireen Shahawy Stinneford** have a daughter named Allie. He is an attorney in Portland, Maine, and Shireen is a freelance media buyer in Portland. She is also the president of the Southern Maine Colby Club. In November, Shireen visited **Lynn Brunelle** and **Mark Howard** in New York City. They both live in Brooklyn Heights, where Shireen grew up. . . . **Gregory Shefrin** was married to **Nancy Abrahams** on October 31, 1992. **Roy Hirschland** was an usher and **Bruce Hickey** attended. Greg is an assistant treasurer at the Bank of New York. . . . **Victoria Whited Blakney** is teaching behaviorally impaired children in public school grades 3-5. She and her husband, David, have purchased a home in Scarborough, Maine. . . . **Carol Eisenberg** started law school at the University of Maine in 1992. She works part time as a recycling coordinator and volunteers on the board of her synagogue. . . . **Tom Nelson** works at American Express, a private bank in Miami, Fla. . . . **George Harrington** is a senior position trader with Merrill, Lynch & Co. in New York. He married **Julie Harrington** in June 1991. George is trying to help the homeless in New York City. . . . **Julie Engel** received her master's in physical therapy from the University of Michigan on November 13, 1992. She and John Booth are engaged to be married on September 5, 1993. Julie reports that **Cici Bevin Gordon** is living in Winchester, Mass., with her husband, Chris. . . . **Tom Colt** is still teaching history, doing college counseling and coaching cross country and a girl's indoor soccer team. He lifts weights every morning with students, plays ice hockey, does aerobics "like a madman" and plays trombone in a pep band for football and basketball games. . . . Both French majors at Colby, **Judit Noyes**

'86 and **Daniel Allegritti** are bringing up their daughter, **Alena**, 3, to speak French. So far she speaks as much French as English, if not more. Dan is an attorney in New Hampshire and Judith is a French teacher. . . . Since 1987, **Janet Lamoreau-Cyr** has worked for three different nonprofit organizations in Maine, Georgia and Wisconsin. Most had a mission to enable people with disabilities to become independent members of the community. She says, "It doesn't pay much in money, but the rewards in my heart are worth it." She and her husband, **Thomas Cyr**, are living in Oshkosh, Wis., but hope to get back to Maine. She reports that **Cathy Fasolino** has returned from a 20-month stay in Japan and other parts of Asia. ♦

Correspondent:
Gretchen B. Lurie

86 Okay, I apologize for an absentee column in the last issue of the magazine. Truth is, having two in tow keeps me busier than I ever expected! Hunter is 2 1/2 now and really enjoying life as a preschooler. Paige will be 1 in July and is starting to grow like a weed. One person who can easily identify with my passion for motherhood is **Deb Pernice Duffy**. Little **Hannah Elizabeth** arrived last June, bringing a whole lot of joy. After a lengthy maternity leave, Deb returned part time to her job with the EPA in Washington, D.C. . . . Between gigs with his country blues band, **A. Scott Perry** enjoys spending time with his 3-year-old son, **Spencer**, at home in Georgia. . . . **Joyce Sutton Anderson** has successfully managed to combine a teaching career (French) with motherhood. Her daughter, **Lindsay**, turned 3 this spring. . . . **Randy Mitchell** and his wife, **Lynn**, are enjoying life in Maine with their 2-year-old daughter, **Kirsten**. Randy was promoted to team leader of the underwriting department at Fleet Bank last year. . . . **Laura Goepfert** received a master's of science from Nova University in coastal zone management/marine biology and was working in Alaska for the National Marine Fisheries Service at her last writing. . . . **David Quillen**

