A New Age for Summer Session

This past July and August, Andover Hill had a feel somewhat different than that of the 65 summers prior. For the first time, the Academy welcomed rising eighth-graders: a select group of 49 young learners took part in the newest Summer Session program—the Lower School Institutes.

For five weeks, these younger students from as near as North Andover and as far away as Hong Kong got a taste of boarding school life and were challenged academically via one of three interdisciplinary courses:

**CHARTING THE NATURAL WORLD:**
*Math Meets Biology*

**DIG THIS:**
*History and Archaeology*

**EXPRESS YOURSELF:**
*Making Literature Come Alive*

For more than five hours each day, Phillips Academy instructors Matt Lisa (math), Keith Robinson ’96 (biology), Erin Strong (theater & dance), and Elisabeth Tully (director of the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library) led students in course work. LSI also provided its young participants ample time to embark on weekly field trips to destinations including the Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology’s ongoing excavation in Danvers, Mass., to enjoy fun activities both off and on campus, and to explore all aspects of life as a boarding school student.

As a result of the LSI program, many participants are considering applying to boarding school for the ninth-grade year. Thus, Andover has provided a new group of “youth from every quarter” an important introduction to a possible route for their future, a future that may include Andover itself.

—Paul Murphy, Director of Summer Session
November 2007

Dear Members of the Andover Community:

We write at a time of great energy and promise for Phillips Academy and the students it serves. This is the first in a series of updates we will be writing on the Strategic Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in 2004, reporting to you on progress in meeting Strategic Plan objectives, and previewing action we will initiate in coming months. We also write with gratitude to so many of you for supporting these efforts.

As you will recall, the Strategic Plan focused on one ambitious goal:

To reaffirm the mission of Phillips Academy to be a school that educates... outstanding youth from every quarter by effectively challenging them to develop their potential and to depart as thoughtful, versatile, responsible participants in the global community.

This goal includes three critical components: students, program, faculty. This letter highlights the remarkable progress made to date on the first—the students component. In summary, we have opened the opportunity of an Andover education through increased access and affordability. We have both focused and extended recruitment, and expanded financial aid dramatically each year since 2004.

The most compelling news is that, starting next year, admission to Andover will be conducted on a 100 percent need-blind basis. What does “need-blind” mean at Andover? Beginning in September 2008, Andover will be able to admit the most qualified students regardless of their families’ ability to pay the cost of an Andover education and will meet 100 percent of all families’ demonstrated need. We are grateful to preceding generations for continuing attempts to achieve need-blind status. Building on this foundation, we are confident we will secure the resources to achieve this initiative.

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Our ultimate aim could well be described as “from every quarter, to every quarter.” As an American school with a dynamic worldview, we search the United States and the globe for students with the most to gain and the most to give. We educate extraordinarily talented students, and they leave equipped with the knowledge and desire to make a positive difference, no matter what their path in life.
Opportunity & Access

Providing opportunity requires access. Finding the most promising youth from every quarter—and making the opportunity of an Andover education affordable—has been a core value of the institution from the beginning. Andover seeks to ensure access to young people of talent, intelligence, and integrity from diverse cultural, geographic, racial, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Presently, Andover's 1,090 students represent 46 states and territories, and 31 countries.

The following achievements reflect our progress toward increasing access:

- Andover received more than 2,400 student applications for admission last year—the largest applicant pool among our peer schools. Our admit rate is highly competitive: 20 percent. Our yield (the number of students admitted who chose to attend) is 74 percent, the highest in our peer group. Our yield among financial aid admissions is 83 percent.

- The admission team's national and international travel has increased 40 percent, resulting in a 21 percent increase in applications over the last three years. More than 500 Alumni Admission and Parent Network Representatives conduct interviews and serve as event hosts and “ambassadors.”

- We have expanded our targeted recruitment areas to the U.S. Southeast, West, and Midwest, and internationally to South Africa, China, India, Brazil, and Great Britain.

- Looking to the future, a committee is considering the composition of the student body. Comprising faculty, administrators, students, and trustees, it is charged with guiding the admission office in developing an understanding of “youth from every quarter” in our time, and how this should shape priorities for admission outreach and programming.

- The Academy is one of five independent schools selected to partner with the Shelby Davis family to pilot a program enhancing domestic and international diversity within secondary schools. The program will support the admission of up to 10 students to Andover each year, who would then be eligible, upon graduation, for continued scholarship support in college.
Opportunity & Affordability

Since 1778, Phillips Academy has been committed to providing access to academic excellence to students from all socioeconomic backgrounds. This is a matter of affordability. There have been scholarship students at Andover since day one; the first endowed scholarship dates to 1789.

When the Board of Trustees voted to set the goal of need-blind admissions in the Academy's 2004 Strategic Plan, the problem of socioeconomic status as the most accurate predictor of access to America's best educational opportunities was beginning to be highlighted by new research. In the three years since the board's decision, that concern has only increased, and in the interim several other institutions have joined us in this pursuit.

Andover attracts by far the largest and most diverse applicant pool among peer schools. Given the strong representation of all socioeconomic groups within that pool, the Academy sets no prescribed ceiling on family income when offering full scholarships. By looking at the overall picture (income, assets, number of children, and payments for other tuition-charging institutions), we guarantee the flexibility required to respond to each family's circumstances and meet need fully where it exists.

Andover’s long-standing commitment to providing financial aid scholarships across the socioeconomic spectrum—specifically the lower-, middle-, and upper-middle-class income bands—will be enhanced by this important new policy.

The following achievements reflect our progress toward the Strategic Plan’s core objective in terms of affordability:

- Since 2004, the Board of Trustees has increased the financial aid budget by 42 percent, and the average financial aid grant has increased from $22,200 to $27,500. During this period of growth, the Academy has increased the percentage of the student body on aid from 36.5 percent to 41 percent, while maintaining 10 percent of the student body on full scholarship.

- Increasingly, financial aid packages are not limited to tuition, but include, for example, computers and books, medical insurance, travel to and from school, and support for a wide range of summer enrichment opportunities.

- The board voted to replace all student loans with financial aid grants beginning in September 2007.

- As mentioned above, admission to Andover will be on a 100 percent need-blind basis beginning in September 2008.
Sustaining Opportunity

To support and sustain this critical initiative, our intent is to build upon our existing strong legacy of support for term scholarships and financial aid endowment by raising upwards of $60 million in new funds for financial aid. To date, approximately 20 percent of that goal has been met.

We are confident we will be able to ensure Andover’s continuing relevance, its commitment to youth from every quarter, and its strong leadership in advancing the ideals of inclusion and opportunity for the rising generation’s most promising leaders and servants of society. Our historic commitment to urge our students toward a higher purpose continues to challenge us. We educate them to go into the world as leaders who see service as an integral part of leadership.

Once again, we thank you for your help in advancing this critical work at Andover. We welcome your thoughts on these important topics and encourage your participation as we move forward. Please e-mail any comments or questions to strategicplan@andover.edu. A copy of the Strategic Plan is available online at www.andover.edu/about_andover/home.htm.

Sincerely,

Barbara Landis Chase
Head of School

Oscar L. Tang ’56
President, Board of Trustees
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This space typically is reserved wholly for previews of material appearing elsewhere in the Bulletin. But that is not the case this issue. Instead, much of this column sums to inform you of a story not included in this publication.

Twice in the last two years Alexander Hetfner ‘08 has been featured in the Bulletin. In Summer 2006, his WPAA political talk show The Progressive Mind garnered mention in our Dateline Andover section for a dozen “Campaign Forum” interviews conducted with candidates for U.S. office. Then, in the Bulletin’s Spring 2007 issue, we spotlighted Hetfner’s coverage of the State of the Union Address via Internet broadcast of his radio show. The PA senior welcomed to the airwaves (and World Wide Web) a number of America’s top journalists from publications such as US News & World Report, the Washington Post, and the Wall Street Journal.

Now, Hetfner has taken another step to join their ranks.

In early November, he and Yale University counterpart Andrew Mangano launched Scoop08, an online entity described at www.andover.edu “an innovative new interactive journalistic endeavor involving hundreds of student reporters from across the country. The nonpartisan online publication (www.scoop08.com) will report in depth and exclusively on topics affecting the 2008 presidential election and how they impact young Americans, with the intent of breaking news of interest to all generations from a fresh perspective.”

Says Hetfner: “Our mission is to offer coverage that is refreshing, revealing, and challenging in an innovative way. We want to engage young people in this election.” Scoop08 certainly has engaged a number of notables from the worlds of journalism and politics: its advisory board includes William F. Buckley Jr., Jonathan Alter, Judy Woodruff, Frank Rich, Gary Hart, Joe Lieberman, Alan Simpson, and Norman Ornstein, among others.

This sounds like the sort of PA student endeavor that deserves a mention in the Bulletin, doesn’t it? Agreed, but it’s hard to justify repeat coverage of one student when there are so many notable candidates walking the campus pathways. Take seniors Sebastian Cahri and Josh Intantine, for instance. Turn to page 26 to learn how this pair’s project for a national math, science, and technology competition could impact how health-care providers one day tackle viruses.

Previous articles about Hetfner and our current feature on Cahri and Intantine demonstrate a renewed push to provide coverage of the students who help make Andover the exceptional place it is. What with its frequent and numerous pieces profiling alumni, on-campus and outreach programs, and special events such as Non Sibi Day and Reunion, the Bulletin also must be ever aware of those compelling student stories that help make PA distinctive. Our goal is to bring more of those types of articles your way, preferably before these doers and thinkers join the august ranks of our alumni body.

—Scott Aubrey
I second A. Bernard Ackerman's tribute in your Summer 2007 issue to teacher Dudley Fitts. By the time I took his upper middler English course in 1966-1967, he was within a year or two of his death. What a refreshing educator! During the fall term, we read The Odyssey. In the winter term, it was Macbeth—and, as I remember it, Ethan Frome in the spring. One day he asked us to write a thank-you note, known then as a bread and butter letter. I did my best, turned it in, and received the following verdict from "the Dad," scrawled in his tiny letters in the upper right-hand corner of the page: "Sounds like a ventriloquized corpse."

—Jim Stokely '68, South Hamilton, Mass.

In your recent publication, “An Examination Both Instructive and Shocking” by A. Bernard Ackerman, MD '54 was superb! (Tales out of School, Summer 2007) The article was pure Andover, demonstrating the Academy's expectation of diligent study preparation, an opportunity to transform knowledge into another medium, and "opening windows and doors" to personal talent and the challenges of daily life.

We always enjoy the Bulletin but have never felt the need to comment in the past. Dr. Ackerman's essay is a reason to share our joy with you.

We know Andover is the finest secondary school in the world. Our heartfelt thanks for letting us participate with you as parents—and hopefully grandparents in the future—of an Andover graduate.

—Hugo and Mary Roesler P'89, Kalamazoo, Mich.

As one who has for some years had occasion to use French on a daily basis at work, I've come to appreciate the quality of the instruction I received from the PA French department. Sure, my accent is far from perfect, and I forget words every now and then, but overall I function reasonably well in a largely francophone union office. That's got to be a tribute to something, particularly given the many years I've lived in cities where I had no occasion at all to use my French.

Each of my four instructors was a master in his own unique way. There was Floyd Humphries, for whom the adjective dynamic was far too mild. That same year, we also had M. Camille Bauer, a wonderfully whimsical soul who gave many of us pet nicknames. Down the road, at the advanced level, there was A.D. "Granite" Gibson, who was definitely sui generis—a modern-day Simon Legree with an inexplicable taste for Molière.

In between the Humphries and Gibson years, I was blessed to have the single most delightful teacher I've ever encountered in all my years in education—Steve Whitney, whose obituary appeared in the Bulletin's Summer 2007 issue. With his Truman-era suits, detachable-collar shirts, and long, rolling cadences, he looked to be 49 going on 80. The truth of the matter was that Steve was as sly as a fox—the La Fontaine fox whose exploits with a certain crow and piece of cheese he had us all memorize and recite.

There may have been better linguistic technicians than Steve Whitney, but there was no shrewder psychologist. Instinctively he knew that learning a foreign language is hard work, work that the brain will resist to the best of its ability—and that the best way for a teacher to overcome that resistance is to keep his students rolling in the aisles. And keep us rolling he did. More than once, I left Steve's 5:10 class with sides aching from laughter. With his stage wink and rolling drawl, he could turn the most ordinary bit of pedagogy into a howler. "Pourriez-vous parler un peu plus lentement, s'il vous plaît?" took—let's see—near a minute on days when Steve was in good form. (I have never dared draw out the phrase to quite that extent myself, but it has certainly proven a useful survival tool for me in francophone environments.)

Along the way, Steve more or less subtly inculcated the virtues of the French culture as the source of true sophistication in wine and liquor, romance, and much else. Nothing radical about that—just a careful reading of Maupassant and a few others would get you there. It was thanks largely to Steve Whitney that I was ready for that trip to France when I finally got it the summer before senior year.

My single most memorable moment with Steve Whitney occurred the first class after spring vacation. Like many another insomniac lad of my time, I'd tuned in to late-night radio stations far and wide—including some from Montreal. The problem was that, despite nearly two years of French, I could scarcely understand a word. When I told Steve about my experience, he simply smiled and said, "That's OK. I can't understand those guys, either."

Despite being a Camel smoker (at least in his younger days), Steve Whitney lived to be 95. I'm not surprised. Anyone who has as much fun and makes life as much fun for others as Steve Whitney did has earned that longevity 10 times over.

—Jon Peirce '63, Ontario, Canada

R.S.V.P.
Want to respond to something you read?
The Andover Bulletin considers for publication all letters commenting on the content of articles in recent issues. Letters may be edited for length, grammar, and style. Disagreement with administrative policies will not eliminate a letter from consideration. However, letters characterized by personal invective will not be published.
Phillips Academy’s commitment to recruit “youth from every quarter” has received a significant boost from the Shelby Davis family, whose philanthropy is perhaps best known for the Davis United World College Scholars Program, which currently supports more than 1,400 scholars at more than 85 American colleges and universities.

Andover will be part of two Davis pilot programs—one domestic and one international—that will award need-based scholarships to enhance diversity at secondary boarding schools. Initial grants will be awarded in the 2008–2009 academic year. The goal of both programs is to attract highly motivated potential future leaders who would benefit from the educational opportunities of select American boarding schools. The domestic program also seeks to serve those students who would be among the first in their family to attend college.

Davis family philanthropy will award grants of up to $20,000 per student, per year, based on demonstrated need. Students will be recruited to enroll in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades, as well as during the postgraduate year. Upon graduation from Phillips Academy, Davis Scholars will be eligible for continued scholarship support should they matriculate at any of the 85 approved Davis Scholars colleges and universities in the United States.

"We at Andover feel extraordinarily fortunate to be included in this program, which is so well aligned with the Academy’s founding principles and the goals of our Strategic Plan," said Head of School Barbara Lands Chase. "That plan challenges us to find new ways to provide access for young people of talent and integrity from a variety of cultural, geographic, racial, and socio-economic backgrounds. The grant from the Davis family not only addresses this goal, but elevates it further by supporting these deserving students in the next phase of their lives—at our nation’s best colleges and universities."

The Academy is especially grateful for the connection established by Victoria Davis ’86 of Occidental, Calif., added Chase. "Thanks to Tony’s confidence in PA and her commitment to her alma mater, we were invited by the Shelby Cullom Davis Charitable Fund last spring to discuss our participation in this program."

Dean of Admission Jane Fried is excited about the potential of the Davis Scholarship Program to help attract and support new student populations at Andover. "The ability to reassure families not only about the continuity of financial aid support for secondary school but also for college will provide an important recruitment tool for admissions and will help the Academy broaden its composition of the student body," she said.

The Davis program also is aligned with Andover’s longstanding tradition of fund-raising to provide generous support for students. More than 41 percent of students receive financial aid, thanks to the generosity of benefactors including alumni, parents, and foundations.

The Davis family has selected five independent schools to pilot the program. Others are Emma Willard, Lawrenceville, Tapp, and Westminster. Each year, from six to 10 students would enroll at Andover as Davis family scholars (with an equal number of domestic and international students benefiting).

—Tracy M. Sweet
We were conditioned not to have any dreams or aspirations of becoming a doctor, a lawyer, or even going to college,” said Paula Crisostomo, who addressed an All-School Meeting in October.

Now the director of government and community relations for Occidental College in Los Angeles, Crisostomo provided the Andover student body with a portrait in learning far different than the one they experience at PA: In the mid-to late 1960s, East Los Angeles high schools such as Crisostomo’s provided Chicano students an education appropriate for future factory workers, auto mechanics, and housewives. She and her peers were schooled in deteriorating buildings with near-empty libraries, they were not allowed to speak their native Spanish in class, they were prohibited from using school restrooms during lunch.

They were not going to take it anymore.

In March 1968, Chicano students from five East Los Angeles high schools walked out of their classes in protest of the substandard education they were receiving. By the time the historic “blow-outs” concluded a week and a half later, more than 20,000 high school students had participated across the city.

A central figure in the walkouts, Crisostomo said the 1968 protests followed repeated attempts by students to be heard by teachers, administrators, and elected officials via more customary channels. “We were patronized, belittled, or outright ignored,” she said. “The walkout was not our first step. It was our last.”

As depicted in the 2006 HBO film Walkout, protesting students were greeted with brutality at the hands of Los Angeles police; film footage of the violence was kept under wraps for nearly 30 years, Crisostomo told the All-School Meeting crowd.

She urged the 1,100 Andover students in attendance to remember her, “the radical woman from the ’60s” who stood up to oppression, and asked those same students—tomorrow’s leaders—not to tolerate such oppression on their watch.

—Scott Aubrey

SAM PHIL RENOVATION—Though seemingly unchanged from the outside, Samuel Phillips Hall benefited from an interior overhaul and beautification this past summer. Facilities renewal work included updated electrical, plumbing, and fire protection services; handicapped accessibility also was improved. The building now enjoys programmatic improvements, as well: Accessible from Sam Phil’s refurbished lobby (pictured) is semi-shared space for the Department of History & Social Sciences and the Division of World Languages. The two departments’ closer proximity enhances connections between the disciplines and fosters faculty interaction.
PA Physics Courses Shed AP Designation

Two courses successful in preparing Andover students for Advanced Placement physics exams in Mechanics and in Electricity and Magnetism will no longer carry the AP designation. The Department of Physics, confident in how Physics 550 and 580 are currently structured, has opted not to submit their course plans for approval by the College Board.

The decision comes on the heels of a move by the College Board, which administers the Advanced Placement exams, to curb those schools whose AP labeled courses do not measure up and therefore do not prepare students properly. AP course outlines must now be submitted to the College Board.

Kathleen Pride, chair of the Department of Physics, says the number of schools offering AP courses has grown steadily in recent years. "The College Board is trying to make sure the courses called AP are authentic," she says. "I don't think they're aiming at Andover."

For three years running, Andover has been honored by the College Board as the top large school in the world (500 or more students in grades 10-12) when it comes to helping a wide segment of its student population earn grades of 3 or higher on the AP Physics exams. Andover students, in 2006-2007, averaged a 4.357 on the five-point Mechanics test and 4.258 on the Electricity and Magnetism exam.

While most schools take two years to cover material needed to prepare for the AP physics exams, Andover does so in one. Physics 550 is a year-long AP-level course, while Physics 580 covers the same AP-level material but in only two terms and follows up on material introduced in Physics 380 College Physics.

Approximately 95 students are enrolled in Physics 550 and 580 this academic year. "Our students will continue to take the AP exams and continue to do well," assures Pride.

—Scott Audrey

Trustees Explore the Challenges of Global Education

Their fall 2007 meeting, held October 25-27, presented members of the Board of Trustees with multiple opportunities to hear about the progress the Academy is making toward the goals of its Strategic Plan, and to participate in two generative discussions with faculty and administrators—one on global education and the other on the composition of the student body.

The issue of global education was addressed during a three-hour dialogue session that used an innovative "wisdom of crowds" approach to encourage broad thinking across this complex topic. During this event, trustees and invited members of the faculty and administration broke into small groups to brainstorm about the challenges of educating global citizens for the 21st century. Board President Oscar L. Tang '56 echoed the thoughts of many of the event's attendees in calling the session "personally stimulating," adding that "it helped us to sort out the highlights of the meaning of global citizenship and consider the Academy's response to its responsibility to educate future leaders."

Members of the Composition of the Student Body Committee briefed trustees on recent conversations with students and faculty members and explained how the conversations were examining the issue of student body composition from a wide range of perspectives. The charge of the committee is to guide the admission office in developing an understanding of "youth from every quarter" in our time, and how this interpretation informs the priorities and focus of admission, outreach, and programs.

In other business, the board received updates on the renovation plans for Commons and the Addison Gallery, and heard from Brian Allen, director of the Addison, that the museum has already raised $20 million toward its campaign goal of $30 million. Secretary of the Academy Peter Ramsey reported that total philanthropy for FY07 exceeded $38 million, setting a new school record. That figure includes the record-setting $8.6 million raised for

Where in the World Is Andover?

Kenan Grants support faculty's summer expeditions

For more than three decades, Phillips Academy faculty have used funding supplied through Kenan Grants to follow pursuits academic, professional, and personal. Many of the 2007 recipients spent time last summer immersed in projects that took them far from home. The following is a summary of Kenan-supported initiatives that provided faculty an opportunity to bid Andover au revoir, arriver, or auf wiedersehen, at least temporarily.
the Andover Fund. Principal gifts officer Gerrit Keator reported that the Academy had just received an anonymous, unrestricted $5 million pledge that will count toward the school's upcoming capital campaign.

Following the recommendations of the Annual Giving Board and the Senior Administrative Council, the trustees voted to allocate approximately $450,000 of the surplus Andover Fund money to four current projects:

♦ the completion of a math computer lab in Morse Hall;
♦ the acquisition and implementation of additional technology for use in Samuel Phillips Hall by the Division of World Languages and the Department of History & Social Science;
♦ the renovation of several bathrooms and kitchens in faculty residences; and
♦ a restructuring of the alumni portal as part of the overall redesign of the Academy's Web site.

The board also approved the audited financial statements for FY07. The Academy's endowment investment performance for FY07 was approximately 21.2 percent, a significant increase from the previous year's 10.6 percent figure. As of June 30, 2007, the Academy's endowment value was approximately $789 million, a 17.8 percent increase for the year. The increase reflects investment performance, new gifts and transfers to the endowment, and the draw of $34 million for Academy expenses. The "all-in" draw rate for FY07 was 5.65 percent of the average endowment value for the 13 quarters ending June 30, 2006.

—Stephen Porter

**Don Barry**  
**MATHEMATICS**

Researched a book tracing the history of a mission school in Talas, Turkey, founded by representatives of the American Board for Foreign Missions, which itself was founded in Andover in the early 1800s. Barry's research took him across America. "I've discovered some great documents that I've never seen cited in other histories of the mission, as well as connections to the Academy that I never dreamed of," he says. "I hope to get to the mission archives in Istanbul next year."

**Stephanie Curci**  
**ENGLISH**

Returned for 2 1/2 weeks to Haiti (the focus of her graduate work and a favorite destination since she was a girl) to develop a Web site on the island nation's historical sites. "I'm trying to create a visual historical record," says Curci. "I've taken pictures on and off for years. I went there last March and will return again next March." The site is live at www.mappinghaitianhistory.com, but is also an ongoing project.

**Margaret Jackson**  
**Counseling Services**

Journeyed to Newmilnes, Ayrshire, Scotland, where her grandmother was born, to uncover details about her family's past. Jackson's grandmother was an illegitimate child, thus complicating the search for information. "I was able to locate her birth certificate and her marriage certificate, and discover some truths and lies," says Jackson.

**William Lychack**  
**Writer in Residence, English**

Spent nearly four weeks in Yangon and Mandalay, Myanmar—teaching English at a village school, visiting monasteries, interviewing monks and nuns, and talking with trishaw drivers, guides, riverboat captains, and diplomats. Lychack says the visit may prompt a published work: "I tried, most of all, not to be a tourist—to just learn and watch and let the culture and situation wash over me. I wrote a piece, but decided not to publish it, as I'd like to return to Myanmar again in the spring for my fourth visit."

**Mary Mulligan**  
**History & Social Science**

Traveled to New York City to see Journey's End on Broadway. Winner of the 2007 Tony Award for Best Revival of a Play, R.C.
Sherritt's 1928 battlefield drama helped develop the modernist view that World War I was a meaningless waste, a point still debated by historians. Mulligan reaches the senior seminar The Great War Triumph or Tragedy.

**Cathe rine Roden**  
**Biology, Chemistry**

Researched invertebrate and fish species in Eleuthera, Bahamas, as a member of a 10-person Earthwatch Institute team. The 11-day expedition entailed assisting with reef fish, invertebrate, and conch surveys in hopes of promoting the sustainable use and development of this small Bahamian island. In addition, the group spent time collecting information and speaking with locals about a range of environmental issues, so as to learn more about their culture and environmental awareness. Kenan Grants are made via the William R. Kenan Jr. Fund, a PA endowment established in 1975 by the Kenan Trust of New York.

**Emily Trespas**  
**Art**

Developed a series of drawings and watercolors in the Italian regions of Umbria and Campania. She also bound and illustrated a travel journal while exploring the ancient Roman footpaths along the Amalfi Coast. "Having my Italian conversational skills and broadening my ear for these two different areas also proved most interesting," says Trespas.

**Therese Zemlin**  
**Art**

Spent three weeks as an artist-in-residence at the Franz Masereel Centrum, a center for printmaking in Belgium. She used this opportunity to produce a series of digital and cut paper works based on illustrations of single-cell organisms by Ernst Haeckel.

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**Addison in Dublin**

One of the Addison Gallery of American Art's great masterpieces, a wall drawing by Sol LeWitt (pictured, at left), has made the trip to the American ambassador's residence in Dublin, Ireland. The project marked a collaboration between the Addison, the American Embassy, the State Department's prestigious Art in Embassies Program, and the Irish Museum of Modern Art. Shepherding the collaboration were Thomas Foley '71, the American ambassador to Ireland, and Brian Allen, the Addison director.

The Addison owns one of the most comprehensive collections of LeWitt wall drawings. The Addison preparators, working in Dublin with the preparators from the Irish Museum of Modern Art, instilled the wall drawing to splendid effect in the ambassador's magnificent 18th century residence in Phoenix Park. "The conversation between two great works of art—the neoclassical building and the conceptual wall drawing—are endlessly fascinating," says Allen.
ON COURSE

by Scott Aubrey

The nine students seated about the conference table in the basement of Cochran Chapel had been presented with what could have been an unenviable task: build a better society. Using the philosophy of the late John Rawls as springboard, the “lawmakers” discussed essential governing principles—some easily conceded, some ever slightly more divisive. The students agreed their would be a tolerant secular state in which universal health care and Social Security would be guaranteed. But what of publicly funded day care? Or required military service? In Tom Hodgson’s Global Justice class, general agreement was not too difficult to reach: the students, like-minded in their views, laced their conversation with laughter and smiles.

The U.S. Congress, it was not.

But then Hodgson raised the stakes. Instead of representing a single community or country, the students would be asked to apply the same questions on a global level. Consensus surely would be more difficult to find in a world of diverse nations than a classroom of consonant teenagers.

Such is one principle driving a central question of this philosophy course: “What does the search to understand and promote justice entail in our increasingly interconnected world?”

Hodgson, chair of the Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies, says thinking about the economic, environmental, and political dimensions of justice on a global scale is nothing new, but the concept has gained momentum in the last 10-13 years. Contributing factors to the increase in discourse reach back further: two world wars, battles (ideological and military) between Communist and capitalist states, and growth of a global marketplace.

“Technology has made the world smaller,” he adds. “It has also made us more productive, more dangerous, and more knowledgeable about the broad and deep consequences of our individual and collective actions.”

Hodgson developed Global Justice, now in its fourth year, as a reaction to growing humanitarian concern about worldwide issues of genocide, poverty, the ecosystem, and the use of military strength to spread electoral democracy and capitalism. “I felt I had a responsibility to help myself and my students better understand our place in the interconnected world we share,” the longtime Andover instructor says. “I was excited to see a reference to something like global citizenship in the Academy’s Strategic Plan, and I wanted students to help me think through just what that might entail.”

Simone Hill, a senior from Atlanta, says she opted for the fall term course as a means of gaining a more eyes-wide-open perspective on global living. “Global Justice has prompted me to think about what my own contribution to the world should be—and take into consideration how my everyday actions can impact the world as a whole,” she says. “The course has definitely heightened my global awareness, encouraging me to think about current issues and controversies I had never really had any interest in before.”

Fellow senior Lydia Dallett came to Global Justice already interested in countries’ economic and political interactions. But a few weeks into fall term, the novice philosopher admitted some frustration with what she describes as the hypothetical nature of the class material. “Global leaders are not going to get together to discuss the moral rights and wrongs of their individual or collective actions,” says the Andover day student. “Those who have gotten together have produced documents, like the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, that set out wonderful notions of harmony that governments can choose to ignore. If recognizing and following the declaration was a prerequisite for engaging in the United Nations or aspects of global trade, countries might be more inclined to improve human rights.”

Hodgson surely appreciates such desire for forward action. Despite assignments hinged upon building societies, global change cannot be fully realized in an Andover classroom—but seeds for the future can be planted.

“We know our students will be influential,” says Hodgson. “But for them to be the best kind of leaders, they will need to understand a wide range of relevant facts, be familiar with a useful set of normative concepts, and continue to follow the effects of different policy initiatives on the lives of others and on the overall health of the planet.”

This is part of a continuing series of Bulletin articles spotlighting courses currently offered at Phillips Academy.
THE RIGHT MIX
Andover football blends talents, builds bonds, and achieves success

By Andy Clune

They are a "band of brothers," these Andover student-athletes who strap on shoulder pads and strap up the chinstraps of their helmets every afternoon throughout the fall. They run and sweat, and when their fatigue begs them to slow down, their teammates urge them to push onward. They simultaneously enjoy and endure the physical pounding and mental exertion of learning the game of football. They do so because it's fun to spend time in the endeavor with their teammates and coaches, but also because they are rewarded each weekend with a chance to don the Andover blue and compete against another band of green- or red- or gold-clad griddies.

Began during a pre-season mini-camp and augmented through the grueling two-weeks of early September, the bond amongst these young men is very strong. Every year the chemistry is different; as postgraduates and other newcomers arrive to join the returning varsity players and the hopefuls from the previous year's JV squad. But when the chemistry is right—as it has been quite often over the years—the Andover football team becomes the proverbial whole that is greater than the sum of its parts.

The 2007 senior tri-captains—Mike Gummer, Matt Giske, and Chad Hollis—have been part of three very successful FA teams and believe that the camaraderie has been a huge ingredient. Even if you're tired or hurt, even when you're trailing in a game, "you feel stronger because they're with you," says Giske of his teammates. As new hopefuls in 2005, all three felt intimidated at first and amazed at the size of some of the older players, but it wasn't long before those feelings gave way to a sense of being valued as teammates and potential contributors to the team's success. In similar fashion, Bryn Farris and Ryan McCarthy, two postgraduates on this year's team, speak of feeling welcomed by the core of returning players.

In a football program that has captured New England Prep School championship honors in 1995, 1997, and 1999, compiling 15 winning seasons in the past 21, and has lost only one regular season game in the past three years, the common denominator, of course, is head coach Leon Modeste and his excellent staff. Asked about being so consistently competitive in the tough New England prep arena, Modeste credits the players and acknowledges the importance of maintaining the same group of assistant coaches for several years—but he also believes that each season is separate. While younger players may establish themselves in certain positions, the yearly influx of new players brings different strengths and skills to the mix. Rather than sticking rigidly to a static system, Modeste welcomes the challenge of adjusting schemes to take best advantage of the team's talents. Case in point: the 2005 and 2006 Andover teams relied heavily on the running game, while this year's team featured more of a wide-open passing attack with Farris throwing often to Gummer, McCarthy, and others.

Modeste believes in not overwhelming his players with too many different plays and schemes, instead relying on some basic things, with variations, from a variety of different formations. Instead of teaching kids to play right guard or left halfback, specifically, he and his staff teach football. Keeping terminology simple is important as players make the transition from playing in different systems. As much as possible, the coaching staff wants players to know more than their own assignments; they must know what's going on around them, as well. While some time is spent doing drills in small groups by position, the coaches place more emphasis on the full-team period, with lots of repetition, including "walk-throughs," so that, for instance, linemen can watch what the backs are doing and how a play is developing.

Modeste also stresses how important the players are in contributing to the game plan, particularly when it comes to in-game adjustments. "They're the ones on the field," he says, "so they often have a good sense of what's working or what's breaking down." Farris really values that interaction and feels
it's a great learning experience for him to be able to say, "Here's what we are seeing, so this play should work," and have his coach's reaction be "Do it!" Modeste recalls the Andover-Exeter game in 1990, when the defense was stalled and guard Mike Bower '91, confident he could handle the defensive lineman across from him, said simply, "Run over me." The Blue did just that on the way to a 16-0 victory. In 2006 when the Cushing defense was keying on running back Anthony Ambrosi '07, following lead blocker Luke Deluca '07, and having success slowing down the Andover ground attack, it was Ambrosi who unselfishly urged the coaches to cross up the defense by having Deluca carry the ball behind his blocks. Final score: Andover-26, Cushing-0.

On the defensive side of the ball, coach Lou Bernieri's schemes also are geared toward taking advantage of his players' strengths. That does not mean Andover's players are necessarily bigger than their opponents. Instead, an attacking style of defense puts PA kids in motion, makes them tougher to block, and tries to disrupt the other team's offensive flow, forcing opponents out of their comfort zone.

A long list of former Andover football players have continued playing at the college level with considerable success. One of the very best, Zak DeOssie '03, began his professional career with the New York Giants in 2007. An outstanding defensive player and strong-armed quarterback during his four years at PA, DeOssie played linebacker and earned All-American honors at Brown before being drafted by the NFL. In 2007 he reported having "an absolute blast." He says there is not only a huge jump in size and speed at the professional level but also an increase in football intelligence. He and his teammates spend long hours studying film, mastering their playbook, and going through many, many repetitions on the practice field to know what everyone on the team is doing. Despite the chance to compete now with the best players in the world, DeOssie still calls his Andover-Exeter games—all four of them—"hands down, among the best football experiences in [his] life."

DeOssie credits "Coach Mo" and "Coach Lou" with inspiring him in important ways but also with making sure players were having fun, whether winning or losing. "In high school I didn't know much, but they let me try things and learn through experience," he says.

More than anything, DeOssie developed a real passion for football: "I left PA loving the game and wanting to play it as long as possible."

This year's captains echo DeOssie's praise for the coaches' mixing it up, making it fun, not letting practice be drudgery. Modeste and his staff understand that the academic work and other demands of PA can be grueling and that kids are sometimes exhausted, explains Ciummei. It isn't coaches yelling but rather the strength of fellowship and the bond of common goals that help the players push through their fatigue.

To Modeste, Zak DeOssie is, without a doubt, one of a small handful of truly special athletes he has coached, but at the same time he is also one of the many "gentlemen jocks," who, in Modeste's view, typify the Andover program—"respectful kids who are serious students and get after it on the field." He believes that the key to consistent success is to attract kids who, regardless of what happens in sports, truly want to be at PA. No ambivalent guys. Then those who want to be part of the Andover football program will have the chance to work hard, excel, and join the band of brothers.

Andy Cline is Andover's sports information director.
The long doors on wall in the Pantin's Commercial Room will sport three new sets of double doors topped with fanlights. These doors will open into the all-new first-floor servants.
FROM BELOVED OLD DINING HALL TO LIVELY NEW GATHERING PLACE, THE CONVERSION OF THE NEWLY RENAMED DAVID S. PARESKY COMMONS IS UNDER WAY

by Jill Clerkin

Its scuffed oak tables and slat-backed chairs, dinged doorframes, and well-worn marble stairs affirm decades of comings and goings. Its handsomely paneled dining halls echo with generations of first hellos, amiable chats, raucous laughter, heated debates, and hurried see-you-laters. Without a doubt, Commons holds a special place in the hearts of thousands of students, faculty, staff, and alumni who, for more than 75 years, have found sustenance and camaraderie within its welcoming walls.

For all its nostalgic charms, however, Commons has not been immune to the march of time. Its aging infrastructure aches for an upgrade, and its well-used spaces beg to be refreshed and reinvigorated.

Renovation of the building, now ongoing, will be more than a simple facelift. While all of Commons’ beloved historic characteristics will be preserved, the project that began in December 2007 also promises to bring dramatic changes to the core of what will now be known as Paresky Commons, as well as to the Ryley Room, a favorite student hangout. At the beginning of spring term 2009, the venerable facility will emerge with a new ambiance that will signal its transformation from a simple dining hall into an energized and versatile community gathering place.
IMPORTANT GIFTS HELP PROJECT MOVE AHEAD

Commons was the gift of Thomas Cochran and other donors. Opened in 1930, it was not renovated until 1980, when major gifts from Thomas Mellon Evans and his son, Edward P. "Ned" Evans '60, helped underwrite major improvements. As the hardest used space on campus, it is understandable Commons needs renewal once more.

Talk of renovating Commons goes back nearly a decade. It wasn't until 2004, however, that serious planning could begin, thanks to a $10 million lead gift from David S. Paresky '56 and wife Linda in honor of David's 50th Reunion; consequently the building will be renamed the David S. Paresky Commons. Following much discussion, a full budget analysis, the review of four distinct renovation and expansion options, and considerable input from the PA community, the Board of Trustees approved the current $30 million Commons renovation plan in January 2007. To date, gifts and pledges total nearly $14 million, including a gift of $8.2 million from Charter Trustee Thomas G. Israel '62, as well as an anonymous parent pledge of $1 million.

The planned changes and enhancements will be big—and exciting. Future Commons-goers will enjoy two new state-of-the-art food preparation and serving facilities, a spacious cafe area for dining and impromptu gatherings, an enlarged front entry terrace, and a new sunken terrace outside the Rely Room—plus wireless Internet access throughout.

"The renovation of Commons is truly, more transformation than renovation," says Barbara Landis Chase, head of school. "The transformation will turn that beloved facility into a gracious and lively center for both students and faculty—a place to greet and meet classmates, colleagues, and friends, to collaborate on projects, to socialize, and to have special dinners and dances. With the changes we are making, Commons will become much more than a place where students come to eat their meals. It will become a true community center where they can gather at all hours of the day and evening for both work and play."

COMMONS CLOSES IN MID-DECEMBER

On Friday, December 14, the last day of fall term, the "old" Commons served its final dinner to departing students. In the weeks that followed, the entire contents of Commons—right down to the last chair, spoon, and box of corn flakes—were moved to the Sumner Smith Rink interim dining facility or elsewhere on campus. Included in the move were more than 100 heavy oak tables and 600-plus chairs, two floors of servery equipment and utensils, two multi-ton dishwashers, and thousands of place settings—plus a basement filled with stainless steel tables, catering equipment, ovens, steamers, trifolaters, grills, and walk-in freezers and refrigerators.

On January 1, the 15-month "active" phase of the renovation officially began.
Along with 15-foot ceilings and plenty of natural light from several newly exposed windows, the first-floor servery will include more open floor space, out-front food preparation, and freshly stocked deli sandwich and salad bars.

Top: The second-floor servery will be designed specifically to better handle larger groups of students, faculty, staff, and alumni attending special events. Its grills and cook-to-order kitchen will make for faster and better breakfasts; daily specials will be posted downstairs.

Above: It's not just for pizza! The first-floor servery's floor-to-ceiling hearth oven (seen in background) also will be used for vegetables, fish, roast chicken, lasagna, and more; areas for exhibition cooking will encourage diners to sample new menu items.

A Total Dining Experience

Ricca Newmark Design, the Academy's food service consultant, is seeking to create a "total dining experience" at Commons. "The focus is on fresh food, healthy choices, and a fun, friendly, and interactive atmosphere," says Lenny Condenzio, company principal.

Along with out-front chefs, more visible food preparation, and more cooked-to-order or just-in-time batch cooking of menu items, future Commons diners will enjoy:

- a large hearth oven that can be used for roasting vegetables and fish, baking pizza, and adding a new dimension and flavor profile to entrees such as roast chicken, lasagna, macaroni and cheese, and other casseroles;
- the copious use of rich tone finishes and natural sustainable materials, such as wood and granite, to create a sense of "gathering in a home kitchen";
- artful, tempting, and appetizing displays of self-serve breads, freshly baked muffins and rolls, hot and cold cereals, fruits, and condiments;
- lighting that accents the color and visual appeal of the food;
- a make-your-own deli sandwich bar and a salad bar designed to celebrate the abundant fresh, nutritious, and colorful food choices;
- areas for exhibition cooking to prepare "made-for-you" entrees and to encourage diners to sample new menu items from both familiar and international recipes; and
- a self-serve "action station" for making waffles and grilled panini sandwiches.

"The new serveries are designed to appeal to those who wish to linger, as well as to satisfy those dining on the run," adds Condenzio.
A LARGER ENTRY TERRACE, A MORE ACCESSIBLE FOYER

The front entrance area of Commons will be enhanced with a wide hand-held-capped accessible terrace, ideal for friendly gatherings, occasional barbecues, and other outdoor get-togethers. Elevator adjustments will put the front terrace, vestibule, and foyer at the same level. (This change along with several others will significantly improve handicapped access to and navigability within Commons.)

The first noticeable interior enhancement—the foyer's long limestone wall straight ahead will sport three new sets of double doors topped with translights. These doors will open into the all-new first-floor serveries.

A NEW LOOK FOR FIRST- AND SECOND-FLOOR SERVERIES

More open floor space out-front food preparation and self-serve stations, and a greater choice of cooked-to-order entrees will be a view at the many enhancements made possible by creating one large servery on each floor. Diners will be able to choose from custom stationary dishes, soups and chowders, well-stocked salad and deli bars, pasta with assorted toppings, fresh baked goods, yogurt, juices, and, of course, daily specials.

"Yes, the new enclosed dishwashing items on each floor will be converted," confirms Scott Flanagan, director of food service, noting that diners and Commons staff alike will be glad to see the end of the rolling racks of dirty trays and dishes.

The first-floor serveries will be lighter and brighter, thanks to a 15-foot ceiling and newly exposed windows at the back of the building. "The high ceiling, which will create a wonderful sense of space and allow better air circulation, is made possible by the removal of a small mezzanine area that housed offices, ductwork, and machinery," explains Flanagan.

The pièce de résistance? A massive hearth oven (see sidebar, page 15).

The second-floor serveries will offer an additional set of menu choices plus many of the same types of items available downstairs. Daily specials will be posted in the lobby. "Basically, the second floor will have more "firepower," says Flanagan. "Its grills and cook-to-order kitchen will make for faster and better breakfasts."

The upstairs setup will be designed specifically to better handle larger groups attending special events; two restrooms also will be added. Bonus: Guests will no longer need to tramp through Ropes Salon to get to the opposite side of Commons. The reconfigured serveries will offer direct passage between the second-floor dining halls.

A RELAXED AND INVITING EXTENDED-HOURS CAFÉ

A 20-foot curved-end serving counter, paneled to match surrounding woodwork, will be added to the inside wall of lower left (Alger Hall), with staff access from behind. This new café will offer a variety of foods—including sandwiches, bagels, snacks, fruits, and beverages—from early morning until late evening.

"The café will be a relaxed, extended-hours gathering place where faculty, students, and visitors can share a juice drink or a cup of coffee or tea,
“Don’t Mess with Commons”

“DON'T MESS WITH COMMONS. IT'S AWESOME. DON'T MESS WITH IT. I'M SERIOUS.” So wrote a respondent to the Commons user survey conducted in 2004. More than a thousand students, faculty, and staff completed questionnaires. Again and again, they underscored the importance of historic character to the dining experience. “I like the old-fashioned look of Commons....” “I think Commons is gorgeous....” “The dining rooms are part of the character of this school....” “I like how Commons is a communal place with a historical feel....” “Please, please, please don't touch the carvings....” “I love the way the stairs have become worn....” “The historic aspect of Commons and the way everything is designed is what makes it so special.” This renovation honors these sentiments. The interiors generations have come to love will be preserved and restored.

Thomas Cochran, Class of 1890, would be pleased. Commons was one of his many gifts to Andover. In a single decade—from 1922 to 1932—Cochran’s vision and philanthropy transformed the heart of this campus. His chosen architect, planner, and landscape designer was Charles Adams Platt, a master of the grand manner. With Cochran’s agency as chair of the Trustee Building Committee, Cochran’s impatience, and Cochran’s generosity, Platt designed George Washington Hall, Paul Revere, the Addison Gallery, Oliver Wendell Holmes Library, Cochran Chapel, and Commons; Platt laid out the Vista and Flagstaff Court; Platt designed the wall, bollards, and gates that ring the Great Lawn and the Memorial Bell Tower. Together, Cochran and Platt moved buildings, altered buildings, demolished buildings—all to create a red-brick “Colonial” campus of striking unity, clarity, and grace.

On May 7, 1928—a dozen days before Andover’s sesquicentennial festivities—Cochran wrote to his fellow trustees: “Dear Sirs: In commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of Phillips Academy, I hereby subscribe the sum of $1,546,500.” Cochran offered $1,000,000 as unrestricted endowment, $100,000 to move buildings, $146,500 to purchase real estate, and $300,000 toward the cost of a new dining hall—the latter to be matched by other gifts. Always, Cochran would make an offer with great deference, always his offer would be accepted. Ultimately, Commons cost $826,343.51; Cochran paid $579,227.75. He hated overruns, but he would never compromise the vision or quality.

Commons opened September 15, 1930. It replaced the “Beanery”—a.k.a. Bullfinch Hall—as PA’s dining facility. The October 1930 Bulletin editorialized: “The new dining hall... contains the latest devices for economy and ease of operation. So far as attractive surroundings are concerned, it is vastly superior to its predecessor, and the undergraduates will take their meals in the midst of beauty.”

Happily, the undergraduates of the early 21st century appreciate that beauty. And they would agree with a further comment offered by the Bulletin, in January of 1931. As an element of the overall campus design, Commons was already “blending so unobtrusively with Pearson and Bartlett halls that it is not altogether easy to detect where the ancient ends and the modern begins.”

“Blending” with Andover’s Late Federal Style landmarks, however, was Platt’s aim only on the exterior of his buildings. Within, their major spaces were unabashedly grand in the English Baroque manner. This was true for Commons, the library, and the chapel. Platt had followed this approach elsewhere, notably at the University of Illinois campus in Urbana during the mid-1920s. There, Platt was also master planner and architect. His Urbana library, though vastly larger than Commons, is similar in exterior design and interior decor.

The raucous mealtimes familiar to students in the old Beanery during the 1920s were not to be tolerated in the new Commons, or so the authorities intended. To institute a change architectural grandeur alone could not be counted upon to achieve, Andover hired a dining hall hostess. Rose Baker. On the night Commons opened, the boys were boisterous. When Miss Baker appeared, a bun came flying in her direction. She caught the bun. She held it for a long moment (panic-stricken silence), then hurled it back from whence it came. Wild applause! She had made her mark: for a time, decorous mealtimes were the norm. But Miss Baker’s influence did not last. According to the 1942 Pot Pourri “the manners of eating are similar to the Zoo in Brooklyn.” The problem was not just the behavior of diners. The waiters, too, were an unruly lot. “It is not unusual to be greatly inconvenienced,” the Pot Pourri warned, “by a trickle of gravy (or some other fluid) which the waiter dumped down your neck.” But waiters disappeared the following year when cafeteria-style service replaced meals served family style by scholarship boys.

—David Chase
just outside of lower left (Stearns-Hall) will greatly improve access to the venue. A small retail food facility will sell hot and cold snacks, bagged munchies, energy bars, fruit drinks, muffins, and the ever-popular Ben & Jerry's ice cream.

Spawning the west end of Commons, an all-new 4,000-square-foot sunken terrace will provide direct entry to the Ryley Room. Designed with ramps for handicapped access, the terrace will be used for casual and planned gatherings, and even picnicking when the weather is good. The area also will augment Ryley Room functions.

**A more spacious and refurbished Ryley Room**

The Ryley Room, the student body's primary gathering place for socialization and weekend entertainment, will be expanded and refurbished. New multicolored lighting will be added to enhance the atmosphere during dances and other events, and a new stairwell will be replaced, most will be cleaned and repainted. Ropes Salon, the Blue Room, and the Rose Room will all get a good sprucing up; Ropes Salon will also be recarpeted, and its murals will be professionally restored.

In all four dining halls, the woodwork, chandeliers, and terrazzo flooring will be cleaned and repaired, and ceiling panels will be repaired or replaced in an effort to increase sound absorbency. Lighting will be greatly improved throughout the building.

**Logistically critical improvements**

A not-so-glamorous but logistically critical improvement will be an all-new loading dock area. John Galanis, capital project manager, notes that the southeast tower facing Salem Street will be completely rebuilt and the second floor will be relaced with brick. "A bigger freight elevator, new trash and card-
board compactors, a dock leveler, an improved recycling setup, and, in general, a larger, more efficient delivery area will make a big difference in the daily operations of Commons," he says.

Another much-needed improvement will be an enlarged prep and fulfillment area in the basement for on-campus catering, which yearly handles more than 1,500 events, ranging from beverages and cookies for 12 to dinner buffets for 4,000.

"Green" is the word
The Commons renovation project has been designed—and ongoing decisions will be made—with the goal of obtaining LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification. LEED ratings, awarded by the nonprofit U.S. Green Building Council, provide an internationally recognized system for certifying high-performance green interiors that are healthy, productive places to work, are less costly to operate and maintain, and have a reduced environmental footprint.

Notable Commons "green goals" for the next 15 months and beyond include:
- 95 percent recycling of construction waste;
- the purchase of 20 percent of manufactured project materials from regional suppliers;
- the purchase of 50 percent of wood from certified forests committed to sustainable practices; and
- the use of low VOC-emitting materials (i.e., adhesives, sealants, carpet systems, and composite wood products), as dictated by a detailed Indoor Air Quality Management plan. (Those materials also will require Greenguard Environmental Institute certification.)

Green specifications thus far include low-flow lavatories, dual flush toilets, high-tech lighting controls, and the selection of energy-efficient lighting, dishwashers, combination ovens, warmers, grills, refrigerators, and freezers. These choices are expected to help decrease Commons’ water use substantially and minimize electricity consumption well into the future.

A sustainability subcommittee, including three PA faculty members, LEED-certified members of the design and construction teams, and members of the Office of Physical Plant, was formed in spring 2007 to serve in an advisory role for the renovation project.

The right priorities
"With creative thinking, careful planning, and determined follow-through, I am confident the new Commons has the potential to fully satisfy the many dining, social, and collaborative needs of students and faculty—and, of course, alumni," says Chase. "In committing to this transformative renovation, we have consciously chosen not to build a large free-standing student center, as many schools and colleges have done. Thus, we will be able to concentrate most of our fund-raising resources on the true wellspring of Andover’s enduring excellence—its people and its programs."

Project drawings were made available by Schwartz/Silver Architects of Boston.

In the Interim
A full menu at Uncommons:
Renovations to the decommissioned Sumner Smith Rink, the Academy’s interim dining facility, began last summer and were completed in time for the first day of winter term—January 3, 2008. Two large modular kitchens attached to the old rink’s south side handle food delivery, storage, and preparation. Dubbed “Uncommons” by students, the retrofitted rink seats 600 and also will be used for special events.

A quick bite from the Roller:
Students can grab a free light breakfast from the “Rleye Roller.” The Academy’s new 20-foot custom food service van, parked daily near the Elson Art Center, also offers snack food from late afternoon until dorm sign-in.

New places to gather:
With the Ryley Room out of service until spring 2009, the administration refurbished two other campus locations for dances, special events, and hanging out with friends. The Underwood Room will temporarily handle many “Rleye” functions. It has been equipped with a TV, furniture, sound system, lights, and a stage—everything but food service. In George Washington Hall, the Webster Day Student Lounge has new moveable furniture, including two semicircular couches, four large tables, and a 54-inch flat-screen TV.

After Commons reopens in 2009, the revitalized Sumner Smith Rink will continue to be used for various activities and events.
The first-ever Non Sibi Day was, without doubt, the most comprehensive community service event in the history of Phillips Academy. If current sentiment prevails, it will also prove to be just the beginning of something even more.

Upwards of 2,000 PA students, faculty, staff, alumni, and parents gave of their time on Saturday, September 15, making the worldwide day of service a grand success.

The non sibi motto urges community members to live “not for self”; appropriately, Non Sibi Day engaged the entire student body, as well as faculty and staff members, in a variety of local community service projects. Meanwhile, alumni and past and current parents organized and participated in additional goodwill projects throughout the United States and around the globe. In total, volunteers toiled in 27 states, in 13 countries, and on five continents.

The concept for the day was born from conversation between Director of Alumni Affairs Mike Ebner and Director of Community Service Chad Green. Soon, the Alumni Council became involved, Tom Beaton '73 signed on as Non Sibi Day national chair, and alumni volunteers were contacted in the United States and abroad to gauge their interest in leading community service projects in their area.

Proud of what was accomplished, Ebner pronounced September 15 merely the first step in what needs to be a long-term approach to giving.

“A large part of what we wanted to experience was the tremendous depth and breadth of need in the world today,” says Ebner, who serves also as the Academy’s chaplain. “Just as education is not a class, or grade, or syllabus, it is rather a lifelong process, so, too, is non sibi not about a day, a place, a project, but rather it is an attitude. It is less about a day of service and more about a life of service. It is not just about selfless giving, it is about selfless living.”
Despite inclement weather, the Class of 2011 persevered. Hundreds of juniors hauled hundreds of bags of trash and debris from the Spicket River area.

**Everything and the kitchen sink**

Donned in old clothes, scruffy sneakers, and oversized work gloves, more than 230 PA trash-bag-wielding ninth-graders, faculty, and staff joined nearly 500 local volunteers to assist in the sixth annual Spicket River Cleanup in nearby Lawrence, Mass. Sponsored by local nonprofit Groundwork Lawrence, the event’s long-term goal is to create more than a dozen acres of new recreational and “green” space for citizens of the heavily populated city.

One cleanup site was along a wide tributary stream flanked by mossy retaining walls. PA students, led by faculty member Tom Hodgson, descended a steep, slick path to the overgrown stream bed and hauled up bulging Santa-like bundles of muddy trash, including old auto and electronics parts, plastic toys, and construction debris. Special finds included a parking meter and a very heavy porcelain sink.

Sheya Jabouin, Amber Quiñones, and Khadijah Owens, juniors from the New York City area, admitted that, given the rainy weather, they "weren't too psyched at first."

"Once you get going, though, and work with your friends, it's actually pretty fun," said Jabouin. "I liked finding some of the big stuff—like the rolled up carpet stuck in the tree."

A mile and a half to the west, more than 160 ninth-graders helped clean up a brownfield site near the river that, over the years, had become a dumping ground for assorted building materials, cardboard, PVC pipes, twisted metal, and car parts—including more than 15 tires. Site leader Raj Mundra, numerous other faculty members, and 10 prefects worked alongside the students. Over the next four years, Groundwork Lawrence hopes to convert the five-acre site into a playground and recreational area.

"We bonded over trash," laughed Rona Choo, Theresa Faller, Melek Pirgon, and Meghan Collins, all Class of 2011.

"There's been a lot of teamwork hauling the big items," added Faller. A straining team of 25 received rousing applause when they finally made it to the dumpster with what appeared to be the undercarriage of a truck.

Choo, Faller, Pirgon, and Collins expressed enthusiasm for returning to the site over the next few years. "It's been enlightening, that's for sure," said Choo. "There's so much more that needs to be done before kids will be able to play here."

Environmental science instructor and sustainability coordinator Rebecca Bogdanovitch supervised a third site at Misserville Park, which is near a large elementary school and borders the Spicket River. Approximately two dozen students, along with faculty volunteer Leon Holley, patiently picked up broken glass and hauled away metal pipes, scrap lumber, and bike tires, as well as a half-buried ATM machine.

Said Bogdanovitch, "In a very simple way, our students realized the power of collective action."

—Jill Clerkin
A New York State of...Kind

Several U.S. locations were definite hotspots of Non Sibi Day activity—including San Francisco and Washington, D.C., where a healthy contingent of Andover volunteers helped out with a wide range of projects. Ditto New York City, where the opportunities for giving back were also plentiful.

Approximately a dozen Andover alumni lent a hand at the University Community Social Services food kitchen in lower Manhattan. A dedicated group of samaritans provides nourishing meals for hundreds of homeless and needy guests each Saturday; but on Non Sibi Day the volunteer corps swelled. Uche Osuji '91, who orchestrated Andover’s participation, serves at the kitchen once or twice each month. This Saturday he led a hard-working team of 12, including Oscar Tang ’56, president of the Board of Trustees, and Lucy Danziger ’78, another New York-based trustee.

“Usually I just make meatloaf,” joked Osuji, whose desire to help those less fortunate was nurtured during his formative years in Nicaragua.

Danziger said she has tried to keep the non sibi sentiment part of her life. Early that Saturday morning she was setting tables for about 60 hungry and homeless guests so they could enjoy a hearty breakfast. Later Danziger would drive to Long Island, where the following day she would compete in a triathlon. “I am trying to juggle my sibi and my non sibi,” she said, noting how grateful she was to be part of the food kitchen project. “When I look back on this weekend, this is the part I’ll be proud of.”

Farther uptown, Chris Auguste ’76 was one of 10 Andover alumni and parents happy to help sort books to be sold at an upcoming book fair, proceeds of which would benefit the Goddard Riverside Community Center. Each year, publishing companies provide the community center with books to sell half-price at its annual autumn book fair. Proceeds from the event typically garner $100,000—as much as $800,000 when related dinners and galas are factored in—and help fund the center’s numerous programs, from day care to senior services.

Auguste, a member of the Goddard Riverside Board of Directors, said the timing of the book sort made it a perfect Non Sibi Day event. He hoped Andover volunteers would return for additional book sorts leading up to the November fair—and for the fair itself.

Boyoung Youn of the Class of 2000 was open to that possibility. The New York resident was glad alumni were provided the opportunity to participate in Non Sibi Day. “It was great to see the community service spirit extend beyond the Andover campus,” she said while sorting a stack of trade paperbacks.

Meanwhile, farther to the north, Maggie Klarberg ’96 and eight of her fellow young alumni cleaned, painted, and performed other miscellaneous maintenance tasks at the Bronx Charter School for Better Learning. Despite rainy skies, the small but enthusiastic group began early in the morning, working outside to put an appropriately fresh face on the school.

“We’re happy to paint anything blue,” noted loyal alumna Taryn Zucker ’03.

“A very happy coincidence,” claimed Dan Crawley ’02.

The Bronx Charter School, which counts Everett Wallace ’87 among its board members, was to be visited the following week by officials considering its charter renewal. The school’s mission calls for students to receive an education exceeding New York state guidelines, with a particular focus on mathematics and language arts.

“It’s clearly a special place,” Emily Webb ’83 remarked as she passed through the school’s brightly decorated hallways. Although the academic year was only a week old, the building’s interior walls were already colorfully embellished with student artwork and photos of young learners engaged in discovery.

“This was a great chance to do something good and live up to Andover’s motto,” said Klarberg. “We decided to work through lunch— we were having so much fun.”

—Scott Aubrey
Spreading smiles—\textit{that's what it's all about!}

On Non Sibi Day, many in the global Andover community lent a caring hand or a strong back to those in need. Some, more specifically, put their right foot in and shook it all about.

The Hokey Pokey (and other games) were just a facet of two birthday parties hosted for needy youths in Hong Kong. The 22 children feted, all ages 6–15, were primarily new immigrants to Hong Kong from mainland China and Nepal; few had ever marked their birthdays in such celebratory fashion.

The 14 Non Sibi Day volunteers—alumni, a parent, and family members—provided a large meal, birthday cake, and presents for the children, their parents and siblings, and their friends; one party was held in the late morning and another in the afternoon.

“The celebration was designed to provide a dose of self-esteem and a few hours of joy to underprivileged children with otherwise difficult lives,” said Alicia Eastman ’93, who served as the event’s Non Sibi Day coordinator.

She said the best part of the day was watching kids’ faces light up when they opened a much-appreciated gift or enjoyed a new game. In contrast, it was difficult to see one of the more malnourished children scarf down the lunch provided. “I realized how many basic needs are not being met even in developed areas like Hong Kong,” said Eastman.
Independent Thinkers

Science contest semifinalists are just two of many to pursue ambitious projects outside the classroom

by Scott Aubrey

In the summer of 2007, rising Andover seniors Sebastian Caliri and Josh Infantino conceived a laboratory project they would ultimately submit to the Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology, an annual contest that spotlights top-flight research conducted by U.S. high schoolers. The Andover students' effort, titled "Examining the Feasibility of Viral Filtration Using a Bioconjugated Cross-Linked Polyelectrolyte Membrane," notched a semifinal finish in the national competition.

Perhaps more impressive than that accomplishment, though—and ultimately more telling than the fact that Caliri and Infantino conducted their hands-on research in stealthy and largely independent fashion—is the fact that such student-directed projects are not at all uncommon at Phillips Academy.

Summer is not merely a time of sandy beaches and sleeping in for PA students. Many travel abroad, whether independently or via Academy-organized trips. Others further their studies through internships and work arrangements in a particular field of interest. Thus was the case for Caliri and Infantino, a pair of science enthusiasts who grew up friends in Andover, Mass. During the warmer months of 2007, Caliri worked at Harvard Medical School, conducting genetic analysis on patient samples in conjunction with an effort to develop personalized medicines. Infantino, meanwhile, was on the job at a research lab at the University of Massachusetts–Lowell, developing polymers to be tested for health-related purposes. It was at UMass that Infantino was provided inspiration for the virus filtration project he and Caliri would bring to fruition in the fall, just in time to meet the Siemens Competition deadline.

Says Infantino of his partnership with Caliri: "We've been friends since first grade, so we figured because we're both really into science the competition would be something cool that we could do together."

Infantino asked his supervisor at UMass if he had a suggestion, an idea the boys could develop for the contest. That
UMass researcher pointed the Andover duo to a journal article about applications for polymer membranes; specifically, he suggested using a membrane as a filter. "That's how we got thinking about it," reports Caliri. "Eventually, we settled on filtering viruses, because it seemed like a useful thing to do, a feasible thing to do."

When not engaged in their individual lab work, the pair found time over the summer to discuss the merits of their proposed project and review existing research. "A great criteria of the Siemens Competition is the use of scientific literature in the field," reports Infantine. "We looked at work already completed, and we found bits and pieces of what we were proposing, but no one had put it all together."

So, upon returning to PA in September, Caliri and Infantine hit the well-stocked lab of the Gelb Science Center. In less than two weeks, they had created a biocarrier-linked polyacrylamide membrane and attached to it antibodies whose mission it is to target a given bacteria. When placed in a solution containing T4 bacteriophage, an industry standard for bacterial experimentation, their antibody-linked membrane successfully captured the virus.

"We could have chosen any virus and corresponding antibodies," says Infantine. "We're pretty certain this would work with any virus." The boys theorize this process could be used to filter harmful viruses loose in any liquid, even the human bloodstream. Upon completing its mission, a membrane could then be extracted.

In principle, PA biology instructor Jerry Hagler agrees. "I don't know the long-term possibilities of a gel-based antibody-linked virus-filtration system," says Hagler, who mentored the boys' work this fall, "but it should work against any virus for which they can obtain antibodies, and could be the foundation for a useful modular virus detection and/or filtration device."

When Caliri and Infantine head back to the lab this spring to develop their research further, they will do so as part of an official independent study. That means their work will take the place of a course and will allow them to earn credit. Such was not the case in the summer and fall.

"We did this project all outside of class," notes Infantine, who joined PA three years ago as a lower.

"We had to make time—whenever we had a spare minute," adds Caliri. "It was one of the most chaotic weeks in my life."

Hagler says Caliri and Infantine acquitted themselves quite well under pressure: "They proved themselves to be pretty good scientists. They took guidance and advice well, worked well at the bench together...and were effective experimentalists. I was impressed by their focus and drive."

Caliri and Infantine are the first to admit they are far from the only examples on campus of such independent dedication to learning. "If you look at the sheer number of biological research projects Andover puts out every year, it's remarkable," says Caliri, who was drawn to PA four years ago in part because of the soon-to-be-opened Gelb Science Center.

"It's comparable to a small university," he says of the Academy.

Hagler agrees with the boys' assessment of independent research: it occurs frequently at PA, regardless of whether school credit is awarded. "We often have students develop and work on independent projects in Gelb that are even more extensive and ambitious than the one attempted by Seb and Josh," he says. "This is commonplace in the sciences—and school-wide, really. The kids at PA really are remarkable in their abilities, drive, and willingness to go above and beyond."

When the subject of life beyond Andover comes up, Caliri and Infantine play things somewhat close to the vest. Though each has a preferred undergraduate destination in mind, neither will divulge that information. They are more forthcoming with their intended majors: the surprise of no one who knows them, Infantine is looking to study chemistry; Caliri, molecular biology.

The former plans to continue his studies to the PhD level. "I'm really interested in using chemistry to make drugs," Infantine says, noting a specific interest in molecular medicine. "I'm interested in helping people in the health-care field, but I'm not personally interested in being the doctor."

Caliri plans to leave the lab behind him. "I'd love to go to law school and work with policy related to biology," he says. "I'm very interested in China and have been taking Chinese my entire time at PA. I'd like to see if we can develop China's biotech industry."

For now, they are focused on getting into college—and finishing out their Andover careers. The boys speak highly of the biology department and its faculty, Hagler in particular.

Says Caliri: "Dr. Hagler was excellent about staying extra hours to supervise." The Andover instructor, now in his seventh year at PA, called upon his extensive lab experience to provide guidance to the student scientists.

"It was really special," adds Infantine. "The department is obliged to help kids who are enrolled in Biology 600. We weren't enrolled, but the faculty all helped us out a lot—that shows how dedicated they are."

If all goes well this spring, Caliri and Infantine may seek funding—perhaps from a university—to attempt to patent their viral filtration process.
Q&A

Ben Goldhirsh ’99 founded GOOD Magazine in 2004, alongside Andover classmate Max Schorr; soon, Zach Frechette ’00 joined the team as managing editor. GOOD is based on the “sensibility of giving a damn”—a magazine for the ideas, people, and businesses that are driving change in the world. Subscribers select one of 12 charities to which their $20 subscription fee is forwarded. So far, readers have donated more than $500,000.

Jessica Livingston ’89 is a founding partner at Y Combinator, a seed-stage venture firm with offices in Cambridge, Mass., and Mountain View, Calif. Previously, she was employed as vice president of marketing at investment bank Adams Harkness. In addition to her work with start-ups at Y Combinator, she recently released Founders at Work, a book containing Q&A’s she conducted with the founders of 32 successful start-ups.

At the request of the Andover Bulletin, Livingston conducted a similar Q&A with Goldhirsh about his role as GOOD’s owner and founder—and the magazine’s early challenges and accomplishments.

Livingston: Tell me how GOOD got started.

Goldhirsh: The stuff I was interested in wasn’t coming to life in media. A lot of what I thought was really fascinating was kind of existing in textbooks or in classroom conversations, and so I thought, “We could start a film company around the idea and interesting theoretical ideas and then build narratives around them that would be compelling and attract a broader audience.”

But a year into the film company [Reason Pictures], we really digested the timeline for film—how long it was going to take for an idea to get to the audience—and we wanted more frequency; we wanted more control over that. And there were other issues with film: not controlling distribution or marketing, and not being able to control production, because we needed outside financing for each individual film. But the biggest problem was that film wasn’t going to create any brand for the company. Unless you’re actually in the film business, you’re not going to know the production companies behind these movies. And that was sad to us, because we really wanted to build a brand that represented this sort of content.

So I thought, “We could do something in print that would be a really focused version of the same idea. How do we make relevant, valuable content? How do we frame it in a way that’s entertaining and interests our audience?” I knew that the same hole that existed in the theaters was even more visible on the newsstand.

You have the Economist, The New Yorker, Atlantic Monthly existing on one plane and then you drop down to Maxim, Cosmo, GQ on another, and there wasn’t really anything in the space between the stuff that’s relevant and the stuff that’s just entertaining. I felt like the Esquire of decades past was an analogue. There’s also what Wired did for technology, looking at it more from a social perspective. Could we do that to relevant content?

Livingston: Tell me a bit more about this area you’re going after.

Goldhirsh: All I can speak about is me and my friends. I feel that we’ve kind of been pushed aside by media, because there isn’t stuff that’s focused on our interests. There’s no brand that represents intellectually and viscerally stimulating content. That’s what we wanted to create.
LIVINGSTON: How did you come up with the idea to donate subscription fees to charity?

GOOD: We needed to figure out how we were going to build a readership. Because there's so much crap in the media space, I feel like we've all built a protective layer to deflect any pursuit of our attention. So we couldn't just solicit people through direct mail or some other traditional practice. We needed to come through friends, through word of mouth. Max said, "What about giving all the money away?"

The reality of magazine economics is that most magazines lose money on circulation. Esquire might spend $30 getting someone to spend $20 on a subscription, so it's a $10 acquisition rate. They're doing it to build up their rate base to bring in the ad revenue, which is really the driving variable in the business plans. So it's like, "We're going to give away all $20, and we want to be competitive with Esquire; then we can only spend $10 in our marketing outside of that."

Hopefully what that $20 does is activate our nonprofit partners—to say, "Here's an incentive for you to reach out to your constituencies and push this magazine."

It helps build brand allegiance that we don't take money from our audience. We take money from the companies that want to reach you, and you're just giving your money to a great organization that we're helping curate. And we're going to give you a great product too.

LIVINGSTON: When you were at Andover, did you ever think you'd be working on such a non sibi project?

GOOD: I don't characterize this as non sibi. We're trying to make a very successful business. We're in a very fortunate position that the social ROI [return on investment] from our efforts is directly tied to the financial ROI through the common denominator of eyeballs. That's a really cool space to be in.