graduated from medical school at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and is in residency training at Duke. He and wife Amy became first-time homeowners and enjoy working on their new house in Durham. . . . Robert and Lucia Stainton St. George also bought their first house. Lucia is a counselor at Planned Parenthood in Philadelphia and spends a lot of time working for women's rights and the pro-choice movement. She joined the March on Washington last year. . . . Hank Yelle Nissenbaum is VP of sales for PG&C and does quite a bit of travel with her job. Business takes her all over the U.S., but she also manages to catch great fares for whirlwind vacations to Europe. Last year Hank caught up with Colette Cote in Paris, where Colette now lives and works. During one of Hank's U.S. trips, she stopped for a visit with Brent and Jill Stasz Harris and their two sons, Brad, 8, and Jake, 2. Brent is working on his M.D./Ph.D. at Georgetown and Jill is with a small economic consulting firm. . . . Suzanne Battit graduated from Harvard Business School last year and moved to Chicago, where she's with a health-care consulting firm. Suzanne, I'm still waiting for your new address. . . . At last writing, Greg Beatty was still living in Bangkok and enjoying a few "wobblepops" with Rob Graham '84 about once a month. For more on Greg, contact Chris Parker, as Greg admits that Chris is his main Colby connection. . . . Be on the lookout for a questionnaire in your mailbox soon. I am short on news of you, so please keep in touch and I'll do my best to fill up the '86 column. Best wishes to everyone for continued happiness and success! ♦

Correspondent:
Lucy Lennon Tucker

87 Greetings, class! It's hard to believe that when you read this column it will be May, because Portland got almost two feet of snow this past weekend! Not much to report this time. I'm sure you have been busy, but if you all fill out the questionnaires you received, the following column will be loaded

with news! I heard from Laurie Franklin, who was busy planning for her May wedding to Mark Collins. Karen Czuchry Evans and Gina Cornacchio Leahy will be two of her bridesmaids. Following the wedding, Laurie and Mark will reside in Natick, Mass. . . . Fray Crease, now happily back on the East Coast, is a graduate student at the University of Rhode Island, where she is studying geological oceanography. She will be working as part of an international coalition of scientists to study the role of the ocean in carbon dioxide uptake and exchange with the atmosphere. This past fall she was on a research cruise in the central equatorial region of the Pacific Ocean, where they took cores from the ocean bottom to determine how the ocean has reacted to carbon fluctuations in the past. Fray is really excited about the work she's doing and is thoroughly enjoying being a graduate student. . . . I ran into Todd and Merridith Belden Molloy in the Old Port recently, and they're busy working on the house they are building in Cumberland, Maine. By the time you read this they should be happily settled into their new abode with their adorable black Lab, Bud. That's all I have for now. Keep the news coming! ♦

Correspondent:
Emily J. Isaacs

88 If you haven't made your reservation already, plan to join your classmates at Colby on June 4-6 for our fifth reunion. You won't want to miss out on the great parties and activities that we have planned. See you in June! ♦

Correspondent:
Deborah A. Greene

89 Ah, January . . . a great time to get started on those New Year's resolutions (such as writing one's class secretary) or else a time to sit back with another glass of champagne and forget that you need to make any resolutions. (I'm not saying which category I'm in!) I'm work-

ing for a few weeks at a company in Cambridge located a little too close to MIT and therefore learning more than I ever thought I would about microchips, lasers and fiber optics. Not just pretty patterns! In between battling with the fax machine, operating on the copier and figuring out which phone I'm supposed to answer, I've been catching up on news from classmates, which I dutifully pass along. . . . Tina Clifford has regretfully finished her stint with Up With People! and is busier than ever studying for her master's in college student personnel at the University of South Carolina. For those of you like myself who wonder what such a program might lead to, Tina may one day be back at Colby seated in the all-hallowed dean of students chair, guiding wandering students back onto the straight and narrow. . . . Leslie Dropkin Casey is on the other side of the desk, teaching at the High Mowing School in Wilton, N.H. She teaches all four levels of French, coaches girls' soccer and runs the recreational ski program for the school. In addition to completing grad school applications last fall, she was also busy planning her December 19 wedding to Richard Casey Jr., which Colby grad Norah McQuinn attended. Leslie writes that she never hesitates to recommend Colby to her students looking for the "right school." I feel that should win her some award for recruitment, but perhaps we'll have to wait until Tina's in charge up there. . . . Susan Chaffee checked in from her new location in Newtonville, Mass. She's a research associate with the Public Consulting Group in Boston, but unfortunately that's all I know about kind Sue. She's obviously too modest a person, so I'm inviting any of Sue's friends to fill me in. Look for the sequel in the next issue! . . . Suzi Schumann-Newton sent a beautiful card from Boulder, Colo., where she lives with husband Paul Newton. The two met during the summer of 1990, when Suzi went out to Colorado to rock climb with some friends, and they were married a year later. Suzi had been teaching junior high school English in Maine but is now back in school working toward a master's in elementary education and a certificate in commercial design at

Colorado University. Somehow between Suzi's school and Paul's architectural work, the pair still finds time to hike, ski, ride mountain bikes and go rollerblading. Yahoo! . . . Pete Kimpton, obviously suffering a massive guilt trip from all those unanswered Christmas cards, decided it was time to write his class secretary. He's a security consultant for International Protection Technologies, specializing in electronic security, countermeasures and covert surveillance. Although he couldn't name any of his clients, he did reveal that they include corporations, government agencies and VIPs both here and abroad. With all the developments in the Middle East (unfolding again even as I write), business has picked up dramatically, and Pete may head to Kuwait to assist opening a new branch. If I ever have a rabid bunch of Iraqis after me, I now know where to turn, although something tells me the Middle East isn't the best place for women to begin with. Pete is also the regional coordinator for the Guardian Angels here in Massachusetts, which involves organizing new chapters in New England, patrolling Boston's T and Combat Zone, assisting with hurricane relief efforts and speaking out against drugs and violence in schools. Good work. Pete also keeps in touch with Dawson Crisler, who's managing a dive shop in Florida. He's sure that she'd much rather spend another winter in Waterville than continue to get paid to scuba dive, teach and tan. But you can't fool me, Pete. I'm sure she's just waiting for her chance to model Body Glove veils for Kuwaiti women! ♦

THE NINETIES

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92 I lied in my last column—Kelly Evans and Lisa Miller are both living in Boston but not together. Kelly recently began classes at Boston College to get her master's in teaching. . . . Karen Wu, who is at UVA for a master's in environmental science, recently sent me a letter that looked more like a column of her own, so here goes. Brooke Coleman is getting her master's in psychology at Salem State. Kate Kane is working for *Inc.* magazine in Boston. Polly Sheridan is working in Milton, Mass., as a planning assistant for a development consulting firm, and after tons of training recently completed her first marathon! Julie Eells is teaching in Japan. Doug Oppenheimer is playing soccer in London but plans to return to the States in the spring. Kristen Ellis is also in London. Mike Gorra and Michelle Tupesis live in Montana. Laura Armstrong is in Boulder, Colo., and making plans to go to graduate school in the fall.

Michelle Fortier, who is in Brooklyn with Jim Condon and Mark Boles, works for Blue Cross/Blue Shield in NYC. Scott Phillips is playing on a minor league hockey team. Melissa Small is teaching math and Spanish as well as coaching cross country and track at the Leelaneau School in Glen Arbor, Mich. Yong Kwon is a history teacher at the Knox School in St. James, N.Y. J.C. Klick is preparing for his MCATs this April. Chris Frothingham is taking premed classes while working as a hospital orderly in Massachusetts. Tom Capozza is doing biological research at Princeton University. Traci Marquis is at Dartmouth Medical School. Jim Albright is at medical school in Philadelphia. Chris Malcomb is doing some traveling while also teaching short-term courses to kids grades 6-12. Kristin Nixon works for Anderson Associates and lives in Manhattan in the same building as Matt Davie, who is working as a paralegal. Tricia Baldridge is a substitute teacher in Pittsburgh. Kirt Frederickson goes to medical school in Richmond, Va. Farah Paradise is working for a law firm in Portland, Maine. Jay Hermesen and Mary Beth Heiskell are both doing research for the National Marine Fisheries Service at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachusetts. Adam Belanger works for the National Institutes of Health in D.C. Erika Gregg attends law school at U Conn. Chris Mastrangelo goes to BU law school. Pete Hayden is studying at Cornell law school. Karen Dixon and Andrew Wallace both work as paralegals in NYC. Dave and Wendy Westman Eglinton and Freddie Cole have had weddings since graduation. Dilan Siritunga and Augie Cenname are living together and working in D.C. Dave Provencal is working toward his Ph.D. in chemistry. Dave Jorgensen is the assistant director of Stu-A at Colby.