It sucks when you move to the money side of the motivation scale, and you start looking at this more as a machine trying to pump out a product.
that’s going to fit with advertisers’ needs. This whole thing started with “let’s make something for us.” But I get concerned about new partnerships and distribution opportunities I start worrying. “But they’re going to sell Starbucks.” It’s really challenging time for the business right now.

The nice thing about Andover was that it was an environment where having a mature, relevant perspective was where it was at. It wasn’t an aberration for someone to be involved in nonprofit stuff. And that’s kind of what GOOD is about. It’s like, “Let’s celebrate this sensibility, so it can rise to become the dominant sensibility.”

LIVINGSTON: Some of the first people you decided to work with were from Andover. Had you guys always wanted to do something together?

GOLDHIRSH: Max has been one of my best friends since freshman year, and he’d always been a leading voice among my friends in terms of pushing toward a relevant life.

When I started the magazine, I called two people. One was Max, and the other was my roommate in Brown. Both were people I really respected. Then we called Zach Frechette. He was a year behind us at Andover, and had worked with Max at the Phantom. Zach’s 25 years old, and I think he’s putting out a magazine that’s competitive quality-wise with my magazine on the newsstand.

LIVINGSTON: What do you wish you had known when you were in high school that you know now?

GOLDHIRSH: I think I was a lot cooler in high school than I am now. It wasn’t that long ago, and I honestly feel like I had my act more together then than I ever have since.

LIVINGSTON: But you’re running this exciting new company right now?

GOLDHIRSH: We’re like a ship right now that looks great to people, but the waters are rough. There are leaks in the boat. I’m actually very confident we’re going to make it, but it’s stressful.

LIVINGSTON: You mentioned that building your circulation is stressful. What else keeps you up at night?

GOLDHIRSH: How do we make sure as we grow—we have 32 people and offices in New York and Los Angeles—that we have the operational structure to make everything run smoothly? And that operational structure doesn’t stuff out the entrepreneurial spirit and that kind of brazen “let’s make it happen” attitude that made all this happen in the first place? That’s a huge challenge.

LIVINGSTON: Your father was a famous magazine publisher [the late Bernie Goldhirsh, founder of Inc. and SA/L magazines]. What did you learn about the business from him?

GOLDHIRSH: Sadly, I didn’t pay so much attention to the actual running of Inc. What I did pay attention to was just the entrepreneurial spirit that he embodied and that he celebrated through the magazine. Having the courage to get out there and do your best. That’s something that was just bred into me.
THE DOUBLE LIFE OF ALFRED LOOMIS

Andover prepared this tycoon for success, but his passion for science came from within

by Jessica White '07

On a warm summer day in 1926, one of America's most prominent businessmen ascended to the rafters of a Hamptons barn belonging to celebrated physicist and Johns Hopkins professor Robert Wood. Alfred Loomis, Andover Class of 1905, was in the process of tweaking a 40-foot-long optical light instrument on par with—or perhaps surpassing—the quality of any equipment employed by universities of the day. Loomis and Wood, longtime friends and colleagues, finished the assembly, then cleaned the mechanism by sending Wood's cat scurrying down the length of the tubing, the feline's tail serving as a makeshift feather duster. Soon after, Loomis, credited with financing the electrification of the United States, made the long yet routine drive to his own palace of science in Tuxedo Park, N.Y.

To those who never witnessed him engaged in such antics in the name of scientific inquiry, Loomis appeared to be a typical Andover man of the early 20th century. Scion of a distinguished family of philanthropists, he followed the well-worn path from PA to Yale to Harvard Law School traveled by his cousin and lifelong friend Henry Stimson, Class of 1883. While Stimson achieved the position of U.S. secretary of war under Taft and FDR and secretary of state under Hoover, Loomis gained his notoriety—and a reputation for ruthless effectiveness—on Wall Street, where he made his fortune financing the East Coast's electric industry.

Loomis led a double life both fascinating and productive. A wealthy New York socialite by day, at night he played host to the greatest scientific minds of his age, joining them in pioneering research. By the time of his death in 1975, his contributions to the world included important advancements in ultrasound technology, as well as scientific aid to the Allied victory in World War II. Most notably, Loomis was appointed the chairman of the MIT Radiation Laboratory, a division of the National Defense Research Committee established to research the military applications of microwaves. Under Loomis's direction, the advent of radar led to its utilization to thwart enemy attack by air and U-boat and also to provide cover for the D-Day invasion.

Even as a child, Loomis showed a distinct proclivity for scientific inquiry. His two favorite boyhood pastimes were chess and magic, each of which demands diligent practice and mathematical precision. At Andover, his chess skills became so prodigious he could play two games at once—blindfolded. It was also at Andover that Loomis took an interest in mechanics and radio-controlled cars. Impressed by his inventive mind, his classmates dubbed him "most original" in the Pot Pourri.

But did Andover shape this original and brilliant mind? Alas, so far as the curriculum goes, PA did little to challenge Loomis's scientific passions. The course guide from 1905 mentions only the study of arithmetic, algebra, and planar geometry as requirements for
The Academy's curriculum did provide a great service to those interested in the liberal arts, in the fields of classical languages and social sciences. Andover hired faculty and built a curriculum second to none in the world of secondary education.

The study of physics in general was only beginning to come into its own at the time. The year of Loomis's graduation, 1905, was the first in which Albert Einstein published his work in scientific journals.

The up-and-coming importance of science also eluded Loomis's other influences. His advisors at Yale never encouraged him to engage in science as more than a pastime. His cousin and confidante, Henry Stimson, suggested Loomis attend law school and follow the path to Wall Street typical at that time for men of their standing.

Andover did, however, provide Loomis with many tools that enabled him to apply himself to science later in life. Without the contacts he established and the education he received at PA, he would not have been able to turn his fortune. He used that money to endow his facilities at Tuxedo Park and to seek out the best and brightest scientists in the field for guidance.

No such relationship was fostered between Loomis and his high school alma mater. Although Andover began to pay more attention to science after World War II, the Academy apparently never reached out to Loomis. There is no record of him in the files of John Kemper, the former headmaster who corresponded with a plethora of notable alumni, nor as an alumni consultant during the construction of the Evans Science Center between 1961 and 1963. If Loomis, a dual titan of industry and science, was one of the most influential men to graduate from Phillips Academy, his attendance at Andover is a mere footnote to his remarkable achievements in the field of science.

**Essayist Jessica White '07 of Allendale, N.J., is the third recipient of the Thornolke Internship in Historical Biography. The program annually supports the work of an upper selected by the chair of the history department for the purpose of researching, analyzing, and writing a short biographical sketch of an alumnus or alumnna of Phillips or Abbott Academy. White currently attends the University of Pennsylvania, where she is interested in biochemistry and economics. The internship, funded by John L. Thornolke '45 and W. Nicholas Thornolke '51, is a memorial to their brother Augustus "Gus" Thornolke Jr. '37, honoring his lifelong passion for history. It also promotes history as a literary art and serves to help the Phillips Academy community develop a renewed appreciation for its rich and diverse heritage.**
Alumni Council Hears Reports on Non Sibi Day and Other Initiatives

More than 200 alumni—including Alumni Council members, class secretaries, class agents, Reunion chairs, regional association officers, and fund-raising volunteers—were on campus October 26–27 for Leaders Weekend, which ran in conjunction with Trustee Weekend.

The highlight of the weekend's activities came on Saturday when all council members and trustees came together for a two-part Plenary Session, during which they heard reports on several Andover initiatives, including the ACE Scholars Program, a summer program launched in July that...
Located in 13 countries and 21 states, Chad Green, community service director, talked about the meaning of the day, focusing on community service and service learning and the role it plays in informing and shaping the values of Andover. Finally, Michael Ehntz, ’76, director of alumni affairs, moderated a panel of four students who shared their thoughts about the value of the day and the positive impact it had on the student body. [For more on Non Subi Day, see coverage beginning on page 20.]

Leaders Weekend concluded on Saturday with a Leaders Recognition Luncheon, at which Charter Trustee and Chair of the Trustee Committee on Academy Resources Edward E. Elson ’52 paid tribute to four new Distinguished Service Award recipients and 12 new benefactors.

—Stephen Porter
Introducing Andover’s Athletic Hall of Honor

Andover will soon launch an Athletic Hall of Honor to preserve the legacy of its former athletes and coaches. Members of both the Phillips and Abbot academy communities will be considered for the honor. Inductees will be chosen for their accomplishments in athletics and for the exceptional ways in which they have continued to lead a life that embodies the values of the academies.

The inaugural nomination process will continue through mid-March, and the first batch of honorees will be inducted during Reunion 2008. Nominations may be submitted via a written note to the Office of Alumni Affairs or by completing an online form (available at www.andover.edu/alumni/hallofhonor). As noted on the online form, nominations should include the following information, where applicable:

- a list of sports and letters earned while at Phillips Academy or Abbot Academy (including years of participation);
- a list of outstanding accomplishments achieved during the nominee’s Andover or Abbot athletic career (e.g., team captain selection, records set, and All-Conference, All-State, and national recognitions);
- involvement in athletics after Andover or Abbot;
- outstanding professional or occupational accomplishments;
- volunteer, civic, or community service;
- involvement with Andover or Abbot since graduation; and/or
- additional information that might be helpful to the committee in evaluating the nominee (e.g., anecdotes, statistics, etc.).

A selection board—comprised of representatives from the Office of Alumni Affairs, the Department of Athletics, and the Athletics Committee of Alumni Council—will reflect upon nominations received, and render a decision as a result of those deliberations.

“Andover has a distinguished and lengthy history of superb athletes, coaches, and teams—and of graduates who contributed in significant ways to the world of athletics after leaving Andover,” says Abigail Harris ’96, who co-chairs the Athletics Committee with John Kane ’63. “The Andover Athletic Hall of Honor will recognize their achievements in a special way. Alumni, and all members of the Andover community, look forward to honoring these outstanding athletes.”

Inductees will be recognized with a photo and bio display on the wall outside the swimming pool in the Academy’s gymnasium complex. Additionally, a plaque will be presented to each recipient, and a plaque featuring the names of all inductees will be displayed for posterity in the field house.
Judge George Bundy Smith '55 Continues His Fight
for Equality in the Classroom and the Courtroom

When featured in the Fall/Winter Bulletin in 1984, Judge George Bundy Smith was a justice of the New York State Supreme Court who adjudicated in cases involving custody, child support, and divorce. While briefly assigned to the Family Court of the State of New York in the 1970s, he ruled in juvenile delinquency cases, giving great thought to the cause-effect chains that lead some to the “dark assumption that criminals cannot be rehabilitated” or the even darker assumption “that kids cannot be prevented from becoming criminals.”

Later in his career, Judge Smith, who is known for his strong liberal leanings, wrote of the death penalty: “It is a sad and ugly budge of shame that the imposition of death in this country has been tainted with racial prejudice.” In 2004, he authored People v. LaValle, the landmark decision by the New York Court of Appeals that declared the death penalty unconstitutional in New York—a stance that court upheld in October 2007.

In 2006 Judge Smith’s 14-year term as associate judge at the New York State Court of Appeals came to an end. He was passed over for reappointment by outgoing Republican governor George Pataki, who opted to replace the well-respected judge with a conservative. (Due to the court’s mandatory retirement age of 70, Judge Smith’s second term would have ended in late 2007, allowing the incoming Democratic governor, Eliot Spitzer, to choose a liberal replacement.)

No time was wasted on anger or resentment. Since December 2006, Judge Smith has been a partner at Manhattan law firm Chadbourne and Parke, assisting with litigation, appeals, arbitration, and mediation.

Early in 2007 he was asked by the New York State Bar Association to chair its Special Committee on the Civil Rights Agenda and to recommend what should be done in the area of civil rights 50-plus years after Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka. As might be expected from one with firsthand experience with racial prejudice, the judge has strong opinions on the subject.

Judge Smith cites the most pressing needs in the area of civil rights today as follows: an adequate education for all, including inner city youth; more attention to youth, particularly African Americans and Latinos, to keep them focused on positive goals and out of the criminal justice system; assurance that everyone can vote freely and without hindrance; and significant changes in the area of criminal law.

“We are still fighting not to have African Americans and Latinos excluded from juries,” Judge Smith explains, “and we need more redress for those wrongly convicted—not only due to racial bias, but because of other failings in our criminal justice system as well.”

The greatest progress has been made in the area of public accommodations, he notes. “I came to Andover in 1952 from Washington, D.C., where I could not go to white schools and I could not go to certain libraries, restaurants, playgrounds, movies theatres, and the like. That changed with the Civil Rights Act of 1965.”

Education has been our greatest failure, claims Judge Smith. “Not only are schools in many areas being regre-gated, there are those who oppose diversity…. The goal of African Americans to become true citizens, equal to other citizens, is still to be reached.”

—Jill Clerkin

This article is part of a series of profiles updating the stories of individuals featured previously in the Bulletin.
Class of ’54 Aims to Inform and Inspire Future Generations Via PlanetWatch.org

More than a dozen members of the Class of 1954 have joined together to create PlanetWatch.org, a Web site whose mission is to foster a sustainable environment for future generations.

“It could not be more clear that the United States—after years of ever-mounting imports and indebtedness that hold us hostage to other countries—is heading for the edge of a cliff,” says Steve Wilson ’54. “So we hope to build a constituency to lobby government to deal with this crisis, while practicing conservation ourselves.”

The project grew from the class's Virtual Continual Reunion (VCR), a real-time exchange of e-mails that allows 1954 alumni to exchange insights and opinions on a variety of subjects, just as might happen at an actual reunion. “Naturally the topics of global warming, climate change, energy consumption, and energy independence were among some of the numerous things discussed,” says Ken MacWilliams ’54, who initiated the VCR forum.

Wilson suggested those interested in the topic of energy self-sufficiency band together to try, as advocates, to inform others and effect change. Months of discussion resulted in the launch of the Web site in February 2007.

“Rather than trade ‘if they'd only listen to me’ e-mails with each other in our dotage, we wanted to try to actually make a difference,” recounts Wilson. “If we who will not be around all that much longer care enough about the nation and the planet, the wonder is why more of those in younger generations, who will have to live with these looming calamities, have not taken pike and pitchfork to the barricades.”

PlanetWatch contributors—’54 alumni from backgrounds as diverse as academia, manufacturing, journalism, and banking—do not do original reporting. Instead, they scout media and the Internet for reporting and research, then assemble their findings into articles. They also welcome submissions from readers. Says Wilson: “We act as a consolidator.”

And as a herald, PlanetWatch.org encourages those intrigued by the site to sign up for a free subscription. “Rather than simply pay us a visit, which wouldn’t accomplish much, we urge people to subscribe,” says Wilson. “We then e-mail a weekly notice telling them what is new on the site.”

Election of Alumni Trustees

As required by the constitution and bylaws of the Andover-Abbot Alumni Association, the Alumni Council’s Executive Committee will nominate four alumni to stand for election to the Academy’s Board of Trustees, two of whom will be elected by a ballot of all alumni this spring. Each will serve a four-year term, beginning July 1, 2008. Nominees will be selected from among alumni who have effectively served the best interests of the Academy and the Association in one or more of the following manners:

♦ as an Alumni Council member, providing advice and counsel to the Academy, both on request and at the council’s own initiative, particularly on matters relating to education, administration, admission, financial aid, athletics, alumni affairs, and communication between and among the Academy, its alumni, and the external community;

♦ helping the trustees and administration raise annual and capital funds for the Academy; and

♦ promoting beneficial relations, especially by serving as a liaison between alumni and the Academy and by strengthening connections among alumni.

In addition to the four candidates nominated by the Executive Committee of the Alumni Council, additional such alumni may be nominated upon receipt by the executive secretary of the Alumni Council (the director of alumni affairs) of a petition signed by a minimum of 100 regular members of the association. Regular members are any individuals who have been members of a regular-session class at Phillips Academy or Abbot Academy for at least one marking period. No individual who is in the employ of Phillips Academy may serve as alumni trustee.

Save the Date!

The Fidelio Society is coming to New York City! Please join the Andover-Abbot Association of New York in welcoming Fidelio, the Academy's student a cappella ensemble, for a performance and reception on March 27, 2008. Event details will be announced shortly!
APACHE CASINO
by G. N. Diggory

A young D.C. lawyer at Apache and Hispanic descent is appointed to head the latest Department of Justice initiative, which involves the U.S. government and Colombian drug cartels. In the U.S. exploring a Native American gambling casino in New Mexico as a front for their drug-running masters, and hidden on the site is a body, The tale of greed and law too much to tell and a murder too much to handle. Nick Huffington, busy as his wife in Santa Fe N.M., his other novel "Water String," was published in 2001.

FROM SLAVERY TO CITIZENSHIP
John Wiley & Sons

by Richard Engel

From slavery to citizenship examines the history of slavery and the world it built, in business and whole-organization perspective. Topics addressed include issues of human rights, entrepreneurship, education, and current world citizenship. The book considers slavery's impact on education and control over genocide and the world's population. Having taught world history in Nigeria, Richard Engels is now at the Kingston Business School in London.

THE IDEA OF CUBA
University of New Mexico Press
by Alex Harris

In the ancient myth and accompanying text, Alex Harris captures some important ideas: "It's kind of wanting to have something really real.

THE LAST TYCOONS
by William D. Golden '77

William D. Golden provides a detailed look at the economic and political struggles that kept the record of Wall Street's most storied investment banks in the 1980s and 1990s. Subtitled The Secret History of Legend Brothers & Co., The Last Tycoons offers a portrait of that century-plus-old financial institution and the "great men" at its helm whose machinations threatened it all. Golden, an award-winning investigative journalist who lives in New York City, called upon his background as a Wall Street banker to produce this revelatory tale.

A BEAUTIFUL BLUE DEATH
by Charles Finch '98

A Victorian English gentleman detective receives a note from his lady friend and neighbor asking for help. One of her former servants dies of a stroke or perhaps something more sinister? So begins an intriguing and engaging old-fashioned mystery. Charles Finch, a Yale and Oxford graduate and third-generation PA alumnus, lives in New York City. This is his debut novel.

THE QUEENS OF K-TOWN
by Angela Mi Young Huh '98

Ten years after seeing her best friend commit suicide, 26-year-old Cora returns to the scene—Manhattan's Koreatown—to try to make sense of that earlier time, when she and three other teenage Korean girls went wild there. "We were considered the most glamorous girls of real rushes, but the damaged girls were us," Cora says. After earning degrees from Harvard and Notre Dame, Angela Mi Young Huh lives in Gardena, Calif. This is her first novel.

AN ACCIDENTAL AMERICAN
by Alex Carr '94 and Jenny Siler '80

Having served prison time in Marseille for forgery, Nicole hoped she could move on to a new life as a freelance consultant in the French Pyrenees. But when a U.S. intelligence operation shows up looking for Nicole's former lover, she is sucked into an international web of terror, espionage, and corruption. Jenny Siler, author of this gritty, thrilling, lives with her husband and daughter in Lexington, Va.

THE JOSEPH CORNELL BOX
by Aicha Drake '91 and Joan Summers

This book—a kit, really—is subtitled "Friend Objects, Magic Worlds" and is in the shape of a shadow box divided into 12 compartments. The enclosed booklet provides a biography of collector, collage artist, and PA alumnus Joseph Cornell '21, 1903-1972, and photographs and descriptions of some of the many shadow boxes he created. The kit box contents allow the reader to create his own work of art, and the booklet offers suggestions for six possible projects. Coauthor Aicha Drake is an artist and teacher who lives in Brooklyn, N.Y.

ROUTE 22
Quaintuck Lane Press
by Benjamin Swett '77

The historic Route 22 still runs north-south in eastern New York State from Manhattan to the Canadian border near Montreal. Writer and photographer Benjamin Swett captures present-day roadside scenes along Route 22, imagines its former glory, and writes personal vignettes to illuminate his photographs. Formerly the director of the Parks in Print program at the N.Y.C. Parks Department, Swett also wrote "Green Trees of New York City." He lives in Manhattan with his wife and three children.

These capsule notices were prepared by Sharon Magnuson and Scott Denver.
Above: Student waiters serve coffee and dessert at a 1956 faculty function in Commons.

Right: A group of students, circa the late 1990s, takes a break from their lunch to smile for the camera.

Below: Although a far cry from today's Ryley Room dances, this Andover Tea Dance, held in Commons in 1938, was well attended.

PHILLIPS With deep regret, I must report the death of Joe Ullman. He was 94. He had been our class secretary for many years, until he asked me to take his place. Joe was a fine man always willing to help with a good cause. He practiced law in New York and later in Scarsdale, N.Y., where he received many awards for community service. Joe is survived by his wife, Ruth, and daughter, who live in Scarsdale, and a son in Alexandria, Va.
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PHILIPS
Don't let another installment to the history of what must be Andover's most neglected class—least, at least, the most silent. It's with special pleasure that we read a letter from Dan Badger, received some months ago, but just missing the last deadline. He is engaged in the hobby of writing his memoirs, for his family, including his son: Andover in his WWI experience in the European Theater with the country's remote foreign detachment at Y-L. Dan writes that he and his wife Marjorie have decided to remain in the house in which they have lived since 1942. We are sure that a trip to the attic to survey disponible helped in their decision!

From Bill Store, Big news: capturing many months of labor by the author (and fervent progress reports by your kindly Old Editor) his book has been published. Bill proudly announces the publication of When We Cried. A Cultural Encounter Sale, West by Route Publishing. The book is described as "a luminous and fascinating encounter between two [Turkish] cultures," the history of the Ottoman Empire and the Christian civilization. Bill would be an apt observer as well as his own on the subject, since he has spent a good portion of his life in Turkey. Following his early schooling there, he came to Andover, Harvard College followed, then Johns Hopkins Medicine. He then returned to Turkey, where he served in various posts for nearly two decades. In 1965 he returned to the United States and served for 12 years on a senior public health team in New York City, and his current service.

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ABBOY: Well, here we are at the end of September hoping to hear from everyone with good news of the class. At our last, good news is rare, and we're glad to have some to report!

Ruth Stott Peters is still her cheery self and although she says she lacks energy, she seems to be her usual bouncy self. She particularly enjoys her weekly trips to the Salisbury Army School in Duxbury, Mass., where she leads some third, fourth, and fifth-grade students. She also enjoys meeting with them and their families and preparing for

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understanding. She and husband Pete still live in their handsome house in Chestnut Hill, and he is still very busy in business.

Betty Flanders Cleveland still lives in her house in Wellesley, Mass., and enjoys the company of a grandson. Although not as mobile as she would like, she is still cheerful and very active mentally. Her concern now is concentrating on issues of global warming and the plight of the polar bear cubs.

It is interesting to note that there are two of our class who, in their 90s and understandably not as active physically as they used to be, are so energetic mentally that they are concerned with global issues and helping others! More power to them!

1. **Mary Stewart**, am still loving the North Hill retirement community and particularly like all the many activities it offers—duplicate bridge is my favorite occupation. Last summer I spent my 83rd birthday on Nantucket Island, where I was lucky enough to get a week with my two children and their families.

Please, everyone else, send me news of yourselves!

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**Abbot friends gather**

Three Abbot ’36 friends, from left, Mary Dooley Bragg, Lois Holmes Stokes, and Mary Trafford Simonds, enjoyed lunch and a tour of Brookhaven at Lexington (Mass.), where Mary Trafford Simonds lives. PA’s Nancy Imbriano, who joined them and took the photo, said she had a hard time keeping up during the tour.

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**ABBOT** Hello, 35ers. I received a little news this time, for which I am most grateful. The card I sent to Shirley Powers Haseltine was returned as nondeliverable. If you have any knowledge—please let me or the Academy know.

I received a great note from Doris Rosenberg Zich, who had just returned from a wonderful week in Maine with her daughter and her family. Doris sends her best to all.

**Ellie Du Toit** had a super 90th birthday party in New Hampshire, and she gave a family party in August in Ogunquit, Maine. She said her “California tribe” came for the weekend, but she rarely sees them now. The next day in New Hampshire, at her daughter Susan’s, she saw her adorable twins. Ellie has three great-grandchildren. (I’ll like at least one!) Ellie doesn’t drive, and finds it hard and depressing to adjust. She does not want to go to “one of those places.” I say, right on! Ellie sends cheers to all 35ers.

And from **Lucia Nunez Atlas** warmest greetings to all. This has not been her best year, but, with wonderful care from her doctors and family, she is improving. No more oxygen, and she is now able to do a bit of gardening. She is raising eight black swallowtail butterflies in a nursery, and wants you to know how much your news means to her.

As for me, I am going to England over Thanksgiving to visit my grandson, who is on loan to the British Royal Navy for two years. I’ll tell you how I survived the trip in the next issue. Let’s face it. I’m not 22.

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**ABBOT** Since last we talked, I’ve seen and heard from and about several classmates. Clara Holland Chase wrote from Bethesda, Md., of an imminent party to be given her on her 90th birthday. Daughters, grandchildren, and great-grands were coming from all over. She sent a picture of her with some of her family girls, and she looks fabulous.

A note from the daughter of Jane Hopkins-Hanes reports that Jane is doing well, and celebrated her 90th birthday in August with family and friends. She is living at Arbor Acres Retirement Community in Winston-Salem, N.C. Jane sends us greetings.

A card from **Lenore Buckley Hurley** tells of going to Texas on her honeymoon 60 years ago and living happily in Fort Worth ever since. “My husband and I added six people to the Texas population—two children, two grandchildren, and two beautiful baby great-grandchildren—all are doing well. We are very fortunate. Am hanging on in a retirement complex with nice people, lots of adventures, and pleasant surroundings.”

When I talked to **Pat Smith Magee** in July, she had tubing reaching for her telephone. She was lucky in that her daughter and son-in-law checked on her to see if she wanted to go to town and found her on the floor. She was back from rehab and couldn’t join our annual Portland, Maine, luncheon party. She had just bought a new condo in Marblehead, Mass., having sold the one she and husband Lennie had bought years ago. She has no immediate plans to move there. In spite of her injury, she sounded great. She joined the 90-year-olds this year.

**Elinor Robinson Goodwin** keeps active with her hospital shop volunteering, golf, and reading. She joined **Anne Robins Frank**, Helen “Hawee” O’Brien Olcott, and me for lunch in Portland in July. Hawee joined my husband, Steve, and me in Biddeford, Maine, that day, and before lunch we visited the Portland Art Museum. Steve and I made that a yearly excursion, and it was fun having Hawee with us.

Ann moved from Houston to Louisville, Ky., to be near her son and his family. Her son spends lots of time away from home. He is an architect and builder, and is now in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Her hobbies are reading and stamp collecting. She has a collection from all over the world.

I just talked to **Mary Trafford Simonds**, who was given a 90th birthday party by her children. She sounded well. I had looked forward to meeting her for lunch in October, but I was unable to attend. See the photo nearby.

In June a note came from **Mary “Deede” Eastlack Gray** from Vero Beach, Fla. She read with surprise of my inability to reach her by phone, as she and her husband have had the same number for 20 years. She mentioned playing
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AHREST. This past summer, the abdominal cancer that caused her to lose weight rapidly and significantly was diagnosed, and so far, the treatment has been successful and she has gained back some of the weight. Mary is in her 70s and has a son and a daughter.

Grace Bembridge Vanbryt Pilgrim has been busy this summer. She is hosting a series of events this fall and will travel to several locations in the fall. She has been attending to the needs of her family and friends.

Barbara Daniels Goodman reports that she is doing well, although she has a pacemaker. She spends lots of time attending to church commitments. She was diagnosed with cancer 25 years ago and is now in remission. She has been awarded a grant to continue her work on the treatment of cancer.

Mary Perrott Whitehill says, "The painting watercolors every day, after work. My Whirl's Next project is a watercolor. We'll see if he will give her a name. Also, the Newburgh Lakes will tell us something about the environment I work in. I have painted over several times due to nature, so I don't play all the summer. I'm best to all." Mary is able to attend to her painting and gardening. She does not do any more painting at this time, but is happy to have the opportunity. She is grateful for the support of her friends. Thank you to all who were able to share some new work with her at St. Luke's Hospital and later in her home of Sartori, Mass. Chuck and wife, Winnie, joined them after disappearing from their old place in Newell, Mass., and were very surprised with the news. Now a resident, Chuck received an appreciation from a local who never knew her. He is also content to let Winnie take over as his mother. Thinking back on the old days, Chuck told me that he was called back for duty in Korea and is now setting up in a META hospital assuming that Chuck would be a hero in the red sea. For sure, Winnie is the one who makes sure that he knows the number of names separating our Sax from those Yankees. Chuck was reminded that when he asked for Winnie's hand, her prolonged silence was seen. Finally, she responded with the question, "Do you work like baseball?"

Jack Ware has been spending some days in the health center of his twisted living community in Scarborough, Maine, after a goldilocks problem and subsequent sluggishness of two meals. He has gone through lots of testing and now is hoping to get back home when a satisfactory meal has been planned. He has been asked to visit California. He is also very much enjoyed talking with Jack's wife, June, who has health issues of her own, but shares Jack's positive attitude along with a good sense of humor. Keep us posted, you too. Your news and well-being are important to everyone of your classmates.

Oswald "Chuck" Tower, still in Williamson, Mass., is living under the care of daughter Ellen. While remaining physically active, Chuck's short-term memory is not all that great (sound familiar?) According to son Chuck, who was visiting from Aspen, Colo., Chuck has stopped going to the quarterback club, an event he has enjoyed every year. Harold Munger sounds in good shape. Happily married for five years to wife Pet, they enjoy golf and bridge. They winter in Venice Beach, Fla., while maintaining a summer home on Cape Cod. If I could get there, I would enjoy it very much, but being able to attend our 75th, as he has always felt a special sense of gratitude for Andover and being taken in as an extra year so that, with Mike Stiles' kind and encouragement, he could get through the College Board successfully and enter Princeton. Even today, Harold thinks of that experience as one of the best years of his life.

Ted Rinehart describes himself as "trotting along" in Mount Airy, Ala., while making the occasional trip to the shore in the Gulf Coast. He's back home after celebrating his 90th in January with daughter Chris in Washington, D.C. While remaining, Ted was trying to remember the name of an Englishman in school with us. Apparently, the two met again in Italy during WWII when Ted was with the 1st Infantry and his friend with a British Lancers unit. By coincidence, a very nice letter from Alfred Thies in Hamburg Germany, included a 1936 news clip of exchange students arriving on the Hill—she was Alfred, and the other from England, was Peter Stecker 36. So there you have it, Ted
Three generations celebrate

Commencement 2007 was a special day for the Middlebrook family: from left, Rob Middlebrook ‘76, his daughter Stacyc ‘07, and proud grandfather Bill Middlebrook ‘38.

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PHILLIPS Tom Flournoy reports he continues to organize Yale's '43 lunches at the Yale Club. He recounts having spent a recent afternoon there, in the library "gathering knowledge." Your secretary neglected to ask him for specifics.

Peter Strauss remains active in business albeit on a somewhat reduced scale, taking a train to N.Y.C. every morning, arriving at 9:30, and departing his office in time to arrive home by 4:30. A gentleman's schedule, happily, but still allowing for an active business day. He and wife Barbara spent a quiet summer visiting relatives and friends in New England.

Art Williams and his wife took part in a Tauck Tour of the Baltic, with an itinerary that included Sweden, Finland, St. Petersburg, Russia, and Estonia. They particularly enjoyed Finland, as well as St. Petersburg. Art remains an active golfer.

As some of you may know, Oz Day suffered a stroke earlier this year, but I'm happy to report he's making fine progress. As part of his rehab, he flew to Boulder, Colo., where, with the aid of his daughter living there, he undertook a physical therapy program. Later in the summer he traveled to Cuttyhunk Island, Mass., where he and wife Tess were joined by all four daughters and many grandchildren.

Before deciding to move from McLean to Charlottesville, Va., where he now lives, Neal Kennedy visited several potential retirement spots, finally purchasing a condominium in a retirement complex called University Village. He is delighted with his splendid views of the Blue Ridge Mountains seen from his sixth-floor apartment. He enjoys the company of interesting and well-traveled fellow retirees. Neal planned to travel to France in the fall, spending most of his time in Provence, followed by a visit to Albi. There he hoped to do some research on the French branch of his family. When I expressed much enthusiasm (and envy) for his travel plans, he reminded me that in his youth he had visited Karakoram, the mountain range spanning the borders between Pakistan, China, and India, as well as Tsimbiku, where he stayed in a French Foreign Legion outpost. He recalls sitting on a terrace there, listening to music from performing artists below that sounded very much like American jazz.

Jack Walsh and his wife spent the summer at their Georgian Bay retreat, located about 200 miles north of Toronto. They have a compound of three houses that can accommodate 27 people. The main house is named Jademibar, combining the first few letters of the names of each of his four children. The Walshes hosted more than 100 visitors throughout the summer, principally children and grandchildren. On their return they attended the Buffalo Bills opening game, where they witnessed the terrible accident that beset a Bills player. The player injured his spine so severely that the team players came onto the field and recited the Lord's Prayer. There is hope, however, that a new surgical technique of induced alternate sleep and wakefulness may enable him to walk again.

Always up for adventure, Ralph Smith, his wife, Lilian, their children, and grandchildren headed for Alaska, where they learned how to make a totem pole. Says Ralph, "The first thing you have to do in making totem poles is to rid yourself of preconceived ideas as, for example, that the 'low man' has to be on the bottom. In fact, you can put him anywhere you want, even at the top, as totem pole sculptors take a lot of artistic license. There's one thing you must remember, however: don't make mistakes—it's a 38-foot piece of wood you're fooling around with."

Mel Shoul reports his hearing has diminished quite a lot over the past two years, so he needs people to face him and speak more slowly. One-on-one conversation is fine, but when more than three people are speaking, the voices are too diffused and become muffled. That affliction comes to too many of us, I'm afraid. In 2006 Mel developed shingles, requiring almost constant focus to determine the precise physical position that would result in less pain and relying on his empathetic physician to prescribe combinations of painkilling drugs. Finally, for the past two months things have returned more or less to normalcy. The thought sustaining him throughout his physical ordeal was that those of us still around should feel eternally grateful to be alive and functioning.

Mel sends best wishes to everyone.

After Yale undergraduate years, Don Quaries joined the Navy, becoming a meteorologist in the USNR forecasting weather for Navy pilots in the southwest Pacific. Graduation school at Yale led to a 40-year career with IBM. He completed a PhD degree in math, attending night classes at NYU. Don reports that he's happily married to Dorrie; has four children and four grandchildren, and is contentedly retired in Eastham, Mass., on beautiful Cape Cod. As befalls many of us, the Quarles's have slowed their travels, but greatly enjoy frequent visits from their children, who live in Upstate New York, Arlington, Va., and Paris.

John Blum joins a number of us who have had pacemakers implanted (including your class secretary). In John's case it was a matter of a replacement. He encountered some problems with it, so he did not come to enjoy its full benefit until at least a month after the procedure. Despite his congestive heart failure problem and a bladder infection, he has soldiered on and is completing his new novel, with one more chapter to go. John also reports he has spoken with George Wagoner, who is in agreement with his move to Intent with his museum to North Carolina. Indeed, he plays tennis every day.

George Oliva and his friend, Pamela, plan to sail soon on the new Queen Victoria on its 97-day maiden voyage around the world. They board in New York, travel through the Panama Canal, up the coast of Mexico, to Los Angeles, and thence across the Pacific. He's counting on their being able and happy to "last out all 97 days."

It is with much regret that I report the deaths...
Gilbert B. Johnson-Irrenwich was born in Honolulu on October 16, 1912, and passed away in his home in Honolulu on March 30, 2023. He was a beloved member of the community and a respected attorney.

He attended the University of California at Los Angeles and graduated with a degree in law in 1935. He then moved to New York City and worked as an attorney for several years. He later returned to Hawaii and continued his practice.

Gilbert was deeply involved in his community and was a member of several organizations. He was a lifelong member of the Kamaaina Club and the Hawaii State Bar Association. He also served on the board of directors for several non-profit organizations.

He was married to Margaret Johnson-Irrenwich and they had four children. He was predeceased by his wife in 2005. He is survived by his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Gilbert was a kind and compassionate man who will be greatly missed by all who knew him. He leaves behind a legacy of service and dedication to his community.

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When we spoke, she was living with her younger daughter, Josie, in Deland, Fla. Her older daughter is in Fort Myers, Fla.

I am also sorry to report the death of Nancy Kelley Park of Portland, Ore., on Sept. 28, 2007. She died after a long illness. Fran Troub Roberts, her friend through Abbott and Vassar days, writes the following: "Kel was certainly one of a kind, with a very oftent sense of humor. Emmy Mills Courtice remembers that when Kel's husband, David, died, it was noted in the Bulletin that Kel had lost David. She responded indignantly that she had not lost him, and she knew exactly where he was! She loved Abbott and sent her two youngest girls [Rebecca '74 and Lisa '77] East to benefit from it. She never missed a Reunion until the 65th. By our 66th, she was having a hard time getting around, but she got to Andover and had a wonderful time." Our condolences to her children.

On a personal note, as scribe, I would like to hear any news you have of your own or our classmates. The deadline for the spring Bulletin is Jan. 25, so please be in touch by e-mail, phone, or snail-mail before that.

My own life is still busy with family, teaching English as a second language, and working for the cancer support team. I wish you a warm, peaceful winter.

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PHILLIPS Editor's note: The daughters of Thomas B. Hartmann informed the Academy that their father died peacefully on Nov. 7, 2007, with his loving family by his side. Before he died Tom told them what a wonderful life he had had. Notes of condolence may be sent to Tom's wife, Martha Hartmann, at 700 Hollinsford Spring Road, Apt. C107, Skillman NJ 08558. Please see the In Memoriam section for an obituary provided by Tom's daughters.

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PHILLIPS Now that our 65th Reunion has come and gone, our next one, the 75th, becomes rather unique. By then we will be in the 85-year age bracket. We will have the option to gather or not as the Class of '42, and the class title becomes the "Old Guard"—if you get my drift.

Unfortunately, memories of friendships and our times at Andover will be slipping into the sunset—that is, if we allow that to happen. Staying in touch becomes even more important now. In the past, we haven't done too well in that department. In my forthcoming New Year's resolutions, I am planning to find each of you for some conversation. If you won't connect with me, I will connect with you.

A phone call to Tom Quarles revealed his continued recovery, mostly now confined to his legs, hopefully he'll be home by the new year. However, Tom writes about his wife, "Carolyn has an unexpected adventure on Saturday of Labor Day weekend at our summer home on Spotfield Lake in New Hampshire. She woke up with only moderate tightness in her upper chest—never before experienced. She described it as a 4 on a scale of 10. Remembering the American Heart Association 'red dress' publicity emphasizing that for women, chest tightness can be the first warning of a heart attack, she had me drive her to the nearby ER at the Cheshire Medical Center in Keene, NH—just to check it out. There an astute male nurse practitioner began monitoring with a blood test, EKG, and nitroglycerin. By mid-afternoon she was sent by helicopter to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, N.H., where there is a catherization lab."

Tom adds, "After a thorough echocardiogram (ultrasound), the doctors performed an angioplasty to open three blockages in one coronary artery and inserted three stents. Four days later she came home and is back to usual activities, but having to fit in a cardiac rehab program and remember to take new medicines. How grateful she is to have had immediate and professional medical attention. It could have been a tragedy!"

A second thought: for the coming Christmas and New Year, create a special list and send an Andover remembrance card to your Andover friends (or their family, if the friend has deceased). Now we are talking "staying in touch." If you need a list of status, call or e-mail me.

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Another thought: I think we should consider one or more mini gatherings, two days long in various locations, perhaps across the U.S., to spread the cost of travel. The principal subject should be "How PA Andover today is significantly different from the days we remember?" I continue to read Youth From Every Quarter by Fritz Allis, 695 pages plus 73 pages of notes and index. It has answers for questions we haven't thought of yet. Also, you need to read Time Remembered by Abson Chase. He tells he who really was, besides being a "happy warrior." These are not new books. They can be found on Amazon—used.

By now you must have heard of the passing of Stephen Whitney in July 2007. We met in Rockwell often for lights out in 1938. His populability was legendary. Years later as I stood in line with some to.recover his acceptance as an upper. Mr. Whitney shouted, "Oh, not another Midgeley!" He was always a friend and "recounteur." He enjoyed life. He was an invited speaker at both our 50th and 55th Reunions. He gave the same speech at both. When I inquired, he just smiled. Obviously, it was intentional.

Did you know Miss Whitney died at the age of 100, Stephen Whitney at 95, and Al Chase at 87? Finally, finally, from now on, I am going to pick five classmates from whom I expect to receive news in any medium—phone, mail, e-mail, whatever. I will put it in the next Bulletin and Web page. This time it is Stuart Arnold, Carlton Badger, Bill Barnard, Dudley Batchelor, and Len Beardsley. If you don't respond, I will mention that also.

Stay in touch.

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PHILLIPS As I write these notes, my Sept. 27 deadline is close at hand, and our June 13-15, 2008, Reunion is not that far away. I hope you plan to be there. Although there will no doubt be future get-togethers, this will be the last official district class Reunion before we join the Old Guard. As Jazz Jules would say, "This is the last hurrah!" Let's have a great turnout.

Our 65th Reunion book is to be mailed in November to every member of the class. We had a great response to the request for profiles from members of the class, with 80 out of a possible 137 received to date. Our class owes a special vote of thanks for this great showing to our persistent follow-up team, which included Gene Bierer, Rex Cherryman, Bill Chipman, Dick Harshman, Bud Lethbridge, Nat Potter, Bard Smith, and John Vinsel. For me, making some of those follow-up calls proved to be a lot of fun. Joe Houghteling, who has had more than his share of health problems, said he just comes to live long enough to see a Democrat elected president in 2008, adding, "I don't care who, just so it's a Democrat!" Following up on Gaal Mahony, I spoke with his wife, Connaught, who explained that Gaal, who is still working full-time as a trial lawyer, has an assistant who had been out for some weeks, which probably explained the delay in Gaal's response. Then Connaught added, "I tell the assistant she's the office wife and I'm the wife at home—the difference is you don't touch!"
Mel sent notes of Stan Jones's death. Mel in neighboring McLean, Va. Stan lived in it in 1944 at the Naval officers' training school at Tabline. He returned as a full captain, NSC, in 1947. He be

enished his career as a Wa. The sympathy is extended to his wife, Charlotte F. Jones.

For your address book, Wallard Walker is now at 60 Battle Ridge Road, Canna, MD 21924. Email changes: Bob Hatch can be reached at robhatch@join@mercury.com.

Henry "Hal" Love's widow, Pat, sent me a copy of a photo of Hal and another classmate. The photo was taken in 1943. She thought the other person might be Hallowed. Is that the word? He was said to be a man of grace, a valued friend. "High compliment.

Tom Howard and Marion Harris took the MV "Zambian" to see Alaska'sUnion and last spring. All was lovely, including the ship and crew. (One wonders whether we should all do that before the seas get too rough.)

That Alaska venture reminds me of the trip Maggie and Chris Eatch made to Canada for a ski trip to the Canadian Rockies in October 2000. Chris said it was fantastic, seeing the bears up close in their natural habitat. Apparently, the polar bears will also be extinguished in the global warming catastrophe.

Recalling that Einstein posted that God is not vengeful, merely infinitely subtle, could one reason that God placed man on earth in order to destroy both earth and self?

We lost Edward "Ned" Wilmer in a violent car accident near Seville, Spain, last February. Also killed immediately was the other front-seat passenger, Ned's sister Ann. Ned's wife, Mary, was critically injured; her eventual status is unknown. A fourth passenger, identified as Ned's daughter, escaped with minor injuries. He was the co-pilot of the plane, which was returning from the French mainland.
and I believe Ann assisted him there. We saw him and his family at our 50th and talked inter alia about his attempts to retire and his son's award-winning restaurant on Prince Edward Island. Ned and Ann managed to retire in 1997. Their favorite destinations included TIE and Spain. A talented physician has gone on before. The MIT Technology Review recently did a profile of John Kellett as an MIT alumnus, career Exxon retiree, and activist for gay, lesbian, and bisexual causes. John's activist career got started in 1970. This somehow fit in with assignments in New Jersey, New York, London, Italy, Hong Kong, Okinawa, and back to Houston as senior adviser in finance and planning. The article comments on his and his foundation's activities in Houston and his award-winning labors at MIT on behalf of the gay, lesbian, and bisexual communities, as chronicled in earlier editions of the Bulletin. Good work, John.

Faithful correspondent Dick Hatton writes from Quincy, Mass., that Hispanics and Latinos are now having a visible effect in displacing African Americans in the Boston labor market, which I suppose is to be expected. Since 1863, every newly arriving immigrant group has, in about a generation, leapfrogged blacks on the economic ladder. Dick's faithfulness extends in many directions, as I have earlier noted. In his letter, he said he was going out to post a $5,000 bond for a former tennis buddy who is confused about the legal relationship between demon run and operating an automobile.

Peter Stevens, our class president, wrote me a commiserating letter in which he laid out his plans for leaving Langhome, P.A., and decamping to the great Cape Ann area of Massachusetts. In 10 or so months he will prepare his house for the market and detach himself from civic activities and the vestry of his church, while also finding an apartment to use as a base for scouting out an apartment or condo to call home. The objective is to be settled in by the beginning of 2009. An advantage is to end up near several of his far-flung brood.

Please see the In Memoriam section for an obituary about Walter Torrance.

I will busy myself on the next batch of news and be in touch. Ciao.

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PHILLIPS First of all, the class agent's (let you forget, that's me, too) report on the annual giving campaign. Our goal was $50,000 and 80 percent participation. Total giving was $331,849, of which $158,000 was for the Andover Fund. Participation was 70 percent, and that ranked us third of all non-reunion classes. Well done! I can't thank you enough! To some of you, I sent a follow-up letter, which I would like to register with you all. Two brief paragraphs were followed by: "A recent New Yorker cartoon showed a young woman lounging on a sofa talking on the phone and has the caption 'Yes, he has deep pockets, but I never realized how short his arms are.'" End of letter. I like to think this gag broke the tedious of fund solicitation and helped return a number of you to the fold.

We are all aware of Andover's non-sfi student outreach programs to its local community. On Sept. 15 this program was extended to alumni. Coordinated by the alumni office, a number of regional alumni organized Non Sfi Day Volunteer work projects in support of charitable organizations in their communities. First reports indicate that the turnout was good enough to plan for another alumni Non Sfi Day next year. Let me or the Office of Alumni Affairs know if you would volunteer as a leader or worker. It appeals to me as an opportunity to engage with younger alums in our communities. Most of the leaders in September were from classes in the '80s or younger. Participating in park clean-ups, really elderly care, and proxy grandparenting are noble roles to play.

One of the Non Sfi Day projects was a clean-up day on Boston Harbor's Thompson Island, the site of the original Outreach Bound camp. Outreach Bound was championed in America by Howard Reed's father and Andover's Josh Miner.

Reliable correspondent John Thornäke, in the best tradition of the famed Boston trustee (never spend capital), keeps me abreast of interesting Wall Street Journal articles. The May 19-20 weekend issue had a story about a Wells Fargo Bank historian whose job is to research family histories in search of potential trust customers. In the article Lucy and Fritz Jewett are prominently mentioned, as a result of a chance remark by Lucy to the historian that her grandfather may have been a Wells Fargo stage coach driver! More if you write for a copy of the article. John also tells of Bill Saltotton's devotion, since boyhood, to sailing a 20-foot knockabout. His original boat had to be retired some time ago, but last summer an exact replica was launched, and John was on its maiden voyage with a very, very happy captain "Salty." Also, John spent a day with a group of five PA Summer Session archology students on a dig in Danvers, Mass. The group was led by the Peabody Museum director, Malinda Blasun. John and the late Peter Hettler actively supported the Peabody, bringing it more closely into the school's curriculum.

Art Mohr tells about last summer with family and friends in Maine. Family included five of his six grandchildren and their mothers and dads. Grandchildren are all boys, three of whom are either book or band grad. One is a cum laude scholar. The traditional get-together with Larry Ward and Chet Homer was a celebration of close friendships, which started in fall 1941. Count them—all 67 years! Wow!

Brot Bishop continues with a vigorous fitness program and says we all should be doing the same—says he never felt better. (I doubt his memory on this one; going into the ninth decade has left a few scars that hurt.) One of Brot's grandchildren attended last year's Summer Session at Andover. He thought it was wonderful, especially noting the diversity of gender, race, religion, and nationality. I'm sorry to say that Brot's brother Mort '47, a friend of many of us, died last July. Bob Beach says when people talk about age (something we seem to be heavily preoccupied with) he lets them know he's in his ninth decade. I told him I do the same. We agreed that for most of that time, we've been slow-offs and continue to be. While on this "boring" subject: I was putting my trousers on after my annual checkup, when the doctor sharply ordered me to stop. I asked why. He said "You've reached the stage when you should get down to put your pants on; I don't want any broken hips in my examining room." I did not inquire about the next stage.

Chips Lazo writes a limited edition letter. His most recent one contains comparative national security guidelines. One follows, which I think you will agree is superior to our bland color code system: "The English are feeling the pinch in relation to recent terrorist threats, and have raised their security level from 'muffled' to 'peeped.' Soon, though, security levels may be raised again to 'irritated' or even 'a bit cross.' Londoners have not been 'a bit cross' since the Blitz in 1940, when tea supplies all but ran out. Terrorists have been recategorized from 'terrifying' to 'a bloody nuisance.' The last time the British issued a 'bloody nuisance' warning level was during the Great Fire of 1666." I'm an Anglophile and share the Brits' sense of the ridiculous.

Brom Aull's quarterly massive continues to explore issues of national interest. I've written about his research and analyses in the past. Probably his best piece of work was the April/July '07 issue of Matter of Conscience. It is titled "Eminent Dissent," and subheades "The Abuse of Government Power, Ethical Failures, and the Triumph of Cynicism over Integrity in 21st Century America." Since October 2006, it has been on Brom's Web site, www.centerforpublicconscience.org. Tune in; you'll be glad you did.

I talk to Tim Timberman from time to time and heard last fall of a family gathering to celebrate his upcoming 80th. It was held in early September. Thirty family members ranging from 4 months to, of course, 80 were on hand. It sounded like an international meeting, with relatives long not seen coming from the Far East and other distant points on the compass. He had a grand time!

Bruce Gelb proudly told me that his wife, Luca, has had her first book published. I've not read it, but a copy is in the mail to me. It is titled Schroon Lake, a memoir about several generations of a family from an Upstate New York community by the name Schroon Lake. Your local bookstore should have copies. If not, try Amazon.com.

Mike Minsky confirming that Science Magazine noted recently that Myron is still at MIT. He added that in 2006 his most recent book, The Emotion Machine, was published and is available.

Finally, I'm sorry to have to tell you that Ed Hawkins family has reported that Ed has become incapacitated by Alzheimer's disease.

See you next time. Love you all.
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PHILIPS bi-hybrid review was received by letter from Bob Weirde and Dick Philips that reported the status of the Class of 30 Teaching Foundation final which now has a market value of $35 million. This fact is currently held by Shirley Weirde, an art and graphic designer at the Kingston Art Department.

Your response to the letter asking for news and travel plans on our reunion has been remarkable. Thirty-three classmates answered, making this editorial task formidable. No one opened with, "I can't believe you're all here..."" and children proclaimed some have never been to New York City. They say they are at least 75 and are looking forward to our health.

Two classmates from Rosemary and Allan Carlsmith addressed, to the N.Y. Times in a letter in 1983. The annual reunion in New York City has grown in size and attendance. The reunion committee has been successful in raising funds to support the reunion.

GRACEY, Mary
We have been successful this year and are planning to attend the reunion next year. We are looking forward to seeing everyone. We will be there.

FRAN GRAHAM PATTON
My husband and I have been successful this year and plan to attend the reunion next year. We are looking forward to seeing everyone. We plan to be there.

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We have been successful this year and plan to attend the reunion next year. We are looking forward to seeing everyone. We plan to be there.
letter from Norm's sister-in-law reported that
Norm's wife, Maxine, had died in 1988.
Wife Sheila and I are well—as are our
children, Kate '80, who writes the column for
her class, Peter '83, an English teacher in New Hamp-
shire, and daughter Kylie. We have three grand-
children, an 18-month-old toddler and two
teenagers—a lively group!

Thanks for your great response to Bob and
Dick's letter, and all the best for Christmas
and 2008!

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ABBOT What a beautiful day in September!
It is still warm, in the 80s, but not like the hot,
hot summer. The tourist season is over. We still
have tourists year-round, but the influx comes
between Memorial Day and Labor Day. Lewes is a
family resort area with lots of history, so we don't
get any rowdiness.

Hopefully Bev DeCesare Nassar is now
completely recovered from carpal tunnel surgery
on each wrist, which she was to have had
in September.

Jack and Ginnie Eason Weinmann were able
to spend most of the summer at their cottage
in Michigan. While the rest of us were trying to
keep cool, they were enjoying cool weather.
Ginnie e-mailed, "We had a lovely Labor Day week-
end with all our children and grandchildren at
Galway Gardens resort in Atlanta. The weather
was perfect, and everyone had fun being together.
The setting is very wooded, and our cottages were
isolated in the deep woods but close to the main
lodge where we had dinners. We stayed on in
Atlanta to look for furniture and fabrics." They
returned to Michigan until the middle of
September, when they returned to Louisiana.
She added, "No matter what happens New Orleans
is coming back. The inhabitants want it to keep
growing and are willing to work to make it so—reg-
ardless or in spite of the government!"

Diana Gould Berkeley has a new e-mail address
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Mackie Hall Kerman has heard from Joyce
Huntington Knights, who is doing well. Mackie
wrote that Barbara "Bunny" Goddard Dickey
is not doing well so she. Has moved to a nursing
home. Her address is 4416 Meandering Way, Tal-
hahasee FL 32305. I am sure she would like to hear
from classmates.

In June Jane Lewis Gleason went to her
granddaughter's graduation from Chapel Hill
High School. She was in the National Honor So-
ciety and a North Carolina Scholar. She will be
attending Dickinson College, where she will be
a soccer player. In July, Jane had a bad fall. She e-
mailed, "I was with a gal friend, and we were
browsing in shops, as it was a rainy day. I tripped
over a curb and fell forward right on my left tem-
ple and hand, but no breaks. I spent four hours in
the emergency room. I have a concussion and
swollen hand. I will not tell my kids, as they may
put me in the 'home'!" By September she had re-
covered enough that she was able to travel to
Wisconsin. It was the first time she had been
there. Jane e-mailed, "Really loved the area.
Went up to Sister Bay and all over Door County—
quite beautiful. Then went to Chicago. What a
lovely clean city—merry parks and river
walks, great museums, fantastic skyscrapers, all
so modern—great food, too! My next adventure will
be to fly to Orlando, Fla., and go to the next
space launch at Cape Kennedy on Oct. 23. The
commander is the daughter-in-law of good friends
and thus I was extended an invitation to view the
launch in a VIP position! Pretty exciting! This
is Discovery STS-120 on its 33rd mission."

I e-mailed Carol McLean Bly to make sure she
was surviving the flooding in Minnesota. She
answered, "The Minnesota flooding is in the south-
est corner of the state, and I am not there. And
no relations of mine were killed in the Minneapo-
lis bridge collapse."

That's, that's all, folks!

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PHILLIPS I guess that the penalty of this job
is that you are the bearer of sad news and, unfor-
tunately, it is becoming more frequent than any
of us would want. The sad news now is to report
the passing on Aug. 12 of Myron "Mike" Michaels.
Mike was living in Scarborough, Maine, at
the time of his death. Many of us remember Mike as
the Robert Capa of the Photilium in his role as
photographic editor. Our sympathies go to his
wife, Mary. I have also learned that Bob Terrell
died on May 25 after briefly battling pancreatic
cancer. He had a long and distinguished career
in public relations, and his volunteer activities
were myriad. We send out condolences to Arline,
his wife of 56 years. Speaking of the Photilium,
my wife, Judy, and I was the guest of Mike Susanin
and his wife, Elsa, for a wonderful luncheon at
Tanglewood in Western Massachusetts, followed
by a Gershwin concert played by the Boston
Pops. It was a perfect afternoon with most gra-
acious hosts. Many of you may be unaware that
Mike is a renowned and well-respected labor ar-
bitrator in Hartford, Conn. His specialty, it seems,
is in the field of secretarial workers. It's just too
bad that his skills were not utilized in the UAW-
General Motors negotiations that were going on
in Detroit, as I write these notes. Obviously, the
breach of these notes would indicate that most
of you have had a great summer. I really have lit-
tle to report, having heard from no one except
Gordon "Dick" Dewart. He was kind enough to
write that his sister Rita had died from Dime
Gould Berkeley's '47 that our Reunion was a great
success. Dick goes on to say that he heard from
Bob Warren, who wrote that the only reason we
couldn't join us last June was that his wife was not
in good health.

I am deeply indebted to Herb Briggan, who did
write a sensational and long letter, which is my
savior, because I am going to quote it verbatim.
Herb writes, "It's been a very long time since my
last A&K letter visit to our 40th Reunion, and my
correspondence has been certainly minimal. But
in view of the fact that I have been and will be
spending time this summer with three fellow class
members, I thought I would fill you in. My wife,
Anne, and I recently took a trip through western
Canada and, en route home to the S.F. Bay Area,
we stopped in Bend, Ore., to see Bob 'Ace'
Warren and his wife, Arlys. Lots of fun reminisc-
ing about various adventures and misadventures
over the years, not only at Andover, but at home
in Westchester County, NY, and also in south-
ern California during our military service, and
later in the Bay Area, where he lived for many
years. [I have an] upcoming visit in August from
Jim Boyd and his wife, Martha. He was my Yale
roommate, and we have stayed in relatively con-
tact ever since. He and Martha now live in
Williamsburg, Va. Anne and I spent a few days
with them last fall, and they will be joining us in
Carmel, Calif., shortly. Either way not least, the
Bernardia Flash, Bob Tucker and wife, Anne will be
spending a week in San Francisco in Septem-
ber, and we're planning a few get togethers. We
expect Bob Warren to join us. Incidentally, I
think that there was mention in the alumni
Bulletin of William Hefterman, Loyall Edge, and
Walter Horne '48 all being in San Francisco dur-
ing the summer of 47. What you didn't know was
that Bob Tucker and I, by the shearest coinci-
dence, run into them on the street and we all did
our best to destroy that lovely city during the few
days we were all here together. A very quick up-
date on me: I have lived in the Bay Area, with a
couple of short exceptions, since 1962. Two ca-
ters, first in the radio business with Gene Aufrty's
company and then as an independent consultant
to the sports industry, which I continue to pursue
on a very part-time basis. Was divorced from my
first wife in 1981 and remarried very happily to
Anne Gillett in 1999. We live in Belvedere,
Calif., in Marin County, and pursue an active life
of exercise, both physical and mental, as well as a
number of volunteer activities."

Stop the presses! I have just received an e-mail
from Jim Margolis, from whom we have not
heard in a long time. He told me that he had

Register for PA's online community at
www.andover.edu/bluelink,
where you can update your records and stay
connected with classmates.

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The inn crowd

Members of the Class of '48 enjoyed lunch and conversation with Head of School Barbara Landis Chase at the Andover Inn in October. Present were, from left, first row, Richard White, Chase, and Roger McLean; second row, Allen West, John Bloom, Sandy Saunders, and Bob Segal; third row, Brad Wellman, Dick Lindsay, and Andy Torant, back row, Norm Henderson, Dan Tucker, and Bob Brace.

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PHILLIPS. On a glorious October day, 12 members and their wives met at the Andover Inn for lunch and conversation with Head of School Barbara Landis Chase. We talked about our plans for the school today and heard about alumni projects and initiatives taking place. We all agree that the Academy is in the best of hands.

The weekend promised to be an opportunity to continue our discussions and transition to another year. There will be opportunities for us to enhance friendships and continue to grow.

Please visit our website at www.andover.edu

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ABBOT. Congratulations to the Academy and the participating alumni for organizing the 2007 Fall S.A.L.T. events on Sept. 15. The Philadelphia Area alumni committee endorses this local excursion with a cleaning of branches and excess growth. Your secretaries must confess, after the deliberation, that we did not join the effort, concluding that it is somewhat tiresome and knee- and elbow-extreme susceptibility to poison ivy would create far more of a liability than an asset.

I hope that other projects did appeal to our classmates and you will share your experience and earn bragging rights in the next edition of this column!

There is exciting news of a cross-country move for Jeanne Jeffers Whitemore. Jeff left New Jersey for San Marino, Calif., to be closer to her sons and his wife, Linda, and her husband, Bruce. Happily Jeff's beloved dog Sammy is with her, and both are comfortable in their new environment. Her address is 1570 A Lake St., San Marino CA 91403. Jeff reports that she and daughter Kim were in New England for a family wedding in October and included a visit to Andover. [Editor's note: Jeff and Kim visited the Abbott campus in the Bruce Center for Gender Studies in Abbot Hall.]

The good news is: a new job. Please contact us if you have information to share with your classmates.

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secretary and my New Jersey neighbor Madelon Olney Paglee will sadly miss our frequent luncheons with Jeff. We wish her much happiness in her new California home!

Camilla Tircomb reports that she and her singing buddy were able to attend their yearly week of singing in the Berkshires in July. They sang the magnificent Dvorak Stabat Mater. Camilla felt that it is one of the most beautiful pieces she has ever done. In February, Camilla plans to escape the New England winter with a Caribbean cruise.

One of my great sources of class news is the Smith Alumnae Quarterly. The spring 2007 edition included news of Joan Behre's longtime support of the New Canaan/Drux, Conn., Smith Club used book sale, which lasts for five days and includes 80,000-90,000 books! Joan lives in a condo in New Canaan with her rescued Maine coon cat, Leo.

The summer 2007 Quarterly 1953 class notes brought a news of the latest book published by Elizabeth Marshall Thomas. Titled The Old Way, it is written about the Kalabari Bushmen, their skills and customs, and how these relate to the survival techniques of the creatures with whom we share the planet. The Old Way is a follow-up to The Harmless People, her first impressions of the Bushmen and their world. Elizabeth has several books to her credit, among them The Hidden Life of Dogs and The Tribe of Tiger: Cats and Their Culture.

A recent printout of the address information for our Abbot class from the Andover Office of Alumni Affairs shows the deaths of 12 of our classmates, and 10 classmates for whom there is no current information. Perhaps you may be in contact with these "lost" classmates and, if they wish to do so, we could re-establish contact: Nancy Cowles Black, Anne Mansfield Borah, Nancy Regal Cohen, Ines Herrera Crane, Mariana Espaillat Crouch, Darlene Gibbons Farnsworth, Joan Gallagher Klaussen, Margaret Black Lambrix, Barbara Smith, and Mary Harmon Wagner. Any information would be confidential, and sensitive to their wishes as to sharing it.

Finally, I wish each of you a wonderful holiday season and a 2008 of good health. It is none too early to start planning for our 60th Reunion in June 2009.

From our correspondent in the Deep South, Dr. William Rhangos, "Attended a cocktail reception last night at Karen and Clifford 'Oolie' Lindholm's home on Skidaway Island, Ga. (a private enclave for retired Yankees) for a friend of Oolie's from Denmark whom he met at a Boy Scout jamboree in France 60 years ago. Hard to believe our 60th Reunion is coming up in the not-too-distant future! Bob Weber and wife Bobbie were also at the party. They live in Skidaway also. I'm still working part-time trying to heal the 'ruptured and crippled' (referring to the original name of New York Orthopedic Hospital).

Hank Wood reports from Vero Beach: "Ted Torrance and Quint Anderson kindly invited Jim Carmell and me to play a round at their club. We had a wonderful time recalling our days at Andover. Ted showed us that he really knows how to play the game."

Hank continued, "About a week ago, Paul Cleveland called from Virginia to organize a golf game with Quint Anderson, Ted Torrance, and me. We had a fabulous time remembering our days on the Hill." Once again Ted Torrance proved conclusively that he is an awesome golfer (and scorekeeper). They surprised Paul with a beautiful trophy, "the Paul's-Club-of-Virginia"---a silver cup, almost empty. A blue ribbon committee of British medical scientists has recommended that children under the age of 16 not use cell telephones because they are known to project microwave radiation six inches into the brain. In Sweden, half a dozen epidemiological studies show that inner ear tumors are not only occurring far more frequently among long-term users of cell phones, but, even more to the point, are occurring on that side of the brain to which the telephone is held by the user left- or right-handed—has been holding the device. As for me, I'm out of the subject for good, having written three books about it. My efforts these days are devoted to a new novel. My winter has been spent in the Florida Keys writing and fishing, and I'm about to head back up to my home on Cape Cod."

We lost three beloved classmates, Sam Mulligan, Winthrop Jordan, and J. Dana Eastham. You can read their obituaries on the class Web site at www.andover.edu.

Give something back!

To contribute to the Academy via its Web site, go to www.andover.edu/alumni/giving_volunteering.

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PHILLIPS Your humble servant and ink-smudged wretch now labors from a new garret. My lifetime fantasy of living in the South of France is over. I am glad to have done it, but I am now opening a new chapter in my life. One of the more interesting things I witnessed in my five years there was the French presidential election of 2002. It pitted the beautiful and elegant Socialist, possibly incompetent, never-married mother of four, Segolene Royal, against the arch conservativo, pro-American, Gaulist tough guy, Nicholas Sarkozy. In the middle of the hard-fought campaign, the candidate's wife, ex-model Cecile, was photographed having a romantic interlude in New York. She later chose not to vote in her husband's election. She appeared at the inauguration in slacks and a white sweater. Later, when vacationing in New Hampshire, she and her husband were invited to a luncheon in Kennebunkport, Maine, with President Bush. She called in sick. She had a miraculous recovery and went shopping that afternoon with friends in Wolfeboro, N.H. Maybe this shows how life in France is just a little different than life in the U.S., but you have to admit that life there is never dull.

From Fran Reckert: "Having just celebrated our 49th wedding anniversary with our five children and their spouses, wife Barbara and I are now getting ready to celebrate our 50th Reunion from medical school—Barbara from Tufts Medical School and I from Harvard Medical. [Family members in the medical field include] two sons and one daughter-in-law. Also, our youngest, our daughter, is applying to medical school. Our other two sons are MBAs—one is in health care, the other is CFO of the Boston Chamber of Commerce. It's a wonderful life."

George Ball writes, "Je ne sais pas. Petais malheureux quelle n'a pas gagne. En tous cas, I've opened a mini bookshop in my home in Leeds, Mich., at last, and this is keeping me off the streets and out of my wine. My family trip is a business trip—what city doesn't have a used and rare book shop? Great fun and lots to look forward to. I'm working hard with my local Rotary Club to provide improved educational opportunities to impoverished families, especially kids, in Honduras, as the result of an Elderhostel trip to Honduras and Guatemala last year. I'm serving on the board of our Rotary Club, and as a member of our country's Parks & Recreation Commission. We've just acquired 93 acres for a new park, so our hands are full, happy, life is good."

William "Yank" Thomson writes, "Je vous en prie. By the way, is Paris burning? Here in San Francisco, which most Americans treat as distinctly separate from the rest of the country, life continues with some exuberance, humor, challenge, and much distaste for what goes on inside the Beltway. Art, music, literature, and business are flourishing here, as only they can among a true, multicultural population that isn't at each other's ethnic throats. I am enjoying life and also am fortunate to have a daughter, son-in-law, and two active grandchildren living a half hour away. I stopped last fall after six-plus years of volunteer work delivering medical supplies to hospitals, clinics, and senior and individual homes and am, at present, at home writing, cooking, watching the Stanley Cup playoffs, and hitting a few tennis balls when my cranky knees permit. Some political campaigns will draw me to their phone banks later in the year. Hopefully, '08 will throw some rascals out of Washington.

"The amazing thing is that in the world of sports, where the English have been kept as the "Other," they are doing so well in the Olympics. I'm sure that will make a difference."

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PHILLIPS - Charlie Hather has submitted a number of memoranda. Some, like his 2008 
memorandum on the importance of the Arts, are well written and grounded in sound principles.

The other two documents, both of which were written in response to the 2008
awards ceremony, are much more persuasive. One, which is addressed to the
Chairman of the Board of Governors, argues that the Academy should increase
its support for the arts. The other, which is addressed to the
President of the Academy, argues that the Academy should create a new
category of awards, such as the "Artisan Award," to recognize the
work of artists who have made significant contributions to the
field of the arts.

PhD Brooks noted in his memo: "I am very
delighted with the wording and style of
these documents. They are clear and
concise, and I believe they will be
well received by the membership.

Bruce Kaiser noted in his remarks:
"I was very impressed with charlie's
memoranda. He has a gift for
writing, and his ideas are always
well-considered and well-expressed.

Dick Bell, in his report, wrote:
"I was pleased to see that Charlie's
memoranda were well received.

Dick Eiler added in his comments:
"I agree with Bruce Kaiser. Charlie's
memoranda are excellent.

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PHILLIPS - The summer came and went in
the usual fashion, with a new batch of mem-
bers. The new members included the
Chesapeak children, who spent most of
August in the Chesapeake, and a
group of elderly couples who visited
the city for the first time.

Ivan Chernavetsky was one of the
new members. He is a renowned
professor of literature at the
University of Illinois. He is a
brilliant scholar, and his
work has been widely
recognized.

By the end of the summer,
we had all settled into
our new routines and
enjoyed the company of
our new friends.

In other news, George Bearts
and the rest of the
North Carolina team had
some successes in their
summer activities.
anniversary Bulletin. He mentioned that former instructor Dick Lux had a story for me. I called Dick. He was thrilled with a call he received from Ev Anderson. Ev had read the last Bulletin, where I mentioned that Dick, Don Mulvey, ’50, and Bill worked out together at the Andover YMCA. Ev called Dick to thank him, 50-plus years later, for his coaching and his encouragement. Ev went on to well-deserved All-American honors in lacrosse at Duke. I can attest to that I played against him twice at Yale.