Jamie Zinman is at medical school at Syracuse University. Meredith Johnson and Joy Marean are living together in Paris, France. Angela Toms works for the National Institute of Health in D.C. And finally, Cammy Howe is teaching in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Thank you, Karen! . . . I also got a newsy letter from Tanya Nygaard, who is living in Aix-en-Provence (in the south of France), working as a nanny. She informed me that Melissa Schmidt is doing an internship in Boston with an advertising company, with the hope of getting a permanent job with them. Brian Mulvey is also job searching in the Boston area. Elizabeth Kowal is working at MIT in the undergraduate academic affairs department and

is living with Jenn Coffin. Jenni Penni is also in the Boston area looking for a job. Jodi Ernest is going to law school in California. Greg Mahoney, Tim Sullivan, Jim Burke and Jason Gleeson are all being ski bums, sharing an apartment in Breckenridge, Colo. Mark Flaherty and Todd Alexander share an apartment in Vail, where Warren Claytor and Mike Stanton are also living. The most exciting news that Tanya had is that Caroline Morris, who is currently living at home in D.C., just got a job in the Clinton White House! . . . I have to save the rest for next time. Have a happy 1993 and keep me updated on what's going on in your lives. ♦

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Michael Doubleday '91 was in the news—the *Burlington Free Press*—after he took over the operation of a local landmark, The Pretzel Cart, in Burlington. . . . *The Wayland/West Town Crier* featured the Watson Fellowship work of Jenny Alfond '92 in St. Petersburg, Russia, where she teaches environmental education and youth leadership at two local schools. . . . Andrew Benson '92 is teaching English and environmental education in Costa Rica. He is part of a group of 22 American and European volunteers with World Teach, the nonprofit organization based at Harvard University that focuses on education in underdeveloped areas. . . . John Daileanes '92 returned to the College February 28 for a ceremony in Wadsworth Gymnasium, where his number was retired for his achievements in basketball. Colby's fifth all-time scorer with 1,605 points, he made All-American and led the nation in scoring during his senior year with an average of 28.3 points per game. . . . Eric Turner '92 is making news as both the assistant director of admissions and the hockey coach for Kents Hill prep school in Kents Hill, Maine. . . . Kimberly Zimmerman '92 is actively seeking Boston-area alumni to get involved in volunteer work for the Middlesex Shelter for the Homeless in Lowell, Mass., where she serves as the volunteer coordinator.

MILEPOSTS

Marriages: John A. Singleton '91 to Margaret Anne McVey in Richmond, Va.



Geneva Smith Douglas '54, Radiation Scientist

GENEVA SMITH DOUGLAS '54, an award-winning scientist, died January 30 in Las Vegas, Nev., at age 60. She was born in Rockport, Mass., and graduated from Rockport High School. At Colby she was active in Powder and Wig, the *Echo* and the Life Science Colloquium and was a *cum laude* biology graduate and member of Phi Beta Kappa. She earned a master's degree in physiology from Mt. Holyoke College and completed postgraduate studies in physiology, radiation biology and health physics at Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole, Brookhaven National Laboratory and the University of Rochester. Her 25-year career as a scientist and public affairs director for the Public Health Service and health services director at the Las Vegas Environmental Protection Agency Laboratory involved research and radiation monitoring at the Nevada Test Site. She received the Public Health Service Meritorious Service Medal in 1985 and in 1983 was the EPA nominee for the Congressional Award for Exemplary Service to the public. Active in Soroptimist International for almost three decades, she was elected to the highest local and regional offices in the organization and was also a member of the its 80-nation Long Range Planning Group. She chaired the Friends of Nevada Wilderness in 1985-86 and remained on the steering committee until her death. The author of 15 scientific publications, she served by special appointment as an expert with the EPA following her retirement from federal government. She is survived by her husband, Richard, a sister and a brother.

Local Historian

DOROTHY SYLVESTER CARMAN '28, a teacher and local historian, died January 4 in Bangor, Maine, at 91. Born in Stonington, Maine, she attended McKinley High School in Deer Isle. At Colby she majored in Latin, graduated *magna cum laude* and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. In 1945 she received a master's degree in education from Boston University. She taught at the Berwick Acad-

emy in Isleboro, Maine, and taught and served as the Latin department supervisor in the Newton, Mass., school system. After her retirement to Deer Isle in 1947, she served on the Deer Isle school board and was a correspondent for *Island Ad-Vantages*, a local newspaper. As a founding member and long-time executive secretary of the Deer Isle-Stonington Historical Society, she pursued local genealogy and history and compiled several volumes of genealogy for area families. She is survived by a brother and three sisters.

Waterville Businessman

ALBERT W. LARSEN '28, a long-time Waterville, Maine, businessman, died February 5 in Waterville at age 86. He attended Portland, Maine, schools and graduated from Waterville's Coburn Classical Institute in 1924. He was a languages major at Colby and was active on the track and tennis teams. From 1943 to 1945 he served in the United States Air Force in the Pacific. For nearly 40 years he owned the A.W. Larsen Co. in Waterville. As an active member and past chair of the Greater Waterville Chamber of Commerce's business division, he spearheaded programs for development and renewal in the downtown area. Outside the business arena, he was an avid sportsman and was involved in many local clubs, including the Waterville-Augusta Tennis Association and the Waterville Skating Club, both of which he served as president. As a charter member and past director of Waterville's YMCA, he organized the adult tennis program and conducted the annual YMCA tennis tournament. He also sponsored the Ab Larsen Youth Tennis Tournament held at Colby for 10 years and played tennis regularly until age 82, participating in many area tournaments. In addition to his service for the YMCA, he was an active member of several other local organizations. He was recognized as Legionnaire of the Year in 1966 by the Waterville American Legion and served as commander for both the Waterville

American Legion and the Waterville chapter of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. He is survived by his wife, Jayne, and several nieces and nephews.

Church Education Director

JEAN LITTLEFIELD HOWARD '31, a director of religious education, died January 20 in Dover, N.H., at age 83. She was born in Wells, Maine, and graduated from North Berwick High School in North Berwick, Maine. After Colby she worked as a teacher in Wells, then attended Bryant and Stratton Commercial School in 1929-30. For seven years she worked as the assistant to the pastor and the director of education of the First Methodist Church in Bradford, Pa. In the 1950s she attended Syracuse University's Institute of Religious Education, and in 1961 she moved to New York City to serve as an executive for the Migrant Ministries National Council of Churches. She retired to North Berwick, Maine, where she was active in the North Berwick Congregational Church and the Women's Fellowship. She was a member and past president of the Philomath Club and the Madisses Club. Predeceased by two husbands and her uncle, Joseph F. Goodrich '26, and a cousin, Matthew E. Goodrich '37, she is survived by her daughter, Nancy Powers Ripley, a brother, two sisters and two grandchildren.