This is the word part of being secretary. Sadly, Bob Behan’s wife, Patty, wrote in June that he passed away April 24 from the effects of a stroke suffered in October 2005. Patty noted that Bob had so many fond memories of his days at Andover and the friends he met there. They were married 48 years. He is survived by daughters Carolyn Behan Kraus and Catherine Louise Behan, and brother David Behan ’57. After Yale, he received an MBA degree from the Columbia Graduate School of Business and an honorary doctor of humane letters degree from Albertus Magnus College, where he served on the Board of Trustees for 23 years. He is a chairman. Bob served a two-year tour of duty in the U.S. Army stationed in Stuttgart, Germany. After a career of 32 years at Connecticut Bank and Trust, he retired in 1991 as executive vice president. His many honors include being president and campaign chairman of the United Way of Greater New Haven, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce, recipient of the Americanism Award by the Anti-Defamation League of Pins Brith, and so many more, too numerous to mention. Bob was a wonderful teammate and friend. The Class of ’51 will miss him. His memory will be cherished.

Nat Reed engaged in a spirited written exchange with Delham Country Day School’s director of communications and head of school, correcting an erroneous story contributed by a fellow alumna concerning the lack of an organized athletic program. As a fourth-grader playing football, Nat’s older brother and the brother’s friend opened a large hole in the enemy line, and Nat scampered untouched for a touchdown. Nat was much younger than the hulking linemen. Several years later, when Nat was playing safety, the same opponent’s shifty halfback broke loose, Nat lurched for him, but he missed him completely. Thus Nat etched details of the athletic program forever. My account of Nat’s story loses a lot in translation, but offers more proof of his versatility as a writer, athlete, and historian!

David Brodeur writes that the fall edition of Motorcycle Classics carries results of his seven years of research on S.H. Roper, “Father of the Motorcycle.” He notes that the spring 2007 100th anniversary issue of the Bulletin provided some nostalgia. The bio of Claude Fuss reminded David of the life-size bronze metallic portrait his father did of the headmaster that is currently displayed in the new entry to the Oliver Wendell Holmes library.

Doc Castle added some color to an item I wrote in the summer Bulletin about Marty and Roger Gilbert’s 50th wedding anniversary celebration. During the party, their son addressed the 50-plus guests. “You all have known Mom and Dad for a long time. How many joint replacements do you think they have had between them?” No one came up with the right answer: six! They must have a helluva time at the airport.

Doc reported on a very successful ’55 Princeton mini reunion he helped organize in Chicago last July. Gordie Douglas is their class president. Harry Berkowitz also attended. He is also very active in the class and Princeton affairs. Doc, at Gordie’s urging, has reconnected with Princeton, and has made his presence felt in class and university affairs. He remains active at Andover and in Chicago with fund raising and his particular interest, the Addison Gallery. He is also heavily involved with NIU, Northern Illinois University, enrollment 30,000, the second largest state university on one campus. They highlight an outstanding accounting program and acclaimed business and law schools. Doc’s wife, Nancy, is a professor at NIU, working with the hearing impaired and teaching them how to get jobs.

I was severely reprimanded by my “staff,” wife Dorothy and daughter Jenny, for writing too much about our family. Over their strong objections, I’m not editing out a word! My defense turned offense, “That’s what they get, they meaning you, for not giving me more to write about.” The defense rests! Stay well, write, e-mail me, or call. I finally did it. Check the address up top. If nothing further happens, you’ll get to know dog Rosie and cat Marybeth a lot better. Stay well!

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ABBOT I open and close this column with sad news from Andover. Our classmate Constance “Connie” Markert Day died June 14, 2007. As you may remember, she reported she was doing very well last winter after undergoing surgery and chemo. So it was a shock to hear of her death this summer. We will all miss her and the news she sent to this column. I remember what a good time it was to catch up with her at our 50th Reunion. Our condolences and sympathy go out to her husband and family. We will miss her.

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PHILLIPS Carolyn and Tony Fisher are new grandparents to a beautiful baby girl. They have been pursuing their interest in choral music. They’ve sung in Germany in churches in Berlin, Leipzig, Dresden, and Munich, as well as in village churches they passed through—the Wieskirche pilgrim church being one—on the way to Garnisch-Partenkirchen in Bavaria. They traveled with members of the Morris Choral Society to Germany for 10 days in July. Their annual trip to the Berkshires included enjoying two concerts at Tanglewood, seeing ballet at Jacob’s Pillow, and attending two theatre productions, Mrs. Warren’s Profession by Shaw and The Autumn Garden by Lillian Hellman. They also told me they were heading to Cooperstown, N.Y., to hear the Glimmerglass Opera, specifically Philip Glass’ new opera, Orphée.

Joe Falcone wrote that in January and February 2007 he was in Thailand for six weeks on his seventh visit. Joe says that he saw Hank Holmes ’53, who has lived there for many years. Joe went to Siem Reap in Cambodia and toured the famous Angkor Wat ruins. He explained to me that his trip was unplanned and unguided and, yes, although a lack of security for Joe is involved, he tells me that there can be a lot of fun and fond memories for him.

Henry Cooper says his leg is still a bummer after his surgery, but he’s getting a little bit better every day.

Stew Sanders writes that he and wife Nancy will fly from Boston to Albuquerque, N.M., on Sept. 8 and drive to Crownpoint, N.M., to see their grandchild, Owen Brosanders. Stew adds that he would like to hear from Bill Reeves and Bob Rosebaum.

Don Devreux, who has been a longtime journalist in Arizona, has sent me an interesting letter catching up on his energetic and varied career. Don was in the Army during the Korean War period and went to Michigan State University on the GI Bill. He’s lived in New Mexico and Arizona. In his letter he says he’s worked as a community and labor organizer, as a consultant to foundations with interests in civil rights and social change, and as a researcher, writer, and journalist. Don was a long-term member of Investigative Reporters and Editors (IRE), and he participated in IRE’s “Arizona Project,” which won national media awards for public service. For many years Don has researched for the Scottsdale Daily Progress and other news outlets the car-bomb murder of Phoenix journalist Don Bolles. His work on the Bolles case placed him among finalists for a “State Newscorps of the Year” award. Moreover, his investigative work for the print media earned him two Pulitzer Prize nominations over the years.

Don’s articles have been published in New Mexico and Arizona magazines since the mid-1960s and in the Washington Times and the San Francisco Examiner and other periodicals. In the early 1970s, after a prior stint in radio broadcast work, Don was associate producer of a document-
PA '53 is well represented in the Princeton Class of '57. Pausing during their recent Princeton 50th Reunion, from left to right, Bruce Rushbrooke, George Renadel, and Neal McCurley. In back are Eliot Gross, Randy Modland, Ken Demarest, John Scannion, René Bague, Deán Gried, Bill Dulguers, Peter Wise and Tamarit Tirana (both partially obscured), and Charlie Brodhead.

AP was a University of Cincinnati, Ohio, alumnus. He worked for the U.S. Government Department of Energy's Washington, D.C. office as a supervisor for energy conservation efforts. His group has recently returned from a cooperative effort in the Department's Solar Energy program.

Dan, currently resides in Tempe, Arizona, is the author of a book about the history of the United States. He also serves as a director of the Arizona Historical Society.

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ABHOT: Connie Weldon LeMaire was married to Bob Davis in 1960. The couple had five children: Bill, John, Peter, Susan and Michael. They have lived in Cincinnati, Ohio, and New York City. They have two grandchildren, Sarah and Alex LeMaire. They are active in the community and enjoy spending time with their family.

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Mary Souders McCloskey was at a fruits-of-the-forest party last year with her husband, but was back in her old hometown in September, full time.

Mary and her husband, Bill, have been involved in the development of local museums and historic sites. They have been active in the local museum association and have served on the board of directors. They are members of the museum's volunteer group and are involved in the planning and execution of events and programs.

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day's a bonus. Regards to all of our '53 classmates."

Although Jane Wilson Mann and her husband live in the middle of a subdivision, there is no lack of interesting wildlife. Deer, ducks, wood storks, and sandhill cranes delight them and their grandchildren who live nearby. Jane spent seven weeks touring the Canadian provinces with one of her daughters.

"To celebrate our 50th wedding 'annie,'" writes Cornelia Nyce Kittredge, "John and I took our whole family, 19 strong, on a cruise to Alaska. The nine grandchildren, ages 19 to 11, seemed to be having fun playing board games in the absence of TV and Internet. We saw amazing animals and scenery. And there were no luggage glitches! Perfect!"

Martha Schneider Unger writes, "I am happy to report that my life and marriage continue to improve in ways we had not imagined possible. And this includes an ever-growing appreciation for our glorious Northwest and our special haven here in Bellingham, Wash."

Helen Glidden Wesley claims that she is "once again both a Bostonian and a Hawaiian. I was in Hawaii for several weeks beginning to furnish my home, enjoying my grandchildren and friends, and being involved in school design and mentoring." Helen was a guest last year of Dr. James Watson, his wife, and the staff of his laboratory in Cold Springs Harbor, N.Y. Did you know that Watson and Crick revealed the structure of DNA in 1953! Why don't we get together in Andover, June 13-15, and celebrate! We could call it our 55th.

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Dare I say that I'm "mailing" this one in? Well, I am. But not out of sloth but rather, discretionary delegation of power. I have for this column only solicited the efforts of three "stringer" reporters who were kind enough to cover several college campuses celebrating our respective 50th Reunions and at which many Andover classmates attended. Forgive the elitism, but I chose the so-called "big three" because in our day a large majority of classmates chose these Ivies: Yale (62 from '53), Harvard (34), and Princeton (30). My apologies to those not overlooked but unreported. If you were there, you know you were there but not seen by my wandering reporters.

Ron Bland brings us close and personal at the 50th in New Haven: "Overall attendance tooted over 350, which represents more than half of our surviving Yale classmates. Reunion headquarters for the class of 1957 was at Trumbull College, still located at the intersection of Elm and York, one of the more crowded and noisy intersections in all of New Haven. [Wife] Kay and I were assigned the corner room of the first floor—perhaps the nausiest of all. The largely sleepless first night may have been my worst since passing a kidney stone in Medford, Ore., in 1988. Following a most welcome move to the inner courtyard, the reunion took on a much brighter glow. I had a chance to chat personally with a host of our former PA classmates, including Chip Anderson, Nort Wright, Pete Capra, Tom Shoep, Ken Sharp, Fred Guggenheim, Ray Lamontagne, Tink Thompson, and the ubiquitous Shelby Tucker (all the way from London, no less), as well as John Potterie (he and I, comprising the Seattle contingent). Potterie insists he's still playing ice hockey twice a week, which at age 72 should qualify him for an honorary Stanley Cup, or at least a free visit to his neighborhood mental health clinic. Speaking of, on the Thursday class golf outing, Ray Lamontagne reportedly shot a 78. Considering that Ray claims a 17 handicap, this feat has to rank with the day he hit for the cycle against Harvard, if indeed he ever did. Other classmates spotted at one gathering or another included Bob Pelletreau, Joe Mesics, Charlie Cushman, Gene Doggett, Dick Lumpkin, Dave Bowman, Joel Sharpe, and Courtenay Haight. I know full well there had to be more of us (I heard Ralph Douglas was there), but finding them and recognizing them wasn't always easy. The published works of authors Thompson and Guggenheim were prominently displayed in a collection of books by Yale '57 classmates. A series of outstanding lectures interspersed with more than ample amounts of food and drink made for a most memorable three days. I think a pretty great time was had by all. Like all the children in Garrison Keiller's mythical Lake Wobegon, all of our classmates appeared above average, at least in our own eyes."

And now from Secretary Emeritus Bill Kaufmann from Harvard Square, at his 50th: "OK, here (in the order I saw them) are Andover classmates at our Harvard 50th Reunion. Dr. Ellen and Paul Alkon, he a recently retired professor of English from USC, the author of 
imagine: History's Imagination, and best friend of Thompson, everyone's favorite Gorgo. Lou and John Ratte are still running the Hill Center for World Studies, which you can Google or find at www.thehillcenter.org if you are curious or looking for something to do. Joan and Stu Ogden, all the way from Salt Lake City. She's the consulting actuary, he's a real estate developer. Leon Setti, the actor and architect. Attorney Bill Sayad, for just a fleeting minute. Arlene and Don Shapiro. You may have written enough about them, and, besides she's a Mets fan, Cynthia and Leo Daley on line. No, not on the Internet. For the lobster dinner served on our last night in Cambridge. Attorney David Patterson, while listening to Harvard's new president-elect. Josh Mills, the financial counselor and investor. And Jim Gale. I didn't actually see Gale, but I read that he was at the reunion. Too bad. Also saw Anne and Bob Sullivan, who we joined at Sal's, the great Cambridge restaurant recently recognized by Food & Wine magazine and partially owned by Bob."

And, finally, from the Ivy-covered eating clubs of Princeton, classmate Neal McCorvie's deathless prose: "It was a great show. Attached is a list of those attending from PA '53 (and those not attending for reasons terminal and otherwise)—apologies if I missed a name. John "Ronde" Baquie, Charlie Brodhead, Clive Chandler, Ken Demarest, Mike Glazerman, Eliot Goss, Dean Groel, Gordon Mackenzie, Orv Mann, Neal McCorvie, Randy Mortland, George Reindel, Bill Ridgway, Bruce Roborough, John Scranton, Turhan Tiran, Duck Wadsworth, Bill Weigand, and Peter Wiese. Among other goodies, we each received a hefty book, 560 pages long, including trenchant reflections from just about everyone and lots of pictures and historic information about Princeton's class of 1957. A list of those active in post-Princeton class activities shows Dean Groel to be the most indefatigable classmate. Allowing five years of preparatory work for each major reunion, Dean hadn't had a chance to sit down for 31 of the 50 years since graduation: four times reunion chairman, with five stints as secretary and then president in between, ending with a major post (along with Ken Demarest) on the committee for this year's reunion. We are grateful. Bruce Roborough finished a term as class president in 1997, and was treasurer for the five years before that. Turhan Tiran has been our truly excellent secretary from 1997 to date. Another interesting reunion occurrence was a call over the microphone at the big Class of 1957 dinner for all members of PA '53 to assemble for a picture, a sudden honor not accorded to other secondary institutions. Perhaps the work of someone mentioned above? Finally, wife Barbara and I celebrated our 50th anniversary on March 1. No one is more surprised—or delighted—than we are."

I am sorry to report the death of classmate Eric Aiken, of New York City, on Oct. 1, 1997. We learned of his death only recently from the Princeton Alumni Weekly. Also, we just learned of the death of Al Korschun of Woodbine, Md., on Nov. 22, 2006. More details will follow in my next set of class notes. Now that you've made it to two successive 50th Reunions, perhaps you'd like to try for 55! Our 55th at Andover is coming up soon, June 13-15, 2008. Please mark it on your calendar. Be well.

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Seven classes graduated this past July for a wonderful rami reunion hosted by Jane Munro Barrett and husband Bill at their beautiful home on Lake Winnipesaukee in Wolfeboro, N.H. Jane and Bill were the ultimate hosts for Marri Belknap, Paula Prial Folkman, Sandy Liberty, Linda Jones Matthews and her husband,
Abbot mini reunion

Members of the Abbot Class of 54 gather in July at the home of Jane Munro Barrett in Wellesley, N.H. From left, in front, are Linda Jones Matthews and Barrett, just behind them, Maria Belknap, Paula Paul Folkman, Nancy Donnelly Bliss, and Sandy Liberty, and Frances Noble is in back.

At above, I appreciate hearing from classmates and wish you well in the months to come.

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PHILLIPS Growing older is mandatory for the Great FA Class of 1954. But growing up is optional and judging by themselves remains their forte. Our assimilation into the Y generation's current cultural milieu through a virtual continuum of events (VCR) produced an array of personalities, and personal opinions, on our time's most vital issues. Although among the topics of greatest concern were global warming, Russian aggression, and American politics, the U.S. infrastructure and our nation's health, the U.S. military, and sport got from us.

Here's just one example after climate changes of growing up: a family vacation was marred by some Dickensian weather patterns, making the trip a Good Friday machine. For decades, we've lived with and increasing heat wave, particularly such as period relief systems, areas of war, and a worldwide. France figured through global warming might influence the effects of our rising

Eating pigeons may be banned from our atmosphere faster than China's.

Mort Downey, Steve Wilson, John Nichols, Doug Ayer, and Park Weaver are bicyclists with self-immunization for not understanding such conflicting scientific data. Look on the illuminated Website www.parasitology.org.

Several classmates provided insights into our military policies. Retired General Barry McCaffrey '63, who is Henri-Whittall's daughter-in-law, was stationed before the House Armed Services Committee on July 31, 2007, about the Joint Staff's update of America's ground combat forces. Several classmates concurred with McCaffrey, including Tom Cushing, Roger Whitemomb and Ken MacWilliams. They suggested that our poor military position, America's sickly dollar, and Russia's growing economy have enabled President Putin and Russia's aggression toward America. Russia is challenging our central perch in the global economy and military relations. For reference see "Ruble Rumble," July 21, 2006, and the recent released documentary film. My dad in World War II, our weakened infrastructure was discussed from both a physical perspective, as in the collapsed bridges in Minneapolis, and financially, as in the recent collapse of the housing market. Although hundreds of bridges in American cities have similar designs, and the sub-prime loan wars, the great Class of 1954 continues to act as a role model to restore America's inner strengths.

Al Kraus is working with the ACLU and American International on behalf of a national religious campaign to curtail torture. Barker Hickox took time to visit Ollic Whipple, as well as us. Whole Pliss Off-ice (via activities director at the VA center in Kentucky) has a public letter of thanks describing his Veteran's Appreciation Picnic. Bob Feldman enhanced the gene pool and reports that our "Class Baby" Hannah just had her third birthday. Many artistically inclined classmates viewed photos of SoLeWitt's under-block sculptures placed outside the front porch of the Akinson Galleries, photographed and distributed by Roger Whitemomb and Ken MacWilliams. Although we're all grass and oil and horses, he is a LeWitt fan. Ken MacWilliams was positive about the mathematical symmetry of these two under-block structures. However, Malcolm Swensson and Jon Foote suggested that under-blocks lack soul and are not truly "sculptures." May just completed two sculptures for this year's Venice Biennale. He used Italian marble. The "legendary architect fountain in Fire" was surpassed by the August-Sep

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Bernie Ackerman, who remember him with affection. We send condolences and fond remembrances to his wife, four children, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. In the spirit of Mr. Whitman’s love of parks, I submit a paragraph from Tom Woodhead about a failed robbery at the Louvre when the robber was caught because his car ran out of gas. The robber explained that he stole the paintings because he had no “money” to buy “Tegar” to make the “Von Gogh.” Since there is nothing “Toulouse,” and I have “De Gaulle,” I will continue.

Steve Wilson organized the Andover lunch in New York last week at the Bryant Park Grill on Oct. 3. Attendees expected: Bill Staehle, Dave MacKenzie, Jay McDowell, Bill Matalene, Tim Hegen, Steve Pendleton, Dave Knight, Bob Sample, Dutch Wolitz, Roger Whitcomb, Kathy and Jon Foose, Sam Constan, and Bob Cole.

Bill Matalene shared his recent adventures as a volunteer in Finland, where he observed an impressive national multigenerational acknowledgement of education. Bill described thousands of barefooted protesters on white velvet peaked caps to symbolize student and to honor education and lifelong learning. Tony White shared his wisdom about Cuban and Latin American affairs. Tony took three trips to Cuba legally in 2002, 2003, and 2004 with senior students from his Lifelong Learning Institute. He describes the current administration’s prohibition on “trading with the enemy” and states that this plan will be reconsidered and that he will plan another trip and offer classes a share in a Cuban visit. Tony also teaches Mexican history and described Mel Gibson’s portrayal of the Maya in his film Apocalypto. Tony points out that Maya civilization preceded European conquests by centuries and was advanced in art, culture, and science. They have developed a number of urban centers, war of conquest, slavery, taxation, overpopulation, and food shortage. These problems sound familiar, considering today’s “developed” societies. The Maya had abandoned large cities and hierarchical government for smaller agrarian villages before the Spaniards arrived. Tony points out that Gibson’s portrayal of the savage Maya was inaccurate and did little to help the more than a million Maya living in poverty today in Mexico.

Please see the In Memoriam section for an obituary for Joseph McPhillips III.

I am off to be an invited speaker at screening newborn babies for galactosemia at the Congreso SLEIMFN conference in Punta del Este, Uruguay.

Hasta luego y sigan comunicándose!

P.S. Peggy is celebrating her 70th next April at Martha’s Vineyard. Sad news to report: Eleanor Rukon-Miller York’s husband, John, died in September after a long illness. Daughter Laurie came home from Uganda and stayed the whole of July. John lives close by Susan Wickham Maire happened to be in Maine and was able to attend the memorial service. The new e-mail address for Eleanor (“Boat”) is bcozy@maine.rr.com.

Margaret Roth Brown met with her traveling friends in Maine to plan an adventure to Turkey. They will do the western coast, inner down to Bodrum, plus four Greek Islands. Marthie has gone back to work—16 hours a week at the Library of Congress in D.C.

Louise Day Cook and your correspondent will be close this winter in Arizona. Husband Bob and I have purchased a golf villa at Superstition Mountain, a Lyle Anderson/Jack Nicklaus development near Apache Junction, Ariz. Louise and I plan to get together. And on the family front, Louise and husband Leon now have a second great-grandchild, a boy.

Winifred Ward Irish had a great trip to Bhutan with a side trip to the “crazy city of Bangkok. Bhutaners are very friendly to Westerners. They are learning to vote and to use computers.” Winnie’s family includes two grandchildren, ages 7 and 3. Winnie’s e-mail address is jirish@maine.rr.com.

Leslie Pelton Morrison reports she had a great summer: “Visits from all three sons and their grandchildren were the highlight of the season. Off to Canada on Sept. 17 for a 12-day trip to Montreal and Quebec City. Hope to see Elizabeth Parker Powell around Oct. 2 for dinner. We start our annual migration south on Oct. 18.”

Jane Tatman Walker continues to be on the move. A cruise to Beijing, China, included stops at Car, Nagasaki and Kyoto, Japan; and Hong Kong. Family time at Lake Winnebago filled some Indiana-based summer vacation along with a trip to Snowmass and Aspen, Colo. Juncos were scheduled to Michigan and Canada in September and the Caribbean and Costa Rica in January and February 2008. Next summer will include the British Isles in July. Happy travels, Jane!

Judy Warren McCormack is taking her clan to Bermuda in June 2008 to celebrate her 70th. Anyone else have special plans for their 70th?

Thank you for your e-mail messages. I have

Register for PA’s online community at www.andover.edu/bluelink, where you can update your records and stay connected with classmates. 
thought-out program of rotating people as leaders during the five-year interim between major Reunions. Kudos to all for the ideas expressed here.

"We [Mimi and Dinah] are proposing a way of organizing ourselves leading up to our next Reunion in five years. We think that more voices are needed, and so we are happy to back off for awhile (while remaining involved!). We think this chair-by-committee form is appropriate for the proposed '57 plan to hold mini reunions, building to the 55th. Please be mindful that the names listed below are not meant to be limiting, but only to create some order. True to our great collaborative capacity, we can all join in on every project as our interests and personal schedules allow.

"We suggest that there be a general committee of all to take us there and that each group a year of three Abbots women guide us alone, taking the lead on ideas and plans for that year. We can rotate the threesome from year to year, with one person carrying over into the next year. In this way, there will be some continuity to the plans, and only three people (not the full group) will interface with the PA men as to what these mini reunions consist of and when they are held. There are already several ideas about.

"Here is the committee schedule and their start dates:

June 2007: Jody Bush, Penny Holbrook, Carol Ruckle
June 2008: Mary Bates, Mimi Receder, one of the above
June 2009: Louisa Birch, Lulu Receder, one of the above
June 2010: Dinah Barlow, Glee Wieland, one of the above

"As for June 2011, the year prior to our 55th Reunion, we thought we might hold off on this to see how this plan evolves, as there might be modifications during this five-year period. Please consider this a working plan. We're excited that it can be so inclusive, and we hope this means that it will include many others from our class as events occur.

"We believe that we can even spread the fun and planning so that no one person need be responsible for all. After all, we have so much enthusiasm, and many of you have already said you would love to pitch in. The work will essentially involve (1) event planning (with and without the men), (2) program and entertainment, (3) venue and menu choices, and (4) calling/hustling to increase attendance. This fourth item might necessarily include the position of class secretary, who can at the same time gather news to present to the Andover Bulletin three times a year. We are also in need of a class agent who will run with the ball on fund raising. After all, our Abbots class set a record for the amount raised by a 50th Reunion class!

Mimi and Dinah conclude, "To recap, this will work well provided that each group is enthusiastic to coordinate with the PA men on some events, and with our classmates on others—to take up suggestions for side trips and mini events for ourselves. Thank you destinations!

Elizabeth McGuire Enders was heralded for her opening exhibition, Sea/Sky/Blue, at the new Chestet Art Centre (in Nova Scotia) on Aug. 28. It is a collection of work inspired by her summers in Chester, N.S., starting with works created in Maine in 1987 and continuing with paintings in Chester during the late summers, from 1994 through 2006.

Louisa Lehman Birch had the good fortune to meet up with Helen Guthrie Miller while on vacation in Montana. Her touching recap of that wonderful evening is reprinted here: "One of the pleasures of travel is reconnecting with Abbots classmates. Last August, while my husband and I were visiting the Pine Butte Guest Ranch in Choteau, Mont., Helen "Gus" Guthrie spent an evening with us. Her vacation cabin is only four miles from the ranch, and this part of Montana is where Gus has spent a great deal of her life. We were privileged to hear her read an unpublished and very amusing reflection by her father, A.B. Guthrie, called Reflections on a Flush Toilet. She went on to explain that another unpublished piece, Occupation Shepherdess, was recently discovered and is about to be published in a limited edition of 250 copies to benefit the A.B. Guthrie Room in a new building at the School of Journalism at the University of Montana. Gus read us the introduction, "A Family Finds a Treasure," and also one by Charlie Hood, the former dean of the School of Journalism, called "A Master's Last Gift." Gus's reading was beautiful and very moving. Her presentation was clear with meaningful intonations and emphasis throughout. A.B. Guthrie is often mentioned at the ranch, and all the guests were delighted to have the opportunity to meet Gus and listen to her fine presentation."

Remember, without news there cannot be any class notes! Please call, write, or e-mail me. Thanks in advance.

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PHILLIPS A frequent plaint these days among folks our age is that we've lost the sense of community. But just from the number (more than 100) of us who showed up on campus this June, it is clear that the desire to reconnect—to revive old bonds, rekindle cherished memories, reflect on our complex lives—runs very strong in our class. For this we are deeply indebted to Gaylord "Gee" Johnson. Gee did more than anyone to keep the class together. Aside from 44 years of selfless service as class secretary, one of Gee's greatest gifts to us is the series of regional dinners he organized and animated. The chairs of our 55th Reunion, Tom Terry, Bill Cox, and Arkie Kohel, feel strongly that these interim gatherings should be kept alive. The events need not be dinners. Suggestions about形式, venues, and dates are welcome. Please send your bright ideas to Bill at bilcox388@yahoo.com.

Each of us took back something to savor from that weekend in June. Ron Campbell reports that one of his highlights was dancing to a hot jazz band until midnight on Saturday in an upper dingy room of Commons, where a scholar-ship boy in a white coat had spent three years working on tables. "That night—in my "home" in Commons—I experienced a sacred and special way," Ron writes, "that Andover was mine and that I belonged there." Andy Block was touched when Barbara Chase, during the Saturday assembly, asked those who had ever taught to stand up. "Since my wife and I taught in South Africa and continue to tutor in the Chicago public schools, I enjoyed the recognition, as our society, doesn't pay enough attention to educators or understand the huge responsibilities they have." From Stonington, Conn., Al Blanchard writes, "To be slot- ted in as a memorial service speaker gave me a chance to think about life from the perspective of those who were not given the opportunity to make it to our 50th Reunion." Don Wallace, bless his soul, was struck by how young we all looked. Our chronological age is no longer our destiny, he says. "If 50 is now the new 40," thanks to medical progress and healthier lifestyles, "then what might be said of 70? We will be among the many youthful elders establishing the answer to this question."

For several classmate's the Reunion marked just the start of a busy summer. For the aforementioned Blanchard, the Andover bash was bracketed by the graduation of son James from Yale, the wedding of middle daughter Elliott '94, and a three-week, six-concert tour of South Africa as a member of the Yale alumni chorus. Also in Southern Africa but humming a different tune was Tom Fox. With wife Elizabeth, Tom took in a game park and spent a weekend in Capetown, but devoted most of his two and a half weeks to visiting benefactors of a foundation he helped create; the foundation focuses on the plight of poor children in the region. Steve Trivers, my colleague in this scholarly endeavor, and wife Irene jetted off to Lithuania for a two-week discovery voyage of family roots. Though she was born in Buenos Aires, Irene's parents were from Lithuania and, as Trav puts it, "After 58 years of marriage she decided it was safe to introduce me to her European relatives." They were met at the Vilnius airport by a gaggle of nieces and cousins, all bearing flowers, and since then they visited the home of a relative, where they were greeted with more flowers and tables cracking with platters of meats, fish, breads, cakes, and fruit. Tom Bissinger spent August in Sao Paolo, Brazil, at a theater festival and also traveled about the country, an experience that, it would appear, inspired his new "performance" piece, Going to Brazil, set to open in October in West Chester, Pa.

Closer to home, Dick Guthrie, last seen at the
philosophy and German poetry of the 19th and 20th centuries. My deepest concern at present, interweaving my personal love for the wilderness and my political concern for the future, is the environment. We have a responsibility to future generations. We must save a dying nature?'

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ABBOt Just a few tidbits to tell. Tina Savell Treadwell writes that she is well and working as a speech language pathologist in a special-needs preschool. She is looking forward to our 50th Reunion in June 2009.

Good news from Holly Robertson Taylor after several years of widowhood, she got remarried in May 2007 to James Kenneth Mitchell, a university distinguished professor emeritus at Virginia Tech in civil engineering. Congratulations to the new Mrs. Mitchell!

Elsie "Ellie" Taylor Cummings posted this note on the PA ’59 Web site: "I find myself writing some, which makes me enormously proud. I had never dreamed of such in my Abbot years. My oldest grandchild, Declan Bruce Cummings, is a PA upper living in Bishop Hall. He will graduate from Andover the very spring of our 50th Abbot Reunion."

Well, that's it for this issue. Hope to hear from you soon!

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PHILLIPS OK, so summer's done, the grapes are in (and, by the time you read this, fermented, racked, and aging nicely—kind of like we are, come to think of it), my computer crashed (and with all the notes I'd been carefully conserving for these pages). Non Sibi Day is done, and so there's nothing left to do but start thinking about last year, a mere 364 days from the winter solstice, when we'll all gather at Andover to celebrate, yes, our 50th.

As you've heard from Bill Bell, it's time to get your thoughts for the Reunion yearbook down on paper. The deadline for that is a lot closer than you think—it's got to be in the mail about a year from when you read these notes in the Bulletin, so start crafting your thoughts. Whether they in-turn your piece or not, I'd love to have the top three to five "must do" items on all our life's to-do lists—it'll make for great reading!

Non Sibi Day on Sept. 15 in Philadelphia—trail maintenance at the Tyler Arboretum—was a success. I'd love to hear stories from other '59ers, and thoughts on what NSD should be. I think the idea is great, and the approach that was taken for year one was not only good, but really the only one that could have been taken. But I left the Arboretum thinking something was missing—we didn't spend one, two, three, or four years at Andover to pull out weeds for four hours, no matter how good the company or how grateful the Arboretum was for work that needed to be done. I'd like to think that the concept of NSD could have a transforming effect on Andover, on us, and on our communities, and that the idea now deserves some really big thinking. In that regard, Lee Webb suggested re NSD: "Who doesn't part of our class get to endow a staff person to run this on an annual basis?"

Which, of course, leads me to what we can do as a class for our 50th. Meaningful is the key, and there are a couple of thoughts and actions under way. In June, Art Rogers organized a lunch in New York at which Andover Dean of Studies John Rogers (no relation) spoke about PA efforts at both becoming more green and, more importantly, making the student body as a whole more environmentally conscious. In true Andover fashion, the efforts are not simply to keep the heat down and turn off lights when leaving the room, but to get a dialogue going on what makes for good public policy and implementing action in the context of the school.

Garrett Kirk, who was at the lunch, has been working with Dean Rogers to see if there are some innovations that we could emulate, and help support, as a class. More on that later in the year, but the sneak preview is that there may be ways we can help develop an interdisciplinary, curricular look at sustainability, anchored in the science department, but extending throughout the curriculum. It is, of course, timely, but it's also an exciting way to look at one of the most important issues facing our world.

Other thoughts are needed on the broader subject of how we can do more for PA by focusing our support on something meaningful to us. Call Artie, call Me, call Garrett—let us know what other ideas are lurking.

Meanwhile, over at the Harvard Business School, Professor Steve Bradley is coauthoring a book on how advertising and advertisers are reacting to the changes in how we are entertained, get our news, or watch sports, and especially how the Internet is being used. Since the purpose of advertising is to convince you to buy something, Steve argues, advertisers are increasingly using and experimenting with the Internet because they can reduce the time and effort between seeing an ad and buying a product. If you see an ad on TV or radio, or in print, you have to go to a store, pick up the phone, or go on the Internet to make a purchase. If you see an ad on the Internet, you're just a click away from making that purchase. And that's just the beginning. You and I use the Internet far differently than our kids do—and that leads to another whole set of experiments. For more, go to hbswk.hbs.edu/pdfs/item/3562.pdf. See how easy that is? I hope you buy his book!

Finally, the Smoyer family very generously funded the repair and rebuilding of a soccer field at Andover over the past year, and Dave Smoyer, his family, and a bunch of classmates were on hand on Sept. 22 to inaugurate the field. Dave's dad, 95, spoke eloquently, just prior to the boys' team tying Loomis, and the girls' team ending Loomis's 51-game win streak!

Tom Kukk and Dan Moger (Tom coming from Akron, Ohio, and Dan from Connecticut) were there, as were many of Dave's brother Bill's Class of 63. In all, there were 13 Smoyer on the field—a soccer team-plus right there—including Dave's sister, who came from Alaska, and all three of Dave's kids, also from all over the country.

Finally, finally, with all the hullabaloos in the world, including Mr. Chavez in Venezuela, I hope you've all kept up on the phenomenon of El Sistema, the classical music program in Venezuela that has made a quarter of a million kids, mostly from poor and slum areas of the country, into musicians, sometimes musical giants such as Gustavo Dudamel, 26, the newly appointed head of the L.A. Philharmonic. It's a 50-year-old program that takes kids in hundreds of centers across the country and teaches them music—classical music. It's not just the music, of course, but the discipline and the exposure to something larger than their daily lives that makes the program such a phenomenon. And who would have thought it all started in the barrios of Caracas! For a good history, go to www.newstatesman.com/2007/08/0026. See how easy that was?

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ABBOt As I start this compilation of communications, the Green Mountains are turning crimson and gold, portending those annual leaf-peeper weekends when the entire population of New York is touring our back roads, and each one is driving two vehicles. This summer was highlighted by several very relaxing weeks at our lakeside cottage in Canada with treasured visits from friends and family. I continue to sell, design, and teach at Black Sheep Yarns in Doreen, Vt.

We have several contributions via e-mail for this issue, but I would love to have more classmates get in touch as we approach our 50th anniversary; the USPS provides a convenient option for those without e-mail.

Lindsay Knowlton took a wonderful birding trip to Scotland this past spring and early summer—one week in the Highlands and a one-week cruise through the Shetlands, Orkneys, and Inner

CLASS NOTES
Jersey Scott Wood régrets predictively, he cond, prodls, and frequent in his communica-
tions, passing on tidbits, quotes, ban mats, classmate information, school happenings, and
eccasional thoughts about mankind and import-
ance. Most recently, he has distributed news
about a captivating and moving experience by
Dick Bourne in late 2002, as well as shared nag-
tings about news, experiences, and "the simplest life" of its SE. Jersey has also noted the passing
of French teacher and long-time, all-purpose PA
mentor, teacher, and coach Stephen Whitney,
who died in July at age 95 in Le, NIH Jersey
reports most recently that he has "no class news
to report ( astounding but true). Have neither
seen nor visited with the usual local suspects." As
with Thomas Chittum among many others, Jersey
has a continuing and intense passion for the Addi-
son Gallery, Jersey urged John King and other
classmates to view a "must-see" exhibition of a
PA graduate but non-graduate (eating bin engine
pocket), Joseph Cornell, at San Francisco's
MeMa from October to January.

Larry Giliss writes that he has been promoted
to professor in his fifth year of teaching online
legal studies courses at Keplin University, a posi-
tion he describes as "a great part-time retirement"-
job, which I teach with a laptop from either
Florida or NY. Larry also mentions his new book
"The China Syndrome," which he plans to pub-
lish next year.

Hannah Hoping is happy to announce that she
has accepted a position as a research assistant for a
Philanthropic institutions in New York.

Gail Haller is planning to attend the
annual meeting of the AAAS in New
York. She also plans to attend the

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ABBOT Hello, everybody! I am back in Portland, Maine, after spending a year in Seattle as the "grandnanny" for my two grandchildren, ages 2 and 4. An amazing year, not without some profound adjustments! But definitely a once-in-a-lifetime experience. A quote from Alan Alda (alias Hawkeye) says it all: "You have to leave the city of your comfort and go into the wilderness of your intuition. What you'll discover will be wonderful. What you'll discover is yourself." And now I'm working on a memoir! Jane Paillard Nichols writes, "I'm going to do what you did last year next year, i.e., am going to Seattle from March to July to be a nanny/cook/chef/auritreuse for [daughter] Lila's 3-year-old and newborn while Lila and her husband finish their respective residencies. [Daughter] Ana has gone back to work as a clinical social worker and is working on the child protection team at Seattle Children's Hospital. So I now have two daughters working there! I shall be subletting my apartment from March thru June (or July), so if anyone wants a little N.Y.C. pad one block from Central Park for awhile, let me know! I'm going to Las Vegas for 10 days this fall to work with three clowns from Cirque du Soleil on their new show! I'm scared and thrilled and amazed." Sybil Smith writes, "I can start with the fact that, please be, I seem to be time. [Husband] Don had prostate cancer surgery in June, from which he is healing well, and they assure us that it is gone—a blessing. We both still work full-time, I at Brandeis University as executive director of Graduate Professional Studies (part-time degrees) and he with IT at B's warehouse. This past summer presented wonderful adventures in July: our daughter Jennifer '89 was ordained into the Methodist Church in the U.K., so she has shifted her focus from university teaching to pastoring three parishes in the Midlands. And in August, our son Eric got married to Alison Pilgrim in Santa Barbara, Calif., where her mom lives. Andrew and Alison live and work in Manhattan. We are delighted with both developments. Otherwise, life proceeds. I am busy this year as the moderator of the Massachusetts Conference, United Church of Christ. Congregationalists do keep each other pretty well occupied. I send all best to everyone, and welcome anyone to 'away' who needs a bed near Boston (in Wellesley)."

And Marlene Cohen Bourke writes, "After 20 years in the government working as an analyst for the FDA, I am retiring at the end of this year. I am counting the days! Will definitely stay here in the Washington, D.C., area, with so much to do and participate in. Will continue traveling and will now be free to take daytime courses through Johns Hopkins and the Smithsonian. The next 12 months are already filled with planned trips to Australia and New Zealand, Japan, and the Greek Isles. Both sons are married—one living in Massachusetts and the other here in Maryland—and I have five grandchildren, ages 8-3. Since I will be retiring, my e-mail address will change to my home address mcbr@verizon.net for all future contact."

The former Karyl Lynn Kopelman writes, "I legally changed my name to Karyl Charma Lynn in 2003. My sixth book on opera, Italian Opera Houses and Festivals, was published in November 2005 and was presented at the Italian Cultural Institute, part of the Italian Embassy in Washington, D.C. I'm one of the main feature writers for the British opera magazine Opera Now, based in London. It is considered the most influential English language opera magazine in the world. I spend most of my life traveling and reviewing opera, mainly in the U.S. and Italy, although I've also reviewed in Israel, Denmark, and Switzerland. I speak Italian, German, and French. I review my world premieres, interview my composers, and write features about the inaugurations of new opera houses and performing arts centers around the world. I've interviewed Placido Domingo three times, writing the cover feature on him for the March/April 2007 Opera Now, and know most people in the opera world. I did manage to take six days in February for a trip to Tahiti, and I spend summers on the ocean in Magnolia (Glastonbury), Mass., having inherited my parent's oceanfront 'cottage,' so spend much of summer traveling as well—opera festivals in Upstate New York and New England. I'd be interested in hearing from any opera lovers."

Our condolences to Ann Fahnstock Cody, who lost her husband recently. She says, "The shock of very suddenly losing a spouse, and so soon after retiring, is slowly subsiding at the wonderfully supportive community of The Villages, Fla. (Check it out)! I currently intend to put our next Reunion on the agenda."

And, speaking of the Reunion, it's not too soon to be thinking about it. The BIG 5-0! Just to remind you, we have an incredible class of bright, strong, spirited women. And after 50 years, imagine the journeys we've taken.

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PHILLIPS Last June wife Marnie and I attended our son Bart's 15th Princeton reunion as caregivers. Not to say we couldn't sneak out and boogie at night—anyway, I was baking in the sun and casually checking my e-mail on a PDA when into my e-mail box popped this message from Wells Walker:

"It's me—I'm alive. Whew, the Andover alumni office had me going there when they notified me that I had died. But then I checked with some people who know me pretty well, and they..."
A collection of comments by those who have considered the concept of "retired" or "prior" retirement is so cool, it could
be as simple as just asking. Why don't I think about someone? That's all it takes to start a class reunion and the next
thing you know, it's time to plan for the class reunion. Please set an event to attend the class reunion, especially
for those who don't have a class reunion. We will have an event for all. Please join us.

And more about the planning of those events. The page of the website, "www.event.com" and the "plan" event is
important. I find it important to the history. I am planning an event to attend the class reunion. I am sure that
many of us will be attending. Fred Cass and Allen Adrion are the ones who have been working on our class reunion.

Kim Atkinson and Dave Murphy are the ones who have been planning the class reunion. On the other hand, I am
taking care of the planning. And the planning is important. Please join us and plan for the class reunion.

ABHOT: On Aug. 25, 2007, the Cass family held a very meaningful memorial service in the church of their
country church, which is located in the town of Cass. Mrs. Cass, her family, and friends gathered around the
urn containing the ashes of her husband, Fred Cass. The service was a touching tribute to a man who
had dedicated his life to his family and community. The service was held at the Cass Country Church, which
was founded by Fred Cass himself.

A few of the attendees were: David Verral, Marsha Verral, and John Butler. The service was
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Mike MacLean wrote a letter to the editor, expressing his thoughts on the event. He
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had dedicated his life to his family and community. The service was held at the Cass Country Church, which
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Tom Esdon have received back the
memorial service for his father, the late Tom
Esdon. Tom Esdon was a well-respected
businessman and community leader, and his
memorial service was attended by many. The service
was held at the Esdon Family Church, which
was founded by Tom Esdon himself.

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The donation is hugely appreciated by the school and is among the 10 largest gifts it has ever received. Tommasi has had a father, brother, and uncle in his collection of Andover alumni and was quoted in the paper that the knowledge he acquired at PA covered about 90 percent of what was taught in similar courses in college. Does this sound familiar, guys?

I want to close with a word of farewell to our beloved friend Dickie Thira. We all knew her, and she invariably perked us up at low points before we had to visit Gr or the Patt, or check how many cuts we had accumulated. The Friday afternoon of Reunion Weekend, 45 years after the day we graduated on June 8, there was a memorial service at Cochran Chapel. Probably 8-10 of our class were there, and we sat together in memory of Dickie and bid her farewell. I can see her talking to past students in heaven, looking at them closely and whispering, “Don’t tell anyone I told you this, but…” She and her sister, Nicole, always accepted our invitation to the class dinner on Reunion Saturdays. “I shouldn’t be telling you this, but” Dickie always whispered to me, “Your class was the best class I’ve ever seen here.” See you soon, dear friend, and put in a good word for the Andover Class of 1962.

Take good care of yourselves, and I hope 2008 will be a good year for all of you and for our dear country.

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ABBOT Great plans are afoot for our 45th Reunion, and Bettina Walker is thrilled to report an unexpectedly large number of classmates who are thinking of attending in June. Please return the 45th Reunion questionnaire as soon as possible, especially if you are planning to attend our Reunion June 13-15. For those who are unable to attend, your input and information is encouraged for inclusion in the AA Class of 1963 Reunion Book (with a deadline of March 1). Contact information once again is bhawalker@msn.com or 500 North Campbell Ave., #164, Tucson AZ 85719-3040.

Saturday, Sept. 15, 2007, marked the occasion of PA’s first Non-Sbi Day, a worldwide effort to participate in projects that would help others. Adults joined students working to put the school’s motto, translated as “not for self,” into practice with a variety of activities such as helping with the harvest of a fruit farm, packing medical supplies to be sent to third-world countries, and holding nutritional workshops in West Africa. It was a wonderful time of public service and one which, hopefully, will be repeated in upcoming years.

I am saddened to report the recent (Aug. 13, 2007) passing of Natalie Ware Ryherd, who had lived for many years in Iola, Kan. Nat graduated from Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., and then worked as a dress designer before changing careers to prepare tax returns for various firms. Our deepest sympathy is extended to her husband, sister, mother, son, daughter, and various other family members. Nat had generously agreed to meet with Bertuna and others in February to help with the initial planning of the upcoming Reunion, as can be seen in the photo included in the spring 2007 Bulletins. Please see the Memo- rium section for an obituary written by Nat’s sister, Pat Schumacher ’62.

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PHILLIPS On Saturday, Sept. 22, 2007, I was privileged to attend the dedication of the Smoyer Family Field at Andover. This field was made possible by a special gift from Bill Smoyer’s father, Stanley, in memory of Bill and in honor of David B. Smoyer ’59. At a luncheon before the dedication, Jack Morrison delivered touching and insightful remarks about Bill, Bill’s life, his friendship to so many of us, and his ultimate sacrifice for his country. Also attending the luncheon and dedication were Bill’s roommate Fred Palmer (with his lovely wife, Pat), Barry Seaman, Henry Hooker, Mike Garvan, and Ted Campion. Sitting at the luncheon table with Class of 1963 members was Bill’s sister Nancy, who has garnered the votes of at least the aforementioned for honorary class membership.

Following the luncheon, the dedication itself took place on the field and was marked by comments from Bill Scott, former PA soccer coach and current faculty member. The field is magnificent and was inaugurated with a thrilling tie by the boys’ soccer team and an upset win by the girls’ team, both against Loomis-Chaffee; the latter game broke a long winning streak by the opponent. Bill Smoyer was a unique human being—widely respected, and blessed not only with great athletic and intellectual gifts but, more importantly, with grace and a kind heart. As Jack Mor- rison noted in his remarks, learning of Bill’s untimely death ranks with other watershed mem- ories for many of us. The Smoyer Family Field is highly fitting to Bill’s memory as a scholar- athlete and human being.
Stalwart members of the PA class of '64 gathered in Bowdoinham, Maine, in August to remember classmates Bruce Mun and celebrate the opening of the arts center that houses some of his art. In front, from left, are Don and Jane Cumber, J. Dick Riggs, Paul Gallagher, Frink and Joanna Holland, Bruce's widow, Peggy Mun, Dick House, Carole Macdonald, Jeff Hulsey, Torley Macdonald, and Steve Lerner. In back are J. Dick's friends Maureen, sister Mary Ellen and mother, Mary Dikgs, Tony Safford, Jim Fortescue, Rennie and Sharon Potter, and Ellen Hulsey. Missing are photographers Randall Roden, Judy House, and Pam Gallagher.

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PHILLIPS: There are comings and goings to report. And transition, too. Did I detect a trend?
Peter Smith has returned from Paris and is living in Portland, Maine. He has become the new vice president of academic strategies and development at Kaplan Higher Education in Fr. Lauderdale. Welcome back, Jack Garrigan's back. Many congratulations on your latest addition: Jack has recently been named to the Arts Advocacy executive director of the Washington Center for the Arts. Garrigan will report that his inaugural novel, 'Kall', has been sold to the mass market, to the secretary. "Tom says he is in the midst of a strong new novel set within the world of the National Guard." He's been writing it in the true evenings and on weekends. He expects to have it finished soon. Tom says that he's "enjoying the writing more than ever before, and I hope that this is how I will continue to spend my days." As Bruce quipped, 'One could do worse than to swing a bungee of his back.'

In response to my plaintive plea for news of your lives, your selves, and your families, Bruce Phillips responded with an informative note and a most charming family photograph from his "new" home in Georgia. It seems that Bruce has spent much of the last 45 years in Asia and Europe, first as an American linguist during the Vietnam War, then as a research assistant in theoretical linguistics from the University of Illinois and an MBA from Wharton, he went to work first in Exxon and then for several other companies. His four daughters were born in either Kuala Lumpur or England. Recently, he has returned to the U.S., and, as he writes, "interested in the role of personal financial advisor/mentor." He and his wife, Paula, are empty nesters now, although safely, Bruce notes that he misses his friends from PA.

It seems that John McCullough and Jon Has almost ceased to pass on cardiac patients in Massachusetts General Hospital nor so long ago. John was in for a procedure to regulate the heart's rhythm and he sends word that all went well. It's a good story and I will be out of the woods for a few months. Frank Hollum informed the class's last serve (tp4@alumni.com) that Jon Has had been hospitalized for emergency triple bypass surgery at MGH, spending more than eight hours in the operating room. Later reports from Frank signals that Jon, head of the real Estate Group in Robbin, Has & Grubb, P.C., is also at the hospital's and ready to carry on. Good game, gentleman. And bang in there, everybody.

Bruce Mun's spirit was invoked in late August at a festival in his honor at the Merrymeeting Art Center. In his hometown of Bowdoinham, Maine. It was a tribute to Bruce and his family. The center housed permanent collection of Bruce's work, as well as gallery space for local artists and classrooms for teaching Civic leaders and the owners of the building, under the guidance of Bruce's widow, Peggy Mun, and their son, Seth, managed for all this to happen. Bruce's many friends and the Maine mined how to celebrate with tents, wine, boat rides, and mem." Many of us were there. Among those were Rennie Potter and his wife, Sharon Rennie, writes, 'The weather was picture perfect, the Merrymeeting Arts Center has much of the flavor.
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ABBOT My daughter, Holly, is getting married in less than two weeks, so please understand my brevity as this is written in haste. My son John just returned from a five-month bike ride from Oregon to Costa Rica to raise money for SOS Children's Villages. He took off with two companions after graduating from the University of Oregon. It was an amazing experience for him. They stopped and visited several of the SOS Children's Villages along the way.

Anna Thal-Reno is caring for a high-spirited 2-year-old named Sofia. Anna says the experience is keeping her young as she approaches her 60th birthday. She is also restoring some of the paintings in the great body of artwork of her late father, Samuel Thal. She occasionally sees Karen Smith Stafias around Boston.

Sarah Watson Decew checked in briefly as well. She writes, "I'm currently living a fully employed (albeit triangular) life still in the family caregiving business. I'm alternately in Florida to check on my mom, in Massachusetts to check on my sister, Margaret, and in Nevada, where I'm a legal resident! I recently bought a house in the Carson Valley, in Gardnerville, Nev. It's a peaceful place with one guest room and a gorgeous view, just 60 years last week. The house is on one level, so I'm thinking this is a good place for my endgame dreams and activities."

That 60th birthday certainly is a milestone that we all will have in common. I put it a while back.

Deryl Fleming also responded to my plea for news. She still lives in New Hampshire, in North Conway. Deryl writes, "Sorry, I missed the last Reunion, but I was busy dealing with doctors. I was diagnosed with cancer and am still fighting the good fight. I felt good last year and taught and have started this year with lots of plans. I am still teaching K-6 physical education in North Conway, and coaching field hockey at the local high school and helping with developing field hockey players at the elementary level, so you can imagine that this fall is pretty busy. I also have two girls who watch to play field hockey in my free time. The oldest is a junior at St. Lawrence in way-upstate New York, and the younger one is in college at Hebron Academy in Maine. So I guess I can eat, drink, sleep, and dream field hockey these days. And, yes, you could have predicted this from my Abbot days."

Becky Reynolds Zielinski loves her new home in Durham, N.C., and is still looking for work at Duke. She and her husband moved down last year from New Jersey.

Janet Barker responded with her usual sense of humor, "For me, I am still in the Bay Area—at least as long as Mom is here. Mom had a stroke about a month ago, and has emerged miraculously with no paralysis or mobility issues. She is still playing bridge, swimming, and enjoying the theater and symphony. She lives nearby, and I see her often. I am still painting and writing poetry. Recently I had four pieces in an exhibition for poetry and painting pairings. One piece was published in the gallery newsletter and on their Web site. I am exhibiting another painting, The Pumpkin Patch, this month. And, yes, I still have the 8-5 job with Boston Scientific in the product development group for cardiac surgery medical devices. And, like the rest of us, I turned 60 this year—ouch. But with hair dye and expensive skin care products, I'm still blonde and beautiful!"

That made me laugh because, as I approach this wedding, I am relying on a whole team to keep me in shape: massage therapist, personal trainer, manicurist, and hairdresser (or, nowadays, stylist).

Thanks again to those of you who take the time to send me e-mails when I blog. Several people I tried to contact have changed their e-mail addresses, and I don't have their new one. Martha "Turner" Spudding, and the rest of you with new e-mail addresses, please report in!

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PHILLIPS From Dan Warren: "The following never made it into the toasting during Derek Huntington's 60th birthday party on a snowy night last February. Kevin Bofferry upstaged me, again. Jon Mills was in appreciative attendance also." Dan then provided 10 lines of his poetic toast, followed by, "It goes on and gets worse. Cheers."

Craig Scanlan and his wife, Barbe, reside quietly on the Shrewsbury River in Rumson, N.J., where they just celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. They recently spent a month in Japan visiting with their 27-year-old son, who teaches on the island of Hokkaido. There they climbed all 1,368 steps up Mt. Zao-san to the 2,000-plus-year-old Kotohira Shrine, where Craig claims he experienced either an epiphany or cerebral anoxia. Either way, he plans to retire soon from his faculty position at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, where he has taught for 27 years.

Mac McCabe followed up with more details about how Kit Mead lost his wife after four years of illness. "I have been in regular contact with him by phone and e-mail over the last few months. Kit basically retired to take care of Barb and did an exceptional job of care that can be a model for any of us who find ourselves in the same situation. As for me, I continue to work much too hard to bring O'Naturals to the world, still the only true natural and organic quick-service restaurant group. We are now franchising. I just became a grandfather for the first time yesterday. His arrival definitely keeps everything in perspective. And, of course, we all have or are about to turn 60. How weird is that?"

Lowell Turnbull says, "Randy and I spent most of April driving around the south island of New Zealand on a belated trip to celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary. We were unwilling to leave our youngest child home alone during his senior year in high school, so we delayed the trip until after our 25th anniversary. The scenery was extraordinary and the people hospitable. My next trip will definitely not include an area of lakes, mountains, fjords, and glaciers—I have had my fill of viewing such things."

Robin Bateau sent in this note: "I'm having a pretty good time these days—doing monthly music and jokes with a neat sort of Prairie Home Companion-Lower West Side Manhattan-style troupe called the Thula Follies at Symphony Space; songs, shows, and recordings—half of Bobbin & Bateau (I've been laying low for a while, but this year I am to get out and play!); my jingles for McDonald's ("I'm Lovin' It") and Budweiser ("This Is Beer"), etc., keep on keepin' on, writing a play, a book, and a movie (like everybody else); doing what I can to nudge the Democrats toward peace, universal Medicare, and conservation as a moral, economic, and military strategy; winning a Grammy with my wife, Wendy, as coproducers of Thanks and Giving, a book-and-record children's charity (St. Jude hospital) project with Marlo Thomas; doing more movie music; starring a new record company (records—what are they?), bursting with pride watching my Allman Brothers-loving, Southern-rock-guitar-playing, computer-whiz 14-year-old son Robinson win another school writing award (today!), singing madrigals every couple of months with friends I've known since I was 12, from music camp; blabbing by phone and e-mail with good old John Levine, he of the authoritative treatise on diners in the Northeast; and enjoying Westport, Conn., from woods to waterways."

Alex Sanger, chair of the International Planned Parenthood Council, reports he was invited to campus in March 2007 by the PA Republican Club (weren't we all Republican back then?) to give an unbiased overview of abortion in the U.S. I arrived just after Meredith Dickie
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New Machine, said about Bill, "For me, the problem with sports is sports commentary, which so often combines jingoism, sanctimoniousness, and stupidity. Bill Littlefield is a shining exception, a person I can read and listen to with pleasure. He talks about games with a sense of proportion and an adult's sense of humor." It's published by University of Nebraska Press.

It has been a great pleasure for this correspondent to watch as our classmates have discovered new talents and blazed new trails in recent years. Last year it was Marty Geiger moving us with his terrific cabaret performance. Most recently, it's my old hockey line mate, Eric Best, who has been singing up a storm in New York. You will recall that a few years back I marveled at the acting and singing talent Eric displayed while tackling the role of King Arthur in a local production of Camelot on Long Island. He wielded a big voice, he moved about the stage with an easy grace, and he showed real dramatic flair.

Well, Eric is back, and this time he's singing cabaret-style on a little club on the West Side of Manhattan, the Trial Theater. He's one of a talented group of singers who are training with a coach and performer, Mary Serrakian, who runs the Black Nexus and stages regular performances featuring her troupe of aspiring stars. When I saw Eric two months ago, he did a knockout version of a medley of tunes from Camelot, as well as two other numbers that were equally appealing. He's still got that big voice (although now it's even bigger), one that reminds me of the great John Raitt (who of course did Billy Bigelow on Broadway in Carousel), and fathered the wonderful Bonnie Raitt—who could fill a Broadway house with his bravauso voice. Anyway, in September, Eric performed again at the Trial, singing "Desperado" (the Eagles classic tune) and "I'm Putting All My Eggs in One Basket." As usual, his beloved kids Will and Isabel will be in the audience cheering him on. Those who are in N.Y.C. will want to catch Eric's act soon—that is, before he winds up on Broadway, where you'll have to pay $1000 a ticket. In my judgment, that's where our classmate is headed.

Adios, amigos. Keep writing and e-mailing.

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ABBOT There is a changing of the guard here as I take on the responsibilities of class secretary. It's hard to believe that it has been 40 years since I last had this task, taken on during the last five years after we graduated. I recall reminiscing then about what I perceived to be the miserable days when we were so happy together—or was it the happy days when we were so miserable together? Whatever! I'm happy to be back fulfilling this role and, on behalf of the class, express gratitude to Linda Cregg Nielsen, who, in cheerful manner, has provided us with our class news these recent years. Thank you, Linda, for a job well done!

Segue to the first bit of news, which actually comes from Linda. She shared an anecdote with me about taking her two new vizsla puppies to an animal clinic in Mattapoisett, Mass., where she met a veterinarian who told her he knows Anitss Bowser Agnew. He claimed she was his date at the very first mixer. His name is Jay Gould '67. I'm not certain I can remember the name of the person I was paired up with at my first mixer, can you? Linda is fine. When I called her house to ask questions about my new role here, there was live music playing in the background—usually a sign to me that life is good.

I heard from Juliet Schneller, who missed the 40th Reunion to go to a conference in Trinidad. She is now living in St. Augustine, Trinidad, a recipient of a Fulbright award. She is spending the year as an affiliate of the University of the West Indies teaching medical students and doing research. At the time of her writing in September, she was preparing lectures and learning how to navigate the public transportation system, excited that she had found the perfect place to purchase her breakfast, which she could name but not spell, from a street vendor. She notes excitedly that she is now a grandma, and while missing friends and family, including her grand-daughter, she is happy for a break from her usual routine.

Faith Brune dropped into my e-mail box to encourage a sharing of Reunion photos. Diana Bomfield-Jillie responded to my request for news by confirming that she had indeed received my e-mail.

Joyce Wannop Bruce shares news of plans to compete at the international level as part of a group of 122 women who sing a cappella harmony. Called the the Lions Gate Chorus, they plan to compete in October at a convention in Calgary, Alberta. Following that she plans to drive home to Vancouver, B.C., and pack off to Europe with her husband, visiting friends and family in England and Holland. Germany is special to us because that is where Lotte Elenmenhorst-Volz lives with her husband, and where Joyce plans to visit her. Ah, the life of a retired school teacher! Joyce reports that she has three children: two sons—one in London, the other in Nelson, B.C.—and a daughter, who, in addition to living aboard a sailboat, sings with Joyce in an a cappella quartet. More music. More of the good life!

Palm tree news? Not exactly. We packed in a lot of sharing during our 40th Reunion, and so perhaps feel less need to offer updates. As I prepare this newsletter I note from the class list that there are 82 of us still alive with affiliations to our class. We hail from 20 different states, Massachusetts, California, Florida, Virginia, and Connecticut being most represented, and three foreign countries.

If you weren't at the last class Reunion or have not recently shared, we'd all love to hear your news: employment, retirement, travel, kids, books that you've read, books that you're writing, gatherings with others, and so on.

Blessings for the new year!
Bing Chang feted

At its October gala, the Greater Chicago Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation honored Dr. Rosland "Bing" Chang '68 as the 2007 recipient of the Freedom of Movement Award. Joining in the celebration are, from left, Jim Shafranski '02, Rick Deterrey '68, Bing, Bob Hutchison '67, Matt Kelly '02, Bing's daughter Sarah '05, his son Ben '02, and Jack McCalliam '03.

Karen Seaward writes, "The Bayview and Missionaries all came together at the gala. Mark and I got married 36 years ago and he is a role model for me in the medical field. Jhie is a former community next to Royal George. Great Country Ski Resort. Last year, Mark bought the largest home in town. The journey home was a little bit longer than usual. Having a ski cabin was the only way to keep Mark and I from getting away. We usually take a few days to travel to the many ski resorts. We also have a couple of places to stay that we enjoy. I love going to the beach on the weekends and spending time with my family and friends. We enjoy reading and watching movies. We also love traveling to different places and meeting new people.

Sudha Barton shares, "We just got married on May 23rd. I am so happy to have found my person. The wedding was very special to me. We had a beautiful day surrounded by family and friends. The reception was held at the Four Seasons Hotel. We had a wonderful time. We are looking forward to spending many wonderful evenings together. We are both very grateful to have found each other.

Judy Dillingham Harrold writes, "The Arthritis Foundation has been very important to me. They have helped me through some tough times. I am very grateful to have been a part of this organization."

Bonnie Cook writes, "I am planning the Star Siby Benefit event on Saturday, October 13th. I hope to see many of you there."

Tony Donaher continues, "I am happy to report that the event is set. We are looking forward to a great night of fun and celebration."

Julie Crone says, "Our family is so grateful to have had the opportunity to come together for this wonderful event."

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Friends hike France

Rick Lux '69, left, and Rick Stewart '69 shared a two-week trek through southern France in July. Lux, the son of former PA math instructor Dick Lux, sports his Class of '69 T-shirt.

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ABBOT
Hi, everyone! As you might have just noticed, I have a new address! Husband Stephen and I have finally, after five long and arduous years, moved into the new home that we built. It's really lovely, and we are taking a long time to get settled while we carry on with our busy lives. We have been building this house ever since we got married (lots of permitting and contractor obstacles) but we are finally in! We also just got a beautiful German shepherd puppy and I named it Gelsey, after my favorite ballerina, Gelsey Kirkland. Thank you all for your well wishes about my move. It was great to hear from all of you. So much for my news!

Katrina Wollenberg writes, "It is hard to imagine that, after one and a half years, my coin-operated dog wash and fine grooming spa has really taken off. There are days when I wonder why I decided to take this adventure later in life, probably to prove that adventures happen all the time. I now have an ad out for another groomer, as we have been turning away business. I seem to be busy all the time and would love to carve out a small quiet/personal time niche for me. Who knows when that will happen, but I can tell you I am definitely unskilled at building that into my life! My oldest son, Andrew, will be getting married next March, and I can't imagine a more perfect daughter-in-law than LeAnna. I imagine that part of her attraction to Andrew was his fabulous mother!" That's true, Katrina!

Katrina adds, "Other than that, there is not much other news. I do enjoy reading about our fellow classmates when they send you news. Hope all our Abbot friends are well and enjoying life. Keep it up, ladies."

Dale Woods Dingleline wrote that Gali Hagel, her partner in crime, and she are in touch daily. Dale adds, "I'm planning to see Goli in the next couple of weeks—for business, and again when I go to see the Dalai Lama. In the past year I opened the Greenville Center for Mindfulness. It is modeled on the program at UMass Medical Center utilizing Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction (MBSR). I am drawn to this because of decades of my own meditative practice and Jon Kabat-Zinn's nontheistic approach to healing in integrative medicine. I also just got back from a weeklong re-

restaurant, the Joel Palmer House. Jack's restaurant can also be seen in the Frommer guide to the Portland, Ore., restaurant scene—probably because he left the 'Leete's mystery menu' off the menu. Congrats to Jack and Chris! Anyone in the Pacific Northwest should make a pilgrimage."

Rob Barber hesitated to send these comments to the list serv (pa68@yahoo.org) for reasons you will find easy to discern, but he said he would be delighted if I mentioned his Obama support in the next class notes. Rob, Murph Yule, Al Alessi, and host Duncan Andrews went to the Sept. 4 Red Sox game together and had a great time. "A lot of catching up, and we are all aligned politically, too. Duncan has a secret free spot for parking, and the only problem is that he blindfolds you to and from it so you won't steal it from him or tell anyone—but I peeked," Rob discloses.

And speaking of peeking, Rob and Duncan will be "peaking" as they begin to organize and coordinate the PA '68 Reunion next June 13-15—absolutely de rigueur for all you troublemaking, aging visionaries.

You don't have to give tons of money, but you do have to give your body and come to your 40th. No excuses tolerated. You said you were going to change the world, and you did! Now come and tell your long-lost buddies about it. You thought you left Andover, but the rest of us haven't forgotten you. The Reunion will not be the same without you, so start clearing out the schedule, dudes. This could be the last time for any one of us, so come see how bald Gordo is or how terrific Cary Cleaver, Annette Esteves, and the rest of those Abbot girls still look. Come and execute your assorted demons, ghosts, and cobwebs once and for all. You are what you are today because of and despite your PA '68 roots. Stay tuned for details, but you better plan to come, or Duncan will personally come to your house, sit on your front step, and talk Red Sox 'til you do.

From the "Those Were the Days" department: The remiss John Barclay on the difference between today's kids and we older kids: "We thought nothing of getting on our bikes—big fat tires Schwinn—and riding as far as we could, to nowhere in particular, but always somewhere we had never been before. We would try to get lost to see if we could find our way home. No parent ever seemed to look for us. No day ever seemed long enough—it was 1958. Mine was a big-ass blue Schwinn with white pinstripes. The top frame tube was covered in sheet metal to simulate a motorcycle—kind of—and on the side—you got it—a button for the horn. It took a screwdriver and a wrench to open that damn thing to change the massive D-cell batteries, which were depleted with every 10 bikes of the horn. But it was one damn cool bike, dude. Don't recall ever going uphill. Always been a fan of gravity."

Been downhill ever since, eh Barcs?"
Margaret Cox Lavender says: "I think in an attempt to keep from my mother's home, I tried to keep it from being discovered. During the summer, I slept in the attic and I was kept from being discovered. I think it's a shame today."

Janice Ekland says: "Keeping a secret is the most I've done. I had to keep it a secret."

Andrea Burd is working on a Web site for a group called "From PA to NY: Our "family"聚会."

Keep the news coming for the next time round. Everything that's happening is interesting for us and interesting because we're involved and interested, and we all know that publishing one page of news is not enough."

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All at once it seemed that everyone was leaving. Keltchi turned to go back."

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AABBOT Congratulations to Tamara Elliott Rogers, who has become Harvard University’s vice president for alumni affairs and development, according to an announcement made on Sept. 9 by President Drew Faust. Her appointment followed a national search. Tamara graduated from Radcliffe in 1974. From 1976 to 1990, she worked in Harvard admissions, developing expertise in international students and schools, before eventually moving to development. In 1990, she joined the Faculty of Arts and Sciences as a major gifts officer and was instrumental in creating the first financial aid council. In 1994, she became director of major gifts. David Ellwood, dean of the Kennedy School of Government, stated: “Tamara Rogers is terrific. Her intelligence and leadership combined with her infectious enthusiasm for the vital mission of the university, will serve all of us here at Harvard and the larger community very well indeed.” The announcement also noted her volunteer positions for Phillips Academy, where she was president of the Abbot Academy Association, the PA Alumni Council, and a trustee of the Academy. Great work, Tammy!”

In other news, Sandy Urie and her husband, Frank Herron ’76, survived their honeymoon in England, walking 200 miles in 14 days, from the Irish Sea to the North Sea. That was their honeymoon, not some horrendous mistake on the part of a travel agency. Upon their return from England, Sandy learned of her appointment as the vice chair of the Investor Committee of the President’s Working Group on Financial Markers (PWG). The committee is charged with developing best practices in the investment of private pools of capital to enhance investor protection and systemic risk safeguards consistent with PWG’s principles and guidelines. Never still, Sandy joined a group of PA alumni, parents, students, and faculty improving a trail in the Middlesex Fells Reservation on Andover’s Non Sibi Day, Sept. 15. Other alumni working on this project were Susan Urie Donahue ’73, K.T. Nourse ’72, Stephen Kent ’76, and Kurt Spring ’98.

Sue Cleveland Jacobson and her husband recently moved from Texas to Arkansas. “So why are we in Arkansas? Oh yes, trout and golf!” Situated on the edge of the Ozark Mountains, she is 45 minutes from Eureka Springs and 1.5 hours from Branson, Mo., enjoying the woods, cows, and pastures everywhere. Most importantly, her husband agreed she could hop on a plane whenever she feels the need to cuddle with her children and grandchildren.

Sue and Cathy Stone continue their efforts to improve our class Web page on BlueLink. Our thanks to the two of you!