Automobile Association Head

PHILIP C. THIBODEAU '32, an automobile legal group head, died December 8 in Stoughton, Mass., at 83. He was born in Stoneham, Mass., and attended schools in Salisbury and Cheshire, Conn. A graduate of the Silleg School in Vevey, Switzerland, he was a member of the Burser Freshman Honorary Society and Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity at Colby. He graduated from Boston University Law School in 1933. During World War II he was the transportation

officer for the New England Office of Civilian Defense and was responsible for organizing civilian traffic in the event of enemy action. In 1950 he became president of the the Automobile Legal Association, a position he maintained for 20 years until his retirement in 1970. He was a member of the Dedham Country and Polo Club. A sailing enthusiast, he was a member of the Wianno Yacht Club and sailed from Maine to Florida and the Bahamas. He is survived by his wife, Nancy, a son, a brother and three grandchildren.

Engineer

WILLIAM N. DEXTER '33, a construction engineer, died December 29 in New Bedford, Mass., at 83. Born on Long Island, N.Y., he graduated from Fairhaven High School in Fairhaven, Mass., in 1927. He majored in business administration at Colby, was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and played varsity football, track and baseball. During World War II he was a resident engineer at Army Corps of Engineers air bases at Houlton, Presque Isle and Caribou, Maine. After the war he served for 25 years as the general manager and head engineer for Verrier Construction Co. of Bangor and Portland and supervised the construction of several Maine projects, including the Augusta bridge, the Bangor-Brewer bridge and the Scarborough Downs race track. He was active in several societies and clubs, including the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, the Anah Temple Shrine of Bangor and the Mattapoisett Historical Society and the Old Dartmouth Historical Society. He was a former trustee of the East Mattapoisett Friends Meeting and a charter member of the American Field Service of South Portland, Maine. He is survived by his wife, Arlene, a daughter, a sister and two grandsons.

Teacher

ELEANOR ROWELL DORSETT '33, a high school teacher, died February 4 in Morris, Conn., at age 80. She was born in Waterville, Maine, and attended Waterville High School. At Colby she was active in athletics, dramatics, public speaking and Glee Club and concentrated in English and French. She taught English and other languages in Maine and Massachusetts schools before joining Housatonic Valley Regional High School in Salisbury, Conn., where she lived for 40 years. An accomplished

musician, she also taught music at the Town Hill School in Salisbury and was a member of the Lakeville Methodist Church choir and director of the junior choir. She was a director of the Salisbury Public Health Nursing Association and served on other local boards. She is survived by two daughters, including Janet Dorsett Wachsman '69, a son, a brother, Robert C. Rowell '49, and a sister.

Hallowell Librarian

KATHERINE PHYLIS HOLMES SNELL '33, an active Colby alumna and a local librarian, died February 3 in Augusta, Maine, at 82. Born in Lubec, Maine, she attended Lubec Schools until 1924, when her family moved to Calais. She enrolled at Calais Academy, graduating in 1928. She spent one year at Oak Grove Seminary in Vassalboro before entering Colby, where she was a history major and secretary and treasurer of her sophomore class. After graduation from the College, she traveled the United States with her husband, Burrill Dexter Snell '32, before settling in Hallowell, Maine, in 1943. She was a member of the Hallowell School Board for six years and served as president of the Parent-Teachers Association. In the 1940s she was a class agent for the Colby Alumni Fund, an elected member of the Alumni Council and a member of Colby clubs in Portland and Augusta. She also served as the president, vice president and secretary-treasurer of the Western Maine Colby Alumnae Association and as president of her class. The interest she showed in history during her years at Colby was evident throughout her life. She was a member of several local historical societies, and in 1962 she co-wrote *Historic Hallowell* with Vincent P. Lewdew for the Hallowell Bicentennial. In 1963 she became the head librarian of the Hubbard Free Library in Hallowell, where she served for 24 years before retiring in 1987. Later she received recognition for her miniature furniture and Christmas trees, which she created in a workshop in her basement. In 1991 she was named Hallowell's Citizen of the Year. She is survived by two sons, including Jere Snell '61, a daughter, several grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Secret Service Agent

ANDREW G. DAIGLE '34, an agent with the Secret Service, died in 1992 at age 82. He was born in New Rochelle, N.Y. At the

College he participated in boxing and track. While serving as a trooper with the New York State Police, he attended the New York State Police School and the U.S. Treasury Training School in criminal investigation. In 1942 he joined the U.S. Secret Service. Later, as a member of the White House Detail, he attended Quebec Conferences in 1943 and 1944 and the Potsdam Conference in 1945. From 1947 to 1949 he was executive vice president of both Southern Cross Manufacturing Corp. and the Carbosand Corp. in Washington, D.C. He then returned to field work in counterfeiting and forgery. He was in charge of Margaret Truman's Detail for a time in 1951 before he returned to investigative law enforcement. He retired in 1961. For many years he lived in North Haven, Maine, and spent winters in Sebring, Fla. His wife, Marion, and three children survive him.

Foreign Service Officer

FRANCIS C. PRESCOTT '38, a foreign service officer and educator, died December 19 in Wilmington, N.C., at 75. He was born in Guilford, Maine, where he attended local schools and was class valedictorian at Guilford High School. A history major at Colby, he was president of the International Relations Club, was awarded the Goodwin Prize for Public Speaking and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He earned his master's degree in 1940 at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy in Cambridge, Mass. For one year he was an instructor in history and government at Colby. In 1941 he was inducted into the Army and during World War II served in the Pacific, where he returned in 1944 to study Japanese in preparation for service in military government. He remained in the active reserve until 1964, retiring as a lieutenant colonel. In 1947-48 he taught history and political science at Wesleyan University, and in 1949, when he received a Ph.D. in international relations from Yale, he joined the U.S. Department of State's Historical Research Division. From 1952 to 1956 he was a lecturer in U.S. diplomatic history at the American University in Washington, D.C. He then joined the United States Department of Foreign Service and served as an economic or political officer at posts in Greece, Taiwan, Morocco and East Pakistan (now Bangladesh) until his retirement in 1969. Between 1948 and 1969 he was also a historian for the Department of State, compiling and editing several volumes of

Foreign Relations of the United States. In retirement he pursued his interest in history and education by becoming a founding member of the Guilford Historical Society and an active volunteer in the State Literacy program. In 1990 he moved to North Carolina, where he continued to volunteer, working with the literacy council and the New Hanover Public Library. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude, three sons, including George Prescott '70, three sisters and four grandchildren.

School Administrator

CHARLES P. UPPVALL '39, an educator and dean of admissions at the Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, Mass., died January 2 in Westwood, Mass., at age 75. Born in Westwood, he attended Dedham High School. At the College he played football and ran track and was an officer of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. After graduating as a member of Kappa Phi Kappa with a degree in history and social sciences, he attended Harvard Graduate School. He joined the U.S. Field Artillery in 1941 and served for several years at various posts in Alabama, Oklahoma and North Carolina. He returned to Westwood, Mass., in 1946 and received an M.A. in history from Harvard. In 1956 he became the dean of admissions at Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, Mass., where he served for nearly 25 years until his retirement in 1982. In retirement he was an avid golfer and patented a golf training aid he developed. He was a loyal member of the Colby "C" Club. He was predeceased by his wife and has no surviving relatives.