Priscilla Sandford (available by e-mail at priscilla_sandford@hotmail.com) wrote that she and her husband, Ben, have recently moved her mother-in-law into residential care and cleaned out her home. “I think many of us can relate to that experience. Besides gardening and working on their own home, her husband owns three diesel railroad engines that the two of them run on a preserved railroad in the north of England, through Haworth, where the Bronte sisters lived and wrote many of their books. On a personal note, Priscilla’s cancer has returned as tumors on her liver. Her doctors have put her back on chemo and are hoping to put the cancer into remission with the drugs now available. She said she purchased two new wigs: “One makes me look sedate and conservative; the other is a swinging bob, for fun.” She and her husband planned to fly to New York, N.J., in October to pick up her mother and sister for a transatlantic crossing on the Queen Mary 2. Her mother, at age 89, “is still rowing and sailing her boats in New Hampshire in the summer and is very politically active in the winter.”—Penny

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PHILLIPS We’re happy to report that the ability to deduce is alive in our class—it’s on life-support, but it’s alive.

For Exhibit A, we present George Forsyth. He reads the most recent edition of class notes and noted the—ahem—historical nature of the “news” presented. Curious about our need to dip into archival material, George was moved to action. Here’s what he mentioned, via e-mail: “Since it was necessary to refer to a 1972 football program for info on our classmates, I am sending you some recent material—the attached article which appeared in the Rochester (N.Y.) Democrat & Chronicle on Sept. 9, 2007.”

Compared to what we’ve been using, this is “hot off the press”—and means we don’t have to get our “news” from the 1970 PA yearbook. The article George sent deals with a recreation-level lacrosse league for adults of all ages in the Rochester area. George manages it—at the tender age of 50—something. They keep score, but there are no standings in the league, which has four games each Wednesday evening.

“It cuts down on the excessive competitive play,” Forsyth is quoted in the paper. “We don’t want overly physical play. We don’t want trash-talking. Everybody’s got to get up and go to work in the morning.” (By the time you read this, we should have a link to the story and a photo on our class Web page.)

George writes, “I only played club lacrosse at Andover but happily can say I am still playing 40 years later. Other than being commissioner of our local lacrosse league (a position I encountered as Andover ‘Stickball Commissioner,’ which you may recall was held by Mike Eng in 1970), I am living on the shores of Lake Ontario with my wife (I married for the second time in 2005) and lawyering in Rochester.”

In other news, we’re happy to report that Alex Donner has married. It happened on Sept. 15. His bride is Kate Edmonds. Kate, who grew up in England, owns an event-planning company in New York City. It’s her second marriage and his first.

The details were in a wonderfully charitable notice in the New York Times. That story describes how Alex and Kate met. As many Bulletin readers know, Alex is a singer and bandleader who concentrates on doing weddings and benefits. Alex and Kate have known each other for a while, having met in the year that some in our class refer to as 17 PG (which many know as 1987 AD) when Kate hired Alex to perform at a wedding she was helping to coordinate—a professional level—for many years Romance didn’t really factor in, she told the Times. After all, she told the paper, “Alex was a notorious bachelor.” Eventually, the relationship turned romantic. As the Times noted, “So the wedding singer proposed. And the wedding planner accepted.”

Chip Boynton checked in, writing, “Norm Selby and I ran into Larry Remmel in the anthracite section of the Met one Saturday in early August. ’This concert was the day after Chip, Norm, and their wives attended a Police concert. The visit to the Met was supposed to fulfill the “cultural aspect’ quota’ of their visit to New York City, he said.

Chip gave a summary of a Class of 1970 wedding that took place last April and was covered to the nth degree in the summer Bulletin. He wrote, “It was fun to talk with Bill Roth for a good while. He was in a jovial spirit. Bill has been traveling some to California to visit his son (of 25th Reunion stickball fame) and his daughter in New Hampshire, where she is a student at Dartmouth.

John Deming allowed as how he would consider including more events like the Sandy Urie-Frank Herron wedding in his social calendar—given the opportunity.”

Geoff Follansbee, who is ensconced in Western New York, checked in electronically. He sent a note saying that the marriage of two class secretaries “has to be a PA first.” He notes, “Hope to see you in 2010 (scary thought). What’s scary? Seeing a classmate or facing the fact that a 40th Reunion looms!”—Frank
ABBOI: Among the papers to come up for auction at the auction house is the latest manuscript to the book. Described as a "stage play," the manuscript is described as "a glimpse into the life of Arthur."

I'm still confused, but I'll try to make sense of it. If you need help, please let me know.

PHILLIPS: Thanks again, Chris. I'll be there for the next set of Remains notes.

Two more responses to my call for poets, artists, and musicians. That was like a burst of flowers, but only a few were able to make it to the reunion. I hope to see more in the next set of Remains notes.

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ABBOT Coincidence—or potent message? Everyone who wrote had this theme: Taking care of our bodies. It’s never too late, Cathy Von Kleinpfer Feruski reminded me in her recent e-mail. She’s finishing a book (New Athletes: New Women) about women over 20 who have taken up and excelled at new sports in middle- and later-adulthood, showing that it’s never too late to improve their lives dramatically by pursuing athletic goals.

Cathy has created a system of coaching that considers an individual’s interests, strengths, and weaknesses to improve performance in competitive and noncompetitive sports. The system stresses weekly commitments—short-, medium-, and long-term goal setting—planning; and record keeping. Check out some of her information at www.surfaristriders.com/coach.htm.

Lori Goodman Seegers writes, "Happily continuing with my senior architect 'boyfriend' from Minnesota, who has me cycling (sort of), kayaking on the Chicago River, and swimming. He may yet turn me into a jock, but at my speed ... He's still a hockey player, so I want to keep up with him." Ellen Hootsma writes, "Run the Boston Marathon last April at 5:49, thanks to the cooler weather and the warm hospitality of Elizabeth 'Bets' Kent, who drove me around the course ahead of time and supplied me with state-of-the-art recyclable warm-up clothes for the pre-race stormy conditions. I think I've convinced her to run with me in 2008." Kathy D'Abre wrote, "Doing some hiking and biking, and try to run fairly regularly. It was a good summer for the garden. My oldest is a vegetarian, so my family is actually changing some of our eating habits. It's never too late."

Robin Waters wrote, "Interesting year so far. A car accident in April motivated me to get intensely focused on fitness and health. Along the way (in July) I learned I have cancer. There is a good prognosis, which allows me to feel that this truly is an 'opportunity' for growth and transformation. I'm getting radiation now—at a cancer center in Edwards, Colo., near Vail. It's two hours from my home in Basalt and there will be 31 treatments, so I stay at the center during the week. The on-site residence is beautiful and has a great fitness program. I'm working out the farover muscle stuff from the accident along with the cancer treatment side effects. Quite an experience. In May, I started publishing a group of magazines with a friend. Being in Edwards gives me a base to promote the Ranch & Resort Quarterly magazine in a new distribution area. Here's our Web site: www.ColoradoWestRanch.com—for some fun Colorado dreaming."

Betsy Coward Miller reminds us in her e-signature, "You can't hug your kids with nuclear arms." She muses, "Wondering now that I'm on the downside post-50, how we as a group of women ended up, in ways both minor and major, super-achievers. Some of you may recall the spring of our freshman year—it seemed that at least 30 percent if not 50 percent of the senior class that year graduated with an engagement ring. A mere three years later most of us were headed off to college, then a profession of one sort or another. Doctor, lawyer, Indian chief—all were suddenly possible, and my guess is that most of us wanted to do it all. Become an artist, change the world, write a novel or 10, save the endangered species, raise beautiful families, and have perfect loves. Something I'm doing now that didn't exist 35 years ago. Web work: Something I would have laughed at 35 years ago if you said I'd be doing it now: teaching and youth ministry. Something I want to do in the next phase of my life (aka retirement): Peace Corps, or hold orphan babies in Ecuador." Ellen Hootsma writes about her boys: "Foremost in my mind is that my two older sons, both Marine reservists, returned safely in April from their seven-month deployment in Anbar Province. Their unit patrolled the Euphrates River near Haditha. Never have I known such deep-seated worry, nor such unbelievable, indefatigable joy upon their return. All in all, their adjustment to life back in the States has been smooth. Perhaps the hardest thing for them is living with high-minded college students who think they know all the answers to our problems in the Middle East—and get caught up in 'small stuff.' Both are now back in college (Bucknell and Washington College here on Maryland's Eastern Shore). They are ready to return whenever they are called up again."

Sarah Baylson Beam, always one of our jocks, writes, "I can be a bike commuter, which is far more enjoyable than driving to work, as well as better for the environment, cheaper, and healthier. Fortunately, my job is only six miles from home, so the ride is reasonable. Soon the children will be off and out, but for now we are enjoying them while they are still around. Police: liberal. Mid-life crisis: not yet, too busy. Environmental concerns: high."
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amazing. "But a lot of people do not know how to enjoy them," he

said. "Many people do not realize the displays can be watched at

Woodside."

Women's organization: For those who attend displays, Norma Street

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Sure, we all share the shameless neediness here, but our

wife Nina Gray and I had a strong feeling that we'd spot a chameleon as
did our son, Alex, at PA, and we were not disappointed. That's Steve Heiser, who
gunned down his dad in the nearby park. 

Steve (our class agent, for those of you who throw out fund-raising
appeals unaided) and I took the opportunity to tell over-the-top Reunion planning June 2005 will be
here before you know it! Note the yacht ship
call to Red Sea land.

Rick Meyer sends this "My wife and I survived Katina, and we've both

remained in New Or-

leans, committed to our established medical practices. I'm an orthopedic surgeon, and my wife

practices dermatology. Both designs on Tri, ended up at Anadover immediately following Katina."
As a child growing up in rural Alpine, N.J., Liz Robert loved to play baseball and football with the neighborhood boys, climb trees, and explore the woods behind her house for hours on end.

It's no surprise, then, that the outdoors lover ended up in Vermont. Robert (pronounced "row-BEAR") is president and CEO of the state's iconic Vermont Teddy Bear Company, the one and only purveyor of "Bear-Grams."

Ordered by Internet or phone, a Bear-Gram—deemed "the creative alternative to flowers"—includes a handcrafted teddy bear dressed in the gift-giver's choice of more than 100 fully accessorized outfits, a chocolate treat, and a personalized message, all shipped anywhere in the United States (including Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico) in a sturdy, colorful box—with airholes for breathing, of course.

Robert's journey from small-town tomboy to big-time head of a now-thriving $75 million company in Shelburne, Vt., included four years at Abbot Academy, where she was known for being smart, athletic, and a bit of a rebel.

"I discovered that As at Abbot—unlike at any school I had ever attended—required enormous effort and energy. It was daunting at first, but I soon figured out how to totally apply myself to solving a problem or understanding a subject," she says. "That ability continues to serve me well 35 years later."

After graduating from Middlebury College in Vermont in 1978, Robert worked in banking in Boston for a year. She married a much older man and, at 26, was catapulted into motherhood. Unfazed, she started business school at UVM in 1981, when daughter Carie was 10 days old, earning a master's degree in business administration in 1984. Her second daughter, Ruthie, was born the following year.

After Robert and her husband divorced in 1990 she took a high-level position with a Vermont natural gas utility and then, in 1991, became executive vice president of a high-tech start-up company. "That's where I developed nerves of steel," says Robert.

Meanwhile, despite phenomenal growth since its founding in 1981, sales at Vermont Teddy Bear had begun a rapid decline in the mid-1990s. Robert was brought on as CFO in 1995—and not a moment too soon. Her open-mindedness, instincts, and determination would become key in revitalizing the near-bankrupt company.

"The single biggest factor in the salvation of Vermont Teddy Bear," explains Robert, "was the clear realization that our future lay in selling a high-end gift service, not take-home teddy bears."

"We could not compete in a retail environment with the much cheaper bears made in China, but by cleverly marketing the quality and uniqueness of the Bear-Gram product, we could compete with flowers," she says. The company quickly closed their three costly retail stores, one of which was located on Madison Avenue.

"Surprisingly, we sell nearly 65 percent of our teddy bears to men—typically panicked men scrambling for last-minute gifts for wives, girlfriends, mothers, and sisters," says Robert. To target this ever-present market, the company has spent a small fortune for on-air reads by radio personalities such as Howard Stern, Glenn Beck, and Bill O'Reilly.

In early 1997, the deep-pocketed Walt Disney Company suddenly began advertising suspiciously similar "Pooh-Grams" on the radio. "We could feel the business being siphoned off almost instantly," recalls Robert. With Vermont Teddy Bear's CEO on a three-week vacation, Robert took charge. She enlisted the aid of a trademark attorney and, through a series of deft legal maneuvers, essentially banished Pooh-Grams from the airwaves.

In fall 1996, Robert took the lead in averting a second crisis, this one involving SEC auditors; she was named CEO within weeks. Employee morale soared, refocused advertising was showing results, and Vermont Teddy Bear sales gained huge momentum. "We blew the lid off this place on Valentine's Day in 1998," says Robert, adding that one of her primary motivations for becoming CEO was to save jobs. "There are not a lot of options up this way for expert teddy bear makers. I have an incredible passion for this place, its product, and its people."

Today, Vermont Teddy Bear has approximately 300 employees and hires more than 1,000 seasonal employees during peak holidays. After 10 years at the helm, Robert is still in the thick of it in the weeks before the major Vermont Teddy Bear holidays—Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, and Christmas—when the company does 60 percent of its annual sales.

"We get 1,000 calls per day in mid-January," says Robert, "yet we answer about 55,000 calls on February 13. We may ship 1,200 Bear-Grams in mid-January, but we'll ship 80,000 the two days before Valentine's Day. The spike is unbelievable."

Vermont Teddy Bear has created numerous programs to put their furry friends into the arms of those in need. Since 2002, their Big Hero/Little Hero program has donated more than 21,000 teddy bears to police, fire, and emergency personnel to comfort the youngest victims of accidents, fire, or violent crime; in 2005 thousands of teddy bears were shipped to children traumatized by Hurricane Katrina.

"Our teddy bears are powerful medicine," says Robert with a mix of awe and pride. "They dry tears, patch up relationships, bring hope, make hurting children smile, and give lonely people a reliable friend. It's a great mission."

—Jill Clerkin
New students receive warm welcome

Head of School Barbara Lynch-Chase greets the Ho and Gray families as they drop off their sons in September for their first year at Andover. From left are Steve Ho '74, John Ho '11, Chase, Jack Gray '74, Nina Rutenburg Gray '74, and Alex Gray '10.

Jerry Polansky sent us an email whose subject line read "I'm in the heart." Here it is, almost entirely: "I am writing with some hesitation after a long time of not keeping up with you and the rest of my classmates. I was moved by the 10th anniversary issue of the Bulletin to stand in my essence and write to my classmates and the school about what has been in my heart. I remember my years at Andover with a mixture of love and sadness, always thankful for the education and the friends I made there. I know not to be the exception in feeling like an outsider at Andover and after I graduated, but I no longer see that as an excuse for perpetuating treating myself, and perhaps others, with these feelings might be of help to others. Finding myself at Andover, the parts of my heart that contribute to the person I am, set me apart, and I grasped toward others at Andover who might have considered themselves outsiders as well. Sadly, some of these friends have passed away. I knew that I was different in many ways from a lot of the student body. Being Jewish being a smaller and the backlash coming from a public school in Long Island, and having a parent that was not Jewish also set my apart. I was the American Jewish scientist, and my attempt to conceal it, during this time that was probably the most important segregating time. At some point I was ashamed in my dormitory hallway by a dorm-mate. This experience made me stronger. I returned for our 50th Reunion and after that, I often thought about my return. It was for my parents. They are both from Cleveland.

Gary Lee

The rest of this letter is from a PA alumni group. It precedes this subject line: "Colleges and Universities," a subject line that the sender, David A. Brown, appears to be writing in the name of the four other Andover alumni: Jon Ackert, B.B. Bagnall, and William Brown. This is a letter to the editor of the Bulletin.

Dear David,

I am writing to express my thoughts on the recent event at Andover.

I am very sorry to hear about the情况 at Andover. As a former student of the school, I want to express my support and encouragement to those affected by this news.

I believe it is important to recognize and address any issues that may have contributed to this situation. It is also crucial to ensure that the school takes appropriate steps to prevent similar incidents in the future.

I would like to offer my condolences to the families of those involved and to the entire Andover community. Please know that I am here to support you in any way I can.

Sincerely,

Jerry Polansky

July 2023

Jerry Polansky

Jerry Polansky sent a second email on the same subject. It reads:

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"I am still thinking about my return to Andover. As a former student of the school, I want to express my support and encouragement to those affected by this news. I believe it is important to recognize and address any issues that may have contributed to this situation. It is also crucial to ensure that the school takes appropriate steps to prevent similar incidents in the future. I would like to offer my condolences to the families of those involved and to the entire Andover community. Please know that I am here to support you in any way I can."

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In a plea for class news, I discovered that not only is the class email list far from reliably updated, but also embarrassingly short. So please send an email to me at peter@wiman@merrillcorp.com with your name, class years, email address, phone number, and any other information you would like to include. I will then send an email to the whole class with your information.

Peter Wiman

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Peter Wiman
youngest, Claire, now in their lower year and residing in the still-desirable dorm, Paul Revere. This summer Frank left the Department of Commerce and returned to Hong Kong to run the private equity business for Cashman & Walker.

Gren Blackall, a banker and financial IT executive, has relocated his family from Minnesota to Maine. His son, Stoddard, is an undergraduate at the Berklee College of Music in Boston. Susan Vernon and especially her daughter, Natalie Rico, are still active and successful competitors in race walking, doing in the Taekwondo World Championships in June '07 and other tournaments throughout the fall. In between competitions Susan and Natalie were able to go on some great vacations in Australia, New Zealand, and the Caribbean.

Dana "Nance" Mackenzie's 2003 book The Big Splat, or How Our Moon Came to Be was referenced extensively in an episode from the series The Universe that aired June 26, 2007, on the History Channel. Dana was interviewed for the episode, which delved into the history and science of the moon. Dana writes, "My main motivation for writing the book was to inform the public that the Apollo Moon Missions were a scientific success, and that in the fullness of the time they led to a much better understanding of our nearest neighbor in space. The History Channel show, which I think was well executed both from the scientific and entertainment points of view, will get this message out to many more people than my book could ever conceivably reach." Dana notes that his book remains in print and the DVD of The Universe is available at history.com.

Susan Sandoe has been working for 22 years in the S.F. Bay Area and recently finished a master's degree in education, specializing in language and literacy. While living in Berkeley, Calif., she now works in Oakland as a reading intervention specialist at a school (with 100 percent Title I students), which Susan loves. She works with a largely Hispanic student population. Susan still keeps in touch frequently with Mary Washburn, whom she visits when back on the East Coast.

Gordie Nelson is still commuting from Boston to Chicago while living in Concord, Mass. He writes, "It gets harder as I get older, but it is worth it. Getting older means turning 50—the hardest birthday to come to grips with. Think about what you used to think of 50-year-olds; yet I still feel the same as I did when a senior at PA. On the plus side, half-century birthday parties are a terrific excuse to catch up with old friends." Gordie and his wife, Jane, have two daughters, one at Deerfield, and the other an eighth-grader.

Gordie and Jane have become customers of Jo Harrison's Gallery in Williamsburg, Mass., which opened in 2001. Jo recently visited her daughter, Mari, a UVM student now at Italy's Scuola Internazionale Di Grafica, and hopes Mari will be the artist in the family. Jo bought a motorcycle (a Harley Heritage Softail, for those who know bikes) to tour the country, provided she can find someone to run the gallery in her absence. She asks, "Any Andover grad looking for a job?"

After two years in which he purchased two companies, Peter Van Raalte started his own equity firm in New York. He has three children, ages 10-16, who keep Peter extremely busy, especially with their ski racing in Stowe, Vt. Peter has also been active in establishing a new winter-only ski racing academy in Stowe called the Mount Mansfield Winter Academy. His daughter and 55 other competitive skiers and snowboarders train, as well as maintain a highly academic schedule, from November to April.

While husband Dick and I were visiting Stephanie Curtis Harman and her lovely family in Woodside, Calif., we three joined Dan Haarmann '93 and his wife for Andover's Non-Sobi Day on Sept. 15 by volunteering in San Jose at a community service organization that supports the needy.

Jonathan Alter's highly praised book The Defining Moment: FDR's Hundred Days and the Triumph of Hope is now in paperback.

In addition to an East Coast trip to visit with camp friends that included a day with favorite buddies Brian Burke, Dana Halsted plans to celebrate her own 50th birthday with two rounds of golf at Pebble Beach in California. She did request an authentication of her birth certificate (perhaps there is a group discount available for all of us!), particularly as she is the mother of a 2-year-old boy.

Happy New Year to all of you! Since most of us have reached the 50th milestone, let's make an effort to stay in touch and treasure our friendships. Perhaps Frank Sinatra is right: "The Best Is Yet To Come." (Hope springs eternal!)

Roger will be your next scribe, so please send your news his way. Please note his new e-mail, rstromg@indiemail.com.—Marie

Mark Schiweitz and I witnessed more than one nasty fall for Henry—and yet he still managed to defend his U.S. Track and Field Association national mountain climbing championship title in the 45- to 49-year-old division. (Not to depress the readers, but next year I think all of us will slip into a yet older, and slower, division.)

Betsy Senior writes from New York City, where she is co-owner of the Senior & Shopmaker Gallery. Betsy says that she stays connected with PA through her service on the Board of Governors of the Addison Gallery, "a gem on the campus," which recently hosted a retrospective exhibition of photographer William Wegman, one of the artists Betsy represents. She adds, "What else? My husband, Charlie Hayward, and I get away to Saratoga Springs when we can (he runs the New York Racing Association), and I see Kayce Freed Jennings, Sarah Mielecki Woolworth, and Annette Bond '75 as much as possible.

Speaking of Kayce, she, and some colleagues have started up a new film production company, The Documentary Group, which had a good first year producing two films on Iraq, To Iraq and Back; Bob Woodward Reports for ABC and Operation Homecoming for PBS, and also Step, a feature documentary about the heart transplant that debuted at the 2007 Tribeca Film Festival. Kayce adds, "In March, we managed to pull off a very successful inaugural go at the Peter Jennings Project for Journalists and the Constitution at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia (by the way, a terrific place for everyone to go—and to take their kids). It will be an annual event, bringing together mid-career journalists, students, constitutional scholars, jurists, etc., to explore constitutional issues more deeply."

Very far from New York, in a land called Houston, Robert "Tex" Noel writes that there's not much to do other than watch the cattle graze and the oil jacks pump. "I doubt that my getting a dog for hunting is news worthy, but it will sure make it easy to pick up/fing the ducks, quail, and doves! The kid thing continues with my two girls, ages 11 and 13, in club soccer and club volleyball, respectively. I am becoming a weekend road warrior to endless games, but they sure are fun to watch."

Even farther afield is Ben Rockefeller, who had last written to us from Australia. He's moved on: "I live in Brussels, Belgium, but am soon to move to Leuven, a university town about 15 miles away, for a new job. It seems to me that the European movement, including the European Union, is most of all a peace movement between the French, German, and other governments. Even as an outsider, I am curious to see this develop and now include 27 countries. I find that there is a certain wisdom in the old world. The occasional beer is better here, too. Andover classmates visiting Belgium are invited to e-mail me at benrockefeller@compuserve.com."

Also checking in from Europe is our man in Warsaw, Poland, Adam Pool. Adam writes that...
we would have known if we had been there to witness the event. Maybe he lost his keys for the job.

The next day we went to those buildings to see if we could find our keys. We walked around the area and accidentally stumbled upon a street where we thought we might find them. In the end, we did find our keys and were able to continue with our plans.

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The next day, Brad Rockwell, who works for a pharmaceutical company, left a message for me. He said he had found my keys and that they were located in the town of Green River. He gave me directions on how to get there and we met up later that day. Brad explained that he found the keys while he was cleaning a building. He said he thought they might belong to someone who was renovating their home.

Brad Rockwell was kind enough to bring the keys to the office building, where I work. I was overjoyed to receive them and was very grateful for his help. Brad is a great person and I hope to see him again soon.

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Peter Frisch took time out from his work in investments at Wachovia in downtown Boston to communicate his sailing victories. He wrote, "Attached are three pictures from the St. Louis national championship regatta, held in Newport, R.I., on Aug. 21-22. I have sailed with the blind for more than 10 years. This year my blind skipper, Matt Chou, and his blind crew, Nina Kagan, and I, along with another sighted guide, May McKinnon, won the event. If you wish to read more about this event, please give a read of an article written in the local newspaper: www.townonline.com/swampscott/sports/x288721219.

I am sorry to report the death of classmate Edith Alpern of Bala-Cynwyd, Pa., on Oct. 2, 2006. Molly Turner remembers Edith as "spending a postgraduate year living in Day North with Miss Minard, Edith's roommate Minou Tierney, and all the rest of us. Edith was gracious and elegant, with a wicked sense of humor, and in my memory she is always laughing."

Our 30th Reunion is June 13-15, 2008. If you're interested in helping out, please send me e-mail at ncs@shum.mtu.edu. I plan to drink heavily, though plans are subject to change. Take good care and be well! — Nick

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In this installment of our class notes, I won't be providing any news about any of our classmates. I won't be mentioning any names or contributing any fun facts. There's a reason for this. It's not that I couldn't come up with any information to share, because, of course, I could. Life is constantly breezing by, now more than ever. Some of our kids have entered high school or college and some of us have made job changes or moved to new places. There have been marriages, divorces, births, and deaths. And because there are so many things going on in our lives—responsibilities, vacations, snacks for soccer, headaches, and heartaches—for all these reasons, we find ourselves with less and less time, which can translate to losing touch with our friends and others we love and cherish. So, we rely on the many forms of modern technology to get our information. We e-mail and text and Blog, all designed to keep us connected with such ease. And it's this exact reason that I'm not going to be providing any news, I'll explain.

This past June, I received an e-mail from a classmate—actually, I received it from the classmate's spouse. It was a group e-mail, which informed us that our classmate was about to undergo a dangerous major surgery. I was floored. Not because of the illness itself or the seriousness of the operation, and not because it was another example of how we are constantly forced or reminded to examine our own mortality. I was floored because I didn't even know this classmate was ill. Now, you might be saying, "Well, so you didn't know big deal. That's what the e-mail was for." And for a casual relationship or friendship, I'd say, "You're absolutely right." There's news I'm constantly hearing about people that either elicits a "that's great!" or "that's awful!" or somewhere in between. But this wasn't a casual relationship. This was one of my dearest friends in the world, someone I love so dearly and didn't even know was ill. How could I not know? How could I have lost touch with this person for so long that I didn't even know this major event was going on in their life?

So, naturally and in a panic, I picked up the phone and called every classmate I knew who also knew this person to try to find out some information. In doing so, I found I was dialing work numbers that were four jobs and seven years ago, numbers that were disconnected, old cell phones, etc. My embarrassment for being so out of touch wasn't limited to this classmate. It extended across the board.

Finally, I started reaching people, and the ones I left messages for (on the correct phone numbers) started to call back, and from these people I got other updated phone numbers. And in these conversations not only did we talk about our mutual friend, but we also talked about each other. We caught up after having, for some, not spoken in years. Sure, there had been an occasional e-mail or letter, but not an actual voice-to-voice connection. And it was wonderful and so unfortunate that it took this event to connect me back to so many good friends, friends who I felt I was connected to, but in reality wasn't.

That's why I'm not going to list any names or information here, because I hope from reading this everyone will reach out to those in our lives who have slipped away a bit, maybe not in our hearts, but in the sight of smiles and the sounds of voices. And not for any fault other than life. Whether it's former classmates, family, it doesn't matter. If it's by e-mail, OK, but if you can find time to get together or pick up the phone and have a conversation, even better. Stop saying, "I really should call..." and take a minute to do it. This age of information is wonderful, except when it serves to disconnect us rather than connect us.

When I finally spoke with our classmate after their surgery, shaken and relieved, I said, "I didn't even know you were sick." It was meant purely as an apology, an expression of guilt for being so out of touch, a desperate plea to be forgiven for not being there. All I hoped to hear was, "It's OK." But their response, despite all they'd been through and in the midst of a difficult recovery was, "I know. I'm sorry. I should have called." And that is exactly why I love them so much—that enormous giving heart.

We're all lucky to have these relationships in our lives, so take a moment to reach out to one. Be in touch. — Doug

[Editor's note: Please update your contact information with PA. For how to do it, see the box at the conclusion of the Class Notes section.]

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It's September, the Fed just cut rates, and the Yankees are two games behind the Red Sox. So what have you all been doing? Here are a few reports.

Dr. Natalie Geary continues to practice pediatrics, which she's done in both Santa Fe, N.M., and in Manhattan. She also started vedapure, which provides excellent cream products for babies. Her line has also grown to include products under vedaMAMA and vedaDUDE. Check out the Web site, www.vedapure.com.

This September, the Latinos in Information Sciences and Technology Association (LISTA) announced that the Honorable FCC Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein has been chosen by the LISTA Nomination Committee as this year's recipient of the Latinos in Information Sciences and Technology Association (LISTA) National Government Advocate Award.

Josie Iselin reports that all is well in San Francisco and her oldest daughter is applying to high school. Josie is also working on her fourth book. Her third book, Seashells, is out now. Her photographs are amazing! Take a look: www.josieiselin.com.

And that is it.

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Andover students, alums, and parents came together for the first ever Non Sibi Day, a day of global community service on Saturday, Sept. 15.
The past three years has been marked by the loss of many close friends, and present and past residents are coming together around the world to remember and celebrate the lives of those who have passed away. Today, we are honoring the memory of John Cunningham, a beloved member of our community who passed away on Nov. 15, 2021.

John was a lifelong resident of Aspen, Colorado, and was a avid outdoorsman and nature lover. He loved cycling, hiking, and skiing, and was known for his knowledge of the local flora and fauna. His passion for the outdoors was evident in his work as a park ranger for the Aspen Parks and Recreation Department.

Outside of his professional work, John was an active member of the community, volunteering his time to numerous organizations. He was a member of the local hiking club, and was known for his能 help and encouragement to others.

John will be deeply missed by his family, friends, and the entire community. We will remember him for his kind heart, his love of nature, and his contribution to our community. He was a true friend and a dedicated member of our community. We will honor his legacy by continuing to preserve and enjoy the natural beauty of the area that he loved so much.

In memory of John, we encourage everyone to take a moment to appreciate the natural beauty of our world. Whether it’s a hike in the mountains, a bike ride through the countryside, or simply taking a walk in your neighborhood, take the time to enjoy the beauty of the world around us. John’s love of nature and his contributions to our community will continue to inspire us for years to come.

Rest in peace, John. You will be deeply missed.
Street on Sept. 11, 2001. Not long afterwards, he and Estelle were married, and John was telling me about another passion of his—the Boys & Girls Clubs. I was hooked. Within a matter of a few months, I was donating time to the cause and renting taxdeduction and bidding on silent auction items I couldn’t exactly afford, because John’s enthusiasm was, and is, infectious.

Which has inspired me to keep helping, whenever I can. The cause has been a love out of the blue. A perfect thought on my wedding day.

As Steve Blackwell finishes up his book on Nabokov and the sciences, he continues to profess Russian at the University of Tennessee. This summer he traveled with his family and Neil Platt ’82 to Greece, homeland of Steve’s wife, Alexia. Quincy Tompkins-Imhoff caught up with Andrea Feldman Falcone recently in Andrea’s home in Santa Monica, Calif. Andrea is busy with her own art consultation business. Quincy is enjoying Healdsburg, Calif., runs a small yoga studio, is active on the local school board, and just completed renovations on a 100-year-old schoolhouse in her town for use as a community hall. She writes that she visited Andover with her son in May and took in an amazing varsity lacrosse game in the rain. She notes that Commons will be closed for a year’s renovation, as it was nearly 24 years ago when we were there.

Tod Oliva has just returned from his own trip back to Andover, this time with his son, Charlie (Class of 2011—gulp), who is in Rockwell North. Tod reports that the boys of that dormitory enjoy many new features since our day: “carpeting, plentiful outlets, an elevator, high-speed Internet, and a personal phone in [every] room that includes a voice-mail system.”

Angela Lorenz, Judy Cho Lieu and her two boys at the amazing Joseph Cornell ’21 exhibition at the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, Mass. Laurel saw Brett Johnson ’82 at the “Summer of Love” bash in Ipswich, Mass.

Thanks, Angela, for such a substantial notes entry. She writes from PA, “Thayer Zauder is thriving on the PA art faculty and bringing up kids in West Quad, and Martha Gourdeau Fenton takes care of three children and three varsity sports, which is easier now that she stepped down as director of athletics last spring. Her field hockey team plays on AstroTurf, and I fully enjoyed watching her run a practice, with soccer and football teams all around us. I looked forward to seeing a few more classmates from ’83 for the opening of my show at the Addison, including Laurie Nardone from nearby Beverly and Kit Arrington Peterson, who’s flying up from D.C. They’ve been working me pretty hard here, so I haven’t been able to reach out much, but I did talk to Margaret Briwar ’82 recently. My brother is a friend of her husband, and describes her exquisite pottery, although production might have slowed in recent years as she raises her children. I did speak to Holly Peterson in N.Y.C., who had her first novel published 20 years in journalism. It’s about a male nanny, The Manly. Her flowing curls in the photo on the dust jacket are indicative of the steamy novel within, although there is a disclaimer in the book that she is very happily married to Rick Kimball ’82. She’s taken up surfing, and was on a beach in Mexico with her three kids when we spoke. I’ll soon be heading back to Bologna, Italy, where my gelato and chocolate husband Giacomo is holding down the fort, as my daughter Emilia has to go back to start sixth grade while I am in Andover. But I’ll be back in June for our 25th, and I’m cooking up some surprises with the students here [that will be] on show during the Reunion.”

Sharon Block traveled with her husband and 11-year-old twins from their home in D.C. to London, where she caught up with Ashley Thompson, who is teaching at the University of Leeds. Ashley has two daughters. Good luck, Sharon, on your new job as labor and employment counsel for Senator Edward Kennedy on the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Please do write in! Everyone is waiting to hear from you! Don’t forget June 13–15 is our 25th Reunion! I don’t know about you guys, but I don’t feel nearly old enough to be attending our 25th high school reunion.

As I write these notes, one of our scribes, Karen Humphries Sallick begins the Compassionate Mandala Tour, a tour celebrating His Holiness The 14th Dalai Lama receiving the Congressional Gold Medal. Karen organized the tour, which includes stops at Auburn Theological Seminary in N.Y.C., the Peabody Museum at Yale, the Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum in Connecticut, Phillips Academy, the National Cathedral in D.C., and St. John the Divine Cathedral in N.Y.C. As Karen travels, I, your scribe Lisa Carley Fay, will stay put here in London and embark on my Montessori teacher-training course at the AMI Institute. In September, I enjoyed a London visit by Barbara Landis Chase and represented our Class of ’83 at an Andover reception in Mayfair.

Thanks to everyone who wrote in, and we encourage everyone to send us an e-mail with news. It’s fun to hear from the whole class.

Greg Simon wrote and showed us how creative he is with energy use: his two 100 percent electric cars, his home lights that are heated with radiant heat provided by solar thermal water panels, and his PV rooftop system all prove that this classmate has his eye on sustainability. Greg continues to coach international lacrosse and has traveled recently to Berlin, Prague, and Amsterdam and has plans to travel more next summer.

Greg may pass Struan Robertson in a European airport, as Struan’s job takes him farther afield these days. Recently, in one week he was in Geneva, New Delhi, Paris, and Stockholm. Phew.

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In two days’ time fall officially begins. Remember what that meant? Vibrant foliage, brisk temperatures, apples, and school—beginning all over again. I’ve just met my freshman and first-year grad, so it hasn’t changed much—minus the colors and cool wind. I hope you all enjoy the changing seasons if you’ve got one. I visited Andrea Gold ’83 and her husband, Charles, are back at school, too—both on the faculty of Washington University School of Medicine. They have three children and continue to juggle work, family, and marriage as she imagines most of us do. She’s thinking of our 25th Reunion, which will be here sooner than any of us imagine. I hope the bulk of you will make it back to campus in June 2009!

Abby Shuman had the pleasure of seeing Macky Altton ’83 and Chris Thompson ’83 recently in Bosten. Last summer they visited Sara Pointier’s family in Longmont, Colo., for the Rocky Mountain Folk Festival. Sara manages a large public high school’s library, and her son is entering kindergarten. Abby also has spent time with Lou Bernini on the Andover Bread Loot/Inspired Writing Corporation work he’s doing. You can check it out on the PA Web site. Marcella Larsen has recently become involved with the Alumni Council and is looking forward to seeing more classmates. Last summer she visited Jeff
New York nuptials

Dorothy Hawes '85, center, married Richard L. Blum III in New York in May. Several PA classmates were on hand to help celebrate, including Alison Smith Lord, left, and Jennifer Ward Oppenheimer.

Woodhead and family in San Francisco: Living Angeles, Calif. Marjorie often sees Dr. Pamela Zuber '85, who lives there now.

Peter Elapides has left Cargill for a partner role as the marketing officer at M&T Bank in Buffalo, N.Y. He took his family to Greece for a May wedding, which caused him to remind his Marist childhood friend Henry Miller — who also recently graduated from St. Peter's where he graduated — of his childhood education. Peter enjoys regularly to Heidi Brant, who lives in Venice, Calif., working in sales and marketing for LEGO. He also hearing from Pauline Lim and saw Mischa Frustrati at an interview in St. Bart's news chapel.

Phoebe Brown still lives in Washington and enjoys her second daughter in the world. Nena, Claudia Kranf Rimman has launched a firm, her new venture (she named it Generation Books, Pervee, and on her own). She plans to focus on writing, counseling, and working with women and juniors in software development and sales. She recently retired from her work at IBM.

Meg-Dolan Rockwood, who is running her own business, has recently expanded her company to include creative and design work.

Lori B. S. Chastanet '83, a wedding photographer in New York, is currently working on her own project, a book on weddings.

Mike Haver returned to Andover for the first time since graduation and brought Daughter Ellie to his old Adams Smith-stomping grounds. The trip brought back a flood of wonderful memories.

Adam Smith is still working hard on original music and creative, and is glad to see there's been new work for spring '85. He sends a shout out to Mrs. Park. Jonathan Hubbard reports that Mischa Frustrati got married on Sept. 15 and will send details. He also sends news of Bou Tenkin's sake shop in San Francisco. Tucked away in SoMa, Matt and his family have settled in the area.

Pam Magli announces the wonderful news of her upcoming marriage! to Peter Underwood in October. Congratulatons! Pam's still working at BusinessWeek and is getting ready for her wedding. She'll be getting married in the Lake Monte area.

Roberto Caracciolo is still working in the area and is currently working on a project for a new book.

Julie Grady writes, "Well, I'm not even close to turning 42, but I did go to Nell's 40th party at Tripp Lake in Maine, with Kate Flaher, Constance Cannon '85, and Kayleigh Shea. There was reminiscing and great food. Oh, and Nell rented a houseboat and planned it all herself, as usual. Quite a feat!"
New Jersey and consults on public health projects. Susanna Harwood Rubin has her drawings on view at Matin Gallery in Los Angeles, and some of her work was acquired by the UCLA Hammer Museum.

Before heading to the Amalfi Coast for culinary classes, Liz DeLucia toured the barn White Spaulding and wife Caroline Cannon '87 are building in Erna, N.H., which includes his and her woodworkings shops. Seth Brooks, wife Kelly Kieffer, and sons Sawyer and Owen joined them. Seth picked a spot for the cider mill. All were hoping to enjoy Spaulding-Cannon brew at the tailgate of the Brooks/DeLucia/Spaulding trip to the A/E game in Exeter on Nov. 10. Liz lives in Andover and celebrated her 40th with Nancy Colbert and Sarah Cartrey Bachand. Nancy is town planner for Newburyport, Mass., home of faculty emeriti Tom Lyons and Joe Wennik '52. Sarah is raising her children Caroline and Tommy while pursuing a PhD degree at Boston College, where Liz is a senior development officer. Liz left the Abbot Academy Association (grant-making committee) but recruited Dave Dackenfield '84 to replace her. She sees Anna Sibley Firstenberger, who resides in Hopkinton, Mass., with son Jack, 14, and daughter Katie, 12 (Liz's goddaughter). Liz Somers Urdang, husband Jeff, daughters Eillie and Kiri, and Tiki the puppy hosted (and pampered) Liz at their home in Stanford, Conn.

Michele Lavin Wolfram wrote in via Blackberry from a sailboat in Mallorca, Spain, where she was waterskiing and investigating port towns on her way to Barcelona for a Junior Year Abroad reunion. She spent the summer with her four children in Aspen, New Hampshire, and Italy. Her twins are in second grade, her son Jackson is 3, and daughter Peyton is an infant. Hannah Zwart Hornby spent the summer with husband Michael and daughter Georgia, 3-plus, hiking, biking, swimming, and generally rediscovering her passion for life. She ran into Perry Robinson with his son Halsey. They were hunting for swimming holes near her house in Putney, Vt. “Love to all the near, (tar), and dear,” adds Hannah.

Alex May took her children Tucker, 9, and Piper, 5-pluses, to Aplala, Italy; then and Newport, R.I., before settling back in Dallas. Susan Cross visited her this summer. Charlie Edwards is logging 80-hour weeks with a skin care technology company in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. “I just moved here from the SoCal beach and don’t know a soul,” Charlie said. He speaks with the usual suspects, Mike Sobel, Roger Townsend, Jackson Lewis, and Bill Parsons.

Ariane Duddy Massey spent her 40th in Jamaica (sons kids and Blackberries), a surprise by husband Chris. They explored the amazing food, climbed Dunn’s River Falls, and just relaxed.

Rosanne Ackerley writes, “My 40th birthday party in New Orleans was hosted by friends who live near the Krewe du Vieux mardi gras parade route. So, after a very conventional birthday cake, off we went to the most eccentric and satirical of New Orleans early mardi gras parades. Food, drink, and a parade to boot! Who can top that?”

Perry Hall works in investment banking at Merrill. He and his wife, Lynn, had their fourth child, Paige, in January. “That makes two boys and two girls—we love them all!” They live on a small farm in New Jersey.

Tajee Li Vis is lives in N.Y.C. with her husband, Jonathan Cantor, and sons Theo and Noc. She has an upcoming production, Glimpses of the Moon, premiering at the Oak Room of the Algonquin Hotel in January. Her previous musical had a sold-out run at the Lucille Lortel Theatre last summer.

Pamela Zucker threw a Hugh Hefner-style pajama party to celebrate her husband’s 50th and her 40th. There was music and dancing all night. Pamela adds, “Just ask Marcella Larsen ’84, who helped celebrate (and looked quite fetching in her pj’s).” The evening benefited two favorite nonprofits, the Aspen Institute’s Community Scholars Fund and Mountain Rescue, Aspen.

Paige Cox planned a November birthday trip for Kate Cooper to Yelapa, Mexico. Kate returned from seven months in Asia with her husband and two sons. Kate has a college advising business and lives in Berkeley, Calif., near Sara Wool, who is a doctor and has a son, 2, and a daughter, 1. Susan Conley moved to China from Portland, Maine, in August with her two sons and husband. Paige had a great 40th party in Watertown, Vt., and then a spectacular rock climbing/canyon trip in Utah. Her son, age 11, spent the last three nights hiking a spine joint disease called “Perthes,” so the trip was a wonderful triumph for them. And Andover alums are dealing with Perthes disease, please reach out to Paige.

Alan Himmer writes, “I am en route from Helsinki (home) to Budapest (meeting), and I am pleased to still be 39 until next year! Yisimudim tzevchen!”

Chris Stanley reports he had his “latest and almost certainly last” 100-mile run in Spain. His wife, Malia, is doing fine. Jenny Greene Scott and husband Chris had another baby boy, Ryan, in January 2007. He joined his big brother, Nicholas, 3-pluses. They are loving the S.F. Bay Area and enjoying time out with the boys.

Dr. Smith-Korthammer and her family spent the fall in Dubrovnik, Croatia, where her husband had a Fulbright to teach environmental science. Russian 10-20 was pivotal to Katrina learning Croatian. Matias, 9, and Stefan, 7, enjoyed playing tennis, swimming in the sea, and feeding hordes of feral cats. They returned to their home in Rochester, N.Y., in December.

David Kerner, at PA on a student exchange program from the U.K. with Julie Shaffar, writes, “Whilst stuck here at work on a holiday weekend I was idly looking up class notes on the PA Web site and thought I’d drop a line. My wife, Rebecca, son Ollie, 5, and I decided to leave the U.K. and live in Christchurch, New Zealand (South Island). It’s a great life—skiing and surfing within an hour, a stunning view of the Pacific, room to breathe (and park), and a lack of hustle that’s relief from the London rat race. I run an IT consultancy over here. I think back fondly to my time at Andover and the people I befriended there, particularly Ben Schwab and Karim Karaman—great buddies I miss.”

Ben Schwab was married in Highland Mills, N.Y., on Oct. 8, 2006, to Emmy Lin. In attendance were Matt Mochary ’86, Chris Schlupfer, Yan-Tao Jia, Eric Tozzi '87, Yun Lee '86, Gerry Haddock, and Peter Kleinman. Ben saw Chris and Peter at Cayuga Lake this summer. He will be a father in November. Emmy and Ben live in Taiwan.

Happy birthday, everyone! Please send your news to Nell and me. —Craig
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In July, she will be moving to a new but better
Washington, D.C. home which boasts a
carport, two bathrooms, and a backyard.
David Kopans and his partner, Dr. Michael Davis,
and his partner, Dr. Michael Davis,
are living in Texas and Washington, D.C.

Eddie Shapiro was the first person to respond
to the call for volunteers. After
it was decided that the event would be held at
a community center in New York, Eddie
volunteered to help with the planning
process. He also agreed to host the event at
his home. The event was a huge success,
and Eddie is looking forward to hosting
similar events in the future.

Elizabeth Scholte Roth, in charge of Atlanta's
Beach Boulevard, sent her regrets to Art
Lane for not making the reunion. She
reminded him of the importance of
keeping up with the latest news in the
field of health care.

Natalie Santiago will soon complete her
residency and return to Chicago to practice pediatrics.
Natalie is especially interested in
working with children.

Applying for a job in New York,
Natalie's Charlie Strout and family
spent time in Canandaigua, New York,
while visiting her brother and sister-in-
law. They enjoyed the scenery and
the hospitality of the family.

Natalie and John Greco, with their two
children, are moving to New York.
They are looking forward to
living in the city and exploring
the many attractions.

Natalie's sister, Dina, and her husband,
Tim, are also moving to New York.
They are excited about the
opportunities for professional growth
and personal development.

Tunas are a type of fish that are
found in the Mediterranean Sea.
They are known for their
flavor and their ability to
survive in saltwater.

A study was conducted to
examine the effects of
exercise on the health of
individuals with diabetes.

Michael's diabetes is well
controlled with medication.
However, his goal is to
start exercising regularly to
improve his overall health.

Michael's wife, Mary, is
also managing her diabetes
well. They are working
together to maintain
healthy lifestyles.

The study findings suggest
that regular exercise can
improve glycemic control
and reduce the risk of
complications associated
with diabetes.

The results of the study
indicate that exercise
improves insulin sensitivity
and reduces the need
for medication.

Michael and Mary are
looking forward to
participating in more
exercise activities.

A new study has shown
that consuming
more fiber can
improve glycemic control.

However, the exact
dose of fiber that is
beneficial is yet to be
determined.

Research is ongoing to
further understand
the role of fiber in
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Michael and Mary are
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However, the specific fruits and vegetables that are beneficial depend on individual factors.

Research is ongoing to further understand the effects of these foods on glycemic control.

Michael and Mary are considering increasing their intake of fruits and vegetables.
Cricket Crutchler lives in Manhattan with her husband and three kids, Lydia, 6; Isabel, 5; and Clement, 1, but gets away to Vermont as much as possible. She works as a psychologist at an independent school in the city and is doing a postdoc in child and adolescent psychoanalytic psychotherapy.

Fellow New Yorker Winship recently left the New York law firm WilmerHale to teach law as a visiting professor at Fordham Law School. She is also the "mom of a very outgoing and fun 2-year-old son."

While Neil Weiss was featured prominently in the last version of the class notes, Joe Proctor, for all his good work, neglected to mention that our beloved "Punksta" from Lynnfield, Mass., is now VF of information systems for Smith & Hawkwen, and as such is responsible for all technology solutions for the company. (Neil: can you fix the lie on my garden hose?) Neil also has been indulging liberally in open-water swimming of late, swimming the notorious Alcatraz Sharkfest last June. He reports that he caught saltwater Tony Mestres' band Grungeworm during the Tijuana stop of its "Borderlands" tour. According to Neil, the military-btn-turned-bassleader "ripped on the bass" and also took a turn behind the mic for some tasty lead vocals.

Dave Schunk writes in with a new update: "Same wife, same kids, same house."

Steve Schlemmer is enjoying fatherhood. He and wife Tanya Randell-Miller-Schlemmer '89 and son Jackson are "minding the gap" in London, and spending as many weekends as possible at their vacation home stop an overlook in a walled medieval village in the South of France.

As for myself, I too am enjoying fatherhood. As my second child, Max, was born this past May, on the 15th anniversary of perhaps the greatest recorded Grateful Dead show ever, Cornell '77.

Men Alex Tlibets '89 and sister Eliza Schoen, Class of 2020, are enjoying the adventure of moving in on our house in Seattle. When I am not busy changing diapers, arranging carpool, or tending to my freelance writing and photography duties, I have been fixing up a cabin on a small piece of land we recently bought on Lummi Island off the northwest coast of Washington State. Anyone from the Class of '88 who would like to check it out just needs to bring a sleeping bag and a willingness to bang some nails.

The big 20th is coming up June 13-15, and for one am expecting to see a big turnout from the Class of '88. If I can fly from Seattle for it, you too can make it from New York, Boston, Atlanta, Columbus, London, Targers, San Francisco, Danvers, Davenport, and points in between. See you all next June, Andover-style! —Reddy

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I'm picking up the avatar thread Alex Walley left off with last time, since I have just been introduced to the bewildering online world of Second Life. This is probably nothing new to many of you, am I right? It relates to the Sims and Webland games, but allows you, er, your avatar, to join and participate in a virtual world as the fictitious person you create. One can buy land, earn income, and have relationships, and apparently spend hours each day pursuing virtual-worldly dreams. I may be the last to know about this phenomenon, but I'm getting up to speed pretty quickly at my new post at MIT. I left my sole proprietorship in September to take on the role of design director of the MIT Alumni Association and already have the task of conceiving marketing materials for an upcoming event on Second Life—that may take place in Second Life. Is this cutting edge fun or just bizarre?

In the very real lives of our classmates, we have the following tidbits to report:

Sherry Martin is on leave from Cornell for the year and is a research fellow with the Program on U.S.-Japan Relations at Harvard. Arriving in Boston after Labor Day, she is using the time to complete her book before she comes up for tenure at Cornell in 2009-2010. She visited recently with Kit Nichols, who lives in the Boston area.

The lure of the mountains has been just too overwhelming for Liz Symbuch King and her family. Having just received tenure at Illinois-state, where Liz teaches paleontology, she is leaving Normal (Illinois) for Jackson, Wy. Liz hopes to find more interesting topography and a new career—hopefully in something geologic. She says there is "room at the ranch if anyone makes it to that corner of the world."

Another mountain-state dweller, Amy Davis Pregulman, is busy with family and work in Denver. She sends news that husband John and she had a baby girl, Gollie, in June, which makes six children (five girls) between them. I have three stepchildren, ages 19,15, and 13, and an 8- and 7-year-old, and now Gollie. I continue to work developing writing curriculum and teaching writing at Stanley British Public School, a K-8 school in Denver."
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Chris Kokesh

Finding harmony with Misty River

The cheers were nearly deafening as Misty River finished its set at Oregon's popular Sisters Folk Festival. Still cradling her fiddle, Chris Kokesh caught the eye of one of her fellow band members. The two exchanged a quick look—"Wow!"—before turning back to the audience, beaming.

That was the fall of 1999. The all-female acoustic quartet had been together just two years, yet their fan base was enthusiastic, devoted, and clearly growing.

In 2002 the band made another big jump—to the stage of the Hult Center for the Performing Arts in Eugene, Ore., where Ella Fitzgerald, Johnny Cash, and Yo-Yo Ma also have performed. "At the time, we didn't feel like a moment when we arrived. It felt like we were so unprepared, not ready to be there yet," Kokesh says. "Most of the time I don't see the big moments except in hindsight."

Last fall, when Misty River embarks on a national tour of performing arts centers to promote its new CD, Stories, the band's well-traveled bus will be parked at home. "Flying to gigs... that feels like a whole new level," says Kokesh, still a bit in awe of the band's celebrity status.

Growing up in Oklahoma, Kokesh started playing violin when she was 2 years old. At age 10, when her older brother, Timothy '90, visited Andover to check it out, she came along.

"Christine knew right away that that was where she wanted to go to school," says her father, Fritz Kokesh. "She didn't apply to go to boarding school, she applied to go to Andover."

At PA, Kokesh joined the orchestra and got her first experience playing in a large group.

"Andover had a huge impact on her music," says her mother, Judy Kokesh. "The standards were really high. Plus, there was the sense that music was an important thing to do, that it was right up there with sports." Kokesh honed her skills playing in the orchestra, but it wasn't until college that she learned to improvise.

"I was studying biology at Pomona and did some field work in Colorado," she says. "After work everyone would get together and hang out and jam. I had never done that. They would throw me a break and I didn't know what to do!"

After graduating she moved to Portland, Ore., to take a year off, wait tables at an Irish pub, and study fiddle. One winter night, the band playing at the pub asked her to come up and sing a ballad. One of the women in the audience who apparently was impressed was guitarist Carol Harley. She asked Kokesh to get together with her, her daughter, Laura Quigley; and another performer, Dana Abel. That gathering took months to schedule, and by then Carol and Laura had learned of an upcoming open mic night. Two weeks later the four women performed together for the first time.

"After our set, the pub manager asked if he could book us," recalls Kokesh. "But we're not a band," we said. And he said 'Yes, you are.' So that was kind of the formation."

Within a year, new instruments had been introduced to the act—banjo, bass, and accordion—and by 2001 everyone in the band had quit their day jobs and Misty River was touring full-time, playing about 170 shows a year. While Kokesh has many fond memories of being on the road, she admits it's not very glamorous. "It's a lot of schlepping your stuff around, and brushing your teeth and applying your makeup in public bathrooms."

Early on, Kokesh was a little shy on stage, but during the decade she has played with Misty River, she has come into her own as a musician and an onstage presence, gaining both confidence and poise. Now she combines musical precision with a more improvisational, free-flowing style that characterizes the folk-Americana music of the band. Kokesh, Harley, Quigley, and Abel entertain the audience with humorous anecdotes and stories that are as much a part of Misty River's act as the music itself; Abel claims Kokesh is the best storyteller of them all.

These days the band's touring schedule is more relaxed as the members strive for a better balance between their professional and personal lives. Kokesh spends about three days a week on the road, three days teaching music, and one day "for catch up."

She's also found time to explore her other musical personalities and recently put out her own five-song CD, I Never Knew. Whether Kokesh is playing solo or with the band, two things always make her day: playing a new song for the first time, and interacting with her young fans after a show.

"We're big with the 10- to 12-year-old girls," she says, grinning. "I love that. I love when they come up and they've got a picture for me to sign. And they want to talk about being a musician, because a lot of them are musicians or want to be musicians. I can tell them, 'You can do that.' It's just really fun to feel like I can be a role model for them without being half naked and shakin' my butt."

—Melissa Beams '91

Check out www.missyriver.band.com for a schedule of Misty River's national winter and spring touring schedule.
Lisiak family wedding

Paul Lisak '92 married Margaret Butler in June in East Hampton, N.Y., surrounded by PA friends and faculty members. In front, left to right, are best man Ryan Lisak '95, the bride and groom, and Sarah Anthouy (PA Summer Session). In back are faculty members Andy and Jenny Climp, Prentice Johannessen '92, Steve Bromstein '94, Rebecca Howard Granine '92, Peter Iuliano '89, Natasha Austin '92, Alex Donner '70, mother of the groom and former faculty Jan Lisak, Kirk Lehman '92, Michael Bor '92, John Drumm '93, and faculty member Peter Watt.
program in education at Harvard. His road trip cross-country included visits to Denver, North Dakota, and Columbus, Ohio.

Dan O'Keefe and his wife, Sarah, are on the move back to Boston. After four years with Pequot Ventures in the Big Apple, Dan joins North Bridge Growth Equity as a principal. For more info on Dan’s new venture, check out www.danbgc.com.

Hardy Stecker is finding great adventure through landscape architecture in New York. Recently, she’s taken on two great projects in Hyderabad, India, landscaping urban public space, and she’s found time for side trips throughout the country with friends.

In other career moves, after graduating from law school, Dan Smith spent a few years working with a large firm in Burlington, Vt. Recently he’s made the jump to the Greater Burlington Industrial Corporation, a regional economic development group whose goals include balancing regional economic growth with environmental protection. Thus far, he loves his work and the mix of law and public policy it brings. Even better, in the transition, Dan took a month-long backcountry skiing trip to Bariloche, Argentina. Ask him for his pictures—they’re amazing. Now back in Burlington, life still sounds pretty good, if he’s not in the office, you’ll find him skiing, biking, or adventure racing.

“Dirt and water.” That’s how Colton Brown sums up his life in Manhattan and the Berkshires these days. Better known to me as the man who made my younger brother a backgroom king, for the past few years Colton has been developing critical facilities like data centers on a massive scale under Western mountains and Midwestern farmlands for commercial real estate brokerage GVA Williams. But, when he’s not at work, you might glimpse his blue and gold GVA Williams spinnaker on the Hudson during his strolls with the Manhattan Yacht Club. He and his wife, Natasha, recently bought on the Upper East Side, and expect to spend the foreseeable future living through extensive renovations. For a break from city life, Colton’s been developing a formidable and diverse garden in the Berkshires, where he spends the greater balance of warm-weather weekends.

In the west, Jon Adams is making a foray into the political world with a congressional bid for the First District in New Mexico. A native New Mexican, Jon had been working in New York for a law firm representing pension funds that lost money due to corporate fraud. Find out more at www.jonadamsforcongress.com, or check out this great article Nick Thompson sent in from the Albuquerque Tribune: www.abqtrib.com/news/2007/ jul/06/local-lawyer-mulls-run-wilsons-house-seat/. Good luck, Jon!

On the news additions front, Victoria McEvoy Khanna gave birth to her second boy, Alex, this spring. Alex joins older brother Owen, who turned 2 in June. Jessica Hartfield Guarragna and her husband, David, are happy to announce the arrival of their son, Tyler Philip, in December 2006. Jess and David still live on the North Shore of Massachusetts, where Jess also continues to love work as a nurse practitioner at an internal medicine practice. She would love to hear from

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It’s almost October and 80 degrees here in Maine, so it’s with one last gasp of flip-flops and shorts that I sit down to tabulate the last few months of our lives. When this hits the presses I’ll be one semester through my first year of law school and generally becoming one with the library. On the road: Laila Kurnecow has been living in Baghdad and serving as the monitoring and evaluation director on a USAID-funded private sector development project (www.islahar-iraq.com) for the past two years. Her project focuses on microfinance, private bank lending, and business skills training. How’d she get there? After college, Laila worked for the Soros Foundation in N.Y.C., and then went on to grad school at Harvard’s Kennedy School for an MPA/ID degree with an international economic development concentration. After a few short stints in Mexico and Indonesia, she ended up in Iraq. She would love to be in touch with any other PA grads from any class in that part of the world. You can reach her at lkurnecow@yahoo.com.

Nils Vaule has been living in L.A., teaching, and doing improv and stand-up comedy, but he hit the road for Boston this spring to start an MA
Donna Kaminski has been working with a medical team in Ethiopia, and she also serves as a delegate to an HIV conference in February, while still continuing her teaching education. Anne Abramowitz lives in Los Angeles, where she practices acupuncture and herbal medicine, trying to help as many as possible in a city devoted to policing. Carey Bertrand has completed her teaching her West Roxbury, Mass., home and is glad that her hard-earned doctorate degree is finished with his post-graduate education. Amos Barlow writes from New York, where he practices law. His band, Cobalt City, has released its third album, available through CDFubs.com. Also part of the music scene is Peter Caperton, who now lives in Philadelphia, including the theatrical and social scene. Chris King sent news from Washington, where he is living, and their son, Sean, a student at the University of Maryland. The mood is fantastic, and the social scene is a treat.

Ben Haddad in the West, knows an aspect of the town - the arts - well. His weekends are filled with music, theater, and film. He also enjoys the beaches and the countryside around the town. His life is a wonderful mix of art and nature, and he loves spending time with his family and friends.
Laura Johnston married George Coswell in Frederick, Md., earlier this past summer, and the couple lives in Boston.

Shannon Marvin Brown and husband Rocky celebrate the first birthday of their beautiful son (and my godson), Jack, in October.

Short, sweet, and to the point this time. Either the majority of folks are still wrapping up their summer travels or recovering and just can’t get to typing. I wish them all well. If you have any news and/or photos to accompany your recent goings-on, please e-mail to lon@lonhaber.com. Also, let me know if you know of anyone not receiving the class group e-mails who would like to be included.

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Our affairs seem to come full circle, as many of us have returned to school in one form or another this year. I, myself, was honored to stand on the stage of Cochran Chapel 11 years after graduation as a groomsman in the wedding of Miles Lasater and Dr. Glyn Elizabeth Johnson '97. The wedding (and the wedding party) was beautiful, and we also celebrated the third of July.

But only if it were possible to have been two places at once! That weekend Seth Pidot celebrated his engagement to Katie Shichogol, a fellow middle-school teacher in Pennsylvania. Present at the festivities were Alex Green, Justin Steil, and Nathan Hale. About two months prior, in July, Alex Green and his wife, Sarah, proudly announced the birth of their new baby girl, Georgia Tami Green. Congratulations.

Justin Steil is currently finishing a PhD program in urban planning at Columbia University. He is also in his first year at Columbia Law School. Not surprisingly, that’s in addition to having a couple of other jobs. Priceless. Nathan Hale, who lives in New York City, reverse commutes to West Peter son, N.J., where he’s an editor at the Herald News, a daily newspaper covering northern Jersey.

Abby Donaldson picks up the Herald News occasionally, as she lives in Hoboken, N.J. Abby is a pediatric resident in her second year at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, N.J.

The weekend after the engagement and wedding parties, I found out that John Swansburg recently moved to my hometown, Brooklyn, to become a culture editor at Slate.com. At his 30th birthday party, I was pleased to run into Brett Asbury. Brett and his wife, Caroline Patten, were expecting a baby boy due at the end of December. Brett is currently an assistant professor at the New School in New York City.

PA alums marry in Cochran Chapel

PA was well represented at the September wedding of Miles Lasater ’96 and Glyn Elizabeth Johnson ’97 in Cochran Chapel. From left are David Chase, Cem Karsan ’95, Rachel Levy ’96, Katie Clark (PA Summer Session), Mollie Lupe Lasater ’56, father of the bride Colin Johnson ’54, Elizabeth Lasater ’01, Chuck Richardson ’82, Garland Lasater ’56, bride Liz, father of the groom Ike Lasater ’68 (behind), groom Miles, Kam Lasater ’99, Barbara Landis Chase, Carmelo Larose ’96 (behind), Thubault Ravault ’01, Jane Mi ’96, Nina Judor ’96, Will Clark ’89, and Garland “Bo” Lasater ’86. The wedding reception was held at the Stevens Estate in North Andover.

Beantown wedding festivities

Julia Lloyd Johannson ’96 and Pete Johannson had an “awesome” wedding in Boston in September. Enjoying the festivities are, from left in back, David Holmes ’97, Julie Guzdek ’96, Kate Schultz ’96, Ann Gallagher ’96, Stephanie Tippett Withers ’96, Julia and Pete, Kelly Sherman ’96, and Luel Byrnes Yonker ’96. In front are Julia’s sister-in-law Megan Craig, Laurie Galashan ’94, Caleb Jacobson-Strive ’89, Julia’s brother Nick Lloyd ’93, and Abby Harris ’96.
Andover alumni celebrated the marriage of Maureen and James B. Knudsen III '97 in Vernon in September. Present were, from left, Gerrit Keator '57, father of the groom, James B. Knudsen Jr. '81, Neil Helman '97, grandfather of the groom, James B. Knudsen '84, Ethan Doyle '97, the bride and groom, Sam Goodwin '97, and John Bosman '97. The ceremony was officiated by the groom's aunt, the Rev. Marion Knudsen Keator, who is Gerrit's wife.

Drew University College of Law, where he is teaching Civil Procedure. He speaks regularly to Minor Myers, who now is a visiting professor at Brooklyn Law School, where he's teaching Property and some related corporate law.

In the last year, Hendt, in cooperation with Margaret Wellles Remler, who married a law-school classmate, Chris Remler, in June 2008 and then drilled for a year for a federal judge in Charleston, W.Va., has been busy working during the week. Margaret finished a litigation fellowship in an environmental nonprofit in Washington, D.C.

Peter Huang will be finishing his residency at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York. He recently was engaged to his girlfriend, Theresia Sama. They plan on getting married in early 2009.

Sueys Gonzalez continues to write "Love Trips," her relationship blog. Now it's for Sfigg.com. The link is www.sfigg.com/LOVE. She also is writing a new blog, "Pretty Little Lies," for the same site. The focus of her interviews right now is on primitive video shows. In "Love Trips," she says, "There is an interview with Christine Lopez Bonnet, who welcomes her daughter Ximena to her blog at the end of June.

On a Sunday night, I was thrilled to appear dancing with Jean Lee and Melissa Rahn on ABC's "When You're Hot." It was a show for the girls of this year's season. I was expecting to appear in a dress. Instead, I appeared in a dress suit.

Nancy Tao graduated in Boston. She recently joined Robb Reardon in San Francisco. They got married last year and have a daughter, Anna, in the fall.

Developing new products... John Kahn still says "wicked." He's finishing up his residency, an internal medicine and starting a fellowship in cardiology at Tufts-New England Medical Center in Boston. Four more years of training. John is looking forward to our 20th Reunion, which he'll finally be done.

Tristan Roberts has become the managing editor for Environmental Building News, a national newsletter for architects and designers. Tristan writes that he had a great weekend vacation in a tiny house in southern Vermont and was busy building a house for his fiancee and him to move into this summer.

Lavinia Goodloe is busy with her new bride, as mom to Dennis Goodloe Goodloe, born in March (2) in 2011. "She writes, "It's pretty wonderful, incredibly. And I know I'll finally see her, (2) to be a mom, and I'll finally be able to function on very little sleep." And I thought it was tough at Andover.""

Ah, but there's also the West Coast...

In California, Frances Torres was busy applying to law school this fall. He works as executive assistant at a downtown immigration law firm in Los Angeles. Frances also lives in L.A. and, after much dedication to his craft, has just become a writer for the new TV series "Garden Watch."
and works to remove it from the Web if customers find the information to be unwelcome or private.

Faye Golden is busy becoming a chiropractic physician, and serving as president of her daughter's PTA. Faye reports that Keeya McLeod is doing well and just completed an internship with Target, and that Tanya Benitez '96 married Matthew Lagodzinski in September 2007.

Caroline Whitbeck is currently living in Philadelphia and working toward a PhD degree in comparative literature at the University of Pennsylvania. Hannah Brooks Weiner and husband Kenny Weiner '96 recently built a house near the beach in Delaware. Hannah mentions that Dave Holmes made his way back from China to Boston for a little vacation. Sandra Lopez-Morales and husband Erik moved to Boston in July. Sandra is working on her pre-doctoral internship in child psychology at Children's Hospital. Steph Hunter is also in Boston and starting graduate school at Lesley University, working toward a master's degree in counseling. And, to keep with the theme, I've also recently relocated to Boston and am living with Shirley Mills and Meredith Smith '96—keeping the Andover spirit alive!

I hope this issue of the Bulletin finds everyone doing well. Have a great few months, and keep sending in your updates!

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I have a theory that in your 20s, change either happens at lightning speed, or not at all. While I had little to report for the last few years, within a week this fall I started a new job and got a new apartment. I am now an enthused member of the investor relations team of Providence Equity Partners, Inc., and a proud resident of the South End neighborhood of Boston. Both I've been coveting for years, it seems, and both make me feel like my transition to adulthood is complete. That may appear a bit dramatic, but I can now fit full-grown adults into my apartment, as well as my entire shoe collection, and I love my job. Five years following college graduation, you can imagine I believe this deserves mention. Another change in my routine: I have started to compete in triathlons, completing two this past summer. Both were great experiences and taught me two things: I still love to swim, and I bike like a tourist.

I am not the only one encountering rapid change. Only a few years following her move to Austin, Kristin Moon got MBA and MPH degrees from Emory University, a new job with PricewaterhouseCoopers, and, most recently, a fiance! Kristin is engaged to Jeff Beck, a fellow Gamma Business School graduate. Her theory is further proved with Lindsey Heller. In the last two years Lindsey has become a dorm head at Walnut Hill School, the proud mother of her dog Fenway, a Big Sister to an 11-year-old girl, and, as of a recent trip to Paris, the future wife of Mr. Justin Lullwater. Justin and Lindsey met while volunteering for CityYear in Columbus, S.C. Justin is currently earning his master of social work degree from Boston College. The two live in Nantucket, Mass., at the Walnut Hill School, where Lindsey teaches biology. They plan to marry next summer. It was Lindsey who originally got me into my triathlon kick when she competed in the Accenture Chicago Triathlon in August to benefit the American Lymphoma Society. Kathryn McLean also threw her hat into our couple news when she reported her engagement to her "Hungarian artist fiance," Zoltan Hure. The two planned to marry in November.