Entrepreneur

JOSEPH L. PUTNAM '49, an entrepreneur, died October 5 in Denver, Colo. He was 67. He was born in Houlton, Maine, and graduated from Ricker Classical Institute. After one semester at Colby, he joined the United States Navy and served in both the Atlantic and Pacific operations during World War II. After the war he returned to Colby, where he was president of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. In the early 1950s he studied aeronautical design and technology, then joined IBM in Worcester, Mass. Later he held positions with the Jamesburg Corp. and the U.S. Expansion Bolt Company. In 1960 he became president and board chair of the J.L. Putnam Co. Inc, a firm he founded in Biddeford, Maine, to

manufacture a line of ball valves that he developed and patented. Most recently he developed software packages for dental offices and clinics. After World War II he served for 12 years in the Naval Reserves, and following his death a memorial service with military honors was held in Arlington National Cemetery. He is survived by his wife, Elva, his sister, Hannah Putnam Burbank '41, two brothers, six children and grandchildren.

Insurance Executive

JOHN S. SPARKES '50, an insurance executive, died January 1 in Ayer, Mass. He was 66. Born in Wakefield, Mass., he was a graduate of Wakefield High School. He received the Bronze Star for his service in the Battle of the Bulge during World War II. After attending Colby, where he played baseball, was class president and majored in business administration, he graduated from Boston University in 1950. For 12 years he served in several managerial positions with the Travelers Insurance Companies. In 1970 he became vice president of the Fred Church Insurance Co. and served as manager of the company's Littleton, Mass., office until his retirement in 1991. He was a member of the North Middlesex Association of Independent Insurance Agents and the Massachusetts Speakers Bureau of the property and casualty insurance industry. He is survived by his wife, Carlene MacPherson Sparkes '50, a daughter, a son, Stephen '78, a sister and four grandchildren.

Museum Curator

MARGARET WETZEL PLATH '60, formerly curator of the Yorktown Museum in Yorktown, N.Y., died December 18 in Mount Kisco, N.Y., at 54. Born in Brooklyn, she attended school on Long Island. A member of Phi Beta Kappa at the College, she was a *magna cum laude* graduate with a triple major in history, government and economics. She was active in Women's Student League, Cap and Gown and Campus Chest and was awarded the Chi Omega prize in social sciences. She continued her education at Harvard, where she was a member of Pi Lambda Theta, the national honor society for education, and received a master's degree in education in 1961. She was assistant to the dean of freshmen at Harvard for three years and from the mid-'60s to the mid-'70s served on several Yorktown school and PTA committees.

She joined the Yorktown Museum as a volunteer in 1976, moved to managing the gift shop and in 1982 was appointed curator, with responsibility for mounting and caring for historical artifacts as well as organizing tours and designing exhibits. She also managed a staff of 50 volunteers. She was a member of the American Society of Museums and the American Association of State and Local History. She also did volunteer work at local hospitals and schools. She is survived by her husband, Warren Plath, two daughters and her mother.

Stockbroker

LAWRENCE L. LANIER '68, a stockbroker, died November 13 in Greenwich, Conn. He was 47. He was born in Evanston, Ill., and attended Greenwich Country Day School and the Berkshire School, which he later served as a trustee. At Colby he majored in economics and was a member of Pi Lambda Phi fraternity. He served in the United States Air Force for four years during the Vietnam War and received a presidential commendation. In the 1970s he was a vice president at White Weld and Co. in New York and at the time of his death was employed as a stockbroker at the Greenwich office of Smith and Barney. He is survived by a daughter and a sister.

Physician

R. BRENT COTE '74, a physician, died October 18 in Cape Coral, Fla. He was 40 years old. Born in Skowhegan, Maine, he attended Cony High School in Augusta and received an associate degree from the University of Maine. He came to Colby in 1972 to study biology and while at the College pursued an interest in medicine, studying in the pulmonary function laboratory of the Thayer Unit of the Mid-Maine Medical Center in Waterville. During the summers of his college years he worked in several respiratory care departments. After graduation from Colby, he became an inhalation therapist at the Waterville Osteopathic Hospital, swiftly advancing to the positions of chief of respiratory therapy and director of the respiratory therapy and pulmonary functions laboratory. His work at the hospital led him to become an osteopathic physician. In 1978 he joined 35 other students in the first class of the New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, Maine. He is survived by his wife, Rebekah.

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