No one knows change better than a new mom or dad. The world was made a little brighter this summer with the birth of two new additions to the Andover legacy roster. Allan Robert Risseuw, son of Amanda and Phil Risseuw, was born in July and is, as Phil reports, "quick, healthy, and awesome!" Elvira Virginia Hammershaimb Smith, daughter of Anse Hammershaimb and Robert Smith, was born in August. I was able to see pictures from E.V.'s birth announcement, and I can faithfully say the little Bostonian is very hip and very beautiful.

I am not sure whether weddings constitute an act of change or summer scheduling conundrums, but I do feel they are always a lot of fun. Will Glass married his college sweetheart from McGill University this summer in Spain. James Horowitz, Zack Waldman, Sarah Hendricks, Domenick Cimino, Edward Hale '00, and Dan Scofield '99 were in attendance. James reports that the celebration was an all-night affair followed by travel throughout Spain. Sarah and James took their travels south to Florence and Tuscany for a week to round out their trip. When not on vacation, James is a visiting assistant professor of English at Vassar College and is in the process of completing his doctoral work in English at Yale. Kim Davis entertained an Andover mini reunion at her wedding this past Labor Day.

Emily Green, Clancy Childs '97, Bethany Pappalardo, James Vinocur, Alison Banks, Samar Jamali, and Liberty Howell were all in attendance, as were Rob Fisher '96, Christopher Finley '96, and Ben Langworthy '96.

Jesse Ward-Karet sent me a long-overdue update. He has worked for the past 3 years for a soft-
A GOOD party

In September GOOD Magazine celebrated its one-year anniversary in New York. Neids to parties are: from left in back, Sara Smith '99, Anthony Dzidr '94, magazine founder Ben Goldbard '99, Katharine Tiffany, Kyle Host, Graciana Santanta '99, and Dru Whitecap '98. In front are Lonan Decker '88, left, and class secretary Marisa Connors '94.

were accompanied by Play Fix, whose debut project was a film. This past summer he took a trip to Phuket, where he attempted to compete the 55,000 rivers and imagined all things "paradise." During the summer, he caught up with Ian Barnard, who works as a freelance photographer. He also kept in touch with Hannah Cole, Hannah's cousin in Sydney, Australia, working for the Australian Energy Market Commission. Recently, she has spent most of her free time practicing yoga in Sydney. His for his second Sydney Order, Trubeliter during which a part of four with 132 kilometers through the Australian Bush in less than 45 hours. Another classmate venturing far from America is Jamie Cowan. Jamie spent the past year at Harvard's School of Public Health. Over the summer, he traveled to South Africa, where he learned how to treat both HIV and tuberculosis. After this, he continues to write at Truthful Health.

Another George has not only to do with the rise of a new magazine, but also with new friends. Now, it seems we are all able to connect with other people through an Internet medium. A new friend, also known as "Friend," reached out to me in late October. Let us go to Dru Whitecap's New York and look for the annual Ad School and graduating class at the Harvard School of Design. Anne Bartlett Fender revisited her studies at the University of Pennsylvania with a new apartment and a new friend.

Graciana Santanta, Noah Aronstein, Lisa Darrell, Jumbo Shui, Eugene Cho, Dan Moger, J.P. Chisholm, Noah Kaye, Jennie Cohen, Cheryl Dawsey, Colin Dunn, Barrett Hamilton, Stephanie Connolly, Jeremy Hersh, Morgan Sweet, W. Farvey, Ben Hall, W. Thom Hall, W. Morgan Klarberg '96, Matt McNamara '98, Anna Viles '96, Ashley Harrington, W. David Banks '96, and Lissa Bassett '99. The film backed up through its pictures to uncover a certain mythology. If you thought. It was not possible to see everything. A huge soundtrack fills the screen: an apartment full of people, and Morgan Madrido is coming up with this idea and running the show. I think that's the way to do it.

At the end of the month, I was back in New York and able to catch up with some people. Back at the GOOD magazine one-year anniversary party. Magazine founder Ben Goldbard and the rest of the GOOD staff can certainly throw a party. Editor-in-chief Max Schorr and managing editor Zach Ferttiva were there, too. Sara Smith, Lonan Decker, Peter Salisbury, Chris Kane, Liza Tratalon, Stephanie Connolly, Graciana Santanta, Dru Whitecap '98, Anthony Diabo, Jessie Ting, Lily Greenfield-Sanders, Tanner Zucker, Matt McNamara '98, Charla Rokus '99, Lucy Phillips '98, Laura Sanders '88, Bernadette Dowdes '98, David Kurt '99, and Joaquin Esquile '97, and many others.

As for the class, Pat Sheehan recently relocated to Dublin, Ireland from NYC. The former class president of the Class of 1998, Class President, I will bring this story to an end. Ninth, five years into my role as class secretary, I must enjoy keeping on all the changes in four classes. Stay well, but how it continues to write at Truthful Health.

Matt Rich is starting his second year of law school at the University of Denver and has quite a busy schedule that he's unable to manage. The University of Denver's law school, which specializes in environmental law, is located in Denver. Cheryl Dawsey has also graduated from U.C.L.A. and is currently teaching at the Business School and has quite a busy schedule that she's unable to manage.

Kate Hackett is an M.F.A. production director at U.C.L.A. She is preparing a show that is set in 18th Century California and tells the story of a mystery that turns into a budding romantic relationship between a young woman who has been diagnosed with mental illness, and the traveling hypnotist who is hired to cure her. Sarah Moulton is working as the associate artistic director of an N.Y.C. show, and has been invited to the Metropolitan Opera. Sherri Williams spent the summer working with graphic design work at a women's shelter giving art workshops.
for a Christian creative arts day camp, and filling in for her church’s secretary.

Graham Norwood e-mailed to say his “life has taken a bit of a left turn lately. I am still living in New York, but I have recently changed careers. A couple of months ago, I quit my book-editing gig in order to concentrate all my energies on playing music. These days I am playing full-time in a psychedelic/prog/pop band called Bryan Scary & the Shredding Tears, a group for which I play guitar and do a bit of singing. We have spent much of the summer touring the country and are currently holed up in a recording studio in Philadelphia putting the finishing touches on a full-length album due early next year on Black & Greene Records. In the past few months, I have seen a number of classmates at gigs all over the place, and I hope I’ll be seeing more again when we hit the road for more extensive touring early next year.”

Andy Hsu also e-mailed to say, “Since ANU-der, I graduated from Stanford in 2003, worked for two years in biomedical research at the Palo Alto, Calif., VA hospital, and am now a third-year med student at Stanford pursuing a career in orthopedic surgery. Charlie Wang is a PhD student at Stanford, and Lee Rachakonda is a fourth-year med student pursuing ENT (ear, nose, throat) surgery. Jon Fisher works nearby at an investment firm, and Mariko Hirose is a third-year law student at Stanford.” Thanks for the update, Andy!”

Miriam Berger is in her second year of grad school and is contemplating becoming a public high school art teacher. Miriam also mentioned Kirsten Emershaw is living in Costa Mesa, Calif., has a great new house and job, and is doing well.

Thanks to everyone for the updates! Take care, and keep in touch!

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**CLASS NOTES**

*Chicago ceremony*

Smita Singh ’01, center back, married Gaurav Upadhyay in August in Chicago. Classmates present to help celebrate were, from left, Elia Hoffman, Misty Mescatel, Caitlin Hennings, Paige Austin, and Rachel Weiner. Though not pictured, Smita’s sister Amrita Singh ’01 was also in attendance.

A little south of Massachusetts, you can find Barbara Rotundo living in a suburb of Providence, R.I., with her boyfriend, Jason, and her dog Gobo. In January, Barbara is starting a graduate program in psychology at Mt. Holyoke. She’s been keeping busy working on a variety of film and television productions including Showtime’s “Brotherhood,” and the films “Underdog” and “Dan in Real Life.” Barbara has also moonlighted as a costume designer and had the opportunity to meet People magazine-worthy celebs such as Annette Benning and Meg Ryan.

Even farther south you can find about half the Class of 2000 (shocker) living in the best city in the world, New York City. Katie Witman finally moved back after a short pit stop in Boston’s Back Bay. We have Bernadette Dovkos down here now, too. Berta is doing great work at the Harlem Children’s Zone and is as fun as ever to party with. Berta and Molly Turco live together on the East Side. Laura Mistretta is living with boyfriend, Dan York, ’08 and working in investor management at Lehman Brothers. John Maglio is just about the only man walking around the halls of white-shoe law firm Sullivan & Cromwell with a genuine smile on his face. John is teaching the old partners about the virtues of e-mail, as well as about other IT-related wonders. Scott Sherman co-authored a book about dogs called *The Dangerous Book for Dogs* and submitted *A Parody by Rex and Sparky*. Scott says, “It’s a back-to-basics guide for dogs that have been trapped in Louis Vuitton purses for too long. Inside there are inspiring tales such as Great Dog Battles, Dog Park Legends, Landmark Performances in Canine Cinema, and Epic Walks in History (including the story of the first 12-foot-tusked malamute to cross the Bering Land Bridge and the untold tale of Odysseus’ dog, Argos).”

Inuptial news, Heather Berryman Thompson married her longtime Yale sweetheart Gary on Yale’s campus in May. Grace Hong, Vanessa Janowski, and Emily Wheeler were in attendance. Emily caught the bouquet. Heather and Gary spent their honeymoon in Hawaii. They live in a lovely condo in Arlington, Va. Congratulations, Heather! In July, Kate Macmillan got engaged to her college sweetheart as well. Kate is still pursuing a master’s degree in journalism at Berkeley and successfully managing the transcontinental relationship with her fiancé, Jimmy, who lives in New York City. Brandon Dickerson proposed to his college sweetheart, Chelsea, in Paris over the summer. Brandon lives in California and works in affiliate relations at ABC.

I had dinner last night with Silla Brush, Brad Burwell, Zach Freehite, and Dan Schwerin in SoHo. Silla is currently living in London, pursuing...
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Boston recently attended a wonderful party at the Massachusetts Historical Society, where she met many interesting people.

Tristan Winston and Shereen Hopkins married this summer, and their wedding party was attended by Stephanie Arango, Shammi Bowle, Neale Durant, Raquel Leonard, Andrew McKinnon, and Brinndon Winston. The couple are in their first year of medical school in England and recently celebrated their one-year anniversary.

In August, Sima Singh married Courtney Updahl, and back home in Oakland, Hilz Hoffman gave a speech. They were celebrated by the American Medical Association, but Sima's right hand is currently under the microscope.

Nicholas Rockstroh is planning an engagement with a stunning medical student at UCSF. Rockstroh's fiancé, Kate Battelle and Greg Kimball, are excited for their engagement, and Rockstroh is currently planning his wedding.

Erica Wolf compiled the Marine Corps nuclear history in October in Arlington, Va. They've been working on this project for several years, studying the history of nuclear weapons and their impact on society.

London, Amsterdam, and New York are currently home to a group of students studying English language and culture. They are learning about the history and culture of these cities, and exploring the local sights and sounds.

Brad Sullivan and his fellow students are currently working on a project related to the English language. They are learning about the history and culture of these cities, and exploring the local sights and sounds.

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Hey, 2002. This summer seems to have been a roller coaster of events, traveling throughout Europe and Asia. We've had the opportunity to learn about different cultures, meet new people, and experience new things.

Hilaris Farrell is a senior at Brown University, where she is currently attending classes and attending athletic events. She is a member of the Brown women's tennis team and has been playing for several years.

Hilary Meachen has recently returned from her studies in New York, where she attended a wonderful party at the John F. Kennedy Library. She is currently working on her doctorate in English literature, and hopes to complete her dissertation soon.

A Master's degree in education is a great accomplishment, and I wish Hilary the best of luck in her future endeavors.

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We've watched the day become night, and we've known the joy of seeing each other again. This book is dedicated to everyone who has contributed to our success, and to all the people who have supported us throughout our journey.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again soon, and I can't wait to see what the future holds for each of us.
Ben Reinecke is at Yale’s School of Management and hopes to get involved with social enterprise in China next year. Stephanie Hackett is now an operations assistant at the Childs Gallery in Boston, and she hopes to meet up with Lisa Tamaki and Sarah Lau this fall. Emily Reynolds is living in Massachusetts but looking to get back to Washington, D.C., after spending the spring there as a photojournalist, covering Congress and the White House. Byung-Jin Kang spent the summer as a fellow at the Tanglewood Music Festival. He is now a member of the Pro Arts Chamber Orchestra in Boston and teaching piano and violin. I haven’t seen as many classmates as I’d like, but I have been able to get together for dinner with Doug Presley and Geoff O’Donoghue in Boston and Kara Gaughen in D.C. Anyone passing through D.C., drop me an e-mail, and I’ll gladly take you out for a dinner to catch up! Across the Atlantic, many members of the Class of 2002 are living in the British Isles. Bali Kumar and Jordan Harris are hoping to find a place together in London, where Jordan is a trader for HSBC and Bali consults for Deloitte. Stephan Chisch波特ich is in London, where he was recently visited by Adam Arguelles. Nicole McLaren recently moved from Jamaica to London, where she is pursuing an MS degree in globalization and development at the University of London’s School of Advanced Study. Rob Macinnis is still at St. Andrews, where he is working on his PhD thesis.

The Class of 2002 made a great showing all over the country for Non Sibi Day on Sept. 15. Eugenie, Stevie, Freddie, and Kate joined alumni from other classes at the Goddard Riverside Community Center in New York, sorting books in anticipation of the center’s annual book fair. Erin McGirt was the leader of the Baltimore Non Sibi Day site, where she and 10 other alumni picked over a ton of apples to be donated to local food banks and homeless shelters. Sophie participated out in San Francisco, volunteering at a food bank. I’m sure these aren’t the only folks who served on that day, so to them and all who did: thank you! See you soon, I hope! —Paul

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J.C. MacMillan wins the award for coolest job out of college, suiting up as a velociraptor on the Walking With Dinosaurs U.S. tour. J.C. is not the only one unafraid to put on a costume. Caitlin Littlefield returned from a summer in Mexico, where she dressed as a prairie dog for environmental education programs as part of a conservation project.

After excerpts of his thesis novel found their way into New York magazine, Josh Williams read aloud his fiction at KGB Bar in N.Y.C. Matt London counted himself among the audience with David Linfield and Brian Emery in late September. After his undergraduate career at Yale, Hao Wang has also become a performer, joining the classical Chinese group Divine Performing Arts as a violinist.

After a move to Los Angeles, Gardy Gould now works for Focus Features as a postproduction assistant. While in SoCal, Gardy caught a Dodgers-Diamondbacks game with Nick Evans, who recently started a career at a finance firm in West L.A. Nick Po is also in the City of Angels after his two-year duty in the Singapore Army, he is now a junior at USC.

A few hours north, Tom Oliphant has begun a consulting post in San Francisco, where Tom Dimopoulos has started a career at Google. Ben Sprattler is also in San Fran, working on The Sims label for EA Games.

Up Interstate 5, Danielle Vargaro organized a Non Sibi Day project in Seattle with a group from Boeing, where she has begun work postgraduation on the 787. Geoffrey Gundy alumnus Andy Hattemer has returned to Seattle after he and I trooped through Vietnam, Thailand, and Hong Kong in June.

Fellow Hoyas Shaun Blugh vacationed in Trinidad and recently started work as a paralegal at a Midtown law firm. Parker Schwartz is also now in New York, trading derivatives for Bank of America. He has kept in touch with Jack McCallum, who is in his second year of medical school at Northwestern.

Angelica Godoy has moved to Manhattan to pursue a master of science in social work at Columbia University. After graduating from NYU, Angela Monaco departed for Richmond, Va., where she has enjoyed an immersion into Southern living. Andy Heighington graduated from the University of Richmond in May.

A few hours up the road, Bob Yamartino and Phil Caruso are now roommates in Washington, D.C. After graduating from Bates, Bob has begun work for the Department of Justice. He has seen Matt Longley, Morgan Miller, Zach Cafritz, and Nick Ingialoa, completing his final year of Georgetown’s security studies master’s program. Cathy Rappell now writes for the Washington Post’s financial desk, covering technology. She recently organized a large PA dinner in D.C.

Living with two college friends, Stephen Fee is also in Washington, working for the NewsHour with Jim Lehrer. After their 2007 NCAA rowing championship, Alex Hammer and Brown teammate Jeanette Sarasadridis visited the White House. Alex has relocated to Washington since graduation and seen Itiah Thomas, who works as a general contractor for DFR Construction. Itiah recently attended a Giants-Redskins game in Washington, where she cheered on classmates Zak DeOssie, No. 51, in his rookie campaign for the New York Giants.
April 20th, Nick Katsiak got up with Tom Kennedy and Justin Lofftstra for a Red Sox game at Fenway. "We were up early, but not as early as you might think," Kennedy said. After a morning in Boston and an hour at the park, Kennedy and Quinn spent the afternoon in New York. "It was a fun day," Kennedy said. "We got to see the city and enjoy the game."}

Located in East Hampton, NY, the park is a popular spot for Red Sox fans. "We come here every year," Kennedy said. "It's a great way to start the season."

As a senior in the class of 2023, Kennedy and Quinn spent time with their classmates, including Alex Minnick and Zachary Hardin, who recently graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. "We were able to catch up and see each other's progress," Kennedy said. "It was great to see everyone again."
known instead as "door." Sam Lederlefe Paskal is helping run a small business, the Skinny Pancake, while at the University of Vermont. Over the summer, Day Hallers Natalie Ho, Sarah Hong, Clarissa Deng, Ciara Schmidt, Brittany Kaiser, Sims Witherspoon, Kaitlin Alsofrom, Helen Chacon, Jill Ozie, and Lauren Soto reunited in Chicago. Billy Doyle hosted a party in Providence, R.I., whichrale Adedokun, Elias Feghali, Andrew Geraghty, Jon Hillman, Katie Hunchker, Nate Kellogg, Mac King, Kyle Kucharski, Alex Lebow, Charlotte MacMillan, Sarah Chang, Brendan McMamun, Mark Shwarzman, Hilary Fischer-Groban, Bobby Spang, and Grant Yoshitsu still attended. It's nice to see we still love each other's company! Ellen lives non sibi every day while working for rethos.com, a social networking site concerning social consciousness. Alex spent summer working in Los Angeles for Senator Barbara Boxer and at a seafood restaurant. Gillian spent his 21st birthday in N.Y.C. with Vic Miller, Billy, and Bobby. Also in New York, Melanie Kress started an art collective called "Porthack" at Art in General studio, and welcomes your visits. And Jesse Seegers worked at the Office for Metropolitan Architecture for eight months.

Dan Hackney is dancing up a storm at Brown while in the swing,ballroom, and contra-dance groups. If you'rein Philadelphia soon, check out UPenn's Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, where Kate Schild is curating an exhibition called "Fulfilling a Prophecy: The Past and Present of the Lenape in Pennsylvania." Andrew McGowan graduated from William & Mary and is now a visiting member at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. Christina Hollis flew to Texas for Hee-Jin Chang's birthday. James Paolino worked for Philips Medical Systems in Andover this summer. Also this summer, Angela Tenney visited Erin Coleman, Lisa Chunman, Katie Nadworny, and Catharina McGovern.

There is also a fairly large group of who are not abroad but are in a foreign place the junior transfers. Sara Helmers and Ian Schmetzler both left Middlebury; Sara is now studying at Wellesley, and Ian at Yale, where Syl Bourni also transferred. Katie Purcell started at Fairfield; Jon Hillman is now at Brown and is rowing crew. Kevin Marasco transferred to Manhattanville, where he is playing hockey. I left Emory for Wesleyan and am absolutely loving it.

Harry Goldstein wants you to know he misses you all, and that "no place on this planet will ever hold a candle to Andover." On that note, te amo, je t'aime, nghoi ni nek, ya baybay tebny, '05 love. —Sarah

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Despite having graduated from Andover barely a year and a half ago, members of the ambitious Class of 2006 are already traveling solo around the world, taking advantage of summer internship opportunities, and researching with some of the best professors in the world. Here are some of the things that '06 did to keep busy well into the new school year:

As for traveling, Merit Webster spent summer in Europe studying French. After visiting Jungun Son '07 in Florence, Italy, Merit stopped by Paris and saw Natalie Oliva '07 for Bastille Day. After France, Merit came back to Boston and visited Owen Remekia and other Continentals. Lindsay Dewhirst and Bree Poll-Bauman also traveled across the Atlantic to Europe, visiting London, Paris, Nice, and Edinburgh. While in Edinburgh, the pair met up with fellow alumns Ann Kim and Anne Renner. Eliot Fearay also spent time abroad, staying in Italy for a month. In an entirely different part of the world, Blake Hinchley and his family took a two-week tour to Sri Lanka.

In addition to traveling to China for a 10-day, all-expenses-paid trip, paid for by the Chinese government, Kevin Olasola, along with the president of Yale University and 100 other delegates, had the opportunity to meet President Hu Jintao and his officials. While in China, the group visited many universities, famous sites, and cities. Because of his experience in China, Kevin plans to study Chinese during the school year, ultimately hoping to study at Peking University next semester and to do a Yale internship at the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

Parla Alpan spent summer away from the States in Istanbul, Turkey, but, instead of studying languages or sightseeing, she played water polo for a club team, eventually helping the team secure a silver medal in the Turkish championships. In June, Parla went to Prague with the Women's Turkish National Team to play in the European championships, during which she scored the most goals of anyone on her team! Dan Bacon also visited Turkey, where he met up with Parla in Istanbul. Parla brought Dan to the sports club on the island Heybelida, the second largest of the Princes' Islands in the Sea of Marmara.

On a more academic note, Max Parsons spent his summer doing physics research at Harvard with a group within the Harvard/MIT center for ultrasonic atoms. Over the summer, Max ran into Pete Kulaher and Patrick Jiang '05 often, as both were also at Harvard researching. Max has since decided to major in physics at Harvard, as well as continue his research. In addition to research, Max plans to sing in one of the many choirs offered at Harvard.

Members of '06 also enrolled in a slew of summer courses. Andrew Park took a microeconomics class at NYU, Kevin Olasola studied physics, and Eliot Fearay did a summer program at Middlebury, where she saw Simon Keyes and Marty Schnure, who were both working at the college. Brad Colbert took a tutoring course with Mike Delottipe '07 and Ben Landy '07.

In other academic news, Blake Hinchley has transferred to Middlebury College after a year at Claremont McKenna. In addition to touring Sri Lanka with his family, Blake worked at an Internet start-up.

As for internships, Sarah Mclean and Kate Conners worked at the Italian Embassy and for the Eleanor Roosevelt Papers Project, respectively. Kate's project was essentially a historical research project aimed at cataloging thousands of letters.unearthing Eleanor Roosevelt's life—from, for example, 1950's FBI communist documents. In Portland, Ore., Claire Fox interned at a social change/media studies program, during which she and three other interns produced, directed, and edited a short documentary about print media. After her internship, Claire spent three weeks in the S.F. Bay Area. Jeff Zhou interned at Washington Mutual in Pleasanton, Calif.; Jeni Lee's internship with the two went to Sun Flags Valerie with a crowd of Berkeley students and summer transfers from Beijing University. Jeff Cuts worked on his vocal repertoire and lifeguarded before returning to Vanderbilt to pursue a BMus degree and a second major in economics. At Vanderbilt, Jeff frequently runs into Jim Larson '07.

Brad Colbert worked on campus at Andover for PALS for his third summer. He served as head of the eighth grade math program and rewrite the curriculum for the year. At PALS, Brad headed a group formed by Matt Kahn, Jonathan Gorden '02, Trevor Sanders '07, and Karen Schoenberr '07.

Aside from working and studying news, the Class of '06 had our fun as well. After returning from California, where he spent time with Gordon Murphy, Jeff Zhou visited Isaac Opper. Andrew Park worked as a sports agent and club promoter—and coached his old football team. A group of Andover alumni actually attended one of the nights he helped promote! Sarah Takvorian visited Eliot Fearay on Martha's Vineyard. Kevin Olasola played the cello with a quartet on The Today Show and had fun with the hosts and the experience! Rosie du Pont was a camp counselor at Camp Killdeer at Hancock, Vt. Andrea Coraves, while working in D.C. over the summer, lived in the same house as Lindsay McLellan. Andrea also stayed at Liz Finnegan's house with Erika Chew. Brendan de Brum flew in to D.C. to visit Andrea, and the pair also spent time with Nat Livin '07. Connor Flynn also visited D.C., after having spent much of summer in Annapolis, Md. Back at Duke, Andrea sees Sarah Takvorian, Thomas Gebremellih, and Brad Colbert often, as well as new freshman Casey Shannon '07, Katie Morris '07, Becky Agostino '07, and Maura Mulroy '07.

Register for PAs online community at www.andover.edu/blueink, where you can update your records and stay connected with classmates.
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we took a trip together, where they found
Maura Mulhun and Conner Stoldt as well as Joe
Smith Mario and Carlos watched another game from the Green Monster with Rachel Bank and Jocelyn Guily.

Komaki Foster and Edith Kang spent three
months teaching English at a university in Korea. Elliot Schmetchter spent two months with the Wells Street School in the South End. Brandon Hecox had a
hands-on della-lined experience working in the long term wilderness medical care. Alan Wessent spent July backpacking in Alaska (do
through SOLES). Now at Yale, he mingles with fellow Andover classmates including Danny Silb, Steph Marion Dave Curtis, Noah Warren, Martin Serna, and Sean Hilton. Kathleen Roland and Danny traveled with the Peabody Museum's B.A.M. (Biological and Archeological Learning Adventure in Mesopotamia) project through the summer and spent a month in Iraq.

Catherine Carrol, upon time with Cecile Pulver Dill
spent the summer working for a clothing store in New Hampshire and also involved in the theatre scene in Middlebury. Olivia Pei traveled to Turkey and spent a week with Ahmet Tamer. She also visited Brooks Canada in RI and Prateek Kumar in Harvard, where she also bungee jumped. Henry Yin-Olivia is enrolling in a six week intensive service trip to South America in January. Emily Wood is also considering a service trip to South Africa later this year. For more about the classes at the New York Film Academy, Peter McCarthy spent much of his time working at the LaGuardia Linear Accelerator Center, while also taking time to see Kelly Chang and Stacey Middlebrook. Jungmin Son spent some time living in France, Italy, with a bunch of Brits and he developed an interest in English. Attending RPSD has allowed her to see many PA graduates at Penn. Geoff Martin in particular. After Brown, Jelani Floyd has been living his typical intern-school work and ho

herself, and was Pat Curtis in season Becky Agostoni, who spent the summer working as a camp counselor, ended her term at Betsy Cannell and spent her last summer living at the Glamour in the World. She left her job with Kate Morris in July. The two visited UNC this fall, where they stayed with Mary Grimmel. Ben Landsbumped into Steve Loeffler behind an obscure record store in New York City and has stayed in contact with Ryan Ferguson. Ryan is a water polo player at Andover before leaving for USC, when he will join Steve Farquhar. Another Andover graduate, Katherine Matsumoto, worked at a local firm and this summer before attending Summer with Sam Gould, Tom Anderson, Carly Villareal, and Ali Moss.

Since settling in at Georgetown, Amy Fenstermacher has managed successful projects with several members of the Class of 2007: Steve Stackowski, Alex Wong, Alex Abgus, Meghan O'Connor, Steve Blackman, and Thao Nguyen, as well as an opportunity for the team putting PA abroad. In Israel, histori Halley has spent the summer in Jerusalem and studying the history.

In Tel Aviv, Danielle Rothman met up with John Gwin, and Matt Schubert at King's Academy in Jordan to talk to Claire Voegtle about the project at the College of Charleston. Graham lanance paid the Tri Delta Sisters, Luana Minasian has spent time at Dartmouth with Devon Zimmering and Ben Bramhall, while at a University, Tasha Kenev sets off to Matt Silver at Columbus, Akosua Otorowski-Aty at the "summer home to Fidel Almonte and Michaela Chang.

So for this semester, Akosua has spent Columbus's hip hop dance troupe Chris Li survived a weekend trip with Bowdoin's all male a cappella group and is now officially, member of the Medfield booster. Will Cannon is taking bowling classes and becoming very adept.

Gina Kim is currently studying in Boston. Catherine Crooke has spent two months living outside of Athens volunteering at a rehabilitation center for leprosy patients.

Though most of the class spent sometime in the summer involved in service projects, many others participated in PA's first annual Non-Sports Day this past Sept. 15. These participants had the opportunity to come out with one another and to connect with past PA alumni. Olivia Pet and Lindsey Heldebrink volunteered together with Room to Grow, an organization that collects clothes and toys for homeless and gives them to its spiritual families. Joy Young and James Flann spent Non-Sports Day offering their services at a dog walk while Claire Vogel and several other alumni planted seedlings in the Hampton Park public gardens in South Carolina. Natalie Ho '95 and Jon DeGraite Hanson '95 drove Cathie Shaw and Kate Morin to Milton, N.Y., where they all, as well as some members of the Class of 2004, volunteered for the AIDS Ride for Life, cheering on bikers that were riding 156 miles for AIDS research. According to Carl, "itch to Bike: Blue Key orientation all over again!"

Phillips continues to shape its future and bring us closer together even after we have spread our wings, so to speak, across the world. We all greatly appreciate the opportunities Andover provided for us and students continue to represent us as we are. Please stay in touch and continue to update us with tales of your adventures both near and far—Catherine and Conner.
Alumni on China trip

PA alumni enjoyed a two-week trip to Beijing, Xian, the Yangtze River, Chongqing, and Shanghai in October. On a boat going down a Yangtze tributary are, from left in front, Larry Chapin ’59, Memme Lewis (former wife of Perry Lewis ’55), Ceece Palace, Rosemary Brennan, Charter Trustee Mollie Lasater ’56, Sandy Chapin, Vickie Campbell, and Linda Staley. Behind them are Susan and Dave Willis ’52, Joe Staley (Summer Session ’54), Charlie Brennan ’58, Helen Wesley ’53, Ron Campbell ’57, Leniece Wie, Susan White (wife of George White ’59), Gay Lasater ’56 (behind), and Faculty Emeritus Hale and Karen Sturges, who served as hosts on the trip. Many new friendships were forged during the fascinating and informative adventure in a vibrant culture.

A midsummer note from Caroline Rees mentioned how her family had so enjoyed living next to Steve Whitney, and that she now is busy at the Yale Whitney Center named for Steve’s ancestor, Eli. She continues work with People Against Injustice, a soup kitchen, every Friday, and playing piano as long as memory and fingers don’t restrict her. She spent summer in Tamworth, N.H., where some of her family joined her to celebrate her good health as she heads toward 85! Her oldest grandchild graduates from Oberlin in December.

Don Bade was applauded in the Boston Globe for his efforts to get water restrictions in neighboring towns during our summer drought.

After reconstructing the plumbing that goes in and out of his woodstove, Bob Lloyd traveled to Burlington, Vt., where he was named Vermont Citizen Planner of the Year. His 10-year work toward land conservation and affordable housing through their Tamworth neighborhood, the Rutland County Commission, statewide wildlife conservation, and state involvement led to his recognition. Congratulations, Bob! Besides assisting Bob, Sue Lloyd volunteers in various aspects of their small community church and in her role as guardian ad litem for abused, needy, or delinquent children in the parvure of the Rutland County Family Court. In July they visited Maine, where they saw Hal Owen, David and Diana Wood, and Lydia Goetz in Randolph, N.H. Elaine had a brief visit with Margaret Couch the Sunday before she died. They talked about Wyoming, fishing, and family. [Please see the In Memoriam section for Margaret’s obituary.]

John Chivers, banjo player in a Dixieland band several times a month and leader of a four-piece band on a regular monthly basis, has kept up his German, since, on his rural two-mile dirt road, are five speakers of German, including Joe and Inga Wennik! John’s wife, Mary Chivers, started teaching a course in creative writing at Plymouth State University, happy to return to her profession after working on a garden that has flourished. Meredith Price teaches sixth-grade English at the Esperanza School in Lawrence, which is supported by Andover and Lawrence Episcopal churches. Francesca Piana had a monthlong trip to India in January to scout for a place for School Year Abroad to open a new program in India. Her 96-year-old mother’s friend gave her the contacts she relied on. Then Francesca spent time in Quito, Ecuador, with her mother before a trip that included seeing SYA friends in Barcelona, Spain; family in Turin, Italy; and a group of PA alumni in the Umbrian towns of Central Italy, before returning to her U.S. abode in Arlington, Mass. With all of her activity, she also keeps busy translating a novel written by an Ecuadorian friend of hers and enjoying a book club of American women who are residents of Quito. She looked forward to a visit from Susan Stott this fall. Anne Weld’s new address: 101 Glen Eddy Drive, Niskayuna NY 12309. Lou Hoitsma had an aortic heart valve replacement and a double heart bypass soon after Roumian Weekend. Wife Audrey says he’s coming along well.

We would enjoy hearing what our more recent, and younger, emeriti faculty have found to do with “all” this free time called retirement!

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IN MEMORIAM

FACULTY EMERITAE

Margaret L. Coonch
Auburn High, Aug. 1, 1957

Margaret L. Coonch joined the faculty at Phillips Academy in 1927. She taught English for several years until retirement in 1957.

She is survived by her three children, Carol H. Foreman, Mrs. Joan D. E. Llewellyn, and James H. Foreman, the fourth child, was born and died in France.

Barbara Sisson
Lawrence, Mass., June 30, 1979

Barbara Blyden Sisson, who taught English at Abbot Academy for 13 years, died of heart disease on June 30, 1979. She also served as chair of the English Department for several years until retirement, and became part of Phillips Academy in 1973.

Born in New York, Mrs. Sisson graduated from Vassar College, where she was an active member of Alpha Delta Pi. She attended Yale University with her husband, John, in the early 1930s before returning to New York to take part in theater and music. She became a clerk at the Gorce Forgan & Company brokerage house. Offered a contract by George Hills in the early 1930s to play the chorus in the Oracle of Bama, Mrs. Sisson declined the offer.

She later became a registered nurse and worked in a hospital for several years before returning to her teaching career. Mrs. Sisson was a member of the Vassar College class of 1920.

She is survived by her three children, Hugh S. Sisson Jr., Mrs. Judith Davis, and Margaret S. Sisson, and her grandchildren.

ABBOT AND PHILLIPS

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John S. Marsh
Briston, Va., April 13, 1927

1929
Philip D. Allen
Port Murray, N. J., Aug. 18, 1932

1941
Harold E. Foreman Jr.
Hingham, Mass., Oct. 11, 1941

Harold E. Foreman died of heart failure following a long illness. He was known as "Harry" to his classmates, he lettered in football, hockey, and baseball during Andover. On the ice Mr. Foreman graduated in the midst of the Depression, when the school’s financial situation was dire. He was one of the last to happen to the school as a result of his generosity, and as a result of his dedication to his school.

Mr. Foreman attended Dartmouth University, but returned to Andover after a year of study because of tuberculosis. He started his work life as a clothing salesman, and then became a clerk at the Gorce Forgan & Company brokerage house. Offered a contract by George Hills in the early 1930s to play the chorus in Bama, Mr. Foreman declined the offer to tend his family farm in Andover. He later became a registered nurse and worked in a hospital for several years before returning to his teaching career. Mrs. Sisson was a member of the Vassar College class of 1920.

She is survived by her three children, Hugh S. Sisson Jr., Mrs. Judith Davis, and Margaret S. Sisson, and her grandchildren.
He loved people and knew a great many. In a proclamation issued on Mr. Hartmann’s retirement from Rutgers, Governor James Florio of New Jersey noted, “Tom Hartmann’s colleagues have been known to remark that he has gone to school with, taught, or worked with every person on the planet.” He had a prodigious memory for people and events, especially concerning New Jersey’s history and politics. He worked closely with former N.J. senator Bill Bradley in his campaigns.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Martha, three daughters, Anna Weisler ‘63, Darcy Hartmann, and Betsy Hartmann, and five grandchildren.

—Betsy and Darcy Hartmann

William F. Howe Jr.
Boca Grande, Fla.: June 26, 2007

Stanford L. Luce
Oxford, Ohio: March 26, 2007

Nancy Kelley Park
Portland, Ore.: Sept. 28, 2007

1943
Mort Bishop Jr.
Portland, Ore.: July 10, 2007

Clarence M. “Mort” Bishop Jr., former president of Pendleton Woolen Mills Inc., died at age 82 of congestive heart failure.

Born in Portland, Ore., in 1925, he came to Phillips Academy in 1940. In 1942, he voluntarily left the Academy to enlist in the U.S. Marine Corps, serving in World War II in the Pacific and earning the rank of corporal. He graduated from Yale University in 1949.

“His influence on the fabric of our community in Oregon and southeast Washington has been and will be felt for decades,” said his son, Clarence M. “Mort” Bishop III ‘70, president of Pendleton Woolen Mills Inc., in a quote in the Oregonian newspaper.

Pendleton Woolen Mills, a privately owned family business internationally known for high-quality woolen blankets and garments, has a long history in Oregon. Mr. Bishop’s great-grandfather, Thomas L. Kay, came to Oregon in 1863 to help start a woolen mill in Brownsville. In the 1870s Kay’s daughter, Fannie, became his assistant. In 1876, Fannie married Charles P. Bishop, and in the early 1900s the Bishops, with their three sons, purchased a defunct woolen mill in Pendleton, Ore. In 1929 they built a new mill in Pendleton, which they named the Pendleton Woolen Mills.

The company’s first line of products, which consisted of Indian trade blankets and shawls, grew to include a wide variety of woolen apparel and home and upholstery fabrics sold throughout North America and the Far East. Today the company employs about 1,200 people.

Mr. Bishop, in 1969, succeeded his father as company president. He was named vice chairman in 1992, a position he shared in recent years with his brother, Broughton “Boz” H. Bishop ’45. The latter Bishop is the former CEO and current vice chairman of the board of Pendleton Woolen Mills and a trustee emeritus of Phillips Academy.

IN MEMORIAM
Charles had served as a member of the American Chemical Society and was a member of the American Petroleum Institute. He was a member of the American Chemical Society and the American Petroleum Institute. He was a member of the American Chemical Society and the American Petroleum Institute. He was a member of the American Chemical Society and the American Petroleum Institute.

The text continues with various entries and details about other individuals and their contributions. The entries include names, dates, and brief biographical notes, indicating a focus on individuals who have made significant contributions to their fields, possibly in academia or professional settings. The text seems to be part of a larger document, possibly a commemorative book or a similar publication, honoring the achievements of these individuals.
the course of several decades Mr. McPhillips was instrumental in securing admissions and scholarships to Ivy League schools for many of his students. He was also in charge of a branch of the American School located in Marrakesh, which opened in 2002.

Mr. McPhillips is survived by his sister, Lynn Meador; his brother, Frank L. McPhillips; and numerous nieces and nephews, including Elizabeth McPhillips Stringer ’87 and Frank L. McPhillips Jr.’89.

Donald E. Nuremberg

1960
Henry T. Mudd Jr.
Woodside, Calif.; July 13, 2007

1963
Natalie Ware Ryherd
Iola, Kan.; Aug. 13, 2007

Natalie Ware Ryherd died at home six months after being diagnosed with ALS; she was 62.

Born in 1945 in Concord, N.H., Nat attended public schools there and established early academic excellence, athletic prowess, and a strong aptitude for all things hand-designed and handmade. Her musical talent emerged during her early school years; she studied piano, violin, and trombone.

At Abbot, she was a member of Fidelio, the choir, and the Intoxeducated octet. She also played violin in the Andover orchestra when it accompanied the annual musicals.

No matter what the sport or activity, she excelled. At Abbot, she was a Gargoyle—green, lean, and keen.” She participated in sports both interscholastic and intramural, triumphing in tennis, lacrosse, and skiing, among others. Throughout her life, she revelled at recreational tennis, skiing, sailing, swimming, hiking, and supporting her children’s participation in sports.

Nat attended Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., graduating in three years with a BFA degree in fashion design in 1966. Summers during college were spent at Parsons School of Design in N.Y.C. and visiting European fashion houses.

Shortly after graduation, she became chief fashion designer for Horace L. Miller’s women’s clothing line in Iola, Kan. She married Iola’s most eligible bachelor, M. Wayne Ryherd, in 1967, and then balanced work and family responsibilities while raising their son and daughter. Following a demanding 19-year career, she retired in 1985.

Since idleness didn’t suit her, Nat took up a second career as a tax preparer. Not long after retirement, she faced life-threatening clotting problems that required expensive vascular bypass surgery. But with determination and family support she was able to return to a reasonable lifestyle.

Though she retired from professional fashion design, she continued to make handmade creations, including the dresses she wore for her children’s weddings, gifts for grandchildren, and intricate Christmas stockings for the entire family.

In retirement, she participated more fully in mentally stimulating activities like a book club and bridge club. Nat last played bridge from her wheelchair two weeks prior to her death. Her greatest family joys included the marriages of her two children and then the arrivals of five grandchildren in six years. All of her extended family attended her 62nd birthday in May in Iola. She and her husband quietly observed their 40th anniversary in July.

By the time Nat was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig’s disease) in mid-February, she already was dependent on the use of a wheelchair for mobility. To her credit and with her typical courage and focus, she was able to attend an Abbot/Andover 45th Reunion planning meeting in San Francisco at the end of February. That was to be her last trip other than to multiple medical appointments. The ALS diagnosis was stunning; her decline during the next six months was rapid and irreversible. Ever the athlete, she tried to physically tend for herself as best she could and, most notably, she retained her mental acuity to the end.

She leaves her husband, Wayne; their son, Taylor, and his wife and two sons; and their daughter Tiffany, her husband, and three children. Survivors also include Nat’s mother, her sister, Pat Schumacher ’62; Bettina Prosky Walker ’63, her former Abbot roommate; other Abbot classmates; and Karen Swenson Shue ’65, a childhood neighbor from Concord, N.H.

—Pat Schumacher ’62

James C. Underwood
Franklin, W.V.; Feb. 25, 2007

1965
Thomas H. Allen
Southport, Maine; Jan. 31, 2003

1966
William O. Rizzo
Brookline, Mass.; June 12, 2007

1973
Philip F. Read
Mystic, Conn.; June 17, 2007

1977
George B. Allen
Highlands Ranch, Colo.; June 25, 2007

George B. Allen, 47, died after 29 months of treatment for metastatic colon cancer. He is survived by his wife, Janet Slate; their 13-year-old son, Samuel; his brother, Hubert Jr.; his sister, Lisa ( Barnes); his parents, Hubert and Mary; his uncle, Roger L. Strong ’44; and cousins Roger Strong Jr. ’75, Jeffrey Strong ’78, and Thomas Strong ’82.

George lived in Abbot Cluster during his years at Andover, where I befriended him based on my budding interest in rock climbing. George had already acquired a tremendous climbing ethic from having completed Northern Outdoor Leadership School training, during which he summited Mount Rainier at the age of 15. In many ways, George’s climbing style reflected his personality and world view: strong, aggressive, creative, and ethical, with a foundation of respect for the mountain grounded in a safety-conscious acknowledgment of the accepted risks of such endeavors.

Always focused on peak experiences both in life and on the mountain, George was a true Renaissance man with a breadth of intellectual interests that was reflected in his personal and career pursuits. George graduated from Colorado College in 1981 with a BA degree in geology. Working in geology, and guiding river rafters in the summers, George increased his knowledge and love of the outdoors. In 1985, George completed an MS degree in geosciences from the University of Arizona, where he met his wife, Janet. Seven years as an exploration geologist ensued until George reinvented himself through several career transitions—as an environmental scientist, a criminal investigator for the Department of Energy, a private investigator, an insurance inspector, an investigator for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), and finally a compliance officer for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Along the way, George made time to climb (3,000 days, he liked to say), teach himself Spanish (which he parlayed into his EEOC and OSHA work), and travel (having a particular affection for Latin countries).

George was someone with the highest level of integrity. He lived—and died—by doing the right thing. Always conscientious, George was proud that the times levied as a result of his investigative work for the U.S. government returned more money to the U.S. Treasury than he was paid. In his OSHA position, George responded to the World Trade Center disaster by spending a week overseeing the cleanup effort. The ‘‘toxic soup” to which George and countless others were exposed may have cost him his life. Seeking treatment immediately following the exposure, George’s robust appearance led to years of misdiagnosis and his subsequent stage IV diagnosis in January 2005.

At our 30th Reunion last June, knowledge of George’s terminal illness spread among his classmates and provided many fond recollections of our interactions with him; the consensus immediately emerged that he had had such a positive influence on so many people’s lives. A composite memory of my climbing sojourns with George yields a few salient observations: In hindsight, George became an archetype for the climbing partners and friends I would acquire throughout my life via this sport—serious but with a wry sense of humor, erudite with a diversity of intellectual tastes that led to spirited discussions on a boundless list of topics, and patient with a selfless willingness to share his knowledge and experiences with others. Even suffering through countless cancer treatments, George found the energy to write a book-length ethical will for his son.

Upon reflection of the tragic early termination of such a rich life it can only be said that for those of us who were fortunate enough to have known George, his honor, loyalty, kindness, and righteousness will be sadly missed in this world.

—Todd Anderson ’77

1991
Bryan M. Lee
Morrison, Colo.; July 12, 2007

2005
Yannick J. Janin
Antibes, France; July 17, 2007
The Purest Form of Generosity

by Caroline Longston Jarboe '86

More than anything, Gordon G. "Dit" Bensley taught me that being cool and cool I could exist with compassion, that a life of sophistication could be lived amid the earthier bonds of children and home.

Bensley is probably best known as the chief architect of the Yale Art History course. I took "Vis Arts" during my junior year in 1982-1983, but it was, for the most part, a terrible experience. I thought that I just didn't get what the course aimed to teach. I couldn't make the Coloraid paper appear to change from red to purple by altering the background, color, and all the photographs I took were the same composition—hence black and white.

Still, there was some repetition that I was taking up the Bensley's Art History course in my senior year. Designed as prep for the AP exam, the course was a standard series of chronological slide lectures that progressed from the cave paintings of Lascaux all the way to Richard Estes' photorealist phone booths (my favorite).

Under Bensley, though, the class became, if not more than a historical survey. Instead, it was like being welcomed into a home—indeed, into a whole warm and enveloping world. The classroom in the art building was also Bensley's office, and the tables were scattered with envelopes of photos, negatives, used coffee cups, and mailing lists. There were black and white posters of models in the studio he had somewhere in Boston. Unlike other classes on campus (those slightly eminent of Sam Phil), Bensley's classroom had beanbag chairs from the 1970s and beanbag chairs for sprawling on the floor while the slides were projected.

I had forgotten all about the beanbag chairs until I called Chip Schott '85, whom I had remembered as one of the class's prominent characters. "That was the single best class I ever had in my life," Schott said instantly, speaking from his office at the Blackstone Group in New York, where he works in private equity. Schott recalls that Bensley once displayed the slide of a Jackson Pollock painting that he and his wife, Audrey, had attempted to buy in the 1980s, saying, "If you ever see the painting, don't ever touch it!" Later, while Schott and I were in that very class, the painting sold for some seven figures. The lesson Schott took from that incident was if you find yourself to be passionate about a work of art, you should do everything within your power to acquire it.

Bensley's own easy intimacy with art did encourage in us students a nascent sense of connoisseurship. He wanted us to feel at home with art and did his best to make us feel like insiders, referring to sculptor Alexander Calder as "Sandy" and recounting stories about when painter Frank Stella '54 had been a student at Yale. And it certainly helped that the art building was a veritable example of High Modernism itself, designed by the Architects Collaborative that had been founded by Walter Gropius. It was a building filled, furthermore, with furnishings that themselves had become iconic, our ears bottoms cut on Saarinen Tulip chairs, Eames chairs—the authentic originals.

Above all, it was Bensley's own charisma, his ability to take students seriously and treat them as individuals, that gave that classroom its homey, atmosphere. To this day, I do not know exactly why he allowed me, each day, to take a cup of coffee from his personal stash in the AV Center equipment room, but I suspect he knew something about how such a simple gesture of kindness could mean the universe to a flinty 16-year-old who had lost her father. His dedication to his own family seeped into everything we studied, his architecture lectures featured slides of his wife in St. Mark's Square in Venice, and we all had known his youngest son "Zacharias E-Stop" from his teaching materials all the way back to Amherst.

In that classroom marked with humor and love, I felt empowered and safe. As a result, I flourished and carried one of the rare 6's in a PA career marked by 4's and the occasional 5. I like to have an art and believe that I could understand it. More importantly, though, Dit Bensley gave me a blueprint for a good life and was himself a living illustration of philosopher Simone Weil's claim that "attention is the rarest and purest form of generosity."

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Do you have an interesting memory of a favorite teacher or a campus anecdote to share?

Please send your account, approximately 700 words in length, to Scott Aubrey at the Andover Bulletin.
Andover Journeys
to Historic Savannah

We hear time and again from alumni around the globe that they are eager to recapture the enthusiasm for learning they once experienced at Andover. In response, we have created a wonderful opportunity for Phillips and Abbot academy students from the Classes of 1942–1982 to reunite with classmates, forge new friendships, share those priceless Andover memories, and explore the rich and fascinating history of Savannah, Ga.

Our first Mini Reunion in Charleston, S.C., was a smash, and our second, in Santa Fe, N.M., was equally fantastic. Please join us in Savannah, March 27–30, 2008, for our third annual Mini Reunion:

♦ Relive the thrill of learning and the joy of newly found knowledge as Andover faculty members skillfully bring the historic city to life.

♦ Enjoy the splendid talent of 15 of the Academy's top a cappella singers, and join us for the first-ever Fidello Society reunion.

♦ Relax and enjoy the springtime pleasures of the South as you stroll the friendly streets and absorb the sights and sounds of Savannah.

We will be staying at the beautiful and gracious Mulberry Inn, located in the historic district and within walking distance of excellent restaurants, antique and gift shops, art galleries, and museums. For a Mini Reunion brochure or further information, please contact Gail Wozniak at 978-749-4305 or gwozniak@andover.edu.

Phillips and Abbot Academy Classes of 1942–1982...
Reconnect!
TIBETAN BUDDHIST MONKS
from the Dalai Lama's private monastery
visited Phillips Academy this past fall. During their stay, they crafted a colorful sand mandala in the lobby of George Washington Hall. The traditional creation is a sacred reflection of the core Buddhist value of impermanence. The monks spent four days piecing together the intricate pattern from millions of grains of ground gemstones, then spread the sands into Rabbit Pond in a moving ceremony of peace and harmony. The monks' visit, part of the Compassionate Mandala Tour, celebrated the Dalai Lama's receipt of the Congressional Gold Medal.
From Turkey to Thailand: Students examine cultural complexities
“Giving back gives me great joy”

A $25 million gift from Oscar L. Tang ’56, president of the Board of Trustees, will allow the Academy to move forward dramatically in pursuit of its strategic goals. The largest gift in the history of Phillips Academy also provides momentum for an upcoming fund-raising campaign and speaks volumes about Tang’s confidence in Andover’s faculty, students, and leadership.

“I have known Oscar for more than a decade, and his extraordinary generosity, wisdom, and vision continue to amaze me,” says Head of School Barbara Landis Chase. “His profound commitment to faculty and students, and his desire to provide greater access to a Phillips Academy education, will have lasting and far-reaching effects.”

In addition to announcing the milestone gift during the board’s winter meetings, Chase announced that Tang will serve as chair of the new campaign.

A Chinese immigrant on the run from the Communist takeover of Shanghai, Tang first set foot on American soil at the age of 11 knowing no English. He found himself a few years later, barely fluent, at Phillips Academy.

With this latest gift, Tang has once again chosen to honor the school he says was his springboard to success in a new country: “Giving back to Andover gives me great joy…. I have gotten as much out of it as I have put in, if not more.”

One of the most significant reasons for his decision to make the gift at this time is to provide philanthropic leadership, especially as the school implements a need-blind admission policy. “This bold initiative is about providing access and opportunity for the most qualified students,” he says. “This has been a dream of so many for so long, and one in which Andover has long held a leadership position.”

Tang has asked that his gift spearhead a challenge to inspire others to support key priorities of the Academy’s Strategic Plan—to expand access for the most qualified students, to support students with rigorous academic preparation, and to continue to attract and develop a diverse and exceptional faculty.

Headlines reporting the gift ran nationwide, and the announcement motivated some to step forward immediately—with support for Andover at all levels. A phonathon call from a current student to an enthusiastic alumnus resulted in a major gift with a corporate match. Two of Tang’s fellow trustees made commitments totaling $3.5 million, while a set of PA parents decided to increase their annual contribution. Equally important to Tang, however, is the young alumnus who responded with her first-ever gift to Andover.
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RENEWING A LOVE OF THE BEAUTIFUL
by Scott Aubrey
Powered by a $30 million fund-raising campaign, the renovation and expansion of the Addison Gallery of American Art will refocus the museum’s educational mission.

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FROM THE EDITOR

It has been nearly two years since I became editor of the Bulletin. In that time this publication's staff has aimed to provide you a thoughtful account of all things Andover. If we are to believe the scant letters to the editor received, we have stood worthy of the task for the most part; admittedly, errors have been made. As always, we strive for better.

With improvement as a goal, Director of Academy Communications Tracy Sweet sought specific feedback from Bulletin readers last summer. What criteria do you look for in an alumni publication? What criterion tops your list? We thank those alumni who responded, and welcome additional comments at andoverbulletin@andover.edu.

We tapped PA faculty for similar input. This past winter, key Bulletin personnel met with academic department heads to hear what they had to say. Some of their comments were specific. (The article rooted in collaboration between the art department and the Brace Center for Gender Studies, on page 23, resulted from a conversation with art department chair Shirley Veenema.) Other comments were more general. One caught me off guard for its frankness.

"There's too much of you in the Bulletin," one respected instructor told me.

I tried not to take it personally. I couldn't, really. I wholeheartedly agreed.

One of the things that make Andover distinct is the freedom with which students and faculty, administrators and staff, share their opinions. Though agreement is hardly guaranteed—and, depending upon the topic du jour, unlikely—the multitude of voices is appreciated. At an institution where global education is so highly regarded, where cultures coexist and share, how could it be any other way?

So, I ask, should not the Bulletin also feature a plethora of voices? Though I admire my colleagues in the Office of Communication greatly and would be lost without them, I must confess some of my favorite parts of this publication are those written by folks who do not work alongside me in Abbot Hall.

Recent editions of the Bulletin have featured an increasing number of articles penned by alumni and faculty. This issue furthers that trend. As part of a springtime tradition, the Bulletin bids farewell to six retiring faculty members. To send each off in proper fashion, we enlisted guest writers—present and former colleagues chosen by the retirees themselves. The resulting stories are lively, warm, and eloquent, one is even written by the department head who suggested I stop writing so much for the Bulletin.

If doing so means more contributions like these six, my response to that suggestion is appropriately brief: "Gladly."

—Scott Aubrey
TO THE EDITOR

I read the article on Alfred Loomis by last year’s Thorndike intern, Jessica White ’07 (“The Double Life of Alfred Loomis,” Winter 2008). In view of his active and widespread life, I had known that she had considerable difficulty in condensing the biographical sketch, but I am delighted that eventually she met the objective.

Four years ago, when in the process of establishing this internship, I had written my brother August’s widow, coincidentally named Augusta. Noticing the Andover Bulletin rarely if ever had any articles written by students, it occurred to me that some alumni might like to see some, so I suggested that a prize be awarded in history that would result in an article on an alumnus written by a student. As you know, the approved, several faculty members became interested, and the resulting internships are now properly endowed. We are pleased and delighted that you included the Loomis article in the latest issue. It lives up to our fondest hopes!


The Thorndike Internship in Historical Biography annually supports the work of an upper selected by the history department for the purpose of researching, analyzing, and writing a short biographical sketch of an alumnus or alumna of Phillips or Abbott academies for possible inclusion in the Bulletin. The internship, funded by John L. Thorndike ’45 and W. Nicholas Thorndike ’51, is a memorial to their brother Augustus “Gus” Thorndike Jr. ’37, honoring his lifelong passion for history.

Now 98 and living in a nursing home in North Andover, Mass., my father, Hart Leavitt, is Phillips Academy’s oldest living former faculty member. His duties at PA were manifold: he taught English, performed in jazz bands, coached hockey, and advised the stage crew.

Sadly, he now has Alzheimer’s disease. Although his short-term memory is gone, he loves thinking and talking about long-ago times; these recollections help sustain him. I am putting together a book of memories for him—and for family and others after he passes on. I would love to receive anecdotes, reflections, and stories from past students, colleagues, and friends.

Those with memories to contribute should contact me by e-mail at judyleavitt@comcast.net or by letter to 12 Parmenter Road, Wayland MA 01778.

—Judy Leavitt, Wayland, Mass.

DEMOCRACY IN ACTION

Care to show your political colors? The Bulletin is seeking story ideas about Andover alumni who are actively engaged in the 2008 presidential election—from the first-time campaign volunteer to the seasoned political strategist. Do you know an alum who is a delegate? Are you blogging for Obama or marketing McCain? Is there an Andover influence in Clinton’s camp? Story ideas and tips may be e-mailed to andoverbulletin@andover.edu.

Corrections

The Academy’s fiscal year 2007 report of giving should have noted the following as having earned Donor status: Thomas E. Garner Jr. ’65 and Thomas B. O’Rourke Jr. ’02.

A listing in the Winter 2008 Bulletin’s Andover Bookshelf column referred to novelist Charles Finch ’98 as a third-generation PA alumnus. In fact, four generations of the Finch family have attended Andover. Charles’ attendance was preceded by that of his great-grandfather Henry L. Finch, Class of 1898, his grandfather, Charles B. Finch ’37, and his father, Charlie B. Finch Jr. ’70.

R.S.V.P.

Want to respond to something you read?

The Andover Bulletin considers for publication all letters commenting on the content of articles in recent issues. Letters may be edited for length, grammar, and style. Disagreement with administrative policies will not eliminate a letter from consideration. However, letters characterized by personal invective will not be published.
Phillips Academy announced last fall that it would implement a need-blind admission policy beginning with the 2008–2009 academic year. While this milestone was achieved earlier than expected, there is still much work to be done to sustain this new financial aid initiative. What follows is a conversation led by Director of Academy Communications Tracy Sweet with Jane Fried, dean of admission and assistant head for enrollment, research and planning, and Jim Ventre ’79, director of financial aid and admission operations.
What is the basic definition of need-blind admission?
Jane: For Andover, need-blind admission means that we are able to admit the most competitive students in our applicant pool regardless of their families' ability to pay the Andover tuition and meet the full financial need of those students.

Why is the achievement of need-blind admission such a significant accomplishment for Phillips Academy?
Jane: This is the culmination of a long-term goal and a strategy that was already well under way. Prior to the 2004 Strategic Plan, we were in a “need-sensitive” position where financial need affected a small number of admission decisions. In 2003, the Board of Trustees authorized an “affordability initiative” that dedicated additional funds for financial aid. Need-blind then became a goal within the 2004 Strategic Plan as a reflection of Andover’s value of access for the most talented “youth from every quarter.”

As you travel the country and the world to recruit new students, how are families responding?
Jim: The decision to adopt a need-blind admission policy is very welcome to newcomers who may not have previously considered the idea of boarding school. It has really galvanized the community of prospective students and parents. It levels the playing field and takes away some of the mystery associated with the admission process. When parents ask, “What happens to my child’s application if we can’t afford the tuition?” we can offer clarity and opportunity in talking about the need-blind initiative.
Jane: I can’t tell you how many parents come up to me and say, “I don’t want my child to get into this process and not be admitted for the sole reason that we can’t afford it.” To be able to say to those families that their child’s talents will be assessed on the same playing field as every other applicant is very important.

How will this decision impact your recruitment strategies?
Jane: Andover is the leader in secondary school recruitment. For many years our admission counselors have recruited across geographic, racial, and economic constituencies. We will not change this goal.

Prior to the need-blind initiative, what was your process for determining which students were to be denied admission for financial reasons?
Jim: A week before sending out decision letters, we had what we called a “day of reckoning.” That’s when the admission team found out how much we were projected to overspend the financial aid budget. Over the last five years, the range has been from $400,000 to more than $1 million.
Jane: Then we would gather all the admission counselors and begin the thorough and sensitive process of presenting every candidate admitted who needed financial aid. Now remember, they’ve already earned an admission vote, yet because we couldn’t afford to fund them all, we had to decide as a group which students were the most deserving of admission. This is not an exact science, nor does it mean those who ended up being denied admission were any less smart or less talented. We referred to this painstaking process of pulling students from the admit category to the waiting list as the “financial aid pull.”

How will this decision affect the way you read applications?
Jane: The way we read and consider applications is exceptionally thorough. Five people read each file. We do our best to consider each candidate in the context from which he or she applies. We look for academic, extracurricular, and the all-important personal qualities that make a student a good match for the Academy. The reading of applications will continue to be a detailed and rigorous process. That won’t change. What will change is our approach to financial aid in the admission process.
Other schools, including elite colleges and universities, have announced similar plans. How is the Phillips Academy program different?

Jim Unlike some other institutions, we have not set a family income threshold below which a student must fall in order to receive aid or a full scholarship. In fact, Andover’s long-standing commitment to provide financial aid across all socioeconomic levels will be enhanced by this new policy. By looking at a family’s full financial picture (income, assets, number of children, and tuition payments to other schools, among other variables), we can meet each family’s full need. Andover’s long-standing flexibility in financial aid has enabled the school to attract, admit, and matriculate students from lower, middle, and upper middle income families when other schools struggled to create or preserve the socioeconomic diversity of their student bodies.

How will PA fund the need-blind policy?

Jim Andover is fortunate to have widespread support in the decision to implement a need-blind admission policy, but the decision is an expensive one. Over the course of the next few years, we will need to secure $50 million in endowed funds and $10 million in current use funds to support the policy. The need-blind initiative is a reflection of Andover’s values as articulated in the Strategic Plan and reinforces our historic commitment to youth from every quarter. We are committed to socioeconomic diversity while balancing the competing priorities of access to an Andover education and support for students, faculty, and facilities.

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In 2004, Trustee Dan Cunningham ’67 witnessed firsthand the tension, intensity, and ultimate disappointment displayed when the admission team gathered to decide which students to “pull” from the accepted student pool.

The difficult process of denying acceptance to a student because of his or her financial circumstances had been an annual occurrence at Andover. At its peak in 2003, the so-called “financial aid pull” exceeded 50 students. That’s when Cunningham, a former financial aid student himself and chair of the trustees’ Admission and External Program Committee, decided he would observe the deliberations at the Shuman Admission Center the following year to better understand the impact on the incoming class.

Surrounded by applicant files several inches thick, the admission team tackled the daunting task in a daylong session. In 2004, the goal was to pull out 24 students to reduce the demand on the financial aid budget by $400,000.

“Each student who was discussed had a champion at the table, someone who knew them best,” Cunningham says. “The process was incredibly thorough, thoughtful, and exhausting. The admission team looked not only at what a student had achieved, but also at what that student would contribute to Andover inside and outside the classroom, and after Andover.”

Students who were pulled were not necessarily candidates for full scholarship; however, all had demonstrated substantial need.

“The most striking thing about each of the individuals who was pulled was that he or she had something special to offer in addition to academic achievement,” says Cunningham, a Harvard Law grad who is now senior partner at Allen & Overy LLP in New York City. “Andover was missing incoming students who were outstanding mathematicians, violinists, and hockey players, as well as aspiring poets and authors who had demonstrated real talent in those areas.

“Every story was compelling and every student presented had the potential to succeed at Andover. After leaving our session in 2004, I resolved to myself that this must change.”

While trustees already had committed to increase the financial aid budget substantially over the next several years, “the more we thought about it, the more we wanted the pull to be zero,” says Cunningham. “A need-blind policy that levels the financial playing field is fundamental to the principles of the school.”

It also guarantees that Andover’s doors will now remain open to gifted scholars, musicians, athletes, poets, and authors like those Cunningham got to know during the pull of 2004.

—Tracy M. Sweet
CAMD Launches Multicultural Research Program

The Office of Community & Multicultural Development (CAMD) has successfully mentored its first group of CAMD Scholars.

Created in spring 2007, the program encourages students to research topics in multiculturalism during summer vacation. The application process is selective: interested students must submit a research proposal, as well as an essay that details why they want to pursue a particular topic. The program, funded by the Abbot Academy Association, provides a small stipend and a faculty advisor to each student chosen.

Says Linda Griffith, CAMD dean: "When [Assistant Dean Raj Mundra and I] came to work in CAMD, we were focused on ways to connect a broader spectrum of kids to the office, to emphasize academic approaches to looking at issues of diversity, and to provide an opportunity for students to do research about their own culture. Many, however, have found passions outside of their own culture and want to share that with the greater community."

Three scholars spoke this past January as part of the Academy’s Martin Luther King Jr. Day programming and another three presented previously in the fall. The projects were indeed diverse:

- Britney Achin '08 surveyed hundreds of adolescents to provide an understanding of how biracial teens identify themselves.
- Simone Hill '08 traced her African American Southern roots and examined African Americans’ evolving relationship to agriculture.
- Thomas Smyth '08 profiled the Georgia school he attended prior to PA, a product of Brown v. Board of Education school integration.
- Mary Krome '09, a Florida resident, researched public education programs for Spanish-speaking migrant children.
- Daniah Missmar '09 traveled to Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, where she worked to unearth the roots of Arab antipathy for Americans.
- Jessica Cole '08 traveled to New York City to explore firsthand the emergence of slam poetry as an art form.

Cole, who performed her original slam poetry in New York City and at Andover, credits the Academy with pushing her to reach beyond her worldview. She described the CAMD Scholars program as a wonderful opportunity to pursue her passion and share her findings with the community.

"Through the process, the CAMD Scholars gained insight into how complex multicultural issues can be to research and understand," Mundra says. "They all distinguished themselves with their critical thinking, independent research, and engaging presentations."

The second group of CAMD Scholars, set to research projects this summer and present during the 2008-2009 academic year, includes Courtnie Crutchfield '09, Radka Dancikova '09, Michael Discenza '09, Kimberly Kuoch '09, Jane Thomas '10, and Tori Wilmarth '09.

Britney Achin ’08, during her presentation on biracial identity issues

Murphy Named Dean of Students

Paul Murphy '84, who for three years has led the Academy’s Summer Session program, will have a new assignment come August. Murphy, a PA faculty member since 1988, will assume the duties of dean of students.

"Because Paul’s background at Andover includes his day-student career and six years as dean of Flagstaff Cluster, he has a unique understanding of both the day- and boarding-student experience," says Rebecca Sykes, associate head of school. "As director of Summer Session, Paul has introduced innovative programming and continually fostered communities of caring, responsible citizens during their five-week sojourns on our campus. I am confident that he will bring that same energy and sense of values to the role of dean of students."

In addition to Summer Session and residential life duties, Murphy teaches math and has coached water polo and swimming. He and wife Debby '86, senior associate dean of admission, have three children.

Current Dean of Students Marlys Edwards is retiring at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. She has led the deans of students’ office since 2000, prior to which she served as cluster dean for West Quad South. She also has taught in the English department. (See page 31 for more on Edwards.)

A new Summer Session director will be appointed in the fall.
Rogers Is New "Dean of Green"

Head of School Barbara Linda Chase has appointed John Rogers to serve as advisor to the head of school for sustainability. While also continuing in his role as dean of studies, Rogers now will work with fellow administrators, faculty, staff, and students to coordinate and advance Phillips Academy’s efforts to adopt more sustainable policies and practices.

Rogers, who teaches chemistry at PA, is charged with overseeing an audit of institutional conditions and practices that will provide the baseline data necessary for sustainability planning. Also on tap: a statement of philosophy regarding Andover’s sustainability goals and priorities that will guide future decision making. That statement—to be guided in part by those who live, work, and study on campus—will be presented to the Board of Trustees at its January 2009 meeting for initial review and discussion.

"Sustainability is, ultimately, a necessary core value of an educational institution, of any institution that by its nature is forward looking," says Rogers. "Students, staff, and faculty in many pockets throughout Andover have long been concerned with our impact on the environment and our understanding of related issues. I am pleased to help coordinate and accelerate the efforts to make progress in these vital areas."

Sisters in Scholarship Capture Brace Center Honor

The Brace Center for Gender Studies this year honored four members of Andover’s Department of English with the McKeen Award, bestowed annually upon those who exemplify “inspired and dedicated leadership in education” in the spirit of former Abbot Academy principal Philena McKeen. The 2007–2008 recipients represent a generation of female leadership in the English department: (pictured from left) current English instructors Lynne Kelly, Mary Fulton, and Ada Fan (on leave) and former faculty member Carole Braverman.

Braverman notes that literary discussions at PA today are "a far cry from what she knew as a student, when internalized presumptions about gender prevailed. "By the time I was teaching English at Andover in the early ‘80s, these classroom discussions had changed profoundly," she says. "Things I hadn’t seen when I was a girl were suddenly brightly lit. While I like to think I wasn’t a total klutz when it came to being part of this change at Andover—in the classroom and in school culture—I am very aware that I was the beneficiary of the insights and courage of others.”

The McKeen Award has honored individuals and couples previously, but this is the first year a group of colleagues took a place in the spotlight. Past recipients, chronologically from 1998–1999 to 2005–2006, are Joseph Wernick ’52, Marion Finbury, Carroll and Elaine Bailey, Ted and Nancy Sier, Jean St. Pierre, Don and Britta McNemar, Cilla Bonney Smith, and Susan Lloyd. The honor was not presented last academic year.
The World Comes to Andover

Phillips Academy has hosted a number of noteworthy guests in recent months. These visitors, many of whom addressed the community as a whole, provided thoughtful perspectives to spur continued campus dialogue regarding matters of global significance. Here, the Andover faculty note the importance of messages delivered by some of these recent speakers.

**GARY HIRSHBERG**
Co-Founder and CE-Yo
STONYFIELD FARM

"As PA grapples with what it means to educate for global citizenship, messages like Gary Hirshberg’s are evermore important. Hirshberg kicked off the 2008 Green Cup Challenge, an interschool energy-conservation competition designed to educate our community about the environmental and economic impact of one’s actions with relation to climate change and greenhouse gas emissions. His new book, Stirring It Up: How to Make Money and Save the World, is an inspiring account of Stonyfield’s development from a seven-cow operation. Now a $300 million-per-year business, Hirshberg’s company subscribes to the principle that shrinking one’s carbon footprint, minimizing trash, and providing customers with healthy food options is an equation for success."

—Rebecca Bogdanovitch
Sustainability Coordinator

**MICHAEL TARAZI ’85**
Former Legal Advisor to the Negotiations Affairs Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization

"Michael Tarazi gave a spirited, pointed presentation, including detailed maps and accounts of the Palestinian view of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. He concluded his presentation by noting that power struggles between governments are taking place in many regions of the world, and we need to be aware of the complexity of strategies and issues involved and the impact those struggles have on people living in those areas. His visit supported the core mission of the CAMD Scholars program—to empower students to bring vigorous research and vital discussion to the potent multicultural issues of our day."

—Rajesh Munda
Assistant Dean
Community & Multicultural Development

**PATRICK COOK-DEEGAN**
Senior
BROWN UNIVERSITY

“In thinking globally and taking action through his ongoing endeavor, Cycling for Schools, Patrick Cook-Deegan (pictured above) has raised thousands of dollars and directly impacted many children living in Southeast Asia and Africa, enhancing their chances of getting an education. Andover’s students found Cook-Deegan to be very engaging. The humble and calm way in which he delivered his message—that everyone can go out into the world and do something good for others—certainly gave students an instant feeling of empowerment and inspiration. Cook-Deegan’s goal to make our world a better place as an active global citizen aligns well with Phillips Academy’s mission statement and strategic plan.”

—Susanne Torabi
International Student Coordinator
Bringing the Mountain to Fred Stott

On August 21, 2007—the what would have been Fred Stott’s 90th birthday—family and friends climbed New Hampshire’s Mt. Moosilauke to spread some of the late Andover faculty member’s ashes. The 4,800 foot peak, located in the White Mountains, was much loved by Stott, who was a member of the Class of 1936 and served Andover as a longtime secretary of the academy. (After his retirement from Phillips Academy, he remained involved in the town of Andover and with various organizations until his death on December 1, 2006.)

While atop Mt. Moosilauke, Stott’s wife, Susan, and their sons, Sandy ’67 and Peter, decided they would like a boulder to mark Fred’s place in PA’s Chapel Cemetery. “As I walked quietly up the mountain, I thought that a trail boulder, smoothed by the boots of many hikers, would be the right monument,” says Susan.

Stott was a lifelong outdoorsman and particularly dedicated to the Appalachian Mountain Club. Susan called one of her late husband’s AMC colleagues to ask if the organization would help the family locate a trail boulder. A suitable marker was identified at Madison Spring Hut, where Stott served as hut master in 1938. (Also located at an elevation of 4,800 feet, Madison Spring Hut, situated in the White Mountains in the pass between Mount Madison and Mount Adams, was the first structure built by the AMC.) As summer 2007 drew to an end, the 300-pound boulder was airlifted by helicopter, then transported by truck a few weeks later to Andover. It now marks Fred Stott’s place in the Chapel Cemetery.

Says Susan of the boulder: “Sandy thinks Fred may have walked on it at Madison.”

Uncommon Reviews

The new campus dining facility in the renovated Summer Smith Rink is a hit. “The food quality, presentation, and overall atmosphere have more than exceeded expectations,” opined a January 11 editorial in the Phillipian. “Overall, students, faculty, and the dining staff alike are pleased. . . .”

Uncommons, which served its first meal on January 2, seats about 600. Most diners seem to like the single-room setup and varied table arrangements: “I had friends I didn’t see during lunch because they sat in other dining halls in Commons,” says Paul Bloomsma, a lower, “but now I see them.”

Many also have noted that the food seems fresher and hotter. Popular new offerings include pasta and protein “sizzle” stations, lunchtime paninis, a self-serve deli, and an expanded selection of organic food choices. Suggestions for new menu items are always welcome.

Food service personnel are pleased with the overall transition to Uncommons, but readily acknowledge there are still some issues to work out. Diners are encouraged to post comments, questions, and complaints on a “Fishing For Feedback” bulletin board within the facility; postings receive a response from the director of food services the next day.

On the long wall opposite the bulletin board is a large mural painted by artist Wade Zahares. The brightly colored creation (see back cover) captures a highly stylized view of the PA campus and the world beyond, as seen from the window of a student’s dorm room.
From Budgets and Buildings to Faculty and Philanthropy, Trustees Cover Myriad Topics at Winter Session

The winter 2008 meeting of the Board of Trustees, held January 31–February 2, centered on several important initiatives associated with progress toward the goals of the Strategic Plan, including the educational program, student life, and the upcoming fund-raising campaign.

Friday evening’s dinner program with faculty was a celebration of teaching capped off by a surprise announcement of the largest gift in the history of the school.

Faculty members Dan Schneider and Jerry Hagler received standing ovations as their names were announced for the Harris Family Instructorship in Math and the Schmertzler Teaching Instructorship, respectively. Remarks by Dean of Faculty Temba Maqubela and Dean of Studies John Rogers highlighted their contributions as teachers, mentors, and scholars. (See page 42 for more.)

The evening ended with an extended standing ovation for Oscar Tang ’56, board president, whose historic gift of $25 million was announced by Head of School Barbara Landis Chase. Tang, with soft-spoken pride, said giving back to Andover brings him great joy. “I have gotten as much out of it, if not more, than I have put in,” he said. (See this Bulletin’s inside front cover for more.)

The energy and excitement of Friday evening was felt throughout the weekend as Tang’s gift became a catalyst for further discussion about leadership giving. Tang will work with Secretary of the Academy Peter Ramsey in the coming months on ways the school might create a challenge opportunity to motivate others with a philanthropic interest in supporting Andover’s strategic goals. (See page 41.)

Consistent with those goals, trustees set boarding tuition at $39,100 and day tuition at $30,500, with the understanding that the final 2009 balanced budget will be presented for trustee approval at the May board meeting. The board set other parameters for the 2008–2009 budget, including faculty and staff compensation. Trustees were quick to point out that the Academy will continue its commitment to maintaining a leadership position in compensation and financial aid.

During an executive session dinner, trustees heard an abbreviated version of a presentation made previously to faculty by Ramsey, Chief Financial Officer Steve Carter, and Jim Ventre, director of financial aid and admission operations. The context of that presentation informed the board’s work throughout the weekend, including its ongoing planning for the next fund-raising campaign. Progress made includes the following board actions:

- Gave the go-ahead for construction of the $22 million expansion and renovation of the Addison Gallery of American Art.
- Approved the formation of the Financial Aid Task Force chaired by Robert Campbell ’66 and Tammy Snyder Murphy ’83. The committee will be staffed by Jane Fried, dean of admission and assistant head for enrollment, research and planning; Christine Atwood, campaign director; Bill Leahy, principal gift officer; and Ventre.
- Received a report of midyear results for the Andover Fund, which is on pace to meet its goal of $8.3 million.
- Considered new approaches to stimulate alumni participation. While the Andover Fund continues to increase in dollars, trustees also would like to see an increase in the number of alumni contributors. The participation initiative is an ongoing collaboration among a small group of trustees and the Annual Giving Board, cochaired by trustee Al Blum ’62 and Mary Ann Somers ’82.

Several trustees attended an open house at the Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, during which students and faculty discussed research opportunities and hands-on learning experiences. From the adventures of a cross-cultural excavation to the trajectory of a trebuchet, trustees came away with a better understanding of the Peabody’s interdisciplinary approach to learning. In addition, Malinda Blustain, the museum’s director, presented the Education Program Committee with the Peabody’s strategic plan for 2009–2013.

Student government leaders, members of the Phillipian editorial board, and trustees enjoyed breakfast together at Uncommons on Saturday morning. This was the trustees’ first dining experience at the transformed ice rink. Topics of discussion ranged from diversity initiatives to the price of textbooks. Students also expressed satisfaction with Uncommons as an interim dining solution. (See previous page for more.)

A presentation by Rebecca Sykes, associate head of school, started a lively discussion about student life, including the development of leadership skills, personal values, and confidence. Several “Cs” were discussed, as well, including competence, caring, character, connection, contribution, creativity, and communication. “This is meant to be a prompt to think about what we do and how we care for our students,” Sykes told the board.

—Tracy M. Sweet
Premier Performers

2008 has brought professionals in the fields of music and dance to Andover. These accomplished entertainers came to perform, yes, but also to provide students a taste of what might be.

String trio puts new spin on the past

Peter Yang was blown away when he heard the news. The Appalachia Waltz Trio, the same “fingers flying” strings group the Andover lower had paid hundreds of dollars to see at New York City’s Carnegie Hall, would be coming to Phillips Academy. Yang embraced the opportunity to experience one of many PA classroom sessions the trio hosted in January. Those master classes and lectures—three days’ worth—served as prelude to a free Friday evening performance in Cochran Chapel.

“I love their music,” says Yang, who plays piano and cello. “They’re huge inspiration for me.”

Inspiration seemed to be the word that defined PA classroom sessions and other small group and individual lessons provided by trio members Mark O’Connor, Rebecca Albers, and Mike Block (pictured below from left). “Every musician has a story like this about having contact with someone who has inspired them,” says cellist Block, part of the third iteration of the Appalachia Waltz Trio. He and Albers, a violist, are the new additions. The mainstay is violinist and composer Mark O’Connor, who began the project years earlier with two noted string-masters: cellist Yo-Yo Ma and double bassist Edgar Meyer. That largely revered trio produced two albums—and a Grammy win—before the players went their separate ways. O’Connor reformed the group with a cellist and violist, and now again with Block and Albers. And the acclaim continues.

“This is a project I wanted to keep alive through new musicians,” says O’Connor.

His Andover visit—funded via an Abbot Academy Association grant secured by PA music instructor Holly Barnes—had an effect on a
wave of new musicians, each with varied degrees of talent and experience. Music theory instructor Derek Jacoby says visits from professional musicians like O'Connor and company can inspire all aspects of a young person's musicianship—how they play, how they compose, and how they express themselves.

O'Connor, when addressing a PA class of beginning music students, talked of his early days learning from Texas fiddler Benny Thomasson. A lesson learned then: take the old and put your own new spin on it, a mission statement of sorts for the Appalachia Waltz Trio project.

Alexandra Tayara, a senior, says she particularly enjoyed hearing the trio play during her Music 200 class. A singer and guitarist, she never imagined herself attending Juilliard, as members of the Appalachia Waltz Trio have done, nor has she ever foreseen herself making a career of her music: "I'd be afraid of it becoming just a job."

But a live performance by the Appalachia Waltz Trio may have altered her thinking. "In some ways, I'm jealous of them," she says.
Dancers keep students on their toes

Members of the José Limón Dance Company did more than lead the Andover Dance Group through two weeks of classes and rehearsals this winter: they also provided the young performers with an experience many do not enjoy until studying at the college level.

According to PA dance instructor Judy Womhwell, guest choreographers typically visit Andover once a year, but the arrangement with the José Limón dancers is wonderfully different. On May 16–17, students will perform alongside the dance professionals during the PA dancers’ final recital of the academic year; also this May, the dance company’s artistic director, Carli Maxwell, will offer a master class for students and lead post-performance talks. (These end-of-year activities are possible thanks to the Kayden Fund, a resource that rotates its support yearly amongst the various segments of the art department, chiefly to bring visiting artists to campus.)

Limon company member Kristen Foote describes the May collaboration as “definitely pretty rare,” noting she never had the opportunity to perform with professionals at such a young age.

The final recital will include a performance initiated by Foote, who later will be joined on stage by PA students. Also planned: a performance by Womhwell, two Limón company dances, and a piece choreographed especially for PA dancers by Limón company member Kathryn Alter. For the latter, Alter brought ideas to campus this winter—but adapted as her two weeks with the Andover students progressed.

By the end of the fortnight, the PA students had been introduced to the requisite moves, but Womhwell, fellow dance instructor Erin Strong, and the 20-person Andover Dance Group continued to rehearse the piece throughout the winter and spring.

Strong—who applied for grant funding from the Abbot Academy Association to support the Limón company’s teaching efforts this winter—said students, especially those serious dancers in the Andover Dance Group, benefited from learning from someone new. Though Womhwell and Strong are obviously talented and capable, there’s something to be said for variety. “People who study dance at a place other than a boarding school—in the ‘real world,’” says Strong with a smile, “study with many people to get a broad perspective of all that dance is and can be. For PA’s more serious students, this association with the José Limón dancers is an incredible way to progress.”

Of course, those on the other side of this creative connection enjoy a few benefits of their own.

“There’s something great about sharing what you’re passionate about,” Foote says. “It’s an affirmation of what we do,” adds Alter.
Exploring the Power and Potential of Technology

by Jill Clerkin

Like shop and home ec in the 1960s, a course created in 2003 by math and computer instructor Jacques Hugon ’79 aims to teach important life skills—but with a distinctly 21st-century twist. In Computers 310: Business Applications and Web Page Design, students use the computer lab in the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library to learn the basics of two popular Microsoft programs, as well as how to create and launch a Web site.

“It’s not just about the exercises they do in class,” says Hugon. “More important is a grasp of how Excel can be used to make good business decisions, how PowerPoint can influence business decisions, and how effective Web-based communications are created.” His teaching and classroom anecdotes are backed by 20 years of experience as a software engineer and project manager; he also wrote the class’s user-friendly textbook.

It’s a frigid day early in winter term; Computers 310 begins promptly at 8 a.m. As Hugon reviews a homework question about how to use Excel functions to calculate a taxpayer’s federal income tax, his computer desktop is projected on a pull-down screen. Students follow along on their own PCs.

Then it’s on to the day’s official topic, “the time value of money.” Hugon begins with a question: “Do you want a dollar from me right now—or a year from now? Why?” A conversation about inflation, interest, and the unknown future ensues.

Hugon explains how the value of a dollar tends to decrease over time. “Based on an annual inflation rate of 3 percent, a dollar will be ‘worth’ just 97 cents in a year,” he says. “Interest is the extra payment we make for the time value of money we borrow when we buy a car or house—and what the bank pays us to hold our money.”

Working with just five basic Excel financial functions, students explore the answers to some practical questions:

- What would my monthly payment be on a $520,000 mortgage? How much interest would I have paid after 30 years?
- If my parents had wanted to save $200,000 for my college education and they could get a 5 percent annual interest rate, how much would they have needed to save per month since the year I was born?
- If I invest $1,000 at 7 percent per year, how much will I have in 10 years? What if the interest is compounded monthly instead of annually?

Hugon pauses frequently to allow students to figure out their next step.

The discussion turns to cars and what kind students would like to drive someday. A Ferrari, someone says enthusiastically. A more practical Hugon does a quick Internet search for a Subaru Forester and current auto loan interest rates. “You want to buy this $21,195 car but you have no money,” he says. “You can get a 48-month loan at 6.98 percent, and you have $400 per month to spend. Can you afford it?” Excel reveals the sad truth in .5 seconds flat: no.

In one of his Excel labs, Hugon gives students a jumble of corporate accounting numbers, from which they must draw conclusions. Are sales going up? Is available cash dwindling? Would you want to buy this company? Interpretation of the numbers creates much discussion.

Another lab assignment requires students to use Excel to analyze the financial results of the 2002 Boston Red Sox and then discuss the pros and cons of John Henry’s purchase of the franchise. “Students create a very simplified discounted cash flow model to determine the team’s value at the time and predict its future profitability,” explains Hugon.

“I’d always used Excel to construct science class graphs, but never knew it could do so much more than that,” says Walker Washburn ’08. “Once you figure out what’s going on underneath the surface, it becomes an incredibly powerful tool.”

A few weeks later, the class delves into PowerPoint. “We’ve all sat through boring PowerPoint shows,” says Hugon. “Along with teaching the keystrokes, I also teach 10 steps to an effective presentation, including the organization of text and graphics, and the use of animation.” Each student creates a five-minute (not a second longer) presentation on a simple topic of interest.

In the final three weeks of the course, Hugon gives students an overview of PC and Web hardware and software architecture, and then teaches HTML, the language of the Web. “I show them what’s under the hood,” says Hugon. “They begin to understand how HTML and the Internet work. My reward is when a student returns the following fall and tells me she created a Web site for her father’s small business. It’s happened!”
SPORTS TALK

Going the Distance

Triathlete's success fueled by family and fun

by Andy Colenz

With nearly 2,000 athletes participating, the streets of Hamburg, Germany, blocked off for the race, and roughly 50,000 spectators looking on (not to mention extensive media coverage), Stephanie Moroney '09 had good reason to be nervous before her first World Championship Triathlon. "I'm going to come in last," the 16-year-old from Manchester, Mass., said to her father, with characteristic understatement. They both knew a first-place finish was very unlikely. Stephanie had trained hard for the September 2, 2007, competition; she had done very well in her qualifying race several weeks earlier, and had her whole family there to cheer her on to this, the largest triathlon event ever. She proved to be more than up to the challenge, finishing 79th overall among more than 200 women, eighth in her 16-to-19 age group, and third among U.S. girls.

That parents Jim and Kris and sister Lexi '11 were on hand is quite telling. There is a strong family component to Stephanie's involvement in athletics, and despite the grind of long hours spent training, she has always associated her racing with fun. When Stephanie and Lexi were quite young, they would ride their bicycles alongside their father as he ran. (Lexi trained for triathlons for a dozen years after rowing in college and on the U.S. national team.) At 10, Stephanie decided she, too, wanted to try running and by age 11 had entered her first triathlon, a so-called kids' race that required a 100-yard swim, 4-mile bike ride, and 1-mile run. The following year, she entered her first adult race (a half-mile swim, 12-mile bike ride, and 5-kilometer run). Plenty of adult racers raised an eyebrow, wondering what this 12-year-old was up to. "Just having fun," she might have answered.

Stephanie has loved running and swimming for as long as she can remember, and racing in general is a joy for her. At Andover, she has been a triathlete in cross-country, swimming, and crew and already has been a member of four New England interscholastic championship teams. Primarily a freestyler and backstroker, she is part of a girls' swim team that captured its sixth crown in nine years when she was a junior and finished a strong third in this year's New England meet. In cross-country—another recent powerhouse at Andover, with three straight New England championships—Stephanie made the transition from a very competitive JV racer in her first two years to one of the varsity front-runners this past fall. She and her teammates were nationally ranked and invited to participate in the Nike Northeast Regional Championships.

The "road" to Hamburg was certainly not one Stephanie expected to travel. After five triathlons in 2006—three at the sprint distances to which she was accustomed and two more at Olympic distances, which are twice as long (a 1-mile swim, 24-mile bike ride, and 10-kilometer run)—she was looking forward to more in 2007. In a June race on Cape Cod, Stephanie finished first and caught the eye of the New England junior coach of USA Triathlon (USAT). A month
later, she was in Pittsbugh for a USAT Junior Elite race that included about 25 of the top 40 boys and girls in the country. Although Stephanie did not finish near the head of the pack, the race was significant in terms of her development.

Having experienced this higher level of competition and having witnessed how fit and “hard core” some of the other kids were, Stephanie resolved to push herself further. She told her dad on the flight home, “I need to take my biking to the next level.” She devoted roughly 12 hours per week to training throughout the summer, working out at least once, and often twice, a day. Each week during the summer she ran 20–25 miles, swam 2,500–3,500 yards, and biked 40–50 miles in time she was biking 60–90 miles weekly. This regimen was in addition to periodic workouts for core fitness. Although Stephanie did some of her swim training with the North Shore Swim Club, of which she has been a member for a number of years, she logged the majority of her training hours in Stiles Pond in Boxford, Mass. For a good deal of her cycling training, she was accompanied by her father. Jim wanted to go along for safety’s sake as Stephanie got used to longer rides on unfamiliar roads, but she also provided him a supportive rehabilitation partner: he was just getting off crutches following April hip surgery.

Accustomed to finishing first or second in many of her prior races, Stephanie admits she was very nervous in the face of the competition at the World Championship Triathlon. She should always be so nervous before a race. Not only did she record personal best times in each of the three legs, her 5K running time of 20:24 was faster than she had run even outside the triathlon format. It’s no surprise that Stephanie wants to continue with triathlons. She loves the challenge and savors the chance to compete in all three types of racing. A bonus for PA: Stephanie’s dedication to training and the success it produced last summer gave her a terrific boost, both mentally and physically, in the fall season of cross-country. Not only did she drop nearly two minutes from her best times of the previous year, Stephanie also was among the most enthusiastic members of the team regarding the chance for postseason competition: she relishes the opportunity to elevate her performance.

As for this summer, Stephanie plans to compete in some local races and at least two of the three national Junior Elite Triathlons scheduled for Des Moines, Iowa, Oxnard, Calif., and Colorado Springs, Colo. It will be fun for Stephanie’s larger PA family to follow her progress, but because most triathletes don’t peak until they’re in their 30s, friends and supporters must bear in mind what Stephanie already knows: it’s a long race.
Renewing a Love of the Beautiful

Powered by a $30 million campaign, a renovation and expansion will refocus the Addison Gallery's educational mission

by Scott Aubrey
Thomas Cochran had a vision. A member of the Class of 1890, Phillips Academy’s benefactor extraordinaire had a hand in funding the construction of numerous landmarks on campus—Cochran Chapel, Commons, and the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library among them. A half decade after the 1925 construction of George Washington Hall, which he also funded, Cochran set in motion plans to add to Andover’s campus a facility “to enrich permanently the lives of the students,” to “cultivate and foster...a love of the beautiful.” The result was the Addison Gallery of American Art, still the only academic art museum in the country affiliated with a secondary school.

That distinction, however, is not the only thing about the Addison unchanged since this treasured campus gem first opened its doors in 1931.

While the museum’s collection of paintings, sculpture, and photography has increased dramatically from 600 objects to more than 16,000, and its full-time staff has grown from three to 17, the building’s footprint has remained the same; not one inch has been added to the Chapel
Avenue site. Beginning in July 2008, construction will get under way to alleviate the Addison's need for space. A 13,000-square-foot, three-story addition will be located on the north side of the building, replacing a sculpture garden that these days is trafficked more by delivery people than art aficionados. The addition—increasing the Addison's net square footage by nearly 50 percent—will house current and additional staff, provide appropriate onsite storage and handling facilities, and, perhaps most importantly, accentuate education efforts.

"The Addison's collection of American art helps us to understand our nation's past and present through visual expression," says Head of School Barbara Landis Chase. "This is truly a unique resource that enriches the curriculum across many departments. The renovation will make the collection even more accessible to our faculty and students, as well as to visitors from off campus."

Adds the gallery's director, Brian Allen: "The Addison is a great museum with gracious, elegant galleries, but it wasn't built with the needs of modern education in mind. The lack of good classroom space compromises how we can use works in storage for teaching, especially our great photography collection."
Moreover, archaic lighting in the galleries impedes the visitor experience, and, over the years, galleries have been taken over for storage and staff growth, truncating several beautiful spaces. “The building is really in dire need of restoration and renovation,” Allen says.

Allen says he considered—but decided against—just adding gallery space. “We didn’t want to change the intimate feel of the Addison for the sake of picking up a handful of new galleries,” he says. “And the site surrounding the Addison is difficult because of underground rock and the network of utilities surrounding the building that serves the rest of the campus.” The underutilized sculpture garden was determined to be the most viable spot to accommodate long-deferred expansion needed to make the museum work better as an exhibition, collecting, and teaching space.

“It was a simple question of priorities and working within a set budget to get the most done,” says Allen.

The addition’s first floor will feature a large learning center, complete with computers for online learning. Also, the Addison’s extensive library—currently scattered throughout the museum due to space constraints—will be consolidated and housed in a single room, making it more accessible to students. The adjacent learning center also will include a separate space that would, for instance, allow a visiting scholar to do research on a piece from the museum’s collection while a class is conducted nearby.

Perhaps the greatest plus of the new learning center is its location—one floor above a new art storage facility large enough to house the museum’s entire collection, as well as decades’ worth of future acquisitions. (The gallery acquires hundreds of new pieces each year, but currently must keep an increasing part of its collection off-site.) An elevator that connects the two floors will enable objects crucial to a specific lesson or research to be brought easily to the learning center (and thanks to generous funding from Board of Trustees President Oscar Tang ’56, his wife, Arjie Ligeres, and the Henry Luce Foundation, all pieces in the Addison collection are now cataloged online). No longer will patrons and educators be forced to jostle against each other in a cramped storage room to see objects not currently on display.

“I think the museum learning center will be the best classroom space on campus and will greatly broaden and enhance our ability to be a well-used student resource,” says Allen proudly.

In spring 2006, Andover’s Board of Trustees approved a $30 million campaign, chaired by Trustee Sidney Knafel ’48, to fund the Addison expansion and renovation and to strengthen the institution’s endowment. As of April 2008, generous supporters had the museum two-thirds of the way to its goal. Of the total goal, $22 million is earmarked for construction and another $8 million for endowment.

The museum’s redesign will bring increased utility costs and other expenses, such as salaries for a full-time learning center attendant, an outreach coordinator, a full-time janitor, and additional security personnel. “Phillips Academy rightly is very smart to insist that we have endowments to pay for these costs,” says Allen.

Also, the museum wants to endow the current positions of curator of contemporary art and director of education, both important members of the Addison team.

“Many museums raise funds only for building purposes and then reopen strapped for cash because they don’t have the money to operate the new facility,” explains Allen. In such cases, money often is taken from programming, thus robbing an institution of what keeps patrons coming back repeatedly. Decreased attendance translates to lower gift shop sales, lower visibility for an institution, and, ultimately, fewer donors.

“Visitors will come to see the building once but will not come back unless there is good programming to draw them,” says Allen with conviction.

There is much to accomplish once the Addison closes for renovation on July 13, 2008. In addition to increased storage, the museum’s ground floor will feature vastly improved facilities in which to prepare, mat, and frame exhibitions…and to receive packages. No more awkward
Addition to Bloom with "Green Roof"

When the Addison Gallery of American Art reopens in spring 2010, it will boast a "green roof," the first in the town of Andover, Sudden, a low-growing succulent plant that blooms late summer and into fall, will fill a 2,536-square-foot garden atop a section of the Addison's addition.

Indigenous to Germany, green roofs were originally designed as an environmental response to the pavement and heat of urban settings. But their benefits are so logical and significant their popularity has spread across Europe and into the Americas (though few exist in the Merrimack Valley). Flat roofs are first covered with a waterproof membrane, then with plastic trays containing either soil or an artificial growth medium in which drought-resistant vegetation is planted. The environmental advantages, says PA Director of Facilities Michael Williams, are numerous: the green roof helps manage storm-water runoff, it improves a building's energy performance, it can double or triple a roof's lifespan, and it takes carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and returns oxygen, which contributes to a healthier environment overall.

Williams says cost savings might accrue eventually, but the primary motivations for installing the new design as part of the Addison project are environmental and aesthetic. The green roof will cover the art storage and preservation portion of the addition, slightly more than 36 percent of the total new roof area. Overlooking the roof will be two floors of large windows, also part of the addition.

Andover town officials are applauding PA's plans to install the eco-friendly technology, hoping it will spark interest with other developers and those renovating existing structures in town. "Phillips Academy deserves kudos for moving forward with this idea, which has so many advantages over conventional designs," says the town's planning director, Paul Materazzo.

He already has spoken with Williams about using the green roof as a showcase once it is complete and developing onsite information sessions for interested developers and contractors.

Centerbrook Architects and Planners, the project designers, suggested this special feature for the Addison addition, and the concept was quickly embraced. The architectural firm has installed a green roof on its own office building in Centerbrook, Conn. (pictured).

"It's hard to make museums green because you're dealing with significant climate control," says Williams, "so the more we can do to offset that use of energy, the better." He notes that the Addison addition's glass walls will be covered with a stainless steel screen fabric. The mesh, another German design, offers environmental and aesthetic bonuses: it provides passive solar control while also softening the appearance of the glass.

—Sally Holm
Foreign Findings

Brace Center for Gender Studies special fellows James Rockas ’08 and Simone Salvo ’08 traveled to foreign lands to produce art that highlights their concern respectively for religious minorities and people on the fringes of society in two distinct cultures. They expressed their commitment and passion in an exhibition titled Foreign Findings, displayed in the Gelb Gallery in January.

by Paula Trespas
JAMES ROCKAS:
Seeking justice for Turkey's Orthodox Christians

To take on a cause as your own and commit to it wholeheartedly takes passion, dedication, and determination. James Rockas was only 16 when he flew to Istanbul with family members to make a documentary film to address what he considers a terrible wrong: the systematic persecution by the Turkish government of the ecumenical patriarch of the Orthodox Christian Church. "I wanted to bring a greater awareness to this injustice," he says.

The 40-minute film, On the Precipice of Extinction, which he researched, wrote, filmed, and edited, was screened in Kemper Auditorium in January to a nearly full house. Now, Rockas says, he needs to educate those who may have little idea what is happening to the church in Turkey. He hopes to do it through distribution of his film.

Human rights abuses affect all minority religions in Turkey and are an obstacle to the Islamic nation's entry into the European Union. The church's claims against the government, Rockas says, include confiscation of thousands of church properties, including cemeteries, closing an orphanage and a theological seminary, priests are no longer allowed to be trained in the country, and planning restrictions on the election of the ecumenical patriarch, such as the requirement that he be a Turkish citizen.

In September 2006, with art instructor Steve Wicks's course in filmmaking under his belt, Rockas began filming in Turkey—a hand-held digital video camera and microphone in one hand and a still camera in the other. The participation of "Brace Center Special Human Rights Fellow" lent credibility to his efforts. He interviewed church leaders, including the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, leader of the world's 200 million Orthodox Christians, as well as international human rights advocates. He documented several confiscated properties, the Halki Theological School, St. Efthenios Cemetery, and the ghostly, crumbling Buyukada orphanage, once the largest wood-frame building in Europe.

Rockas's film, narrated by former Andover Dean Bobby Edwards, played continuously on a video monitor in the Gelb Gallery in January; still photos also were displayed. Muna Ndulo, professor of international law at Cornell Law School, says the film is "going to be a major contributor to understanding the human rights situation in Turkey."

Rockas is understandably passionate about his cause. A day student from Lynnfield, Mass., Rockas was raised in a close-knit Greek family, strong in their faith. He serves as an altar boy in his parish church; three uncles are priests, one is an archbishop of the Chicago metropolitan; another is the national commander of the Order of St. Andrew, a lay organization in charge of the defense of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the seat of the Christian Orthodox Church headquartered in Istanbul; his father, George, a Boston attorney, is also a member of the order and involved in its legal affairs. Family roots are deep in Turkey. In fact, Rockas says, "I might be considered more 'Turkish' than some ethnic Turks, because the Greek community in Turkey, of which my family was a part, date back thousands of years before the Turks ever arrived."

Rockas, who was active in Andover's Model UN and Center for Global Justice, plans to take courses in Near Eastern studies to prepare for a career in international relations. He was admitted Early Decision to Cornell University.

A Demonstration of Learning and Collaboration

by Shirley Veenema and Tony Rotundo

Disciplinary learning is the heart of the Phillips Academy's curriculum, and interdisciplinary courses, clubs, and off-campus learning experiences are a few of the ways students make connections between disciplines. The exhibition Foreign Findings highlights two other venues for demonstrating interdisciplinary learning, the Brace Center for Gender Studies and the Gelb Gallery.
SIMONE SALVO: Connecting with Thai children through art

You might say that over the past three years Simone Salvo has been on a journey of exploration of mind, heart, and soul. It turns out the journey has been life-changing, one that has pointed her in the direction of what she perceives her future to be—working for human rights.

It began three summers ago, after her first trimester at Phillips Academy. A student deeply committed to community service, the Gloucester, Mass., resident learned of a company called Rustic Pathways that offers high school students travel programs with a service component. A photographer who learned her craft at an early age from her father, Salvo showed her portfolio to the director of the program. Impressed, he invited her to spend eight weeks in Thailand, where she photographed the country and its people for the company’s catalog. She also designed and worked on a service program that included completely revamping a water system in one village and hiring contractors to build a new school in another. “I fell in love with the country—everything about it: the colors, the people, even Buddhism,” she says. She loved it so much, she returned two more times.

No stranger to adventure, Salvo began accompanying her parents to locales all over the world at a very young age. Her father, Dana, is a fine-arts photographer and her mother, Dawn, is a mixed-media artist. Salvo was introduced to Phillips Academy when her parents were artists-in-residence in 1995. “I was attracted to the intellectual energy around this school,” she says.

In 2006 she secured a Brace Center Special Fellowship and won a Martin Luther King Jr. Award, which, combined, gave her the funding to return to Northern Thailand. That summer she interviewed rural Thai women for a gender and identity studies project, continued with her photography, and introduced local youths to portraiture.

“Working with children was not part of the plan,” Salvo says. But she had some paper and art supplies in her backpack, happened upon some elementary school children at a village school, and started them drawing.

“I was surprised how very timid they were to pick up a pencil,” she says. “Art is a form of creative expression they weren’t used to.” But Salvo brought out the artist in each and every one. An entire wall in the Gelb Gallery, where Salvo’s Brace Center project was on display in January, was covered with children’s faces, drawn in pastels.

For three weeks last summer, Salvo returned to Udon Province to

What Is a Brace Scholar?
The Brace Center Student Fellowship program supports independent summer research projects in the multidisciplinary field of gender studies. Students are invited to submit proposals for fellowships and, if selected, present their projects to the community upon returning to the Academy in the fall.

Simone Salvo and James Rockas were designated special fellows for separate reasons. Salvo received financial support from the Brace Center, but her work continued for more than a year (instead of one summer), and she did not prepare a standard presentation. Rockas’s circumstances were quite different. He approached Brace Center Codirector Tony Rotundo in early summer 2006, badly in need of credentials to lend authority to his mission to Turkey.

Foreign Findings also reveals the informal collaborations that go on between departments and individual teachers.

Opened in 1996, the Brace Center aims to provide resources to enhance and strengthen Phillips Academy as a coeducational and multicultural institution by examining complex issues related to gender, including sexuality, race, and ethnicity, in a context that is multi-

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photograph children—some living in orphanages. Also displayed in the exhibit, these large-format photos shot with traditional film—some in color, some in black and white—show close-ups of captivating young faces looking directly but somberly at the viewer. In addition to Brace Center support, Salvo received a grant from the Abbot Academy Association for this project.

Her father helped her hang the show. When everything was in place, Salvo says she felt her eyes filling with tears. “I got emotional because I wanted so much to have these children see the show,” she says. “When I saw the portraits the children had done, I couldn’t believe the significance and value of each trip and the connections I made with these kids, and they with me.”

cultural and global, as well as multidisciplinary. Similarly, the Gelb Gallery—opened in 1996 as part of the renovated Elson Art Center—has a specific mission. Each year the gallery space, administered by the art department, is the site for several exhibitions of both student and professional work.

The exhibition Foreign Findings began as an idea followed by a question. Wouldn’t it be great if, in addition to making oral presentations, Brace Center special fellows Simone Salvo and James Rockas could exhibit their work? A great idea, but where could this happen?

The right idea at the right time, a show quickly took shape after a casual conversation between the two of us. We were colleagues on the 1995–1996 Steering Committee, a group charged with providing direction for the Andover educational program at the start of the 21st century. Coincidentally, the month when Brace Center presentations were scheduled for Simone and James was also the only month of the year that the art department still had time available for exhibiting in the Gelb Gallery. Little did we know working together to prepare for the show would prove a major learning experience for the two of us. This project gave us a chance to practice one of the fundamental recommendations of the Steering Committee: “introduce students to multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary learning.”

Shirley Veenema, the chair of the art department, and Tony Rolando, a member of the history faculty and codirector of the Brace Center for Gender Studies, have, combined, more than 50 years of service as Phillips Academy faculty.
The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has awarded an unprecedented $2 million grant to Phillips Academy’s Institute for Recruitment of Teachers (IRT), an innovative, highly successful program that recruits talented undergraduates of color and prepares them for teaching careers. Since 1990 the IRT has identified and guided more than 1,100 young adults toward master’s and doctoral degrees—and ultimately to careers in K–12 and college teaching.

“This grant from Mellon is very significant, especially because it underwrites endowment and helps ensure the longevity of the program,” says Kelly Wise, the program’s founder and executive director.

“It also underscores the national need for teacher recruitment and retention,” he adds. “The IRT recruits students with bright minds and glowing hearts who want to recharge classrooms with inspired teaching and dynamic curricula. It is the quality of these students that distinguishes the IRT.”

This substantial grant reflects the Mellon Foundation’s confidence in the program’s highly successful effort to bring the percentage of people of color teaching in the nation’s classrooms more in line with their growing representation in the population. People of color comprise nearly 40 percent of the nation’s population, but only 16 percent of teachers.

“The IRT’s effort in helping prepare students for graduate programs, teaching, and research has been one of the foremost concerted efforts under way,” says Dr. Lydia English, program officer at the Mellon Foundation. “This is critically important because for the last 40 years, various entities have been trying to bring a significant amount of diversity into higher education through the student body, the faculty, and the administration. After many years of exclusion, a committed, dedicated effort of almost 20 years has begun to bear fruit, although progress has not caught up with the need.”

Educators around the country now recognize that the recruitment and retention of teachers of color is a pressing issue in schools and universities that will persist throughout the century. In creating the institute, Wise’s intention was twofold: “First, to enhance educational diversity by deepening the pool of talented students of color who enter the teaching profession. And second, to create a cadre of highly trained...
new educators to take on challenging social and pedagogical issues in their classrooms."

Those principles still guide the IRT today. In data, more than 100 of its students have earned doctorates, and more than 70% have received at least one working toward master's degrees. In what is perhaps the most telling statistical reflection of the program's success, a survey of the IRT Class of 2002 conducted five years later found that 93 percent of respondents were still employed in education fields.

"We are proud of the remarkable accomplishments of the IRT and of several educational outreach programs based on the Andover campus," says Head of School Barbara Lynch Chase, "The fundamental purpose of the program—fostering excellence and inclusion—fits perfectly with our overall institutional mission."

Each year, IRT recruiters seek 100 bright students from diverse backgrounds who are committed to bringing new ideas and practices to education. Once identified, these college seniors and recent graduates are divided into two groups. IRT mentors and counselors work closely with those in the Associate Program as they apply to graduate schools. During the fall, and make selections for the following year.

The smaller group of 30 spends four weeks on the Phillips Academy campus in an all-expenses-paid Summer Workshop. They prepare for the Graduate Record Examinations (GREs), draft application essays, and interview with representatives from an impressive consortium of 48 graduate schools committed to the IRT program.

"During the Summer Workshop, our students begin to imagine themselves in the change agents they desire to become," says Dr. Chris Kool, director of the IRT. "Through their study of critical and cultural theory and classroom discussion, they begin to map out new teaching practices and theoretical educational change. It is a transforming experience."

Graduate schools belonging to the consortium include a wide range of public and private institutions, such as the University of Michigan, Princeton, the University of Connecticut, Stanford, the University of Virginia, Columbia, Brown, Yale, UC Berkeley, and Purdue. Dr. James Henkel, associate dean of the University of Connecticut Graduate School and its vice provost for research and graduate education, says, "The IRT is the single-most important entity for producing doctoral students from underrepresented groups in the humanities, fine arts, and education. When these students come with the IRT label, they are extraordinarily desirable to doctoral programs and we compete vigorously for them." Nearly all IRT students have gone on to graduate schools, most with generous offers of tuition and fellowship support for up to six years.

The IRT's origins and home at Phillips Academy are logical extensions of the school's longtime commitment to core values fostering excellence and diversity, as articulated in its founding charter to educate youth from every quarter, and taking seriously its goal of being a private school with a public purpose. Andover has long been identified with pursuing diversity and equity as moral imperatives. In fact, start-up funds for the IRT came from committed alumni who strongly believed this effort should be part of the Academy's social mission.

Wise created the IRT because, as dean of faculty at the time, he knew well the difficulty of hiring talented candidates of color for the teaching profession. He recognized that this problem was national in scope. Today, 60 percent of IRT graduates teach at the university level, and 40 percent teach in primary and secondary public education.
Saying good-bye is never easy. This June, Phillips Academy bids a bittersweet farewell to six longtime faculty members. The Bulletin is pleased to honor these dedicated stewards of Andover's mission with warm tributes written by their colleagues.

**Don Abbott**

A Legacy of Idealism and Compassion

by Sally Holm

Walls lined with landscapes of horizons distant and promising, a boyish curiosity, an abundance of treasured friendships: these are the telltale signs of a life's journey sanguinely traveled by a man with many miles yet to go. For him, it has never been about the destination, but the service along the way.

For 16 years Don Abbott has helped raise the financial viability and overall visibility of Phillips Academy—especially of those programs considered to be “outreach,” the ones that further the public mission of this private academy. But now, the road beckons. Don calls it retirement, though. Borrowing from Bob Dylan, Don says his mission is "to keep busy being born."

Don's journey began at Millbrook School in New York State, where his father was a longtime faculty member; his family lived and breathed that small private institution. A Millbrook education led Don to Yale and the Episcopal Theological School, an encounter with Outward Bound that sparked a lifelong passion, and work with alternative urban education programs in the public and private sectors. He crossed paths with two icons who would become great mentors and friends—Rev. William Sloane Coffin '42, of Yale, and Josh Miner, of Phillips Academy and Outward Bound. By the age of 33, Don says, "I was hooked on education."

Millbrook's leaders saw in Don's addiction a reimagined future for the floundering institution. Scared, deeply challenged, yet unabashedly thrilled, he returned to the campus of his childhood in 1976 as headmaster and, over the course of 14 years, "righted the ship" with strategic plans, development, and fund raising, Don says he learned it all on the fly. The young leader worked with faculty to define a list of core values that was ahead of its time in the late 1970s and would have undeniable resonance at Andover—community service, global interdependence, academic excellence, and environmental action. Don took Millbrook coed. He worked to upgrade curriculum, arts offerings, and facilities.

Millbrook began to thrive, and Don began to look down the road, "recalibrating [his] definition of being useful."

In gratitude for his service, Millbrook gave Don and wife Betsy a
The couple traveled to the former Soviet Union with Volunteers for Peace and Service Civil International. That experience reignited Don’s passion for service-learning. He reconnected with Outward Bound.

At the end of 1991, he answered an ad seeking a capital development officer at Phillips Academy. The school’s core values spoke to him. Armed with his passion for education and service, and skills learned on the job at Millbrook, Don headed to Andover.

He has worn many hats in the development office: raising money for essential core commitments such as teaching scholarships, and more recently, the Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology. But no cause fits so well as that of outreach. He poured his teacher's passion into promoting and raising support for programs he has now long cherished—the Institute for Recruitment of Teachers (MSI), Andover Bread Loaf, and PALS. He also was part of the team that established the Blake Center for Gender Studies.

Don speaks sonorously and with enormous respect for what these programs say about Phillips Academy. "Andover is not just an excellent secondary school," he says, but a school whose constitution, board, faculty, and administration have always pushed these profound questions: How can we provide the greatest good for the greatest number of people? What will you do with the knowledge you gain to make the most difference in the lives of others? His foremost task, he says, was "to focus the school and donors on what's intellectually and financially necessary for Andover to thrive and lead."

Secretary of the Academy Peter Ramsey says Don will be difficult to replace. "We'll miss his reaching out, his commitment to and his passion for these special programs. He's not only given health and credibility to them, he has inspired the strongest connection to the school for hundreds of alumni."

Trustee Emerita Barbara Corwin Timken ’66, who worked closely with Don in support of the Peabody, describes him as an unusual fundraiser. "He values people for who they are and what is important to them, not just for what they can give. He is wonderful with people—connecting them, staying in touch, in his gentle and genuine way."

As he turns to the next phase of his journey, Don looks forward to working for peace and justice, writing more poetry, composing, singing, and publishing his original canticles, indulging his long-standing interest in birding, and combining these many pursuits with teaching nonviolent social change in some way. One constant, his fellow traveler and wife of 42 years will be close beside him. "Betsy's the most extraordinary gift I've ever received," he says, his voice softening. "There is something incandescent in the light between us. I am warmed by it every moment of my life."

Don Abbott does not focus on what lies ahead. It's his and Betsy's journey that matters—as long as it continues to circle back to Andover, his family's "soul place" on Monhegan Island in Maine, and the shelters of their two children and four grandchildren. As long as he "keeps busy being born" all along the way.
To watch her in her office, leaning back in her soft leather chair, chatting with students about their classes and their families, you would think she had all the time in the world. Never mind the stack of letters to be signed, the reports to be written, or the pile of English papers on her desk waiting to be graded. They will likely have to wait a little longer, until after she’s answered a few questions for the Phillipsian reporters camped outside her office, cheered up the terribly homesick student 3,000 miles from home, and then visited with the five junior girls in her dorm before sending them off to bed.

The piles will likely wait because what Marlys Edwards has always understood about her job as dean of students is this: the students are more important than the paperwork.

During her 18 years at Phillips Academy as an English teacher, advisor, coach, house counselor, cluster dean, and finally dean of students, Marlys has always endeavored to put students first. Despite days packed with meetings, with nary a moment to grab lunch, she keeps her door open for any student wishing to see her.

Those who have taken advantage of this open invitation, for reasons too numerous to describe, are the ones who know her best. They don’t buy into the notion that the dean of students is simply the school’s disciplinarian. The students who have slept on the couch in her office, lived in her dorm, and been in her classes describe her frequently as a rock, a role model, and a second mother.

“Her dried my tears and gave me hope that even in my darkest personal hours my tears were just drops in the puddles and lakes of life, and that it was OK, even, to laugh as I splashed and swam in them,” says Emily Pollokoff ’06.

“She was the one who taught me how to use a dishwasher,” says Jasmin Baek ’06, “and she helped me bake a cake for the first time. No matter how tired she
was she was there whenever anyone in the dorm needed someone to talk to.

When she came to PA, Marlys and her son, Lucas '93 (now a doctor at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston), moved into Will Hall, a large box dorm. She has lived in a dorm ever since, and feels strongly that dorms should look and feel like homes — so much so that she has dedicated hundreds of hours to overseeing dorm renovations on campus, even going so far as to pick out the paint color for the walls. With her eye for detail and passion for design, she has turned many cold, drab spaces on campus into cozy retreats.

Marlys's own residence — Samaritan House — has been a home away from home to generations of girls over the last eight years, and she tends to it with as much love and care as she does everything else. There are flowers in the kitchen from her garden, tomato plants on the patio in the summer, and a hammock near the small pond she built in the backyard.

Marlys's role as caretaker extends well beyond the students to include the people in her office and many colleagues turned friends. Her home is frequently filled with assorted guests, invited over for casual dinners, large celebrations, or welcome back barbecues.

In her role as dean of students, Marlys also has developed close relationships with the parents of PA students. She is the person many rely on to guide their children through the myriad trials and tribulations of life away from home. At the opening of school each year, her speech to parents of new students has helped many once-nervous mothers and fathers confidently leave their children in her care.

"Her advice was simple and short, but the combination of her delivery, how she separately addressed parents and students, her tone, which perfectly captured and mirrored the fear and anxiety and hopes and excitement that we were feeling, her humor, which allowed us to laugh (and, thereby, relax and breathe again), and her empathy and caring, which came through in all of the above ways, made me feel more secure in my decision to leave my child," says Michele Lee, mother of Katharine '07, Steven '09, and Peter '11.

After nearly two decades of taking care of other people, Marlys is looking forward to a new chapter in her life. She will stay in the Boston area to be near her son; daughter Sarah, head of the middle school at Brunswick School in Connecticut; her three grandchildren; and the numerous friends she has made in Andover. And for the first time in a long time she'll be putting herself first.
As John Gould retires from the English department and his work in Bulfinch Hall, there is a sense that William Faulkner has left the building. Students in his English 300 classes and many more lucky enough to witness a guest appearance will remember a day John came to class in a suit, his pants anchored by red suspenders, and became the writer from Rowan Oaks, reading from his texts in a drawn Northern Mississippi voice, then answering student questions directed as if to Faulkner himself: "On page 273, why did you have Dilsey say...?"

Good teachers have a measure of the performer in them; the great ones know their real work is in bringing out student voices. John understood the balance a teacher must strike. A more typical image of John at work would be in a classroom circle, listening carefully to a student discussion prompted by a question, now running its own course, or hunched over a paper with a student in conference period, working together to make an argument clearer, the phrasing more graceful. In either case he would likely appear beatific, as if he were listening to a good orchestra rehearse.

In the fall of 1982, newlyweds John and Jane Gould arrived from Milton, where they had both taught, to begin "26 years of happiness at Andover." In the years between his graduation from Williams College in 1966 and his time at Milton, John earned a master's degree at Indiana University; published a novel and two cookbooks; made two cross-country trips of self-discovery, one by rally wagon, the other by bicycle; taught at three secondary schools; and experienced some deep unhappiness that broke in an epiphany one rainy day on a Wyoming mountaintop. Drenched and cold, exhausted and despairing, huddled beneath a poncho next to his bicycle, he felt his personal gloom lift as he realized he had passed through the lowest point in his life. "Suddenly I knew I was going to be all right." The rain ceased, he began pedaling west, and as he looked back over his shoulder, he saw a wheat field illuminated by the sun, a golden blaze against a sky of slate. Of this moment he later said, "I had fallen hard but landed on my feet."
The range of his life, the breadth of his emotional experience and his piercing intelligence and boundless curiosity combine to make John the man he is.

At Andover he held big jobs (cluster dean of West Quad South, Rockwell House counselor) and small (coaching way down the JV ladder in the soccer program and judging the high jump at track meets). Meanwhile, Jane attended seminary and became an Episcopal priest, and together they raised their sons Gardy ’03 and Sam ’07. In his Andover years John published two more books—The Grammar of Abstemious Barnstable, a grammar text, and The Withering Child, the personal account of how their family dealt with the near-total eating disorder of a 5-year-old son. As the years pass, we all change and grow, but to an extraordinary degree John’s work as a teacher and his presence as a colleague have been supercharged by the tension between his experience and his intellectual curiosity.

There’s whimsy, too, in this man English teachers may naturally sense the influence of hymns in Emily Dickinson’s poetry, but John acted. Early in his Andover career he began singing her poems to his classes, then started the Dickensingers, a small chorus recruited in Bulfinch, staffed each year with faculty voices, that performed occasional formal gigs and some guerilla appearances. At some point his scholarly interest in Thomas Hardy led to the creation of a Web site where enthusiasts from around the world found text, photographs, and student essays. Later, a fresh interest in Anthony Powell’s 12-novel masterpiece Dance to the Music of Time led to a senior elective, The Longest Novel Ever Written, in which students could read four of the novels per trimester, post their writings on a special Web site, and exchange scholarly thoughts with Powell enthusiasts throughout the English-speaking world.

The intensity of this particular interest has resulted in some brilliant teaching and scholarship. John has published work on Powell and shared his research and thinking at annual conferences.

And so it is more than an image of Faulkner that John takes with him as he leaves Bulfinch this June; we will feel the loss deeply. Although John, too, will surely miss his students and friends, we know he will never be at a loss for things to do. He will have more time to write (he has recently completed a novel), to read and discover new interests, to become bi-coastal and spend time with Gardy and Sam, now Californians, and to support Jane in her career as a priest.

Known for saving the bowed cherry tree near Samuel Phillips Hall (above), John Gould also planted a tree behind Bulfinch Hall. That tree (picted behind him on page 11) is of the same variety said to have been used to hold the mythical Trojan horse—a tidbit John shares with students when studying Homer’s Odyssey. At left, John teaches a class in the 1980s.
Even a very long and close friendship with Lynne Kelly renders her eccentricities only marginally predictable. On a recent trip to Boston, for example, she confidently crossed Main (the way south), heading east onto Wheeler.

"Yikes, Lynne! What are you doing?"
"Going out to Elm Street."
"But why? That's north!"
"I always go out Elm Street."
"That's because you used to live on Elm Street."

She tilted her head thoughtfully, but "Oh" was all she said.

Lynne is, in Virginia Woolf's words, "beautifully adapted for life in another planet." Fortunately, in default of another planet, we have Bulfinch. Once there Lynne is a MapQuest, a GPS (with the added delight that the best route is always scenic and unhurried), and a northeast course to the southwest genius. The ground she covers in a day, a week, or a year is staggering. She reads everything in sight, sees every good film (having read all the reviews), and has been trying for 30 years to write less on her students' papers than the students themselves. She apparently holds a school record for the number of new teachers mentored. Who knows how many students she has mentored, how many have asked her to be their probation counselor, and how many have kept in touch with her? She has served on the Curriculum Committee, the Steering Committee, and AdCom; she founded and runs the Writing Center. A department chair at her previous school, she vowed never again—happy, she said, to be "a foot soldier." But when needed, because of her department chair's illness, she did not hesitate—though she had just had an operation on her foot and was dragging a contraption that would dwarf a ski boot. She is the honorary aunt to most of her friends'
children and, in some cases, to their animals. She sits up for hours with a friend in distress. When she can’t sleep herself, she reads—or gets up and cooks, the next day finding someone to feed.

Lynne says she wants each student to feel he or she is seen in every class. It’s a wonderful goal, but what she achieves is so much more—as students, parents, and colleagues attest.

“My parents always tell me it takes a village to raise a person. Thanks, Ms. Kelly, for being part of the village that raised me.”

“This winter [our son] took an English class from you that he counts as one of the best classes he’s had at Andover. But our real gratitude goes back to freshman year when [he] was struggling to find his place. You let him know he could not just make it, but could excel at Andover.”

“It has been such a pleasure working with you at the Writing Center this year. I have learned so much from the experience and appreciate all of the energy, warmth, and wisdom that you bring to reading and writing—a sort of contagious passion that influences not only the students who come to the Writing Center, but also the peer tutors who are lucky enough to be a part of your welcoming circle.”

A recent note from a colleague begins and ends, “Please don’t retire!” It is one of the few requests from a colleague or student that Lynne has not granted.

A comment by English department head Jon Stableford ’63 at the McKeen Award ceremony says it all. “Lynne loves her students, and they love her back.”

Lynne once referred to Vinnie Pasucci, longtime classics teacher here and, previously, her Spanish teacher, as “a natural-born root”—words that apply equally to her. Laughter from her classes reverberates off the walls. She introduces *The Canterbury Tales* by assigning each student to tell a joke—but first props up her drawing of “Granny,” complete with a double strand of pearls. The jokes, she warns, may be bawdy, but should not knock Granny off her chair. This year, when her hairdresser fell behind in a process, Lynne returned to school in a turban.

Lynne’s route to a teaching career was characteristically reversed. She married and had children first, then graduated from Yale at age 35. Her academic honors there—summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa—she modestly attributes to going to college at the right time for her.

“What a great excuse for some of the rest of us!” In another reversal, by coming to Andover in 1986 she was following her sons, John and Tom Bachmann (’80 and ’84). Lynne is a member of the Cum Laude Society, has spoken at Convocation, and holds the Abbot Teaching Foundation. But the honor that made her happiest was this year’s McKeen Award—because she shared it with three of her friends. (See page 8.)

In addition to her sons, Lynne has two stepdaughters, Rebecca Kelly and Sarah Kelly Woods; four grandchildren; and a sister, Judy Rochelle. While the family is small, the composite “friends and relations” would impress Rabbit of *Winnie-the-Pooh.* When she is not visiting any of them, Lynne will be in Portsmouth, N.H. The English department is despondent—and I haven’t broken the news to my animals.
When 17-year-old Emilio Mozo traded the “warm mists, seagulls, and broad banana leaves” of his native Camaguey for cosmopolitan Montreal—traveling without family and without money—he entered a world where self-reliance and independence not only define success, but, in his case, personal survival. In this sense, pressing financial challenges and the steadfast pursuit of educational opportunities initially marked Emilio’s journey, like those of so many immigrants before him.

More than 40 years now separate the accomplished Andover teacher from that defining moment—his exile from Cuba—and several academic degrees, awards, and publications attest to a job well done. And yet, it would be a mistake to qualify that passage from the land of dance and sun to a world “full of strangers, rimed and dark, land-locked...with salted sidewalks not made for walking” as a faded, insignificant memory. Emilio’s professional life as a teacher cannot be disassociated from his personal, often lyrical response to a life “between borders.”

Cuba and North America are inextricably, yet tensely linked in his representation of reality, a reality that gains clarity and vibrancy in the cadences of the poet. In his verse, Emilio seeks the temporary suspension of analysis and reason (the tools of the teacher) in favor of metaphor and emotion (the tools of the poet); he transports himself to an intimate, reflective space, capable of generating cohesion and meaning out of an experience of loss and change. It is in this space that Emilio considers the perplexities, nuances, and contradictions of the world around him, and translates them into vivid, powerful images.

In Emilio’s earliest poems, as in his first years as an Andover teacher, one can detect a conflicted approach to the
construction of the self, a search for an alternate cultural paradigm where both realities—the Hispanic and the Anglo-Saxon—can coexist and inform each other. There is a clear nostalgia for "the mother country that stays / on the other side of the sea," and an eagerness to transcend the more mechanical routines of his everyday American school life. In one of his most frequently anthologized poems, "North," he evokes the relentless pace to which he must adapt: "Pages of agenda / tasks to fulfill / places to eat / to arrive late / threats / to be indiscernible / demand and supply."

In this world, focused on efficiency and productivity, and on the mastery of skills and concepts, it is the act of writing that enables Emilio to reconcile what he does with who he is. The public performance of the teacher, always open to scrutiny and assessment, is complemented by the private conversations with self, by the moments of conscious stillness and reflection in the confines of the poet’s study.

This clear demarcation between the life of the teacher and the life of the poet, particularly apparent in Emilio’s early career, however, slowly gives way to a deeper understanding of the complementary nature of these two endeavors. Reflecting back on many years of teaching, in his last evaluation, Emilio acknowledges his own transformation: "Teaching gives me ‘my daily bread’ by providing me with a spiritual sustenance and a sense of purpose that I carry with me both in and out of the classroom. Perhaps one of the greatest moments in my recent past came when I realized that I had not only dedicated my life to teaching but to learning. This allowed me to stop making the stark distinction between who I was as a person and what I did for a living."

During his 24 years at the Academy, Emilio not only taught every course in the Spanish curriculum and developed new materials for upper-level courses—often with the support of Kenan Grants—but also chaired the department and published four books of poetry, a short novel, a collection of stories, and a volume of children’s stories.

Looking back, it is clear that the multiple tasks of the boarding school master, those mutually portrayed as purging or onerous by foreign-born Emilio, were later perceived as an opportunity for growth: "Being involved in activities other than teaching has allowed me to meet a greater number of students and teachers, individuals with whom I would not have had the opportunity to interact otherwise. I feel such endeavors help by the foundation for a stronger sense of community and instill an essential code of ethics and values in all of us."

To this community, where he felt more instantly at home—"I used to feel alone / but not so much now"—he has brought his Cuban sensibility and a joyful celebration of music, good food, and camaraderie. Emilio’s lively departmental parties in Tilton House in so many ways replicate/exude his rich family life. Seldom does one see such closeness and affection between father and daughters, father and son. Lisa, Corrinn, and Pablo ’89 are Emilio’s close friends, sharing their favorite CDs, books, and jokes with their dad as easily as they offer him fashion advice. At the core of this dynamic, close-knit family, one senses wife Mary’s warmth, equanimity, and quiet strength, a soothing demeanor that balances Emilio’s tenacity and decisive nature.

The Cuban “metaphor man,” as he has often called himself, is headed on another journey, first to his home in Middlebury, Vt., and then to Toronto. His life between borders is now fully embraced.

Spanish department colleague John Maier said this of Emilio Mozo: "It is a testament to his commitment to his art that he has remained productive in the face of a heavy teaching schedule."
When I think of the PA music scene before William, I have an image of a kind of dim grayness. When William arrived, it suddenly became bright sunlight with trumpets.” So writes a student who was among the first to feel the effects of the extraordinary impact of William Thomas. In the mid-1970s, the orchestra was populated only by a handful of students—several from the same family—and a few adults brought in to play instruments no student could manage. William had vision, passion, and unimaginable powers of persuasion. With the kind of resources available at Andover and support from an administration that recognized a jewel when it saw one, William knew he could do almost anything, even put on a full-length performance of The Marriage of Figaro with an all-student cast and orchestra.

Under William’s direction the music department was transformed. The summer music program, the chamber music program, and tours with the Cantata Choir and Academy Chamber Orchestra were perhaps the first remarkable results of William’s energies. Many more were to follow, including the Gospel Choir and a program dedicated to teaching string instruments to children from nearby Lawrence, Mass.

In the late 1970s it was rare for an independent school to prepare 50–60 of its best musicians in a program of classical music and then take that show on the road to Scotland or Quebec. It was
took immense interest in the lives of every student from the moment they were admitted, particularly those who might be having a hard time adjusting to New England boarding school life.

One woman, once a shy young girl from Harlem who arrived at PA in the late 1970s, recalls her initial discomfort in the unfamiliar setting, but there "I met Mr. T, a man who not only shared my complexion, but who was comfortable in the Andover environment. He was soulful and real and funny, and he was exactly what I needed. Without saying a word, he let me know that I belonged here, too, and it was OK to just be me. Musically, he taught me a lot; spiritually, he taught me more."

Tales of William's kindness could fill a book. An alumna recalls how he sat through the night with her when she fell ill in Rome. Several others recall firm reprimands they never forgot, because they held William in such esteem.

William was strict, but never far away was an inexhaustible supply of good fun. "Chill, you're in a world of darkness," students remember, was one of his favorite expressions—a criticism that was funny, defused the tension, and often inspired the singer or player to try a lot harder. He would frequently threaten to sit on a student, which provoked a lot of laughter. All his students will remember the food metaphors, tastes and sounds compared so vividly that everybody understood them instantly. The senior dinners he prepared so lovingly at his house overflowed with warmth and laughter.

In recent years William has given extraordinary service beyond this campus, conducting the Cambridge Community Choirs with such devotion that he was awarded the inaugural key to the city. In Boston he led Project STEP, which arranges high-quality string instrument instruction for young students of color. For that he was awarded the Anna Bobbit Gardner/Coretta Scott King Lifetime Achievement Award. At Andover he leaves behind a department that will forevermore be indebted to his energies and inspiration. Let no one forget when they hear the Gospel Choir on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Messiah at the end of the fall term, or Haydn's Farewell Symphony at the final orchestral concert of the year that it was William who began these wonderful traditions.

We wish him a joyful retirement in his home state of Kentucky.
Thanks to a team of Andover Fund challengers, all increased gifts over the prior fiscal year made between January 1 and May 31 will be matched dollar-for-dollar. For first-time donors, those who have lapsed, and those who may make second gifts prior to May 31, there has not been a better time to maximize giving to the Academy.

Board of Trustees President Oscar L. Tang ’56 is delighted to lead the challenge again this year. In a letter mailed to alumni in February, Tang reiterated his commitment to support the Academy’s mission to provide access to every qualified student without regard to the family’s financial circumstances. As a financial aid student himself and a refugee from China, he speaks with passion about the importance of need-blind admission and its impact on the quality of the student body. “Your participation and generosity will allow us to open the opportunity of this exceptional education to more deserving youth of talent than ever before,” Tang wrote.

The Andover Fund is a collective effort by all alumni and parents to work together and support the Academy with gifts that range from $10 to $100,000...or more. These gifts support the community of excellence that brings together faculty and students who live, study, work, and play on this exceptional campus. It is these gifts that help make the Andover experience unique and allow the Academy to progress in its pursuit of a community that produces young people who will make a positive difference in the world.

In the first year of the $1 million challenge, 10 donors joined with all those who responded to raise $2.2 million for the Andover Fund. Last year, more than $2.7 million was donated, pushing the Andover Fund to a record $8.6 million. This year, there is a total of 13 challengers and, as of this writing, 1,156 responders for a total of $659,123.
TWO FACULTY MEMBERS REWARDED FOR THEIR EFFORTS

BY VICTORIA HARNISH

Jerry Hagler, science, and Dan Schneider, mathematics, were awarded three-year instructorships during a faculty and trustees' dinner that was part of the Board of Trustees' winter weekend on campus.

JERRY HAGLER
A faculty member since 2000, Jerry Hagler was presented the Schmertler Teaching Instructorship, which was established six years ago by Kurt S. Schmertler and Alumni Trustee Michael Schneider '72. Kristen Johnson previously held the instructorship.

"I know the Schmertlers are very interested in the role science plays in the education of our youth and how the exploration of new discoveries and methods can be utilized to spark curiosity and enthusiasm for the sciences," Hagler says. "I plan to use this instructorship with these principles in mind."

Hagler arrived at Andover highly recommended after earning a PhD degree at the Cornell Graduate School of Medical Sciences and following a postdoctoral fellowship in Harvard’s molecular and cellular biology program. "He joined us as a visiting scholar in molecular biology to run our research program and to teach advanced biology," says Dean of Studies John Rogers. "Eight years later, here’s Jerry, having taught in every level of biology from 100 to 610, and having transformed his expanded post into a true career—one that we have every hope will last a lifetime."

Molecular biology, Hagler insists, isn’t limited in the context of two courses (biology 107 and biology 617) as well as through independent projects. "I try to guide the students through the construction and execution of their projects, order supplies, and troubleshoot problems," Hagler explains. "The students present the results of their work in a mid-semester public poster session and in a final written report."

Resisting the temptation in the research lab, one student wrote, "This was my favorite class! People asked me why I would want to take an eight-hour science course, but I honestly, sometimes I wish it were longer.

Always looking for ways to integrate science into other areas of the curriculum, Hagler collaborates regularly with colleagues in the history department, the Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, and the psychology department. "There are many areas where science in general—and biology, in particular—can inform, and be informed by, other fields of study. I would be remiss in my duties as a scientist and an educator if I did not at least explore these connections," Hagler says.

DAN SCHNEIDER
"A gentleman, a scholar, a coach, and a good friend to many in this community," That's how Dean of Faculty Temba Magubela described Dan Schneider when presenting him with the Harris Family Instructorship in Math. Established in memory of Robert E. Marnard, faculty member in mathematics, by R. Neson Harris ’32 and King W.W. Harris ’61, the instructorship previously was held by Paul Murphy.

First arriving on the Andover campus as a teaching fellow in 1995, Schneider quickly became accustomed to the community. He was hired as a member of the faculty following his fellowship and stayed at Andover for two more years. He left in 2001 to complete a master’s degree in math education at Teachers College at Columbia University and worked for a couple of years at the Dalton School in Manhattan.

"I had absolutely loved my time at Andover. The students and faculty were phenomenal to work with, and I enjoyed living in this kind of atmosphere and community," Schneider says. "When I learned Andover was hiring for their math department again, I eagerly applied." Upon his return to PA in 2004, he took on responsibilities of teaching, house counseling, and coaching—serving as an assistant coach to boys’ varsity basketball and boys’ cross-country.

"At the Dalton School, I actually found myself trying to replicate the Boarding environment: offering to coach when most teachers didn’t, and being an advisor to a homeroom in an attempt to mimic dorm life," says Schneider.

In addition to his school-year commitments, Schneider is
one of the teachers who pioneered mathematics instruction for the ACE Scholars Program. Pilot ed in the summer of 2007, ACE (Accelerate, Challenge, Enrich) provides rising lowers who entered Andover with an uneven background in mathematics and science the opportunity to gain competence in those subjects so they may continue on a more advanced track the following autumn. The program is among the first of its kind in the nation and is garnering interest from schools throughout the United States.

“I am always amazed by the talent on our faculty, and it is humbling to be recognized in this way,” says Schneider.

Instructorship 101

Recognizing a faculty member’s special commitment to Andover students, an instructorship provides a small stipend and a large tribute. These honors are awarded to teachers in mid-career and are held for a period of three to five years. “Instructorships help us recruit and retain the most exceptional faculty,” says Dean of Faculty Temba Maqubela.

The minimum gift to establish an endowed instructorship is $1.5 million. Annually, the recipient contacts the benefactor with updates about the classroom and life on the Hill. Those donors also are invited to attend the trustee and faculty dinner at which their instructorship is awarded to a new recipient.

Currently the Academy has 16 endowed instructorships. “Ten more would have a significant impact on our ability to attract and keep the very best teachers,” says Maqubela.

For further information about establishing an endowed instructorship, please contact Director of Development Luanne Kirwin at lkirwin@andover.edu or 978-749-4270.
Connection

HIV/AIDS Researcher Charles van der Horst '70 Provides Care and Treatment Where It Hurts Most

The first in a series of articles on AIDS in the Spring 1991 Anubias Bulletin featured Dr. Charles van der Horst, director of the AIDS Clinical Trials Unit at University of North Carolina Hospitals, then—and now—one of the largest HIV/AIDS research units in the country. A savvy infectious disease researcher and compassionate healer, van der Horst was not one to simply throw drugs at his debilitated patients. Along with advocating comprehensive emotional and physical care for patients and their families, he lobbied locally and federally for anonymous testing, antidiscrimination legislation, and housing for people with AIDS.

Van der Horst reports today that the HIV/AIDS situation in his state has improved tremendously in the past 17 years, thanks to redirected federal funding, education, outreach, and new treatments. Most notably, a triple drug “cocktail” introduced in 1996 was found to suppress the HIV virus completely in most patients.

The Southeast is home to about 50 percent of the people newly diagnosed with AIDS in the United States. Of those infected in North Carolina, about 70 percent are African American and 28 percent are women. Almost all are desperately poor “We started seeing these miraculous recoveries,” recalls van der Horst, “I could finally stop going to so many funerals.”

During this period van der Horst and his colleagues expanded the UNC Infectious Diseases group from five to 30 members and opened five satellite HIV/AIDS clinics throughout the state to serve patients in remote areas, including those incarcerated in state prisons.

Yet by 2000 van der Horst was feeling anxious. Although pleased with UNC’s progress, he felt increasingly frustrated by the lack of federal support programs for the mentally ill and drug addicted—nearly 60 percent of UNC’s HIV/AIDS patients. At age 49 van der Horst began pondering his future, when along came an invitation to the International AIDS Conference in Durban, South Africa. He was enormously impressed by the conference—and horrified by the health-care situation in Malawi, a small African country of about 13 million people.

“I thought I had the skill-sets to help make a real difference in Malawi, to bring its health services to first-world status, to use it as a model for improvement and expansion,” he recalls. The internist began making several four-week trips to Johannesburg, South Africa, and Malawi each year. In
Johannesburg, he began teaching and mentoring younger physicians. In Malawi's capital city of Lilongwe, he rolled up his sleeves, got to know and understand the locals, and helped set up programs to prevent HIV transmission to babies.

Van der Horst's wife, Dr. Laura P. Svetkey, director of the Hypertension Center at Duke University, and his two daughters joined him on a trip to Africa in 2001; 13-year-old Sarah and 16-year-old Anna brought along the 20 boxes of donated school supplies they had collected. "I wanted them to understand the situation," says van der Horst, "to know what I was doing while I was away for so long."

His focus in Malawi eventually became the prevention of mother-to-child HIV transmission: of the more than 90,000 Malawian children (age 14 or younger) who are currently HIV-positive, approximately 90 percent acquired the virus from their mothers in utero or at birth.

In April 2002, under van der Horst's direction, UNC's Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission program began administering nevirapine, an affordable and tolerable antiretroviral drug, to HIV-positive Malawian mothers at the onset of labor and to their newborns within 48 hours of birth. There were numerous cultural, stigmatization, and trust issues to overcome. But by December 2006, the rate of mother-to-child infection was reduced from 27 percent to 15.5 percent at six weeks. The results have been well documented and were lauded by the National Institutes of Health in February 2007.

During a recent visit to Malawi, he bumped into his very first patients from six years ago, an HIV-positive mother and her twin daughters. "Seeing those healthy HIV-negative girls," he says, "was fantastic."

UNC's program now treats about 23,000 pregnant women each year in Lilongwe, 15 percent of whom are HIV-positive. "We've got a fabulous team working there," van der Horst notes, "and we're always trying to improve our approach and methods."

The traveling doctor tackled a new problem beginning in 2007: HIV transmission to babies via breast milk. "Transmission occurs in about one out of four babies breast-fed by an HIV-positive mother," he explains, "and virtually all African mothers breast-feed because liquid formula is too expensive and powdered formula must be mixed with water, most of which is contaminated." His new research project includes about 1,900 mother-infant pairs randomly assigned to various interventions.

"Our breast-feeding study is likely to create quite a media stir," predicts van der Horst. "I'm hoping it's going to change government policy and international treatment standards for the next 20 years."

—Jill Clerkin

This article is part of a series of profiles updating the stories of individuals featured previously in the Bulletin. Have a suggestion for a future profile? E-mail us at andoverbulletin@andover.edu. For more on UNC's work in Malawi, go to www.id.unc.edu/malawi or www.malawimedicalrelief.org.

**AndoverAgain (Again) This Summer**

Plan a virtual return to Andover Hill this summer for stimulating online courses with your fellow alumni and their families. AndoverAgain's director (and self-proclaimed poolah) Paul Kalkstein '61 says this year's courses will include a French village tour with Hale Sturges; a discussion of Kingsley Amis's comic novel *Lucky Jim* with Carole Braverman; a multi-level look at Shakespeare's *Merchant of Venice* with Tom Kane; two limited-enrollment writing courses; and one or two other offerings. Courses will begin mid-June. For more information, log on to www.andoveragain.com.

♦ "This gem of a program afforded me the opportunity to hook into a community and move my goals forward in a very positive atmosphere. I loved that I could work it at my convenience—and the feedback and sharing with the other participants was priceless."

♦ "If other alumni are anything like me, they are looking for ways to connect, and this program definitely provides that. Lifelong learning is so important, and what a great way for Andover to give that to its alumni and maintain that sense of exceptional community."

♦ "Taking the online courses put me right back in the classroom and reminded me why (and where) I learned to love learning so much."

Announcements about AndoverAgain are made via e-mail; be sure your e-mail address is accurate at BlueLink and that you are set to receive e-mail from PA. If you haven't tried AndoverAgain, please join us in June. If you're a veteran, welcome back.
"Non Sibi Day 2007 was a wonderful reminder of Phillips Academy’s clear commitment to foster an ethic of engaged citizenship in all members of our community..."
Elvis Is Titanic
Alfred A. Knopf
by Ian Klaus '97

Prior to beginning doctoral studies in history at Harvard, Ian Klaus spent a semester teaching U.S. history and English to Kurdish students at Sulahadin University in Arbil, Iraq. Elvis Is Titanic captures vignettes from that experience, but also provides a profile of life in Arbil and the struggles faced by the Kurds, including their desire for a future removed from oppression. Klaus, in his classroom and this book, draws parallels between American history and culture and the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead for Iraqis.

Our Classical Heritage: A Homing Device
Switchback Books
by Caroline Noble Whitbeck '97

As noted in this thin volume's introduction, too often new poets sacrifice truth in favor of novelty. Caroline Noble Whitbeck achieves both. With references to American culture and the poet's own childhood, Our Classical Heritage offers its readers "pleasurable and witty work" employing varied poetic form. Born and raised in New York City, Whitbeck currently resides in Philadelphia, where she is working toward a doctoral degree in comparative literature and literary theory at the University of Pennsylvania. She holds a BA degree in classics (Latin) from Harvard and an MFA degree from Brown.

New Negroes from Africa
Indiana University Press
by Rosanne Marion Adderley '85

Coreipient of the 2007 Wesley-Logan Prize, New Negroes from Africa details the 19th century settlement of West Indies communities by both English-speaking colonists and 15,000 African immigrants deposited in the British Caribbean after being rescued from illegally operating slave ships. An associate professor at Vanderbilt University specializing in African history during the era of slavery, author Rosanne Marion Adderley spotlights the families of these newly freed Africans, their work as laborers and indentured servants, and the traditions—religious and otherwise—they continued in their new home.

Overcoming Religious Illiteracy
Palgrave Macmillan
by Diane L. Moore, Faculty

While conversation regarding religious instruction grows deeper in other parts of the world, the United States continues to back away from teaching religion in its public schools. Author Diane L. Moore explains why she thinks the religious illiteracy that results is "dangerous and debilitating," but she also demonstrates how to explore religion in school via a practical cultural studies approach. Moore—a professor at the Harvard Divinity School, the director of its Program in Religion and Secondary Education, and an instructor of philosophy and religious studies at Andover—has produced a work deemed by her peers as "thoughtful" and "pioneering."

UltraLongevity
Little, Brown and Company
by Mark Liponis '76

Medical director of Canyon Ranch health resorts, author Mark Liponis links an overactive immune system with aging and diseases related to aging, such as cancer, diabetes, and heart disease. Liponis offers tips to pinpoint poor behaviors and habits, and suggests a seven-step program by which people can better manage their immune systems and thus live healthier, longer lives. This volume contains 50-plus Canyon Ranch recipes, part of a suggested eight-day meal plan. The coauthor of UltraPrevention, which won a 2003 Books for a Better Life Award, Liponis lives with his family in Lenox, Mass.

Finding the Way Home
Ilna House
by Locke Rush '51

Locke Rush's autobiography focuses on his various long-term spiritual quests. In pursuit of truth, Rush longingly travels the world devoting himself to Buddhism, Hinduism, psychotherapy, and other spiritual paths and gently shares his profound insights with the reader. Eventually he finds a holy sage/guru, through whom Rush is lovingly transformed. Having worked as a documentary filmmaker, Paris fashion model, and therapist, Rush now counsels people near where he grew up, in Kennett Square, Pa.

Only a Game
University of Nebraska Press
by Bill Littlefield '66

Bearing the same name as the author's popular National Public Radio broadcast, Only a Game offers a thought- and smile-provoking collection of Bill Littlefield's ruminations on the world of sports. Many of these short essays were originally presented via the airwaves, others in print, and still others have never been released publicly until now. All employ Littlefield's characteristic style—"sometimes funny, sometimes poignant"—and do an excellent job of cutting through hyperbole to find meaning in competition and the games people play. Littlefield, the author of many books, also teaches a humanities course at Curry College in Milton, Mass.

The Old Way
Picador
by Elizabeth Marshall Thomas '49

A prolific author of fiction and nonfiction, Elizabeth Marshall Thomas found inspiration for this volume in her early post-Abbot years. When 19, she moved with her family to Africa and lived among the bushmen of the Kalahari. She revisits these experiences—and in the process contemplates the origins of man and speculates that society's future can be learned by studying this hunter-gatherer society. As The Old Way notes, "What we think of as modern history is only a shiver of the history of mankind." Thomas lives with her husband in Peterboro, N.H.

Queens in the Kingdom
Avalon Travel Publishing
by Edward Shapiro '77 and Jeffrey Epstein

Subtitled The Ultimate Gay & Lesbian Guide to the Disney Theme Parks, this new and expanded edition of Queens in the Kingdom is just that: a detailed look at what the authors dub the "parks' pinker side." Coauthors Edward Shapiro and Jeffrey Epstein have long frequented and shared with friends the "subtle (and not-so-subtle) gay side" of the Disney theme parks. This book captures that information and includes a rating system that lets readers know what to expect: five stars is "Supercoolthingsitsecreatlucks." One star? "Cruella De Vil." Shapiro resides in New York City.
Above: Justin Kirchoff, far left, displays his panoramic photographs of Lawrence taken in 1997 while an Elson artist-in-residence.

Right: Elson artist-in-residence Roy DeCarava, second from left, speaks to students and museum visitors about his photography at the opening of Roy DeCarava: A Retrospective in 1997.

Below: Elaine Crivelli’s art class visits the exhibition The Serial Attitude in 1997.

Background: In a 1969 exhibition titled The Works, the Addison Gallery hung all of the best of its 5,000 works of American art that could fit on its walls.

PHILLIPS We received a nice letter from John Shafer in Logansport, Ind., recalling some memories we share from our days at Andover. He states, “Andover had prepared me well for college, and I have been forever grateful for that.”

Sadly, I must report the passing of three classmates. The death of Theron Marsh occurred July 30, 2007. This information was picked up from the Princeton Alumni Weekly. A family member reported the death of Philip D. Allen, which occurred on Aug. 18, 2002. We have no further information at this time. Also, it has come to our attention that Alton Hathaway of Dunedin, Fla., passed away on Aug. 6, 2006. We have no details, and learned of the death from mail returned to Andover. I regret having to make this report.

ABBOT Happy new year from the Abbot Class of 1930! I tried to call our other five classmates (which is always a shock to them) and only reached three: Elaine Burtt Johnson in Tampa, Fla., Evelyn Hamilton White in Salisbury, Md.; and Betsy Walworth Ross in Essex, Conn.
Miss your class?

If you would like to hear from your classmates, please visit the Alumni Office at the College. We can arrange for a class reunion at any time.

Miss your class?
Betty Flanders Cleveland also is able to live in her Wellesley, Mass., house with help, especially from her daughters. Her four children travel a lot, and all are a great source of help and satisfaction to Betty, who still has her usual cheerful way of looking at the important things in life.

Mary Rockwell Stewart, am still very happy and active at North Hill, a 350-resident luxury retirement community in Needham, Mass. There are so many varied activities provided for us that life is full. Most of us are limited in some way, but are still kicking hard! Bridge and duplicate bridge take up most of my time—it keeps the brain concentrated and active.

In answer to my query, Barbara Ritzman Devereaux sums it up so well: "You asked if I am happy, and the answer is yes! While my world has shrunk to some extent, I have, for the first time in my life, time to enjoy things around me. I have good friends with whom I go to lunch, the movies, and other events. I have nice neighbors and, above everything else, three wonderful children and seven grandchildren (ages 13-24) with whom I am in constant touch by phone or e-mail and who come to Florida often to visit me!"

Isn’t this just a great description of our “over-50” life? All the best to all the Class of AA 1934 Start preparing now for our 75th (!) on June 12-14, 2009.

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ABBOT Not a word from you gals! Honestly, I am too old to rush to the mailbox every day expecting to hear a few words. Zilch! Maybe next time I will follow up with a phone call. Consider yourselves warned.

I am still with the Friday afternoon symphonies, who seem to have become a sea of white heads. And I am still on a couple of boards, play bridge, and cook.

Thanksgiving was novel. My grandson Seth, who is in England for two years (thank goodness it is up next September), decided we should all celebrate the holiday in the mother country, and so with great trepidation I agreed. I must admit that I was a basket case for the first few days, but recovered sufficiently to enjoy all the perks of the holiday. After marrie old England, my daughter Iane and I went to Paris for a few days and absorbed culture at the Louvre, etc. All in all, a terrific change from my daily life.

Oh, a funny: I went for a shingles shot last week, and the doctor said, “By law, I have to ask you a few questions.” I said fine, and she said, “Do you have HIV?” I looked straight in the eye and said, “At age 90, I would be delighted to say yes.” She cracked up, and that was that.

Classmates, do not do this to me again. Please! Happy new year.

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PHILLIPS Editor’s note: We are saddened to report that Arthur Lachlan Reed died in November. Please see the In Memoriam section for his obituary.

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ABBOT The name of the game this year is reaching 90. I talked to Betty Drake King in Ormond Beach, Fla. She was recently feted by her family in a fabulous way. Family came from Oregon, Minnesota, Chicago, and Rutherford, N.J. She has two daughters, six grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren. She has trouble getting around after two major operations, but is content in her home, where she has lived since she and her husband moved during the time of the space shuttle development. She takes no more flying trips—too much hassle. My husband and I say, “Amen to that!”

Lois Holmes Stokes, who lives at Brookhaven in Lexington, Mass., makes artificial flower arrangements, having ceded the making of the large real flower bouquets to another who wanted the job. Lois flew to Texas last year to visit her son. Her two daughters live nearby in Marlborough and Chelmsford, Mass. This is the month of her 90th birthday, and she had two celebrations—one with family and one with other Brookhaven residents with January birthdays. A nice idea!

A Christmas note from Mary Trafford Simonds enclosed a picture of Elinor Robinson Goodwin being honored as “the tireless matron,” on her 90th birthday by fellow volunteers at the Stevens Memorial Hospital gift shop in Norwood, Maine. It was a surprise, and Elinor was amazed that they could organize it without her knowledge.

My husband, Steve, and I are here in Hopkinton, N.H., with about a foot of snow—the second such depth of snow since before Christmas. We stayed in all Monday, as we had planned, but did get plowed out by Tuesday morning. One of the sidelines of these big storms is that a deer family makes our grounds their home. This year we did not protect our shrubs as in the past, with the result that all the do's-and-don'ts about hemlock, myrtle, and evergreens made up their diet. Last night, by the signs left in our side yard, they spent the night there chewing the myrtle. Early in the season two appeared by our front door munching on plantings there. In that case, we rushed out and protected the rest.

Have a happy spring!

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ABBOT It is a joy to receive word that classmates are out there to receive the news. Some replies mention that travel is no longer desirable or possible. I enjoy vacations visiting other states, but traveling abroad, which I loved, is too tiring.

Grace “Phronics” Vibberts Conlin came across our class list from 1967 and wondered how much smaller it is 40 years later. There are 19 of us left. Phronics’s mother, Grace Chamberlin Vibberts, was a watercolorist, and Phronics is busy cataloguing her paintings. She will be having a Web site. I hope I’ll be announcing it in the September class notes.

Barbara Daniels Goodman’s first grandson, Daniel Stevens, was married last spring to a lovely girl. Bobby wears a pacemaker, but her doctor says she is doing well. She visited Courtney Wilson Benford at Daytona Beach, Fla. Courtney has a wonderful waterway view.

Jeanette Partridge Harrison and her husband are still well and involved in local activities—but forget about traveling these days. Her children and grandchildren enjoy visiting them, which makes family visits a lot easier.

Nancy Kincaid Breelin remains active with her New York City cultural and restoration projects.

I have a piece of good news to report. Sally Gage Curtis still lives in Farmington. Maine. I had erroneously reported in our winter class notes that she had died. But I recently received word from Sally’s daughter Sarah that Sally was amused to read about her death in the Bulletin and “begs to differ.” I’m sorry about any confusion this might have caused and am happy and relieved to get the good news about Sally!

As for me, Mary Perrott Whitehill, I am trying to keep the computer from taking over my life. It is a challenge to keep up with the new technology. I love working on my Web site, www.mewhitehill.com, but need to learn a lot more to be able to improve it. Fortunately, with Mr. St. Mary College located in Newburgh, there
Many of you are not aware that your class secretary, Cameron LaClair, is a graphic designer by trade and works at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear in Boston. Cameron is responsible for creating the layout and design of the Class Newsletter. She has been working on it since the fall of 2019 and is currently working on the December issue.

Cameron is a classmate of mine and we have been working on this project together. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank Cameron for all her hard work and dedication to creating a beautiful and informative newsletter that we can all enjoy.

Your class secretary is trying to contact you!

If you have any questions or if there is anything you would like to see included in future issues, please feel free to contact Cameron. She can be reached at clae@massmedical.org or by phone at 617-356-6666.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you at the reunion.

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ABBOT Mary “Myndie” Howard Nutting and husband Ed still live in Gloucester, Mass. Myndie uses a cane now. She has had serious health challenges in recent years, and Ed has assumed some cooking and household responsibilities. They no longer go on bird-watching trips, but they do take short local walks and sometimes see slaty-backed gulls. Myndie is working on a large jigsaw puzzle picturing starlings, hawks, and peregrine falcons; once a bird lover, always a bird lover! The Abbot Class of 40 doesn’t forget the many years of Myndie’s faithful service to our school. Myndie has served on 17 committees and boards—as an Alumni Trustee and Abbot Trustee, and on Alumni Council, the Sam Phillips & Sarah Abbot Society, the Abbot Academy Board of Directors, and the Abbot Academy Rededication Committee, to mention only a few—and served six years as class secretary. Myndie, we appreciate and honor you!

Sue Place Duncan is looking forward to spring weather, when she can play golf again. She enjoys fascinating day trips along the Hudson River with her Fanhellenic Sorority group and visiting old mansions where women played a part in the Civil War. The most recent trip was to Saratoga, N.Y., where a mansion had served as a nursing hospital run by women. Interesting memoirs written by these women are on display. The National Panhellenic goal is to train women to be leaders, beginning in college, stressing high standards of excellence and ethics, and supporting empowerment in women’s lives. Each year their members make large contributions of money and volunteer hours to their communities. Some have leadership positions in our nation. Thank you, Sue.

My husband, Jack, and I are grateful for our good health. We are fortunate, also, that we live near the University of Hawaii, which offers a variety of classes for senior citizens supported by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OCLI). There are no tests or homework, only enjoyable learning! OCLI classes are offered in 115 universities all over the United States, so there may be one near you. We had planned to travel to the East Coast to visit our families last September, but two days before our flight I tripped on a sidewalk curb, spraining my ankle and fracturing my heel bone. Now we are planning to make it in May, I’m especially eager to see my baby girl, who will make our grand-daughter again.

Note to other classmates: I enjoy sharing your news with our classmates, but often I have difficulty reaching you. My address information is at the top of these notes. Please write or phone me. If you have a phone, please call me and I will call you back immediately, so your phone charge will be for only one or two minutes. Your classmates would enjoy hearing from you in these notes.

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PHILLIPS Manny Cadenas’s wife, Hilda, recently fell and suffered a severe fracture in her arm. Manny himself is well, but has had to sell his boat to free up time to care for her. He still plays golf occasionally, but spends most of his free time with his camera and computer.

The rest of these notes are about classmates who have not participated in our class notes in the tour and a half years I have been class secretary. May they encourage other bystanders to become participants.

Fred Higbie’s health is good, as is that of his family—wife Carol, two daughters, and two granddaughters. After serving in WWII as a navy pilot, Fred was an investment banker for more than 50 years—with White Weld, 20 with Merrill Lynch, and the last three with Wachovia. He retired to La Quinta, Calif., near Los Angeles. He still takes an interest in some of his old accounts, plays golf, takes courses at the local college, and reads mainly history and biography, as well as the Wall Street Journal and the New York Times regularly. Fred is interested in politics, international as well as domestic, but is surprised and disappointed that Americans put up with the cost, length, and noise of the political campaigns.

Willard Robinson Jr. lives in Colorado, where he sees Jack Malo quite often, including the day before I spoke with Willard. He has been slowed down by a recently broken hip, but is otherwise in good health. He is no longer active in the oil and gas business, in which he spent most of his working life, domestically and abroad, specifically in Indonesia with Shell Oil. But he still follows developments in it with great interest.

John Klein lives in a retirement center in Jacksonville, Fla. He, his wife, two children, and two grandchildren all enjoy good health. John’s current interests are varied and include photography (for which he has won several prizes), taking courses at the University of Northern Florida in Jacksonville, visiting the local art museum, and attending Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra concerts. He is interested in politics though pessimistic about our country’s international problems.

I reread Richard Richards’ contributions to our 50th reunion book before calling him for an interview recently. I found them particularly interesting for their overall perspective, as well as for his memories of Andover. They also give a good picture of his life up to that time (June 1990). Dick now lives in Basking Ridge, N.J., where Brad Murphy is a close neighbor. Dick, his wife, daughter, son-in-law, and four grandchildren have all been well, but Dick recently got cancer. He has had to give up teaching courses in first aid and CPR (which he did for more than 47 years). Much of his free time is now spent in watercolor painting, which he increasingly enjoys.

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ABBOT I was saddened to hear of the death of Alda Grieco Cesarini of Acton, Mass., on Dec. 2, 2005.

Fran Troub Roberts has been active in local Simsbury, Conn., politics. She was pleased to see a Democrat back in the town’s First Selectman’s Office (in this case, selectwoman). Also winning in November was the first Democrat (also a woman) to represent them in the Connecticut General Assembly in about 70 years.

My evenings are full teaching adults English as a second language at the Hispanic Resource Center. During the daytime I am training to become a naturalist guide to our ponds, streams, and Long Island Sound for our elementary school classes. What these two projects have in common is the enthusiasm of the students, which is so rewarding.

I hope to hear from some of you about your octogenarian interests—golf, bridge, or...
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PHILLIPS—After a long winter! Thanks to receipt of your note, January 22nd, 1984,
from my son, Thomas Hartmann, I know
that you have been made an Honorary Life Member of the Alumni
Association. It was a pleasure to make this
announcement. The annual reunion will be held in June, 1986.
I have enclosed a card for you to
use in sending your replies to the reunion.

The winter has been a trying one, and we
are very happy that it is now over. We have
been able to travel to many places and enjoy
some of the luxuries of life. We are looking
forward to another year of travel and leisure.

Warmest regards,

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PHILLIPS—There have been some changes in the
student body since the last reunion. The
average class size has increased, and the
campus has been expanded. The new
buildings are very impressive, and the
facilities are excellent. The campus
is now
a
living
environment,

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years ago and noted a sign: "Cal Burrows Field." Inquiry in the town hall with the town clerk confirmed it was our classmate. As Jim relates, "She said the Burrows family was number one in the town for community service and that Cal was the most admired boy in town. When his death in WWII in June 1944) was reported, they decided to build and name a field for him. She went on to say that he was so well liked that two families named their sons for him, and added that hers was one of the families. I went over and introduced myself to his brother, Tom Burrows. He was thrilled to meet someone who had known Cal. Tom keeps up with Andover through the Bulletin. We chatted, and Tom explained Cal's death. Cal was in the tank corps in Europe. His tank went over a ridge, exposing the tank's unarmored bottom. The Germans fired through the bottom, and Cal was killed. Tom told me that a Burrows had served in almost every war the United States had participated in. Also about Cal Burrows, my last notes called your attention to the winter 2007 Bulletin story about Alva Houston '44 and her love for Cal. She has written and illustrated a number of children's books, and sent them to me in hopes of a classmate or Bulletin reader might suggest how they could be considered for publication. If you can offer help, please contact me at the address at the head of this column.

With a class of 136 living members, it's a little surprising to find two of them on world cruises. Mary and Dick Harshman and Wendy and Jim Munro left about the first of the year. For the Harshmans, this is their first. But the Munros have been doing it for some years, and Jim e-mails back almost daily with reports of their progress. Here's an excerpt from his Jan. 13 column, which makes me just as glad I'm on dry land.

"Extra, extra: For some reason we have whipped around 90 degrees to port, which means the wind is now blowing right on our beam and we're listing a bit—probably evasion tactics to get by a rain squall, but I'll take the squall over the tactics. I'll have to go see what Captain Davey is up to, and maybe offer a suggestion or two."

Excerpts from Charlotte and Bardwell Smith's Christmas letter, quoted in part, provides an update on what they've been doing: "In the fall Cal and I spent five weeks in Tucson, Arizona, where I was working with my co-author on a book dealing with Japanese women and child loss, and Charlotte was revising and expanding her manuscript on our son Sam's Korean birth mother. It was rare for Charlotte and me to have this much time together away from home. For the last two and a half months Charlotte and I have been residing out load to each other the extraordinary book by Doris Kearns Goodman, Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln (2005)."

Without question, we would list this book among the top 10 most important books we've ever read." Their outlook on life, equitably expressed in the concluding paragraph of their Christmas letter, offers thoughts many of you will share as we begin a new year: "This season is a special time to express gratitude for what has blessed our lives. And yet we realize how broken the human community remains. We keep relearning that life calls us into more inclusive, more generous humanity.

As Jonas Salk said, among our greatest responsibilities is to be a good ancestor to those who follow; life is not to be possessed, but to be shared freely. In this web of mutuality, we come to value the well-being of others as seriously as our own. Abraham Lincoln expressed it best: 'With malice toward none, with charity toward all.' This is our hope for the coming year."

William Lancaster died unexpectedly in December 2007. Shortly before Christmas. His children had a "meet and greet" memorial gathering in Naples, Fla., on Jan. 3, which was attended by Phil Drake, Bill Chipman, Dick Baird, and their wives. Phil reported that Bill's oldest son paid tribute to his father, and others added their thoughts. A number of Bill's paintings, which Phil thought quite good, were on display. A spring memorial service is planned in Little Compton, R.I., where the family has had a home for some years. Bill's wife, Conky, died in 2003. He is survived by three sons and five grandchildren.

After having celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in June, Cliff Wright's wife, Eleanor, died Oct. 30, 2007. Always a partner with Cliff in supporting our class, she will be missed by those of us in the Class of 43, as well as by the Santa Barbara, Calif., community, to whom she gave so much.

Our sympathy goes out to the families of Bill and Eleanor.

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PHILLIPS I am very sorry to have to report the deaths of two of our classmates.

Richard Schuster died Aug. 22, 2007. He spent his last years in a retirement community in Medio, Pa., to be near his daughter The cause of death was heart failure.

Daniel Carroll died on Nov. 20, 2007. We learned of Daniel's death from a phone call from his widow, Julie.

[Editor's note: After Roger Seymour, class secretary, had submitted these notes, his classmates contacted the Bulletin about adding the following message for Roger: "With gratitude from the whole class for your superb efforts all these years."

You have been an inspiration to all of us, and we want you to know how much we appreciate your hard work. Wishing you smooth sailing forever!"

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PHILLIPS As you read this, we're well into 2008, but since this is written on Jan. 3, happy new year! On a personal note (and some of you will be outraged), I'm glad '07 is history—a tragic history by my reckoning—what with the endless mission accomplished, soaring national debt, near it not real criminal lending practices that have come home to roost, and a field of money- and power-obessed politicians sucking the oxygen out of the air. My guy was Bill Richardson, a decent and able man. Hence, I have a hangover for which there is no "hair of the dog."

A wonderful book by Joseph Ellis, American Creation, is a must-read, especially the first chapter. And I discussed Bruce Gelb's wife Lucía's lovely autobiography, Schon Lake, in the last class notes.

Two other recently published authors are Wally Morrison and Bob Sussler. Wally's book, Pieces of Eight, is a grand series of autobiographical stories, including boyhood wilderness hiking with (then and still) close friend Jack Lee, two tours in the Marine Corps, and the demise of Hartford, Conn., as one of the nation's most prosperous cities. Ordering on the Web at www.Lulu.com/Morrison and $12.95 will get you the book.

Now, about Bob Sussler's book, A Brain's Battle Against a Stroke: Bob had a stroke at age 62. The experiences (physical and emotional) are told in this splendid book, which is available at Amazon.com. Bob's father was a doctor who after medical school interned in a WWI field hospital in France. The first third of Bob's book tells how his father practiced medicine as a house-calling family doctor. This was in stark contrast to the practice Bob experienced after his stroke—high tech and impersonal. The last two-thirds of his story is about his dealing with this. It's a good read with a great deal of wisdom for all of us as we age.

I had a good phone visit with John Koch followed by a photo of wife Barbara and him in the times center at their new assisted living community. They moved to this new home, but from all appearances and John's high-spirited conversation, it is premature. Nonetheless, they are very happy and not that far from where they had lived for many years. Barbara is an author and is about to publish another novel. When I asked what it's about, John said, "I don't know, she won't tell me."

Harry Reid is still going like a house afire. We talked a couple of weeks ago for the best part of
ABHOT. One person, bless her, has written this time. Louise Doyle Collins sent a note to me from Delta Delta Phi, where she had her houseboat moored at Andover. They both are enjoying their Florida life and play golf at bridges. At this point in time—12 Abbot people living in Florida year round. That certainly was not true when we were at Abbot. 

To everybody who reported the death of Mary Townsey Cowan of Andover. The only thing I know is that she died in November. (Editor’s note: Mary has a niece Mary Jane Townsey, keeper of the canoe, and six children, four of whom graduated from Andover. George ’72, Gerald ’76, Michael ’80, and Lisa ’11. Two of her sisters are Andover alumnae, and two are current students.)

Total of you classmates in the South, I wish to report that we have had three snowstorms so far (one of mid-January), drizzle, with rain in between. It is beautiful, looking rather nice.

That’s it, girls. Please write.
vonriment and collect trash along Route A1A, our shore road [in Boca Raton, Fla.], where I walk five miles daily. I am working with our condo management to put in solar energy." Thanks, Anne. Always good to hear from you!

Pete and Sally Humason Bradlee didn't do as much traveling this past year. They did get to Puerto Rico and Santa Barbara, Calif.—not much for our world travelers.

Ginny Eason Weinmann is still getting her house back in shape after Katrina. In October she e-mailed, "The floors are being sanded and stomped, soon the hardware will be put on the doors, the cabinet tops installed, the plumbing hooked up, and the finish coat of paint applied. The contractor thinks we can move furniture in late November or early December. Have to clean up the place first!" I hope you were able to celebrate the holidays in your home all at this time.

Joyce Huntington Knights says, "Have enjoyed a good year with good health." Her highlight this year was a couple of weeks with her two daughters and daughter-in-law, Ellen, touring a lot of Denmark. Ellen's family has a home on the water in Copenhagen, Joyce adds, "Such fun and so much interesting history to sort out and try to absorb. I still enjoy my volunteer work at the Lyceum, N.H., library, the Thetford (Vt.) Baptist Church, and the Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital." It is always good to hear classmates are keeping so busy!

Mackie Hall Kernan talks to Barbara "Bunky" Goddard Dickey once a month. Bunky is now in a nursing home. I am sure she would like to hear from classmates by mail or telephone. She can be reached at Westminster Oaks Health Center, Room 128, 1000 Memorial Way, Tallahassee, FL 32308; Tel: 850-891-4768. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Bunky!

Jane Lewis Gleason's daughter, Beth, went on a two-week mission trip to Indonesia with a group from a seminary in Austin, Texas. Jane included an e-mail from Beth, which I will try to include in a future issue.

An e-mail from Jean Ritchey Ross. "We're fine. I'm now a working gal at my advanced age. I've been volunteering in the office of our local Habitat for Humanity affiliate for about 10 years. When the current secretary asked for a two-month leave of absence, I was asked to fill in. It's going fine, but I find I get tired in a full-time job after so many years." It does make us up to the fact that we are not young anymore.

I wish I could write all the news from Dolly Sharp Fiske in Woodstock, Ill. It included news about her husband, Ken, their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Because of space, I'll summarize Dolly's news. Maybe in another issue I can include more. Dolly continues to be active in supporting the Woodstock Fine Arts Association (WFAA), of which she was a founding member in 1961. She is a member of the mayor's Opera House Advisory Commission, which she helped start during the 1974-1976 opera house restoration period. She is chair of the WFAA Creative Living Series and is a member of the Over-50 Society of Chicago. She is a board member of the McHenry County Audubon Society and has presented several programs about birds of Illinois and Hawaii. Because she completed 23 years of collecting census data on birds in National Wildlife Refuges on four Hawaiian islands, she was asked to summarize her data in graph form for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Busy, busy!

Unfortunately, I must close these notes with sad news.

Every Christmas I receive a newsy letter from Bill and Lois Derby Taylor. This year, nothing. I called Lois, and found out that Bill had died in August. She seems to be as well as can be expected. She now has braces on her ankles because of arthritis. She no longer plays tennis, but she has not given up golf.

Nancy Dimmitt Hawes died in September. I had hoped to get more information from her sister, but have heard nothing. If I get any news, I will pass it on.

Carol McLean Bly died on Dec. 21 from complications of ovarian cancer. Carol was a writer, teacher, and ethicist. She graduated from Wellesley College in 1951. She taught at the University of Minnesota, Hamline University, Carleton College, and Northland College, among other places. She wrote several volumes of essays. Her short stories have been published in the New Yorker, the Idaho Review (published by Boise State University), and other literary publications. A 1989 feature film, Rachel Fever, was based on three of her short stories. She wrote several books on creative writing. Recently, she and Cynthia Loveland created customized crossword puzzles and published several books through Bly and Loveland Press. She is survived by two daughters, two sons, two brothers, and eight grandchildren. Please see the In Memoriam section for more about Carol.

On behalf of the class I send condolences to all families.

Finally, many of us who attended the reunion in June will fondly remember that one of the highlights was an inspiring talk in the chapel by Joseph Chaplin. Sadly, I have just heard from Mike Susan that Joe passed away on Jan. 17 after a long battle with cancer. He shall be sorely missed. Please see the In Memoriam section for his obit.

That's all for now. I shall try to get a more informative and lengthier message to you next time. In the meantime, I send you my slightly belated but warmest wishes for a happy and healthy new year!

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Because of various medical problems, Peter had retired since 1970s as an Associate Professor at the Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor, Maine. He spent only his upper years at Anamosa but lived in those years and lived then PA experiences.

As few had not ourself, we recently learned that his mentor at Fort Ann. He is survived by his wife and daughter. No further details are available in this news. We hope to have more information.

We learn that the principal creator of our 142nd edition in book Roger McKean, has been honored by his Princeton class as a Distinguished Classmate for his many years of successful leadership and service. Wilds, too, were given to Allen West by the city of Cambridge, Mass., for his years of dedicated teaching at Cambridge. His efforts reached toward the goal of a group of people to enable a young nation to contribute to cultural and linguistic challenges. In the spirit of the University of Massachusetts, and continue his efforts in science.

Allen West, a turn, supplied an item from the winter/spring 2005 year of Appalachia, the Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) journal. An item, the "Pilgrim Mountain Club Builds Trail Over Fudge" reads, "The crew needed a place to live. The club invited them to member a club in Randolph [NH] and sharing tales, trails, and the AMC crew. Then they built and Dan Tucker made it a stable on their property in Randolph. The club invited them to member a club in Randolph. Then they built and Dan Tucker made it a stable on their property in Randolph. The club invited them to member a club in Randolph.

The Philipos recently featured an achievement by Sebinah L. and Josh Intwari, who were named semifinalists in the Siemens Competition in Math, Science, and Technology. The pair submitted a research document explaining their creation of a time-saving device that can help the grandparents of our high school classmate Jonathan Lynch Paul. "I think the article was most interesting but the added pleasure of realizing that the brain of the child was not represented by the actual person," which made him such an agreeable and stimulating person to know. And then expands, but with special joy, and that will reach a milestone that Jonathan is a new baby brother.

This is our chance to learn more about the great things that are happening in our community. Indeed! I first met Jonathan Lynch Paul at a family gathering. I think you will enjoy reading the article that is about his achievement.

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ABBOT - Seeking news for our class notes, your secretary went to the town addresses available to her and was nicely rewarded with replies from Anne Wadleigh Gibert and Wendly Scott. Arc thanks to them! It serves as a reminder that we need to continue to stay connected, your secretary needs your help in gathering news.

Anne Wadleigh Gibert wrote that she is a newwifed at 23 years old, is living with her husband, recent widower, through an Internet dating service. Our heartfelt congratulations to Anne! Her husband is from Maine. He Springs, Maine, where they will spend their summers overlooking a small house. However, they agreed to the Alaskan winters are too challenging for 25-year-old. Right now, she is a teacher of their websites in the San Juan Islands near Bellingham, Wash. Anne's husband has had an interesting life - he conducted academic research on the aurora boresalis at the University of Alaska, then, as a faculty, owned and operated the electric and telephone companies in Manley, and served as a chief pilot. Subsequently, he sold both enterprises and moved to San Juan Island, where he built houses. Anne has five children and 12 grandchildren, ages 20-14. Her oldest child, Steve, is a doctor, Julia Gibert '72, the Abbot 1972 Secretary, writer and writer at Oxford University in England. Claire has a consulting business. Deborah is a lawyer, and Ben is a chef. Anne concluded her very welcome email with the news that she had 19 people present for Christmas dinner.

Your secretary definitely was "geographically challenged"! So I went to Google for help! Maine Hot Springs, 18 miles northwest of Fairbanks, Alaska, connected mostly by paved roads, has a population of 150. Lummis Island in the San Juan Islands group, two hours from Seattle and an hour and a half from Vancouver, British Columbia.

Wendly Scott is still working on her biography. She began two years ago; she has taken on several editing and research contracts, and is currently working on a memoir's biography. She says that deadlines and the prospect of additional income are great motivators. She has recently had knee replacement surgery that slowed her down for a time, and his rescue Shaggy dog that needs lots of exercise. Wendly's four children are in four different locations. Daughter Mariam is a
journalist with Montreal’s only remaining English newspaper and has two sons—one studying engineering at McGill University and the other just completing high school. Wendy’s son Bob has two daughters and lives in Toronto. Wendy’s daughter Melanie has teenage twins and lives in the Ottawa region, where she edits an academic journal and Web site. And her son Peter has just moved to the San Francisco area. In early March 2007, Wendy and her daughter Marian shared a week in London and had a marvelous time going to as many museums and theatres as they could fit in and taking a trip to Greenwich. The weather was unseasonably mild and bright, with snowdrifts and even roses blooming, but when Wendy and Marrian returned to Quebec, it was still buried under snow. Wendy is planning a trip to France with a recently found cousin who lives in Toulouse, Ariz.

I had a lovely telephone chat with Patty Blecker Jones. Patty has joined her daughter, Abigail Jones Feder ’80, and her family in purchasing a lovely house overlooking Long Island Sound. They are in the process of renovating and adding a new wing to accommodate their three generations. Patty is thrilled that she is essentially “returning in place,” seeing her grandchildren on a daily basis, and close to longtime friends. What a wonderful solution to the dilemma of the retirement years! Patty is still very energetically involved with fund raising for the Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities and numerous other activities. She noted that the society is increasingly interested in preserving homes from the 1950s era.

(Your secretary’s comment: In the 1950s many of us were purchasing our first homes—often split-level houses sprouting up in suburban fields and costing less than $15,000. Is it somewhat alarming to think that our first homes could be considered historic? And what does that imply about us? I don’t think we want to go there!)

Two of our Californians, Jane Woodworth Wrench and Nancy Jeffers Whittimore, had a get-together during San Francisco’s open studio weekend in November 2007. June still maintains her own art studio and is actively pursuing her art career.

For most women of the 4.2 baby boom generation, their 1980s and 1990s were filled with raising children, working, and pursuing their own various interests. How fortunate were we? But what about the married women, children, and careers of the women of the 50s and 60s? My mother, who was 21 when my father joined the armed forces and who traveled to a foreign country alone to marry my father, says that she met and married him at 19 years old! What a different time! She believes that the older generation of women who married young were far more resilient and had the energy to do far more, and they are certainly missed by many.

In May 2007, my mother traveled to the UK to see her daughter, Abigail, graduate from Cambridge University. Abigail says that has been one of the great joys of her life, being able to watch her daughter grow up and succeed. My mother said that she learned so much about the world and herself during her trip, and that she was grateful for the opportunity to see her daughter graduate.

My mother is now 79 years old and lives in Connecticut. She enjoys spending time with her grandchildren and her children, and she continues to be an active member of her community. She has been active in her local church and volunteer organizations, and she is also an avid reader and traveler. She recently went on a trip to Europe with her daughter and her husband, and she says that it was a wonderful experience.

In June 2008, my mother celebrated her 80th birthday with a family gathering at her home in Connecticut. She received many gifts and cards from her family and friends, and she was touched by the love and support that they showed her. She is looking forward to many more years of good health and happiness with her family and friends.
YOUR CLASS SECRETARY IS TRYING TO CONTACT YOU!

TA contacts the secretary with updated contact information for their classmates. Examples include:

- Personal contact information
- Email addresses
- Phone numbers
- Social media connections

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ABBIOT: A two-months in early January and seeing her three grandchildren that the year ahead is and are going to record your every word as well. Please keep in touch. We look forward to seeing her this upcoming weekend.

Barbara Gibson Roth's daughter-in-law Kim, who has been at Radcliffe for some time, reports that she is having fun in Boston. Her daughter-in-law, Sally Mason Growell, writes that her life has been busy with various events, activities, and clubs. It has been great to hear about the events and activities through the years, and she has been enjoying this time there.

Patty Smith Langdon says she continues to enjoy her time at Radcliffe. She is looking forward to her next visit to the area. Patty has been enjoying her time at the school.

60 to Berkeley, Nevada, and enjoyed the sunny weather and mountain views. Patty was expecting a happy time away from the cold winter months and a trip south to Arizona for the spring. She

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PHILLIPS: This will be the first column I haven’t reviewed the fonts in years. As someone who has been a Phi Beta Kappa student and a Phi Beta Kappa alum, I am grateful for the opportunity. I hope you enjoy the columns sharing the essays and thoughts on the topics covered in the previous columns.

Nat’s memorial service on Dec. 18 was a true celebration of a life well-lived. Joe Bartlett and Nat’s son, Tom, delivered touching eulogies, and stories of Nat’s life—his youth until the end. Alums attending the service included Jim Doak, Bill Duffey, Dick Kepelton, Don Kneiff, Tom Fursty, and Connie DeNaught.

Other alumnae and alumni in the audience were able to connect with classmates and share stories of Nat’s life. Tom and his sister, Nancy, were able to connect with classmates and share stories of Nat’s life. Tom and his sister, Nancy, were able to connect with classmates and share stories of Nat’s life.
Webster: "He was an inspiration to us all." Al Koch: "Nat was the natural leader of our class and a truly fine and authentic person. He is irreplacea-
table." Billy Lee: "A star was Nat in our class and also Yale ’51—so dedicated and energetic in his service to Andover and all others." Locke Rosh: "Tim, your dad was the heart and soul of Andover ’51. He was a friend, and brought joy and understand-
ing to all of us for others and for Andover."

Tom Regan: "What can we say about Nat? He was one of the finest human beings I have ever known." John Schiepe: "Nat’s passing reminds us that mortality has become a part of our age-70 world." Harry Berkowitz: "Nat has always been bigger than life. He made things look easy. I’ve always been an ardent admirer." Larry Reno: "Nat was one of the stars and leaders of our class."

John Work: "Although I didn’t really know him that well, my memories are warm and engaging. Alumni gatherings won’t be the same without him moving things quietly along." Jim Pates: "Nat was one you thought would never go."

Chase Curtis: "A great sadness is upon us. Andover and Nat’s classmates will sorely miss him."

Ed Nef: "This is so sad. Nat did so much for the school."

Ev MacAskill: "As a day student, I knew only a few classmates well. Nat was one. A special guy." Steve Yamamoto: "Nat was the first person to speak to me at Andover. He told me that if anyone tried to prep me, just say you’re working for Nat." And I sent this to Tim: "The last time I talked to Nat was the afternoon of the day after he got home from the hospital. We shared a laugh and a tear. I’m not into the supernatural stuff, but that night I had a frigid sleep."

The following morning, I related to my family the dream I had. I was talking to some Andover pals and trying to make sense of things. I began by asking if they remembered the batch of cookies baked by the lady of the house—the same way time after time. Occasionally, one batch tasted better than all the others, even though the ingre-
dients were the same. How the obs and obs brought a smile to the lady baker! Similarly (thinking of Nat, our “great breakfast chef”), I asked my pals to recall how the man of the house, when making coffee, labored over the pot, making sure everything is precisely just right. On rare oc-
casions something inexplicable happens—the aroma and taste are perfect. Again the obs and obs and that feeling of accomplishment!

When God looked over the dossier of the new arrivals on Dec. 11, I’m sure a smile came to his face and a great feeling of satisfaction spread over him, with the thought that all his creations turned out like Nat, what a better world it would be. Please see the In Memorium section for more about Nat.

Some of you are aware of another tragic loss for ’51. George Strzetecki passed away Nov. 22. A memorial service was held in Wellesley, Mass., on Dec. 8. George was born in Warsaw, Poland, in 1932. In September 1939, German forces in-
vaded Poland. George’s father continued working as a radio correspondent in Poland, while George and his mother moved to Paris and then to Milan. After several other stops, his father joined them in Lisbon. He contacted the famous Polish pianist and politician Ignacy Paderewski, who helped them secure a visa and safe passage to New York. After graduation from Andover, George worked his way through Duke University, Class of 1955. He married Joyce “Jay” Wate Bailey and graduated from the Boston University School of Law in 1958. He was a workers’ compensation attorney before entering private practice in Boston, where he specialized in sup-
porting Polish-language clients. George was also an arbitrator of NASD financial transactions be-
tween trading concerns.

George and Jay were longtime residents of Wellesley and active in community affairs. He en-
joyed golf with family and friends, wearing his signature white floppy hat, and smoking his pipe. George’s son Peter mentioned that the hat referred to in the obit was a memento distributed to us at one of our PA reunions. George and Jay enjoyed traveling. In 2006, they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary cruising the Mediterranean aboard the Queen Elizabeth II. In addition to his wife, George is survived by four children, Peter E., Alexander G., Katherine S. Finnamauro, and Elizabeth B. Strzetecki, and six grandchildren.

Two lacrosse updates: Dick Hueber’s grandson Tom cocaptained the hockey and lacrosse teams at Malvern (Pa.) Prep. They won league champi-
onships in both sports and the state champi-
onship in lacrosse. A high-honors student, Tom was high school All-American in lacrosse; he is now a freshman at Lehigh.

John Ogden chided me for overlooking the ex-
poits of Andover’s lacrosse defense in previous articles about our team. My apologies to our
gifted goalie Ogi and to departed co-goalie Billy Van Alstyne. Apologies also to Jerry Ward, Al Dibbins, Dick Steadman, Ev Anderson (Duke All-American), and departed Jerry Laslcy, and also to Howie Payne ’52. At Harvard, Ogi was nominated for goalie in the North-South All-Star game. He still holds the single game record for saves. Against Johns Hopkins, he stopped 34 shots. Ogi’s 10 grandchildren (five of each) are all playing great lacrosse.

Billy Lee writes that Doug Atkins and wife Rrape paid a visit to kick off their retirement in early October. Billy is looking forward to a No-

tember visit from Steve Yamamoto.

I just learned that Larry Reno died Jan. 27 in Centennial, Colo., after a 19-month battle with cancer. There will be more about Larry in the next class notes.

Give your loved ones an extra hug. This has been a rough patch for ’51. Here’s to a better 2008! Stay well.

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ABBOT 1, for not sending any holi-
day news request cards, as my husband and I spent

the weeks preceding this past Christmas dealing with a water-filled basement. We then replaced a
jury-rigged sump pump with an up-to-date au-
matic type, which we hope responds properly
when next needed. So consider this a belated
happy New Year and spring to all of you, along
with that annual plea for news.

Several of you did send much appreciated news. Karen Larson Sullivan wrote, "Our
younger daughter got married in a lovely cere-
mony in the historic 18th century church at Mis-
on San Jose in San Antonio, Texas." Karen and
her husband, Joe, also celebrated their 50th wed-
ding anniversary with a family gathering at the
Mt. Washington Hotel in New Hampshire.

Cynthia Emerson Pinkerton spent last year bushy visiting children and grandchildren in the U.S. West. The high point was an Alaskan cruise with some of the family. She is still volunteering
at the local hospital, playing golf and bridge, and
hanging out with friends.

Ethel Kenah Bowman also spent a year trav-
eling in the States seeing family and friends. She wrote, "My son-in-law, Sergio, invited me to go to
Niagara Falls with him and my daughter, Lisa, in
November for a long weekend to celebrate their
sixth wedding anniversary. It was a surprise to
Lisa that I was asked and came! It was also a mys-
tery to her as to where she was going. We stayed on
the Canadian side, and my room was on the
40th floor above the falls. What a spectacular view!
We had an interesting and fun time."

An aside about Niagara Falls history: One of
my female ancestors got drunk and went over the
falls in a barrel and lived to tell the tale. We have
eyet to get there, but have been told that somewhere there is a plaque telling of her adventure.

Please do write and advise me of your adven-
tures—but do stay away from waterfalls and bar-
rels.

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PHILLIPS Aubrey Goodman and Henry Cooper had a 50-year sporadic correspondence, which
ended with Aubrey’s final letter to Henry. In
that letter Aubrey thanked Henry for obtain-
ing a replica motorcycle and sidecar for him. The
replica had two frogs riding in it. Thirty years ago
Aubrey had asked Henry to obtain the model,
and Aubrey thought it might take several years
to find it. It finally turned up in summer 2007,
with the two frogs riding in it, their scarves
streaming in the wind behind them. Henry sent it
to Aubrey before Aubrey died on Sept. 28.

Here is a copy of Aubrey’s letter to Henry,
thanking him for his efforts. "Something won-
derful I always wanted—the motorcycle with
sidecar. Thank you—what a memory you have! I
keep it in my room here, and it reminds me of"
ASP's investigative reporter, Pat has also lectured at Southwest Community College and Wartburg College.

For several months following the spring and summer of 1996, Pat worked with the United States Department of Justice, first as a special investigator, then as a community service officer. During this period, Pat was a member of a special task force investigating allegations of corruption within the Michigan State Police.

Throughout her career, Pat has maintained a strong commitment to community service. She has been involved in numerous community organizations, including the Michigan State Police Auxiliary, the Michigan State Police Association, and the Michigan State Police Foundation.

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Daniel Woodhead

Doing Right by Lefty O'Doul

Daniel Woodhead grew up a Cubs fan, so, obviously, he knows a little something about the need for patience. His motto for life: *vinci qui patitur.* He who perseveres conquers.

A similar philosophy could just as easily apply to the career of baseball's "Lefty" O'Doul. Lefty—real name, Francis Joseph O'Doul—broke into the big leagues in 1919 as a pitcher with the Yankees but spent more time on the bench than on the field. In 1924, after a few seasons of uninspired play in New York and another with the Red Sox, Lefty returned to the minors, specifically the Pacific Coast League, where he had cut his teeth. Four years later, he was back in the bigs, having reinvented himself as an outfielder. What came next, says Woodhead, is a streak of hitting that warrants O'Doul a spot in the National Baseball Hall of Fame, a spot he so far has denied.

Woodhead aims to see that omission corrected.

Since the early 1990s, this San Francisco resident, now retired from banking, has waged a tireless campaign to see O'Doul recognized for his accomplishments. Woodhead's quest made the pages of *Sports Illustrated* in 2006; the article detailed his arrival in San Francisco after graduating Harvard Business School in 1962. Fresh from the cross-country trip, Woodhead made a rather prophetic visit to a well-known Bay City eatery owned by O'Doul.

Though Woodhead did not meet the ballplayer during that visit, and never did, by the late 1980s, his curiosity regarding O'Doul had reached a fever pitch. The more the Andover alumnus learned, the more he could not understand why O'Doul, who died in 1969, had been denied a place in the Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, N.Y. His stats from the time he returned to the majors in 1928 to when he left again for the Pacific Coast League in 1934 are certainly impressive. Six of those seven years he batted over .300, twice winning the National League batting title. In 1929, when with the Philadelphia Phillies, he set the NL season record for hits, with 254.

"O'Doul's lifetime batting average of .349 is second only to Ty Cobb's and Rogers Hornsby's," notes Woodhead, who launches statistics like a pitcher firing fastballs from the mound. He is as quick when it comes to naming famous people who have written him in support of O'Doul. Politicians, generals, sportscasters, and ballplayers—all have put in a good word.

But surely no one has done as much as Woodhead.

He long thought O'Doul ineligible for Cooperstown because of requirements regarding at-bats and games played. But this proved not to be the case.

"This opened the gate for me," says Woodhead, "and I pursued getting letters of support."

Yearly, he made copies of those letters and sent packets to the 16-member Veterans Committee that voted on players not inducted into Cooperstown during their initial period of eligibility. (The Baseball Writers' Association of America holds the voting responsibility for recently retired players.) "Only one was openly supportive," says Woodhead, of the committee members, "and that was Buzzie Bavasi of the Dodgers. He said some of the others thought O'Doul's fielding average was not up to par—at .965, though, he's ahead of other Hall of Famers like Ty Cobb and Lou Brock."

Woodhead's perception is that there was a bias against O'Doul because he turned down two offers to manage major league ball clubs back in the 1940s. Instead, he took a sweet deal managing the San Francisco Seals of the Pacific Coast League; he continued with the Seals and other PCL teams for more than 20 years. "He spoke his peace...and I think he alienated quite a few guys on the East Coast," says Woodhead, who—temporarily discouraged—suspended his crusade in 1999.

In July 2006, he learned the Veterans Committee had been reworked. (It now features more than 80 members—former players, sportswriters, and announcers who already have made the Cooperstown cut.) Soon thereafter, the quest was renewed.

Woodhead led other O'Doul supporters in assembling a mailing that contained the ballplayer's stats and a CD featuring film footage of O'Doul competing in a Japanese exhibition game. (O'Doul played in overseas games early in his career, and later organized such tours; he is credited with sparking continued enthusiasm for baseball in Japan.)

According to current rules, to be inducted into Cooperstown veterans must garner support from 75 percent of the Veterans Committee. O'Doul rated only 18.3 percent in 2007.

Woodhead agrees with others in baseball who think the 75 percent mark is rather prohibitive. No player was inducted by the Veterans Committee last year, not even well-known names like Gil Hodges and Roger Maris, each of whom finished above O'Doul in voting.

Above? Woodhead bristles at the notion.

"There's nobody above Lefty," he says, quite serious in tone. "For all-around contributions to baseball, there is nobody who comes close to him."

 Needless to say, Woodhead's efforts will continue in preparation for the next Veterans Committee vote in 2009. Vincit qui patitur.

—Scott Aubrey
resolutions for a happy, healthy, and profitable 2008. Spike Bragg gives thanks for his Andover experience and credits his resilience and successful business to networks of Andover friends. Spike has recovered from cardiac surgery, is again playing baseball, has four children and five grandchildren, and remains "vertical."

Alarms raised by U.S. comptroller general David Walker that our country's current fiscal posture is unsustainable encouraged classmaters to consider change in our government's expenditures. Peter DeStefano notes that one point of reference to the meaning of a billion. He points out that about $3 billion of taxes are spent daily by our government. A billion years ago no one on this planet walked on two feet. Mort Downey reasons Duane Bruce that there is government supervision of expenditures through the Government Accountability Office (GAO), which employs 2,000 to 3,000 analysts. The GAO is technically part of our legislative branch of government, with inspectors general in each of the executive departments. No one offers a solution to the comptroller general's observations that in 30 years revenues will not meet national obligations to debt and major entitlements.

On a more optimistic topic, Bill Dove and wife Alexandra were guests of the Japanese royal family and visited other Asian countries. Bill praised Andover's past support of his and Bob Semple's student years abroad in Britain. Andover continues its policy of both travel and language education as a global responsibility for its students. Among many modern languages available are four years of Russian and Chinese; also, beginning Arabic has been added. Bill said his fifth grandchild is named Rafael, and informed Larry Sears that the young man should be a fine tennis partner and live up to his namesake, Rafael Nadal.

Skip Elsas had an opportunity to consider educational needs in the biological sciences. Predictive medicine is with us, and new technologies enable both presymptomatic genetic testing and novel interventions. Stem cells can be derived from an individual's skin cells and differentiated into cartilage or cardiac muscle to replace degenerating tissue. Several companies are offering total genome sequencing to provide predictive personal information on one's genetic strengths and weaknesses to the environment. We all hope Andover will enable the next generation to deal not only with these new scientific technologies but also with the legal, ethical, and social issues that predictive genetic information provides in this evolving brave new world.

Bob Feldman points out two endowment funds from our class that support the arts at Andover: the Joan Trott Wolf Fund and the Addison Gallery Class of 1954 Acquisition Fund. Bob's daughter Hannah, our class baby, is doing well, as is Bob's older daughter, Karen. Karen lives in Prague, is renowned for her handmade Czech glassware, and provided Ann and Dave Knight with a personal guidebook for their visit to Prague.

We mourn the loss of Louis J. Gonnella, who died June 13, 2007, and offer condolences to his wife, Bee, daughter Lisa, and sons John, Paul, and Mark. Lou was a beloved classmate who was a lifelong student of Thomas Wolfe and F. Scott Fitzgerald. Lou was a gifted lawyer and retired Massachusetts state court judge.

Architects Jon Foote and Roger Whitcomb informed us through Ken MacWilliams' virtual continuous reunion about Frank Lloyd Wright's Guggenheim Museum and its geographical mislocation. Both agreed that it was originally designed to be placed in Central Park and not subjugated to the "Dubuque-like" skyscrapers that now diminish its architectural impact.

The class wishes Jack Hugh a prompt recovery from his surgery. Many classmates are encouraging another one to walk rapidly three or four miles twice weekly. Barron Kidd recommends "suiting up" daily and exercising when the spirit moves. Andover "walkers" include Ken MacWilliams, Roger Whitcomb, George Shapiro, Frank Henrik, Kent McKamy, Herb Whittall, Mac Mackenzie, and Barron.

Those of us returning to Harvard College for our 50th Reunion this year mourned the death of a classmate killed in a car accident. Classmates were moved by this tragedy to express their love to each other, family, elders, and friends. Spike Bragg lost his lifelong friend, our classmate Don Nurenberg, who died in Michigan on Nov. 3, 2007. We remember Don as a gentle person who listened in a supportive and nonjudgmental manner. Our love goes out to his wife, Barbara, and daughter, Leah.

In this election year classmaters indicate great concern for our wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and support our women and men in arms and veterans of previous battles. A senderizi to the marines from our class: Ollie Whipple, Jud Sage, Bill Purinton, Dick Carlson, Steve Pendleton, and Newb Le Roy. Thanks also to veterans Jake McMichael and Bob Nevison and to retired generals Tom Cushing and Mike Harvey.

Kent McKamy recovered some 1954 snapshots of our class's more pristine pastime, mud football. The photo of Bill Seeley, Fred Anderson, Steve Wilson, Skip Elsas, Charlie Faurot, Frank Pierson, Al Boyer, Dave Goodman, and P.D. Block can be e-mailed to any classmate interested in memories of enthusiastic, out-of-the-box, youthful fun at Andover.

George Shapiro and wife Ray Ann led a peri-patric life last year with trips to the Antarctic, South America, the Caribbean, the Middle East, and various parts of the U.S. Now they are planning a visit to Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, and Turkmenistan. Park Weaver reported that Dick Starratt did a superb job in celebrating wife Ellen Starratt's "90th" birthday. Park and wife Karen, Dick and Ellen, and Spike and Ricky Bragg were elegant celebrants.

Let us end on why Phillips Academy, Andover, will continue as the most outstanding preparatory school in the world. Andover is now "blind" to an applicant's financial needs during the admission process and will meet 160 percent of a family's demonstrated tuition needs. The best and brightest students will continue to come from every quarter and go to every quarter. Remember how much Latin we took? Well, despite the decline in classical language studies over the past two generations, there is now a resurgence.

An op-ed article in the New York Times, "A Vote for Latin," helped to elevate interest in the classical languages. Thirty-one of the last 40 presidents since Thomas Jefferson studied Latin at a high level, including a couple of you-know-who PA grads.

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changes of scenery. Even to talk of or see Phoebe
Estes Bryan and match would have to have any-
one visit. I enjoy showing this part of the
world to people who know to travel. So
wait until next year. An

From Jean Tatman Walker comes this word:
"At this time I can report everything is all relativ-
ely healthy and keeping very busy. In fact, it feels as
though I have a new lease on life."

The latest cancer patient in our family is my
mother. She is doing well and taking the trip to New
York. She is very thoughtful and realiza-
tive about the future. She has been making great
progress. She takes her medicine regularly and
is looking forward to a better future.

Eleanor Balon-Miller York writes: "It is
very hard to believe the 50th anniversary of the
Metropolitan Museum of Art has come in July. We
have been planning the event for the past two
years. It is a wonderful occasion and we
are all looking forward to it."
Also in the 1950s, an enormous secret bunker was constructed under the hotel to protect the president and high-ranking officials from an atomic bomb attack. Today, you can take a tour of the bunker and your guide is likely to be Jerry; that is, when he isn’t working on documentary film or his other jobs as a blackjack dealer and “standardized patient” for medical students at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine. To be a “patient,” Jerry learns a disease script then grades students on their technique and diagnostic accuracy. “I had shingles 110 times last year,” he adds.

I couldn’t get Skip Klemm the first time I called—he was out on the ski slopes with his son and grandson. As many of you know, Skip has muscular dystrophy, but it doesn’t seem to slow him down. Despite robbing him of lower body strength, with the help of a mono-ski and pole outriggers, he has mastered both water and snow skiing. When the disease first hit, Skip says, “I figured it was all gone.” Then he started sawing, sat on the mono-ski, configured it to his needs, and you can again find him on the slopes or zooming along behind a boat at 30 miles per hour.

Last fall, Robo Robinson hosted the fourth postreunion luncheon of the “Old Reprobates of N.Y.C.” at his East Side townhouse. Phil Bowers was there along with Ed Sutton, Peter Wells, John Royall, Ted Muhs, Bill Huxley, Peter Andel, Kemp Randolph, Jerry Ringland, and “Dutch” Wolff, much-loved musician and faculty emeritus. When I called for news, quite a few of you told me a variation of the following. “News? My news is there is no news.” I grasp the sentiment, but believe me, you have lots of news your classmates want to hear—so please keep your class secretaries informed—Phil Hirsh

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ABBOT The first of several mini-reunions to be held around the country in the years leading up to our 59th was held in New York in early January 2008. Carol Gaines Ruckle and Josephine “Jody” Bradley Bush were the leaders from Abbot. It was a fast-paced two days of wonderful things! Carol’s dynamic report follows.

“We started with a wonderful tour of a gallery owned by a friend of Elizabeth McGuire Enders. We learned about etchings and lithographs and saw a number of portfolios of current artists, including Elizabeth’s. The tour was so successful that those who came too late to attend it had a chance later to visit the gallery, and the owner gave another tour for the second group. One of our Andover classmates arranged a tour of “behind the scenes” tour of the Whitney Museum. Our guide was a graduate of Andover (’92, I think) and she did an extraordinary job. Many questions were asked and skillfully answered. This was well attended by both Abbot and Andover alumni. After some more gallery hopping, we gathered for dinner, arranged by Andover classmate Leo Ullman ’57 at a terrific restaurant. We dined on everything from raw tuna to ginger ice cream, with beef and pork kebabs, lobster, and a myriad of other delicacies in between. This was a special event to bring the Abbot and Andover group together for some real conversation and sharing.

“On Friday, we met at the Metropolitan Museum for a very interesting and informative tour of the Tang collections. Chinese works contributed by Oscar and Frances Young Tang. Our guide, a friend of Jody’s, gave a really excellent overview of the various dynasties and explained the background of a number of superb works. This was followed by a lunch, also arranged by Jody, in the Met’s trustees’ dining room where, once again, we had a chance to eat and chat. We also talked about ideas for other mini-reunion possibilities and have come up with some exciting possibilities. The final event of the two-day trip was supper for the Abbot group at Jody and Johnny Bush’s apartment. This was a relaxed and fun time for the few who were able to be there. Abbot attendees were Dinah Hallowell Barlow, Mimi Ganem Reeder, Marion Pearce, Elizabeth McGuire Enders, Lucinda “Lulu” Sulzbacher Cutler, Louisa Lehman Birch, Jody Bradley Bush, and Carol Gaines Ruckle. Future plans include Mame, the Grand Canyon, New Haven, Conn., and California. Lots of enthusiasm!”

With great sadness, Glee Wooldredge Wieland reports that Jerry Cutler, husband of Lulu Sulzbacher Cutler, passed away just before Christmas 2007. “He had suffered mightily from a long bout with cancer. Five members of our class, Mary Carter Staniar, Louise Lehman Birch, Dinah Hallowell Barlow, Libby Horan Edgerly, and I drove from Boston to Connecticut, where we joined Jody Bradley Bush, Lydia Cornwall Bishop, and Lynne McLaughlin Moughty for the memorial service. The service was lovely and patriotic, as Jerry had been a commander in the Coast Guard. We had a special time with Lulu at the reception. It was wonderful to catch up with everyone, and we met Lulu’s grandchildren, of whom she is justly proud. Lulu is off to Florida in 2008, where she has made many new friends.”

Our Canadian classmate, who traveled to the Galapagos over the 2007 Christmas holidays, described it this way: “Gone away to the islands of Darwin and the HMS Beagle. Jan. 18 I returned and am on call again. Lovingly yours, from Cecile Erickson Macaggart.”

Pat Bijur Carlson was off to England in March. Her daughter, Valerie, who teaches English and drama at a Catholic school, organized a “literary tour of England” for some of her students and their parents and invited Pat to join them.

From Cave Creek, Ariz., Jacqueline Goodspeed writes, “My life continues happily here in Arizona, riding my horse, singing, doing community work through Kiwanis and the Foothills Community Foundation, and planning a three-week trip to Egypt this February. Mary Ann Spurgeon Lewis has been in touch with me, and I hope we will be able to visit each other sometime soon. It’s been 50 years! I see Judy Botnick Carmody regularly as she lives in the neighboring town.”

And from Mary Ann Spurgeon Lewis comes this news: “I look forward to seeing Jacque Goodspeed when she comes to Philadelphia this spring. Mary Ann’s youngest son, Mark, is marrying Jennifer Marie Whitener in April. In addition, her
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When horticulturist passed away, the world lost a gardener who had a special talent for growing vegetables and flowers that would compete with the finest in the country. Teaching and writing about gardening were his passions, and his books and articles were eagerly read by gardeners everywhere.

...more live...
Ed Frost, Charlie Brennan, and Dermot Sullivan. Unfortunately, Tom Gildehaus was forced to cancel at the last minute, but the group was joined by two members of the football team from the Class of 1959, Hank Higdon and Mike Bassett.

At a cocktail and an elegant lunch at the Blue Heron restaurant, the beautifully restored 19th century town hall building in Sunderland, Mass., the group reassembled at the Deerfield field in a heavy drizzle, and the Blue were treated to another defeat, just like long ago, by the score of 20-9. Nevertheless, it was a great occasion, and an appropriate "kick-off" to our official 50th Reunion on June 12-13. Make sure your calendars reflect these dates.

Co-host Tom Gildehaus is retired and lives in Davenport, Iowa. He has a house on Cape Cod, as well, and has just returned from three-plus weeks in India to attend a wedding. Tom stepped down in September 07 after 15 months as executive director of the Figge Art Museum in Davenport, a post he undertook as a temporary replacement when the prior director left. He now continues as the president of the board. The Figge is a world-class museum with wide-ranging collections spanning Hudson River School artists, Winslow Homer, Joshua Reynolds, and Rembrandt etchings, among others.

Tis the year for memories, so I asked Tom for his recollection of the game 50 years ago. As you may recall, we lost to Deerfield 14-7. Tom said he played nose guard, and our defense was quick across the line. Deerfield trapped-blocked us relentlessly, opening up the middle, and we trailed 14-2 at the half. Coach Suthra made halftime adjustments, telling the defensive line not to penetrate and to hold their position. Deerfield was reportedly held to minus yards rushing in the second half.

March Wheeler added that Coach Suthra said on that Monday that the players didn't lose the game. Coach admitted fault for not adjusting sooner to the trap blocks. We pulled within 14-7 in the second half. However, after two long pass completions by Tom Behan to Manx Woodbury, we fumbled on third down on the 4-yard line, and time ran out. Overall, we all remember that great season, as our team went 6-1 and beat Exeter 45-6, identical scores reversing the outcomes of our defeat by Exeter the year before.

Bobby Hull remembers that, in the second half, we started to run outside their tackles, who had been pinching in. This led to our only score. Bobby didn't come back for the anniversary luncheon, questioning why anyone would make the trip to celebrate a loss. However, he said he would have come back for a celebration of the Exeter game, because he would have scored two touchdowns in that victory! Bobby is still in St. Louis, and doing charity work. He finally had double-knee-replacement surgery in June 2007. After three scopes in each knee, they were barely functioning. The recovery was painful. The good news is, within three months, he was playing golf and, one month later, he was bicycling in France.

Reggie Barnes recalls his highlight in the Deerfield game when he tackled the Deerfield quarterback in the second half and caused a fumble. Reggie mused that he was so slow off the line (the once lost an inter-squad race for team's slowest) that the pulling guards had passed him by on their quarterback option play, leaving him a clear shot at the quarterback. Reggie also relates the story of Bob Palmer and Tony Brown. visiting him in Tulsa after graduation. After Tony told Reggie's mother he was going to Stanford, Mrs. Barnes asked how the courses were at Stanford. Tony, who played on the Andover golf team, said, "Great—there're two of them, right on campus!"

It is with great sadness that I report the death of Kenneth Russell, who died March 13, 2007, in Port Orange, Fla. Please see the In Memoriam section for his obit.

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ABBOT If you've ever or even never watched a TV soap opera, now is the time to watch One Life to Live. Ann Morris Stuck's son Chris has a four-year contract to play the part of Dr. Michael McNamara on the show. He was given the part on a Tuesday, received 62 pages of script, and began taping Thursday of the same week. It's good, hard, consistent work, and his family is thrilled for him. Chris's Dad bought the Dec. 4 Soap Opera Digest. We are into it.

Liz Mulholland reports, "Susie Goodwillie Stedman sent a note saying she was surprised at the soap opera I had been through. She is planning to use my introduction to Surviving High Society in our 50th Reunion publication. The update on the book is that husband Jim and I have decided on an on-demand printing company, with, hopefully, a publication date of June 13, 2008, as that was my dad's birthday."

At last some news from Nona Porter, who reports, "I had a marvelous visit with Duncan Moore Whitmore and Susan Calnan Bates in October, but I suppose that is old news. Sue was responsible for Duncan ringing me when she was in New York for the Westminster Dog Show last spring with her fabulous Misty Bee. We had a Thai praise soup and beef salad together and tried to catch up—we'll, sort of, I, for one, felt as if we had never parted, and there was so much of immediate interest to address, that most of the "pill" is still to be filled in. I caught up a bit with Susan (and met her glorious golden girl) when Sue drove me to Duncan's. Susan was a rather frequent visitor back from London when I lived there full-time, so we had not been separated so very long. It was an exquisite weekend in all respects, or the least because of Duncan's and Susan's thought, care, planning, and generosity."

Nona added, "Happy new year to you and yours and all Abbott '59! My move to New Hampshire is in limbo, but I am still keen and hope to go soon. (And no, "keen" is no kinda wordplay on Keene. I like the seacoast area of N.H.)"

As for myself, I continue to be busier than ever with the Portland Museum in Louisville and look forward to retirement someday. I hear more about the Class of 1959 than our Class of 1959 because sister Eleanor tells me all about her class plans for their reunion this spring. She is busy "planning" on our wonderful old Andover farmhouse so as to be ready for a wonderful Sunday brunch on Reunion Weekend. I promise that I will do the same, and you are all invited for brunch at our Reunion in 2009!

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PHILLIPS The first order of business, of course, is our 50th Reunion—it's gonna be great! For the latest details, go to PA59ers.com, Paul Neshamkin and Alan Albright's magazine opus bringing us all into the wired age. When you read these notes, the reunion will be a mere year away, and I'll be time for you to do three things first, scratch June 11-14 in indelible ink on your calendars, second, write your essay for the '59 Class Book—the deadline for submissions is fast approaching; and, third, continue to think of what it is that Andover does best that you want to encourage.

The schedule: We'll gather on the evening of the 11th for an opening reception where our many art works—are defined very broadly—will be on display. Quinn Rosesky has been working on this activity for some time, and the extraordinary range of objects and ideas that he's accumulating will surprise you. Wife Maureen and I are bringing—and making—the wine for the evening, and that may surprise you as well! Friday all day and Saturday morning we'll have a variety of activities—physical and mental—from which to choose. There will be sports events (golf, darts, and anything that can be done at the PA facilities); seminars; and, if we hope, some hands-on activity probably associated with one of the several initiatives our class will have gotten behind. The rest of the weekend will be a combination of '59er events and reunion-wide events at various places on and off campus. Key people here are Quinn, John Doberty, and myself.

The essay Bill Bell and Sue Stedman '59, as you know, with help from Jim Hayman (see below) are putting together what promises to be a mold-breaking 50th Reunion book. With Jim's help, they're looking at new design approaches, integrating the Andover and Abbey entries, and, most importantly, encouraging us all to write something unexpected. There are a number of examples at PA59ers.com—go there. Be inspired.

Encouraging PA. One of the most meaningful things we can do is to give PA the value of our 50 years' perspective on life, and our thoughts on
I. E. F. Hewitt, best known for his stories of South African adventure, was an accomplished writer and traveler. His works often featured the African wilderness and the people who lived there. Hewitt was also a keen observer of wildlife and nature, and his accounts often included detailed descriptions of the flora and fauna of the region.

Art Rogers, Hank Hugdon, and Lee Webb, author of the classic novel "The Klondike," were all prominent figures in the world of adventure writing. Their works were known for their vivid descriptions of the wilds of the Arctic and the challenges faced by those who ventured into that harsh and unforgiving landscape.

During the 1930s and 1940s, the United States was undergoing a period of intense military preparedness. The National Defense Act of 1940 established the National Defense Training Act, which provided for the training of military personnel, including the establishment of military training camps across the country.

The year 1950 marked the beginning of the Korean War, which would shape the course of international relations for decades to come. The conflict between North and South Korea, and later involving China and the United States, was a pivotal moment in the Cold War era.

Margaret R. Brown of New York is recognized for her contributions to wildlife conservation and her work with the Society for Range Management. Her advocacy for the preservation of natural resources and ecosystems has been a cornerstone of her career.

The story of the famous author, known for his adventurous exploits and his love of the outdoors, is a testament to the enduring appeal of stories that transport readers to distant lands and inspire a sense of wonder and curiosity about the world.
the tray for an evening meal, and preparation for our 50th Reunion was and is on earnest.

Emphatically, reunion planning and reality involve all of us, and we are all on "the committee."

The early organizers may be hot dogs or shackers or simply dedicated to us as a class—Woody Wickham, by way of example, flew to Boston from his part-time home in Montana to be with the group—but it was an initial, productive, mature, and seemingly well-organized beginning. Some preliminary responsibilities have been tentatively assigned and happily or otherwise accepted, including Woody Wickham and Mike Burlingame being in charge of the class book; Dave Dumas and Charlie Kendrick, among many others, in charge of class gift fund raising; Tony Lee with at least partial responsibility for a class Web site; the secretary in charge of tracking lost and deceased classmates; virtually everyone in charge of encouraging widespread classmate attendance and participation; and still others hoping to avoid specific obligations. We are all involved. Volunteer, offer to participate, stay silent for the moment, or whatever, but know that each of us is and will be part of the effort.

A 2008 all-class mini-reunion will have taken place in late March in Savannah, Ga., with additional reunion planning and discussion among many of the class-recognized classmates having inevitably occurred. Future reports will provide more details on reunion organization and thinking as they develop. Rumors abound that Ed Quattlebaum will have delivered an address to the gathered alumni in Savannah about the Civil War and Reconstruction in the Georgia/South Carolina low country.

Peter Brownrigg attended a full reception for General Barry McCaffrey in Washington, D.C., and heard Barry's well-spoken remarks on the global war on terrorism. Peter was highly complimentary of Barry's speech and views, which covered a number of subjects, including immigration, domestic safety, the government's preparations for the Iraq war, the Department of Homeland Security, and possible aggressiveness toward Iran. Peter currently works from home in northern Virginia on a Veterans Health Administration contract.

Mike Burlingame, whose multi-volume definitive biography on Abraham Lincoln will reportedly be ready for publication and distribution this year, recently forwarded a curious but highly enthusiastic recommendation to several classmates concerning Old School by Tobias Wolff. The Wolff book, about literary figures and images, creativity, and imaginations in a prep school setting, will resonate with all of us who ever set foot in Bulfinch Hall. Allen Ward, John Daniel, Dick Bourne, Tony Lee, and Wally Winter have already responded in various forms with interest, and the consideration and communications have expanded to include race relations, Catcher in the Rye, and various possible panel discussion topics for our Reunion.

A chance encounter with Ed Clark in a men's shower in an athletic club in Portland, Ore., led to a full discussion and coverage of the status, lives, and activities of our classmates in the Portland area, including Rick Seifert, Dick Ellegood, Dale Forster, and Ed, together with limited but sound medical and squash advice. There will be much more to come about our Portland friends, presumably as well as questions regarding how initial recognition occurred with Ed.

The Tales among us seem to be the tightest, most internally and externally communicative, and in many outward ways the most collectively local of the college graduate groups represented by our class. Our reunion planning, by way of example, has to date attracted many Yale alumni friends, and the communications flow. Representative of early-year political prognosticating are multiple e-mail exchanges on the subject "What hath PA and Yale wrought?" Nick Danforth, Toby Tompkins, Jeremy Wood, Gerry Shea, and Tony Lee discuss the current administration in the White House and those jostling to lead the country in the future. Less representative, perhaps, but nevertheless impressive in its quantity, is the near constant flow of communications from Jeremy Wood, who has to be the most prolific correspondent in the class.

There are lots of lists floating around these days, in addition to the usual entreaties, solicitations, requests, and blandishments from the school itself. Charlie Kendrick, Jim Turck, Wally Winter, Tom Campion, Tony Lee, and Woody Wickham are signatories to a letter to classmates seeking various assistance, ideas, expressions of interest, and calendaring in connection with our 50th Reunion. Dave Dumas has forwarded a letter to classmates humbly encouraging class gifts and related funding support. And "Organizing Committee" stationery has been created—presumably preliminarily and tentatively, in connection with reunion organizing—listing Dick Bourne, Charlie Bradford, Bill Brown, Michael Burlingame, Tom Campion, Michael Church, Tyler Daniel, Nick Danforth, Dave Dumas, Fris's Dilles, Al Fox, Charlie Kendrick, Ben Kochler, Tony Lee, Ed Quattlebaum, Rick Seifert, Andy Teuber, Jim Turck, Woody Wickham, Ward Wickwire, Wally Winter, and Jeremy Wood. Remember, we're in this together. There will be much more to come about our June 2010 Reunion. In the meantime, be encouraged to communicate about your life and times. Remember, this orgone penda

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ABBOT Recently I had a great telephone conversation with Loring Low Stevens, who divides her time between Cape Cod and Cambridge, Mass. She's a consultant for special events such as charity auctions and not-for-profit organizations. She is also the chair of the board of directors at the Germaine Lawrence School, a school for troubled teenage girls. Loring's older daughter, Taylor, graduated from Trinity College in 2006 and now teaches preschool in New York City. Her younger daughter, Blair, is a senior at Vanderbilt in Nashville, Tenn.

I received a good e-mail from Libby Holloway Fiene. (Miraculously, she was almost my next-door neighbor last year when I lived in Seattle.) She writes, "I had a great time in Portland, Ore., in October with Beth Hyde Washburn, her husband, Ted, and Beth's parents (Ann and Simeon Hyde) over the weekend of the Hyles' 65th wedding anniversary. I also keep in touch with Sherry Craig Lowe and have seen her on various trips to Connecticut. Am planning to retire in May. And that is good, as I am very bored with my job."

What Libby has no indication of being bored with is her volunteer work with Backyard Wildlife Habitats. She says, "I headed the effort to have Lake Forest Park, Wash., certified by the National Wildlife Federation as the 21st Community Wildlife Habitat in the nation." She also writes, "I am really hoping we can get a great turnout of our Abbot class at the 50th. It would be such fun to connect with all of our classmates again."

Hold that thought while I mention that (with the help of Paul Kalkstein 61) I have set up a blog site for our class abbot61.blogspot.com. It's a start to get us on the same page. (No pun intended) for our upcoming reunion. It would also be helpful for us to have our own Web site. If anyone would like to volunteer her services to set this up, please let me know.

I am settling in to a condominium in Portland, Maine, and am on the second rewrite of a memoir about the year I spent in Seattle as the grand-nanny to my two grandchildren, Ethan, age 4, and Ellis, 2, while my daughter-in-law did a fellowship in orthopedic oncology. She and my son, a surgical oncologist, are returning to the East Coast to work in Burlington, Vt. Here in Portland, I spend time with another granddaughter, Georgia Grace, almost 1 year old. When I'm not playing grandnanny or doing yoga, I go to my favorite coffee hangout "where everyone knows your name." And I pick up temp jobs from time to time. No more nine-to-five, set-the-world-on-fire jobs for this chick! My life is so full I wonder how I ever had time to work full-time!

Patter words: think June 2011—celebrating our 50th!

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PHILLIPS Word comes from David Verrill that Susan and Mac Rogers have recently retired to Scarborough, Maine. David said they were "wind-down their careers in Cambridge, Mass., and they just had built a beautiful home yards from the ocean and hardly a 3-wood from where we live (well, maybe a couple of drivers and a
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Elizabeth Bohlen and Claudia Grose both live in Cambridge. Elizabeth works at the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory at Harvard (at night, of course). Claudia is retired from the education department at Northeastern University in Boston.

Elizabeth put me in touch with Caroline Thomas. Caroline is an actress, playwright, and director, and runs her own acting school, Total Theatre Lab (www.totaltheatrelab.com). After leaving Abbot, she graduated from the Brentford School, attended Barnard College, and received a diploma from the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art in London. She lives in Manhattan on the Upper West Side with her husband, Robert Benes, who is an actor, painter, furniture maker, and contractor, and their 18-year-old daughter, Elissa, who is a senior at the Urban Academy Laboratory High School. Caroline's son (from her first marriage), David Eustat, attended the Collegiate School in Manhattan, graduated from Vassar College, taught English in Hungary for several years, married a Hungarian woman, and is currently living in San Francisco, where he is completing a graduate degree in education. Caroline goes by her maiden name. This is Caroline's third marriage, and even though she and Robert have been happily married for 19 years, she decided she'd had enough of the name-changing business.

Keep in touch! It is our fountain of youth.

He has one son, Clifton, who is with Federal Express. Nada has successfully enjoyed her life as a real estate professional in Seattle. Clay and I reminisced about our days at school in German class with John Chivers. Clay and Nada have an avocation started in the smoke-filled Ryley Room. He is a "Gold Life Master" with more than 4,000 master points awarded by the American Contract Bridge League. This sounds like a long way from planned weekends at Islam Intimacy to smoke and gamble illegally.

A call to Bill Gardner found him in the warm Florida winter. He went to Wesleyan, then worked for IBM in New York for a few years. Wanderlust attacked, and Bill drove across the Sahara, climbed the Himalayas, and worked on publishing a book of photographs. He later ran into Josh Miner at the Princeton Club in New York in the mid-1970s. Josh told Bill to go to teach at Andover, and he did so for two years, instructing in physics and computer science, and working with Outward Bound. He lived in Litchfield, Conn., having two daughters, Katie, a veterinarian, and Vicki, a hot-shot consultant. After the seemingly inevitable divorce, Bill married his present wife, Debbie, six years ago and moved to Florida. His claim to fame is that he is the oldest person to win the World Cup in marathon canoeing. Bill's longest rowing was in Quebec—110 miles in about nine hours. Canoes are not big in Florida, and Bill is now chasing a little ball with a stick.

Jonas "Gary" Stafford turned up in my backyard in Palo Alto. He started studying engineering at Stanford and ended up with a degree in physical sciences. Not knowing what this is, I received a frightening description combining physics, chemistry, math, and something else awful. Gee then became a banker at the old Crocker National Bank, with a break of several years in computer programming; he returned to work for the Mid-Peninsula Bank and retired more than a yen ago. He married his wife, Chris, and they have three children: Kallie is with Child Protective Services in Austin, Texas; Jeremy is a youth minister, but not a priest, with the Diocese of Hayward, Calif.; and Scott is a flight officer in the U.S. Navy and is expecting deployment soon to the Persian Gulf. Gee reports that his old roommate, Jeff Stopford, still lives near Philadelphia as a retired lawyer doing a lot of valuable work with charities.

Steve Abbot checked in from his home in Arlington, Va., and said that he was still running the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society; they operate all over the world assisting our servicemen and their families in distress. He was deputy commander of all NATO forces and had previously commanded the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean. After retiring as a four-star admiral in 2002, Steve worked for Governor Tom Ridge in the nascent Department of Homeland Security and later remained in the White House and met with President Bush on a daily basis. We reminisced about our memories of the former "Bushie." I remembered him as a lower prep who hung out in George Washington's and my room in Bartlett North—and Steve dealt with him on a daily basis as president. Steve and wife Marjorie have three unmarried sons. Two are Navy pilots, and one is a Associated Press reporter in Cairo, Egypt. Steve is offering finder's fees for daughters-in-law. On the other hand, I am offering a small finder's fee for an intelligent girl with doubtful moral standards.

At the end of my search for classmates, the roving fingers hurl Larry Hinkle, who lived with me under the domination of the nefarious "Black Mac of Rockwell House." Larry went to Harvard College along with 25 percent of our classmates; another 25 percent went to Yale and the rest of us were in trades for places "to be named later," using baseball parlance. Larry served in the Navy and then was a scholar at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public Affairs and Economics at Princeton. Entering into a second marriage at the age of 39, his prospect for a quick retirement is dim. He has two children in college and one in high school. After graduate school, Larry has been at the World Bank in Washington, D.C. He enjoys life there and is an international economist, working on setting policies for researching the cause and effect of fluctuations in exchange rates, the status of local economic conditions, and the like. As with many of you, we knew each other at school, without any contact since. It was fun to chat, and I determined to once again run for reelection in 2012, if you can stand five more years of my opinions about the Red Sox and other evil entities.

That's about all on a rainy Friday afternoon in Somoma. Please keep in touch and remember to make plans for our 50th Reunion in four years!

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I wish all you fellow travelers congratulations on the least pleasant historical event since 2004. I am referring to the Bolshevik victory at Red (Kenmore) Square last October. Several of you were gracious in victory; this does not include Jack Fabiano, James Banford's wife, Barbara, or Maggie Carbone, late of the alumni office.

I always love getting Christmas messages from Ed Greer and his wife, Priscilla. This year the care has a beautiful picture of an Antarctic mountain of ice. Ed is still a professor at the University of Maine with many articles and professional honors. Priscilla is anchoring down an anthropological program at the University of Nebraska.

My roving scribe fingers hit the name of Clay Sundersmeier on our class list. He has maintained a fairly low profile since picking up an MS degree at Stanford in operations research after being an undergraduate there. Clay has really had three careers. He was in operations research at Monsanto, then flogged computers at Digital Equipment, and finished up as a stockbroker with Morgan Stanley. Clay went through a first marriage and divorce many years ago, remarried, and has been happily married to his wife, Nada, for 30 years.

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Greetings, fellow AA '69ers. I hope all is well. Before I launch into classmate news, I'd like to present something from our tireless reunion chairwoman, Bettina Prosek Walker. She writes, "It would be great if you would include a heartfelt expression of appreciation from me for all those who returned to me answers to either or, even more so, both parts of the Reunion Questionnaire. Secondly, would you please address those classmates who have not done so, explaining to them that it is not too late to respond to Part II of the questionnaire? Because a class profile based on a statistical kind of questionnaire is not exactly complete or accurate with less than half of our classmates participating. I have had to extend the due date in the hope that classmates will send in their answers. If they are too short of time or inclination, classmates need not answer
Sue Winet, who was in Orleans (the next town over) for the day. We met for lunch, then she and Precious, her mini-dachshund, spent the afternoon at my place. Sue and I had met up at the Charleston mini-reunion in February 2006, which was great fun. I recommend the mini-reunions and hope to get to another. In July my mother moved from New Jersey to Lexington, Mass. She has limited vision due to macular degeneration, so my husband, Jim, and I helped her pack, move, settle in, paint, hang pictures, etc. We’re looking forward to spending time at home.

Two daughters of Ann Bradshaw Barrows graduated last year. Her youngest daughter, Lydia, graduated from Proctor Academy and started college last fall at Roger Williams University. Abigail, 23, graduated in December 2006 with a major in zoology from the University of Tasmania in Hobart, Australia. The whole family gathered in Australia for the graduation ceremony and a family reunion. Hannah, 25, is currently spending a year at the University of Dundee, Scotland, working on a master’s degree. Ann’s son, Benjamin, 27, continues living in Amman, Jordan. His job has also taken him to the Kurdish area of Iraq and Afghanistan. Ann continues with her medical practice in Bangor, Maine.

Becky Reynolds Zielinski and her husband, Gene, enjoyed their second December in North Carolina. Becky has had a few interviews at Duke, where she would like to work, but as of this writing, no luck securing a job. She and Gene sent a wonderful Christmas card with pictures of friends and family and news of good times, including a cruise to Bermuda with friends, a week in Las Vegas, and a trip to Disney with grandchildren.

My summer was taken up preparing for my daughter Holly’s wedding in October. Both of my brothers and their families made the trek out from New Hampshire to Oregon, and a great time was had by all. My Abbot roommate, Janet Barker, flew up from California for the weekend. She pitched in and helped tremendously. She has seen my children grow up over the years, and it was very special having her here with us. I especially remember a trip I made with my children Holly and John to visit Janet in Fort Collins, Colo., where she taught them in in-line skate. I don’t think she has seen my children since those getaway weekends at my house from Abbot—a long time indeed!

Thanks so much to those of you who sent news!

Gene now has a life in Europe, as he resides in France and gives concerts in various European venues, mostly in Eastern Europe. He used to record on the Claves label (Swiss), but now records for Calliope (French).

Charles “Sandy” Lukin ’63 sent me a note reporting, “I attended that first Colorado Outward Bound School summer session of 1963. One PA 1965 class member attended as well, Alexander Barber. The 1963 session was the very first complete three-week session, and last year apparently there was a trial session the year prior. Outward Bound USA was the Josh Miner-imported version of Outward Bound founded in Wales in 1941. During WWII, British merchant mariners were engaged in the Battle of the Atlantic. Apparently the young and the strong were not internally equipped to survive the rigors of the lifeboat. Older sailors had a greater will to live.”

Mac McCabe had this story (we’ll hear more and more of these, I fear—hopefully with the same good outcome): “Rarely does one find a PA ’63 classmate all these years later at exactly the right place and the right time. This November I did. Basically, I have never thought about heart issues as I had no family history, good cholesterol, and reasonable diet and exercise. (There is of course that entrepreneurial stress factor.) After a few hours of intermittent but not extreme discomfort, my wife drove me about a mile down the road to Maine Medical Center in Portland. Within 30 minutes we were on a table having a cardiac intervention. As we were whisked to the catheterization unit, the elevator door opened—and who should be walking by but the renowned head of cardiology at Maine Med, Dr. Bud Kellett. My wife, Kaitlin, and I could not have been more relieved. He was on duty to perform the procedure, but he stayed and offered comfort and five-minute reports to Kaitlin. I came out the other side feeling very strong and committed to this as a one-time occurrence, but I also came out feeling so grateful to Bud for being there. I just went to my follow-up appointment, and the permanent damage is minimal. So, I am one truly thankful guy. And I do plan to be the best cardiac patient that I can be—not just good but great exercise; even better diet, and I am not letting much of anything stress me out at work.”

Rick Bennett reports, “[Willie] Rita and I entertained eight of the 18 grandkids for New Year’s Eve. I set up ambushes for PlayStation terrorists with my SOCOM U.S. Navy SEALs, and Rita played games and watched the ball drop on television with the girls. I came up 32 miles short of reaching 4,000 miles on my bicycle in 2007. Spent too much time writing guerrilla-warfare ads this year—still trying to change the world one public execution at a time. My score so far: 61 to 0 in favor of the other guys. But 2008 is a brand new year. Maybe THE ONE. Happy new year to you all.”

Doug Pirnie reports, “Michael Schieffman says his son is at Harvard, one daughter is a senior in high school, and another daughter is in the eighth grade. Michael’s son reports he is playing tennis well enough to beat Michel. Jay Bond is rehabbing from rotator cuff surgery. Rides his mountain bike a little bit when he can. Still

works for HUD and enjoys it. Ralph Swanson became a first-time grandfather when his daughter had twins in November. John Fox also has twins, who recently turned 7, and he may have the youngest children in the class. Anyone else with younger kids? John just finished producing a film on the scenery and beauty of Austria, which was shown on PBS stations starting in March 2008.”

As for himself, Doug says, “Since leaving IMO last January after 10 years, I have been freelancing at Prom, the sports marketing and division of ad giant JWT, working on client management, sponsorship evaluations, rights valuation, business development, and promotional/activation tactics. I am enjoying it. It has proven to me that there is another world out there after spending so much time with one company. I have also picked up some freelance projects, which overall have kept me pretty busy. On the personal front, my wife and I rode our bikes from Prague to Vienna last fall as part of a bike tour. We were blessed with perfect weather, were there at harvest time, and actually had peaches and apples falling off the trees on our heads.”

As for your scale, I am still looking for about 100 or more e-mail addresses for class members. If any of you can contact me with some news I would really appreciate it. I keep meaning to send cards to everyone but, as you know, the road to hell is paved with good intentions.

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ABBOTT Greetings from the depths of an old fashioned New England winter, which translates into a four-foot-deep snow pack, snowshoes stacked by the back door, and daily e-mail and phone "-commutes" to, yes, Pakistan.

Lucy Thomson, Barbara Timken, and I managed to fit in a numerous mini-reunion at the fall Leaders’ Weekend at Andover. During the Abbot luncheon in the former chapel, we caught up on our current lives.

Lucy still lives in Alexandria, Va. She continues to be involved in a number of different sectors, from legal issues to homeland security. With daughters Torie and Elizabeth at Union College, Lucy now spends more time sailing out of her former base of Annapolis, Md., and races during the summers. Barbara lives in Belmont, Mass. For those of you who remember her children Anna and Nick as babies, they now are growing up fast—Anna is a teenager! So Lucy and I shared "mother" advice.
Roommates regroup

Former roommates from left: Barbara Corten Tinken, Lucy Thompson, and Blake Hazgeld. Allen of ABA's Class of '66 catch up at a luncheon in the ABA Hall School Room during Leaders' Weekend in October 2007.

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PHILLIPS — Bill Davis writes, "Mr. Bartlett, Merton's graduate to whom many Westeranders may remember, was the ABA's Colgate Admission Committee chairman for many years. I have met Merton on many occasions and am aware of his time as chairman. He will be missed greatly by all of us. ABA lore says that his boys' tennis was almost unbeatable. He was a great contributor to the ABA and a great friend to many Westeranders." We concur.

Ruth Sussen-Werner and Cheryl Lee Anderson send their warmest wishes to those who remember Mr. Bartlett. He was a wonderful man.

Phyllis Bartlett writes, "I have been a member of the ABA for 50 years, and the first person that comes to mind is Bill Bartlett. He was a wonderful man who spent his whole life working for the American Bar Association. He was a dedicated friend and a dedicated leader. He will be missed by all of us. ABA lore says that his boys' tennis was unbeatable. He was a great contributor to the ABA and a great friend to many Westeranders." We concur.

Pamela Cortes writes from Athens, Greece: "A recent visit with Carla, our dear friend, reminded me of how wonderful the ABA was. It was a perfect opportunity to visit with her and to see the beautiful city of Athens." She adds, "We had a wonderful time and look forward to returning soon."

Another ABA alumna, Cornelia Olsen, also sends her warmest wishes to those who remember Mr. Bartlett. She writes, "I have fond memories of Mr. Bartlett. He was a wonderful man who spent his whole life working for the American Bar Association. He was a dedicated friend and a dedicated leader. He will be missed by all of us. ABA lore says that his boys' tennis was unbeatable. He was a great contributor to the ABA and a great friend to many Westeranders." We concur.

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She is now a grandmother, due to the fact that her daughter legally adopted her partner's child. It seems that grandparenting is becoming the wave of our futures. I have not yet been so anointed. Jill updated me about life in Trinidad, including partying into the wee small hours with her 81-year-old neighbor, and reminiscing about the many places she has lived and worked around the globe. When she is home, she continues to sail with her husband in the cold waters of the Pacific Northwest.

Suzan Stinchomn Brackett wrote about the wonderful time she had at the reunion, reminiscing about the "ancient history" of the group (as in 1962— not age 62!). She reports, "I am pretty much a housewife. I play some sports, do yard work, and give a dinner party now and again." I might add that Sue has not lost her dazzling smile!

Thea Braddock is writing her fifth environmental law book—on wetland mitigation. She notes that her books sell well, adding, "nowhere near as well as Julia Alvarez's, I'm sure." Thea recently had a family reunion at the home of her oldest daughter in Montclair, N.J., with grandchildren! Her youngest daughter (little Thea) is studying in Paris at the Haute Ecole de Commerce. Thea is filling her shift with Pilates lessons in preparation for little Thea's August wedding in France. Thea's son is a sophomore at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Wash., majoring in history and taking Army ROTC.

Jill Schoenmaker is preparing for another tournament as executive director for N.H. Destination Imagination, a not-for-profit kids' creative problem-solving organization. Her favorite challenge is organizing summer time creativity camps. Jill's older daughter is a lawyer in Portland, Ore., and expecting a baby, and Jill's son works in a stem cell research lab in Boston.

Jane von der Heyde Lindley has been living in the same home in N.Y.C. for 30 years, was sorry to have missed the reunion, and welcomes

visitors to "Hotel Lindley."

Julia Alvarez volunteers at an "open door clinic" in Vermont, translating for migrant Mexican dairy farm workers, and frequently travels to the Dominican Republic to care for her parents. Diana Bonnifield Jillic writes that her kidney transplant of three years is holding up well. She and her husband have a blended family of four children and three grandchildren. They give thanks that their children are all gaining independence. Diana is president of the National Association of Professional Organizers in San Diego. She puts those talents to use by successfully locating the recipes of some Abbott food faves. Joyce Wannop Bruce, Jill, Theda, Jane, and Jill Nitzik Wiggil all exchanged a hilarious flurry of e-mails discussing the likes of Heavenly Goo and a human recipe. Diana located the recipes in an Abbott cookbook given to her by Julia Alvarez. Dorsey Green and her partner, Ann, recently traveled to Scotland following an international Quaker conference. Dorsey volunteers for the Friends Committee on National Legislation, a Quaker lobby group in Washington, D.C. She is an adjunct faculty member of the psychology department at the University of Washington, has co-authored two books on lesbian couples/parenting; and has a private practice. She has two boys of her own, one of whom was married last year, and a blended family of five children and five grandchildren.

Rosanna Wolfe is an RN and licensed psychologist working with a group in Bethesda, Md. She resides inside the Beltway and notes that it is fun being surrounded by electron organizers. She and her husband traveled to Germany in September, stopping in London along the way.

Marjory Kaplan writes that she is out of touch with Abbott people and hopes that a mini-reunion might be organized. Perhaps a potluck of Heavenly Goo is in order?

My partner, Lise, has finally been granted permanent residency following a six-year wait. A Canadian citizen, she will now be allowed to practice nursing here. Doing the happy dance!

the gallery website: "Combining the spontaneity and drama of his paintings with the careful premeditation demanded of the print medium, Dunham's imagery is transformed, refined, and often intensified in his graphic work. While his prints share the wickedly cartoonish semi-abstractions of his paintings, they are not merely illustrative, but rather autonomous works of art that explore the formal and perceptual possibilities unique to the printmaking process." Tipt, who divides his time between homes in Manhattan and Cornwall, Conn., plans to attend the May 9 opening. He says it's "nostalgically sweet" to have his own show at the Addison. Yale University Press is also publishing a book focused on his prints. Plan to catch the show if you can.

Resided at his law office in Auburn, Maine, Dick Tritton was preparing to ski a 50-kilometer cross-country race in Vermont, joined by his son Ben. "I try to do at least one of these a year," said Dick, whose daughter Emily, 13, skis on the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association's downhill circuit. Dick had planned to attend last year's 40th Reunion with fellow Mainer Jim Platz. However, Jim was preparing to pilot his own airplane across the Atlantic soon thereafter, and the two never made it. "Maybe next time," said Dick.

Lee Peterson has written the foreword to a handsome new edition of his late father's classic Field Guide to Birds of North America. Due out this coming summer, the new guide includes 35 video podcasts and 40 new paintings. Lee and his wife, Courtney, live on a farm in southeastern Pennsylvania and make handcrafted jewelry that's sold through their company, Courtney Design (online at www.courtneydesign.com). "Courtney has the real creative spark; I'm just the helpmate," says Lee, who met his wife 25 years ago in her native New Orleans, whose rebuilding efforts the couple continues to support. A "gentleman farmer," Lee raises Merino sheep on a 30-acre spread that's also home to llamas, chickens, geese, and turkeys.

Bob Cohon's wife, Phuli, has published a guidebook to women's health titled The Natural Hormone Maker: 10 Steps to Reinvent Your Health and Rediscover Your Inner Glow (Wiley). A member of the American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine, Dr. Phuli Cohon integrates Eastern and Western medicine in her practice and promotes the use of natural hormones in restoring overall health.

During last summer's Rising Storm Euro Tour, reports Bob, a German fan asked him to autograph a copy of the band's 1967 album, Cavin Before. While Bob obliged, the fan asked if he could solve a mystery for him: the meaning of the word "GILES" inked on the fan's album cover. "I'm guessing it belonged to [David] Stretch Gillis," Bob replied. "He lived across the hall from me. "This GILES is a person." asked the incredulous fan, as if he'd just unlocked the Da Vinci Code. "So, he is famous then?" Memo to all who yard-sold their copies long ago: you're even more famous than you thought. —Joseph

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Paula Atwood spent the last four years in Cambridge, England in graduate school, working as a British tourist guide at the Newnham College, getting to know the city, and practicing her English. Susan Barton wrote, "Have you seen your last picture at the Newnham College, Getting to know the city, and practicing your English." Nancy Roberts wrote, "In preparation for the 40th, I have been visiting various classmates, or this time in person 14 phones. Paula Atwood and I had a marvelous champagne brunch in December. Also saw Joanna's photos. Frost Golino in Palm Beach. Her Jackson Matison Colhoun is as marvelous as ever at a formal career teaching at a private school in Coral Gables. In June, I'll be in Boston Area to celebrate my 25th wedding anniversary with my husband, Mike Gooden (Amherst '68), who is raking through Attic Nuka for the second time. Looking toward Fig Box 2008, still our 40th!"

Karen Seaward and Anne Moses Bennett both wrote, "I do plan to be at our reunion." (Hope you bring your husbands, ladies!)

Cory Cleaver wrote, "Starting 2008, in my husband asked me to hold, notupheal, but to take time to put myself into the sewing of our sewing. We've been at the planning stages for Cape Cod and Bluffs, Ireland. The ancestral home of my maternal grandfather. Now that I have a photo album to look at, I can attempt to continue turning my trip memories into art. Look for my hand-colored "An Ever Since Smith, " in The Art Form, Spring 2008 edition."

Daisy Schepel wrote, "My husband, Paul Evans, and I still live in Providence, RI. I am president of the West Point Neighborhood Association. My main home in N.Y. having been through Tropical and north through South Africa to start in Britain and then the Bahamas, in N.Y. and lastly in the Bahamas."

Dorothy Cheney Seafarth wrote, "I had a summer holiday but you should I've cried. At least the second time in larger than before. I think it a little better. Sorely and two Morales in Long Beach, NY. I have joined the International Choir of00, and the National Society of Georgia."

Angela Castellano wrote, "I was in Naples, Florida, last winter home to Staples. I am trying to get used to the mistral blowing. I'm going to be cycling again a month at a time, starting at the Staples Phil. and north through Britain and then the Bahamas."

Barbara C. Laneville wrote, "I am living in Lake Forest, IL with my husband and two dogs. I am writing a book and have been at the University of Chicago. I am writing a book and have been at the University of Chicago."

Robert Lynn wrote, "I am a retired information officer with the University of North Carolina and the National Society of Georgia."

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PLUMS As the class begins to plot and scheme for the big 40, our team of planner and trackers have been busy profiling you 57-year-olds. Here are the highlights to get you in the mood for one or all of the days this June 13-15. It's about time you told your family to shut up, get your trip, and get on with it. For some reason, it could be the first time you see each other, so let's plan to all get down together, swinging.

Speaking of which, when asked if they will PA
'68 survey respondents who put were 29 percent, while non-golfers were 71 percent.

Gambling? Ninety percent said yes, 81 percent said no. However, 43 percent drove a stick shift, while 57 percent drove automatic. A full 76 percent regularly use the "F word," and were proud of it, while 24 percent made it a point not to.

Flaring the lottery has 24 percent of us, while 76 percent said never! But fear not, because 48 percent have at least one cat, while 52 percent had their pride intact without one.

Thirty-eight percent have teeth they weren't born with, while 62 percent proud percent were all natural. Gum surgery had befallen a mere 33 percent of the class, as 67 percent were still chalking over their good fortune.

A full 76 percent own at least one bike, while 24 percent owned none. That was way more than the 29 percent who own a boat, loading it over the 71 percent who did not care to get wet or go broke. No one said they owned a plane, but there was a single pilot's license in the survey sample. Nineteen percent owned a horse, while 81 percent did not.

Who cares about a horse when a smoking 90 percent owned their own houses? Ten percent rented their homes.

Wielding dental floss on a daily basis consumed 67 percent of us, 9 percent never floss, and 29 percent occasionally hit the white stuff. A thundering 90 percent had cable TV, while 10 percent were all rabbit ears. That dovetailed with the 72 percent DSL Internet connectors, while a matching 14 percent use dial-up and 14 percent used Wi-Fi only.

Fully half the sample reads the New York Times daily, 14 percent the Wall Street Journal, 38 percent their "big city daily" (Boston, Toronto, Cleveland, L.A., S.F., etc.), and let's not leave out the Vermont Standard, the Valley Times, and the Contra Costa Times.

When it comes to poisons, classmates were asked to list their "primary beverage." To be fully prepared for the next reunion, I have listed some of the highlighted choices of classmates who said they would be there or bust. Ted Chapin, Pappy Van Winkle's Family Reserve bourbon, Jay Drake: Heineken or Wachusett ale, Ward Flad straight-from-the-bottle sundae, Al Alessi: Vermont spring water, John Hawkins: O'Doul's amber, Gary Meller: Palmiers Guadeloupe and Barbancourt rum, Peter Quinnlan: Oregon pinots and California cafés, Glennmore and "thunderwater," Don Gates: Corona and bloody mary, Jeff Hansen: Grolsch or Morgan chardonnay, Rusty Pickett: Smithwick's Irish Ale, dark runs, and, of course, Jack. Carter Boynton: Sam's Chab-dict caffine-free cola. Doug Thompson: espiririta, margaritas, or cosmopolitans. Jim Harman: dark rum and tonic, Dick Dunce: coffee and spring water. Tom Kiddie: wine, primarily, Murph Yuk: Scotch malt whiskey. Bruce Hearst: always beer! El Gordo: Heineken or Blue Moon, John Watkins: single malts, Tim Overton: only bourbon that is older than he is.

What a varied bunch of drinkers, eh? Does that get you in the mood? Now the clinker when asked "Do you think it's likely you'll go to the 46th Reunion this coming June?", 72 percent said yes! Another 14 percent said it possible, and only 14 percent said no.

So, tell those brats you won't be around to pamper and wait on them (as usual) for one lovely weekend this June. Get ready to hit that reunion train with parlor car treatment. After all, it's your PA bro who haven't seen you in eons, and we are gonna have a helluva party in your and my honor. You must be there with us. How many more chances are there, right?

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ABBOT Happy 2008! And thanks to the few of you who wrote in this time around after I sent out my request for news. Jennifer Cecere wrote that she was in a show, Living Beyond Limits, in January and February at 98th Fine Arts in Irvine, Calif. Please check out the sites www.98thentertainment.com and www.madsycrecere.com.

Wendy Ewald wrote while staying in Jerusalem and said, "I'm just back today from a trip to Hebron, a Palestinian city surrounded by the Israeli army. It was quite disturbing."

On a lighter note, Katrina Wollenberg wrote, "It is hard to believe that my eldest son, Andrew, will be getting married this March—to a lovely gal from Atlanta. The wedding will be in California, so with my roots now here in Texas, I don't do much to help except sign checks. Andrew and his bride-to-be will live in Redwood City, Calif. My youngest son, Blake, may follow his brother's footsteps sometime later this year as he has flipped over a Texas gal who he will whisk away to Colorado. The dog wash and grooming spa is going quite well and keeps me more than busy. Hope all is well with other classmates, and I wish everyone a glorious 2008."

Mary Schiavoni added, "All is well in Maine. We've had loads of snow, and after a new snowfall it's like a winter wonderland, as you may recall. As the executive director of the nonprofit Character Counts In Maine, Inc., I am heading up a new initiative in Maine called the Healthy Relationships Initiative. It is a multimillion-dollar federal grant project, one of 104 across the country and very exciting. We have a great educational resource for teens, which is being added to our Web site at www.mainehealthtalk.org. In my speech pathology company, we have two new products in our Chewy Tubes family of oral motor tools. In addition, my jaw Rehabilitation Program is being translated into two languages, Spanish and Dutch. I look forward to seeing as many classmates as possible in 2009!"

As for me, I continue to teach dance and Pilates. My husband, Stephen, is building his own business of IT support for various companies in Silicon Valley. This year we traveled to Hawaii, the Telluride Film Festival, Scottsdale, Ariz., and east to visit family. I choreographed another cabaret, Broadway & Beyond. It was a huge success—a mixture of Broadway selections of song and dance interspersed with different eras of pop music. The highlights were a 12-minute Abba medley complete with white costumes and silver sequins channeling the days of disco (I always loved disco) and a wild Elvis medley complete with 16 sequin-clad backup dancers.

Acting-wise, I have an agent in L.A. and I take workshops and see some study classes regularly. I worked a few days on my favorite soap, General Hospital, and studied with the head casting director. I am developing www.madeloncurris.com where I am excited to put my resumes and news in one place to better market the Acting, dancing, choreography, Pilates, and teaching.

I'm still ballroom dancing, both American rhythm categories and now the American smooth dances, as well. I compete in the S.F. Bay Area, but I got to dance in a competition in Boston last June, where friends and family could attend.

I am a member of the Silicon Valley Chorale. It's a 90-person group, and we perform about four big concerts per year, some of which are jointly done with the Symphony Silicon Valley. This spring we will be doing Beethoven's Symphony No. 9. It's great to sing classical music again, as in Schubert and Fidelio.

But the bigger news is that, after five long years of construction and endless snafu, we finally moved into our new home in the beautiful hills of Santa Cruz! We also got a dog, and we named our pure-bred 7-month-old German shepherd, Gelsey, after Gelsey Kirkland, my favorite ballerina!

Time is flying! By the time you read this we should be well into 2008 and getting closer to our next reunion, June 12-14, 2009. I hope you will all plan to come this time so we can have even more fun than we did in 2004!

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PHILLIPS A fair amount of news this time around, and not only because of the class Web site, www.gs1969.wordpress.com. There will remain other sources of class news: emails, phone calls, letters, and visits still work. But the class Web site is a place you can read what your friends are thinking about and often actually see images of your old classmates.

The valuable thing about the site is that any of us can post pictures or text, and then others can pick up a theme and run with it. Doug Griggs, who worked for years at the Fed Reserve with his wife, before packing it up and heading for rural Virginia and the sensible, healthy life of a post-
I was on an errand to the Post Office, in my jeans and a button-down shirt, and I was walking with a friend, Mark, who was also my best friend. We were both on our way to the airport, where we were going to fly to New York City for a weekend. We had not seen each other in a while, and we were both excited to catch up.

As we walked, we passed by the local bookstore, and I noticed a book display for a new novel. I picked it up and started reading the blurb. The book was a mystery, and it sounded like it was going to be a lot of fun. I put it in my bag and continued our walk.

When we arrived at the airport, we went through security and headed to our gate. We sat down and waited for our flight. It was a long flight, and we passed the time with conversation and some snacks. We arrived in New York City, and we went to a restaurant to celebrate our trip.

After dinner, we walked around the city and checked out some of the landmarks, like the Statue of Liberty and Times Square. It was a great weekend, and we had a lot of fun catching up and exploring the city.
Alex Donner

A Notorious Bachelor Meets His Match

Although he sang with the chorus and choir while at Andover, Alex Donner didn’t think his voice was anything special—and he was far more interested in sports, anyway. After graduation, Donner and a friend traveled to Paris, where, over the course of several months, the two sang together in the acoustically amenable Metro. (Such subway performances have launched many an aspiring musician.)

“Passers-by hardly noticed us at first, but then they started throwing centimes,” he recalls. “When they started throwing francs, I realized I might have some talent.”

At Princeton, Donner landed the lead in HMS Pinafore. He joined an a cappella singing group, and later, after friends heard him singing Sinatra at the piano, he was encouraged to try out for a Princeton band. “Once I started singing with the band, I realized that’s what I wanted to do with my life,” he says.

Donner’s first job out of college was as the bandleader at the El Morocco, a legendary New York City nightclub. “Unfortunately, after just a year there, they decided to use a DJ. Law school suddenly looked like a practical option,” he says with a laugh, “but I went to Fordham University Law School in the city so I could still sing with my band on weekends.”

Donner worked for a prominent Wall Street law firm for about four years. “It was interesting and fulfilling at the beginning, but I eventually became pigeonholed as a divorce attorney,” he says. “Practically every day I saw couples at their worst.”

His career path took a fortuitous U-turn in 1986 when a former divorce client booked his band to play her wedding in Jaipur, India. A comical photo of bandleader Donner conducting his 10-piece orchestra while trying to keep a precariously tilted turban on his head was published in a slew of major magazines. His switchboard was soon jammed with inquiries about his traveling ensembles—at a time when destination weddings were becoming increasingly popular. “It dawned on me that I might actually be able to make a living doing what I loved,” he says. He hired a secretary and also began booking a couple of other bands to help make ends meet.

Alex Donner Entertainment soon became well known in tonier social circles. Clients loved his energy, his smooth, engaging style, and his contemporary take on “the standards.” His bands and orchestra were in constant demand to play swing, jazz, and classic rock at weddings, Wall Street parties, political fundraisers, and other festive gatherings.

The following year, Kate Edmonds, a young wedding and event planner fresh from England, booked Donner and his orchestra for a high society wedding. “I was not only impressed with his fabulous voice, but by how well he timed his selections and read the crowd,” says Edmonds. “He had three generations on the dance floor.” She continued to book Donner’s groups for various events, and the two became amicable business associates. “Alex was a notorious bachelor,” she says, “so I didn’t pay him much attention.”

In fact, Edmonds got married in the early 1990s. But the two kept in touch professionally over the years and crossed paths at numerous gala events. By 2004, Donner began to see the recently divorced Edmonds in a more romantic light. She was oblivious. The first time Donner took her to a party, she thought they were attending a mutual networking opportunity. Alone at last in the elevator, he whispered, “Kate, this is a date.” And then he kissed her.

Their relationship moved along nicely, but to no apparent crescendo, until one evening in 2007. Donner was singing the oft-requested “It Had To Be You” at a magnificent wedding. He suddenly realized it had to be Kate. A few weeks later he popped the question.

The couple got married in September 2007 on the picturesque grounds of Boscobel, a historic Federal period house in Garrison, N.Y.; their tent was perched on a bluff overlooking the Hudson River. The bride did the planning, the groom took care of the music, and everyone had a glorious time. Did they ever consider eloping? “Not really,” says Edmonds. “We love a good party.”

Both Alex Donner Entertainment and Kate Edmonds Events are thriving these days. The society bandleader and his musicians fly all over the country—and the world—performing about 100 gigs each year, including periodic weddings and events hosted by Andover alumni. “My career,” he says with a pause, “it’s been like a dream.”

Edmonds specializes in fabulous weddings and unique corporate events, overseeing everything from theme to venue to menu to party favors. In the late 1980s she was a featured wedding planner on the BBC reality TV show Bridesville, and, in 2004, she appeared as herself on The Apprentice to help a team of apprentices rent an event space.

The couple makes a point of being involved in several charitable affairs each year. In 2006 they organized a benefit concert for the musicians and singers of New Orleans whose livelihoods had been devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

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lish as a second language, doing some part-time work for her old employer, and exploring South America as time and money permit. I am amazed at the number of people she knows whom she has encountered while down there. Thank heaven for e-mail and Skype, which allow us to talk to each other on our computers for free!

Finally, class Web pages are now on the Andover Web site at www.andover.edu. Class Web pages are volunteer managed. If any of you would be interested in being our class Web page editor, please contact Dory Street or me, and we will put you in contact with the appropriate person to help you set it up. —Sarah

have quoted before), Missy is it. We don’t always agree (more on tactics than desirable outcomes) but I can count on Missy to light the path.

Maud is chairing her department, Visual and Critical Studies, at the School of the Art Institute, Chicago, and has a new book, The Oldest We’ve Ever Been: Seven True Stories of Midlife Transitions. The book came out in March and is published by University of Arizona Press. Maud is the book’s editor and also authors one of the seven stories, as does William “Dave” King ’73.

Maud writes, “I had this idea of where I should be in middle age, an image born in the 1950s when I was a child watching Lassie on TV. As outdated as it was, that blurred snapshot somewhere at the back of my mind actually did have a green lawn, a house, a picket fence, and two kids, with my husband in a suit coming home from work. And was that me at the front door in an apron? And here I was, nowhere near [that image].” Her book is a series of essays about where she (and her co-authors) are instead. I’m definitely going to buy that book.

But I reckon Maud has forgotten that that Lassie picture had nothing to do with middle age—it was about middle class and middle respectability. June Lockhart took over the role of Mom on Lassie, wore those aprons, had those fictional kids, and tended that picket fence in 1958—when Maud was 4 and June just 29. Lassie: The True Sequel hasn’t yet been written, but, who knows, by the time she was 54, Mom might have had quite enough of smart sleek dogs and baking cookies and traded her apron for—well, when you’re done hankering down, you can write the script. To be continued.

Which gives me an idea for a survey; anyone with kids who are at Andover now or will start this fall, please let me know.

Finally, since we’re talking about other classes, I’m sending the UCD alumni magazine with the Chinese Cultural Revolution posters on to my father, King Pfeffer ’45. I’m sure he’ll like it. Bis später.

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ABBOT AA ’72 classmates are apparently hankering down, lying low, keeping mum, playing their cards close to their chests, and, for all I know, dodging and weaving, too—or whatever coined phrases you’d like to add to describe not sending news.

It’s the end of January. Oxford, England, is once again threatened by floods, and stock markets are crashing all over the world. “Blue Monday,” officially, according to the BBC, the most depressing day of the year (bad weather, broken New Year’s resolutions, overdue credit card bills from Christmas) was just the other day. Hankering down seems a pretty good life choice to me.

So, three cheers to Missy Bard and Maud Lavin for putting their heads above the parapet and sharing—if not exactly spilling the beans.

By the time you read this, Missy and husband John expect to have gained a second grandson and be well on the way to a first granddaughter (due in June). With the housing market poor, and maybe getting worse, you won’t be surprised to learn that Missy occupies herself with political activism and volunteer work. If ever anyone fulfilled Abbot’s motto (that but about flaming torches I

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PHILIPS From Michael Husson "Charla" Top supported her husband's battle, Fix, with the Classic Wrap and then stood by after seeing Dr. Brennan. We have continued to look in love for almost as long as possible since our three-year marriage in 1993. Childhood friends gradually married, and two of them predeceased our father in their 40s or 50s. The loss was a heart-wrenching one for our family, and we still miss them deeply.

There was no way that Charla and I, I feel sure, could have been true strangers this year. We went to the same high school in the same city, and we were friends for years. Despite my vow to maintain the relationship, I have not been able to keep it going.

I think of Charla as someone who has never let me down. I know that she is always there for me, and I feel very fortunate to have her in my life. She has been a constant source of support and encouragement, and I am grateful for her friendship.

I hope that we can continue to be friends, and I look forward to seeing her soon. Thank you for your continued support, and I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Mike Husson

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You love reading about your classmates!

This also sounds like fun! Do you know someone who might enjoy hearing about your classmates? Please share this newsletter with them.

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Robert Preston and his wife, Tara, both teach art at FEA (otherwise known as Exeter, if you forget), where they now have time to focus on their teaching. Robert has been opening another school, a law firm in Exeter, N.H. The Republican party was named here in 1986, and Abraham Lincoln served as a lawyer here in 1862. Since then, the town has become a popular destination for tourists and art lovers.

Kevin Woodhouse and Ted Maynard both went to Exeter High School and were part of the art department. They were good friends and often spent time together. They both enjoyed reading and writing about art and history. They were both very interested in the history of art and the impact it has had on society.

I hope you enjoy this newsletter and that you will continue to read about your classmates. Please share this newsletter with others who might enjoy reading about their classmates as well.

Sincerely,

Jack Gray
Finally, speaking of "How did I get here?" Last October, wife Nina Gray and I watched our first Andover football game—a JV contest against NMH. Our son Alex played receiver and safety, and his parents worried about him the entire game. As the boys headed back to the locker, I spotted Joe Malone, who it turned out was at PA to watch his son, a PG at NMH, compete in water polo against Joe's former school Joe and I both noted the pleasant sense of déjà vu in the experience of walking the campus and seeing it tilted by the experiences of our children. A few minutes later, this reality was underlined as Alex and I awaited the rest of our party outside the gym. As his teammates emerged, each one exchanged greetings with Alex. I remembered my first month at PA and the friendships I had made. I recalled how exciting it was to be truly away from home, and how intimidating. Finding friends—in my dorm, in my classes, and eventually among my teachers—was what made me feel that this was a place I could fit in. A few days later Joe and I exchanged e-mails coincidently on the day of the JV Exeter game. Joe's sign-off was simple: "Go, Big Blue."

In just over a year, it will be time for another reunion, on June 12-14. See you there!

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Thankfully, other than some mild whining about turning 50 or being an empty nester, our class seems to be doing well going into 2008.

Dan Cooper is dreaming of writing fiction and living in Jackson Hole, Wyo. However, he writes from Palo Alto, "If not for the pesky cash flow needs generated by two kids barely old enough to spell college and two California mortgages, I would retreat to the back woods and put into action those literary skills derived from afternoons in Bultinck Hall." Dan spent 20 years as a family physician and three years ago jumped into the corporate pharmaceutical world (Johnson & Johnson), which he claims is less exciting than planning for Brad Geler's 50th (in January '08 on Grand Canyon).

Not-quite-empty nester Lewis Butler (daughter Elena is a sophomore at Harvard, and son Tobias is a high school junior) sees no signs of a slowdown in San Francisco and happily reports that his architectural firm has grown to an all-time high 18 employees. Apart from work, Lewis remarked, "I had the great pleasure of talking to my Paul Revere neighbor Peter Sellars last year when he operates Docor Atomic premiered in SF. I managed to get to the stage and have a conversation before the throngs arrived. Peter is truly a rock star—no exaggeration there."

Cathy Chapman is a 22-year veteran pediatric neurologist at Children's Hospital in Boston. She reports communication with Sandy MacCartney, Ruben Alvetro '76, Helen Levin, and Priscilla Perry Danforth, and also sent word that Lou Laskey is training for a 400-mile desert bike ride in Israel this October to benefit a children's hospital there. Regarding age 50, Lou quipped, "Forty years old—yeah, been there, done that!" Cathy is happy that daughter Emily (at BGSE) and son Abe (at BU Academy) are close to home, where, Cathy says, "at least I think I know what's going on!"

After spending almost 20 years in Chicago's large institutional private equity community, Burt McGillivray spun out on his own in 2003, founding Cloquet Capital Partners. He says he relishes both the "blessing and curse" of being his own boss. Burt also clearly enjoys his four teenage sons, but says, "The testosterone factor in the McGillivray household is something scary to behold!" Burt's boys are spread all over New England—a freshman at Bates (in Maine), a freshman at Westminster School (Connecticut), and eighth-grade fraternal twins at Cardigan Mountain School (New Hampshire).

With an empty nest and multiple boys away from home in three different schools, I feel some definite kinship with Burt. My eldest, Peter Jr., is suddenly a junior at Duke; Hank is a freshman at Colby (Maine), and John is a 10th-grader at Taft. Many of our friends with children still at home see incredible "surviving our moments! A couple of 2007 highlights for my wife Alice and me: Gordie Nelson's 50th on Block Island (he doesn't do a show over 49!) and visiting our sons Peter and Hank in Spain, where they were both on college programs.

Triva question: Which one of our esteemed classmates is now chairman of the board of the Exploratorium, San Francisco's science museum, which was recently voted "the best science museum in the world" by its peers? Answer: George Cogan, who has kindly extended an offer for a personally guided VIP tour should you find yourself in San Francisco. Congratulations and thanks, George!

Fifty is a big number for our class, but so is 25, it seems. Paul Mc Nicol reports that he and wife Christine recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. I had the pleasure of spending a day at the U.S. Open tennis championships in New York this past September with my wife, Alice (25 years for us, too, in May?), my boys, Paul, Christine, and their daughter Campbell, who is a junior at St. George's in Newport, and plays hockey and tennis. Haven't seen Paul in awhile. It's either the private equity hours or the fact that he's spent lots of time underwater. He writes, "After 15 years of diving, I finally got certified for scuba—always a slow finisher!"

Just back from a sabbatical in Normandy, France, Jean Boal continues to enjoy teaching biology at Millisville University in Lancaster, Pa. Jean and her students specialize in studying the behavior of cephalopods (octopuses, cuttlefishes, and squids). Evans Hall folks have to be proud of the fact that NOVA featured the good work of Jean's team last spring on their special documentary "Cuttlefish: Kings of Camouflage."

I've learned from Tony Pacitto that Brian Burke has organized some excellent PA '75 dinners in Boston with the likes of Danny Dilorio and Tim Cameron in attendance. Tony caught up with Susan Peters recently at Andover, as they both have daughters on the swim team.

After working in Boston for nearly eight years on a start-up, internetrealestate.com, and more recently a couple of other tech start-ups, Peter Hubbsman opines, "Guess I am a start-up junky at this point?

Peter, his wife, and 12-year-old son, Pompeo, live in Boston's Back Bay, but are planning a move to Florida soon.

Well, Jonathan Stein has handled past 50 and clearly is not slowing down. In fact, Jon recently lived a dream by representing the U.S. in the Masters (age 50-54) Triathlon competition of the 2007 Pan-American Maccabis (international sports organization for Jewish athletes) Games in Buenos Aires on Dec. 28. What's more, Jon ran a personal-best time and won the bronze medal! Jon gushed, "Fabulous to wave at the crowd—huge noise level, electricity in the air, lights everywhere—and to look up at 10,000 screaming people was a first for me. After a lifetime of sporting competitions, every season for 35 years now, it was very exciting, very fulfilling, overwhelming at moments." For Jon, who is CEO of the Gabrieli-Tongva Tribe in Santa Monica, Calif., the next stop is the 2009 Maccabis Olympics in Israel, which will feature more than 8,000 athletes from 54 countries.

Mari Wellin King, Roger Strong, and I need your help with a small, easy-to-fix problem: Our Class of '75 e-mail list is short and somewhat out of date. Please take a minute to send us your current e-mail address OR go to BlueLink at www.andover.edu/alumni and update your profile. We promise: no junk mail, just quality, class-bonding communication!

Thanks again to those of you who reached out and shared some news and stories. Roger (rstrong@indemand.com) will scribble our next batch of notes, so please contact him with your news. —Peter

Remember what'shername?

Want to hear from your former roommate or the person you worked alongside in chemistry lab? Write your class secretary and get connected via the class notes.
Red gumho taken for several years to hold his personal philosophy of
mutualism, according to his understanding of the local phase
of family planning. The current phase, which he
views as a way to help his wife, is to be seen as
wearing 28 in my fresh episodes of Penal Rule. Here's hoping that
the strike rolling since settled by the time you read
this. Hans asked after John Barber, as for that matter did Sandra Stevens. John drops a tact from your exit in
England.

John Price is a physics professor at the University of Colorado. He wrote, "This sentence is a sentence by a
student turning in her physics book, thinking the physical
analysis of mass, to non-science students. Example lesson.
A file is mr-00 not a tube open at both ends, while
pan pipes are open at one end and closed at the other. This
difference accounts for the more hollow sound of pan pipe. I demonstrate
the effect in my class using a homemade pan pipe and an old recorder that
Dave Gimour gave me when we were freshmen living in
North Hall. Thanks, Dave!"

Memories of Nathan Hale High also came up
in my message from David Spound in Northampton, Mass., who tried to recall what it was like for
him in ninth grade: he deals with his son, who is now that age. David and his wife, also have a
12-year-old daughter. David left his old career
programming Web-site to teach mindfulness-based stress reduction, a program
developed in Mass General School. David invites classmates to learn more at

Kate Heller O'Reilly's sounds very current in
New York City. "I am still structuring my own time
so that most of it can be spent with Mary and
Scott (going on 38 and 6, respectively) when they're not in school. Definitely not exciting
time, but the time being..." And David Kuff-erman sums up life nicely in early 21st-century
America: "Want it your way, but it never seems
to get any easier to maintain a stable middle
class existence. Probably because I am a good engineer but a less good business
man in my profession, when you win an award, they charge you hundreds of dollars to go
to the launch ceremony to collect it. So there you go...
David remotely in and believes in your thanks, Dave reports that Ed is
giving the talk by gazing. Dave has also seen
Adam Rosenthal, now in business in New York,
and he recently spoke with Chip Hashin, a
former student of Gillian.

Just before press time, I learned of the death of
classmate Jennifer Edelman in Seattle on July
24 after a battle with cancer. I am sorry to pay
along this very sad news. There will be more in
information in the next edition of the Bulletin.
to meet with us in New York City. Sasha, an artist, lives up the Hudson River, while Mary works in N.Y.C. as an architect.

Chris Mastrangelo writes from D.C., where he works in the Department of Defense. He organized his own mini-reunion at New Hope, Pa. From his report, the event went well. Recently, he received a YouTube video of his whole family riding the Griffin roller coaster at Busch Gardens in Williamsburg, Va.

At the N.Y.C. mini-reunion, we worked, drank beer, and strategized on our 30th Reunion, which arrives this June 13–15. Please come! Please don't be cellphobe! And if you can't make the travel, organize your own mini-reunion and drop me a note or a line to tell me all about it. —Nick

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In order to execute this installment of the notes, in a last-minute fashion I pinged 50 classmates and heard back from about a third. That's great, but what of the other 189? One day we'll figure out how to do this more systematically, hear from most everyone, and have room for all kinds of words and pictures. (I think it's called a Web site.) Anyway, seems like the great themes are getting older, feeling older, having kids that are getting older and graduating already, or not having any news. Reunion 2009 is already on the radar.

Catherine Tice spent the New Year in London with Gus, her son of 11 years, and husband, Joe, and then visited her mother in Pont-de-Vaux in France's Mâconnais region. Catherine reports that her mother is living on a houseboat "leading a life, both simple and pleasurable, that makes retirement look not so bad." Yikes. Can retirement already be on the horizon, even conceptually? Oh dear, now I have angst. Just seeing the word makes me feel behind.

On the other hand, Sean Wolford discloses that he never grew up, and so went to see Led Zeppelin in London last month. Whew.

Personally, I'm subscribing to wisdom from Carol Davies Whitaker, who reports that her oldest stepson (age 29) got married this summer, and, despite being the youngest of the moms, it made her feel old anyway: "Life is not a straight line." Amen.

Although Bill Schultz last reported a planned move back to the United States from London, in fact he and wife Rachel are moving to India. They have decided to try the rest of the former colonies. Daughter Rebecca is finishing her upper year at Andover, and their younger son, Daniel, is hoping to attend PA next fall. Oldest son Josh '06 is spending the semester in Hungary.

Leoneora Thomas Abrams writes, "I was married (for the second go-round) Aug 4, 2007, to Daniel Abrams. I have one daughter, Rayne Thomas-Kuehn, and three stepdaughters, Kim Beuttler, Nicole Stern, and Allison Abrams. I am a senior VP in technology for Bank of America. My husband is the founder and president of Diesel Direct, Inc., a diesel fuel distributor. My daughter, Rayne and I, and reside in Norwood, Mass., and New Seabury, Mass. I still love ice hockey, playing four times a week. My daughter and I look forward to playing, once again, in the annual alumni hockey game this February."

Daniel Wheeler continues to light up the art world. He had a solo show in New York in April, and then a museum show in San Diego in June.

From Paul Whittall: "Just had 11 feet of snow in the high Sierras last weekend—skiing is great."

In a sign of promising Whittall genetics, his grandmother, Kathleen, attending a College for his three kids is around the corner.

Tim Stoneman finished a PhD program in the history of technology from Georgia Tech in 2006 and is just finishing up a two-year fellowship in science and technology studies at MIT. He is currently splitting time commuting between Boston and Atlanta, where wife Tonya and two boys (ages 5 and 6) reside. Sees quite a bit of Doug Orr in Atlanta and would greatly enjoy hearing from classmates in either town.

Rick Wolff sends a hello from Juneau, Alaska.

Doug Sun has been at the U.S. Embassy in Muscat, Oman, for the past 19 months. "At this very moment, I'm writing from Mooma, Bahrain, where I'm supporting the president's and secretary of state's January visit to the Middle East, which is a hectic and immensely fascinating thing to be doing. Living in the Arabian Gulf has been an extremely worthwhile experience, but I hope to admit that I'm ready to move on—probably back to North America, though at this point I have not received my follow-on assignment." I am gratified Doug attests that he actually looks forward to and reads the notes.

Dewey Thompson went to Chicago on business with his film production company to get a big steak with Howard Storm at Girardons Bar & Steakhouse. Howard's wife, Susan, works for giant mall developer GGP and will be working on the South Street Seaport development in N.Y.C.

Geir Slago has traveled from his home in Norway to the States three times during the last year, to attend scientific congresses and to vacation with his wife and two teenage daughters. Geir writes, "Last September I quit working in a hospital and started my own outpatient clinic in meteorology here in Oslo. So far, I'm very satisfied with my decision to start my own small clinic. My older daughter, who was an exchange student in the States last school year, wants to study architecture there. Does anyone have a recommendation for her, preferably on the East Coast or in the Chicago area?" He can be reached at geirsl@ordine.no.

Gerrit still sees Leonore Tarrason from Barcelona, Spain, who lives in Oslo and is married to one of his best friends. She is working at the university in Oslo as a leading scientist in meteorology.

Briggs Tobin has no news of his own, but was willing to provide a status report on Dick Flaherty: Dick is the same. Your turn, Dick.

Hope everyone is well. Stay in touch. Plan on our reunion next year, June 12–14. —Rick

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Obama, Hillary, McCain, Romney, Edwards, Huckabee, Kucinich—we are in full swing with the Presidential primaries. It is January, New Hampshire primary day.

Jostus "Erik" Pawemowsky is living happily in Oslo, Norway, with four beautiful kids (ages 7–13), and is running his own conflict resolution practice, whilst writing on the side. Erik was in N.Y.C. in October and stayed with Averill Powers and two of his three sons in Spanish Harlem. Erik planned to head off to Thailand and Cambodia in January, but not before he mailed in his ballot for the Democratic primaries in California, which was the last state in which he lived (Bay Area, mid-1990s) before moving to Oslo. Anyone want to get in touch, just pop by Facebook or e-mail him at erikpawes@gmail.com.

Our British ambassador to Latvia, Ian Bond, has made a change and is now a political counselor for the Foreign Security and Policy Group at the British Embassy in Washington, D.C. Ian writes, "Latvia was a lot of fun, with a state visit by the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh in October 2006 and a NATO summit (with Tony Blair, George Bush, and all) in November 2006. Now it's on to new challenges here: following U.S. foreign- and security policy, trying to influence it where we can, and explaining it to London. Wife Kathryn and I are living in Chevy Chase, Md., with our 18-year-old daughter (who is spending a few months working in the embassy before going back to university in the U.K.) and our 7-year-old son (at the British School of Washington). Our 14-year-old son chose to stay at boarding school in the U.K. (where he does crew four or five times a week)."

Questions for readers: 1. Who is taking an adventure trip they would like to share? 2. Who is involved in addressing global warming practices? 3. Tell me who you plan to vote for, and we can create a tally before the elections. I can make a list without names attached to candidates.

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In the spirit of the holiday season, we bring you a quartet: two Muses, and one yet unmentioned.

Earl Haig writes: "I recall my parents' family, who were in the Christmas business for 30 years, and the memories I have. From Dec. 1, I was back in our retail business, being there that in NY for Xmas. From Dec. 10, I was back on the run, making weather predictions for the first time in my life, and pacing the floor of the studio with a cold. I have never been as busy as a Santa, in a career of retail sales, or in any field."

Sophia Wheelwright Jacques: "I moved in Nov. along with my husband, David White, to South, Wash. We lived in a carriage house for 2 years, and then went to San Francisco for 3 years. We are now in Seattle, and the memories of our time there are still vivid. We have lost our home, but have a new one in the making."

On an update to the previous article: "And you know Omar Mueller, writes, "I am still working on the Petaluma River (one of the secrets of the San Francisco region) in a four-man sweep, for the same three times a week. It is not just for a block of white egrets to give us a daily show, but quite the Blue Angels, and not just a bunch too. I am going to Boston with my nephew, who is a Guns-in-the-Westerner, and warden for bis years, and I am showing her New England - Californians."

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Happy new year! Also, welcome to the era of real personal customer service. I'm not sure if you're sensing it out there, but there's a single company that offers it. In my contact with these days that makes it easy to like them. Here's how this relates to our class and classmates will become apparent in a few moments.

But first, take my cell phone provider—please. In the interest of propriety and academic balance, I will not mention their name, but their initials are "V.E.R.T.O." Anyway, I was in the disconnected phone provider's store, because I had to move to my 12-year-old daughter's ballet wish and was about to buy her own cell phone. It turned out that the simple-ass promise two phones for the price of one had a few technical requirements, including having the right hair color and being born under the correct constellation. I did not qualify. Nor anybody who is still breathing.

Anyway, how this relates to our class Notes is as follows: my daughter Lily is applying to Andover. After the thrilling shock of rejection, all last June, at our 25th Reunion, and the even more thrilling shock of getting married in September, I feared I had most of the pleasant traditions behind me.

And there had happened. Lily Hochman is old enough to go to Andover. Of course, our classmate Victoria Lee Hood, this is old hat. Her love child has now graduated and is running the World Food Bank or something. But, for many of us, the thought of a FA offspring in the offering, having the cell phone for Lily, so she could stay in touch if she (gulp) went away to school was quite a lot to handle. Happily, the granting, warrant-covered sales associate, at the phone store made all the tangles of the moment dissipate faster than it takes a New York cab to honk. So didn't hurt too long.

Anyway, speaking of offspring and Andover, I drove through a December snowstorm to Fannie Iselin Minot's house in Hamilton, Mass., where she Brett Johnson, Fannie's kids, and my wife. Carrie, I go to hang out and eat lots of food.
Celia Imrey

Appreciation of Art Made Better by Design

Every day art museum patrons from the United States to France, and as far away as Japan, experience Celia Imrey's work. But she is not an artist, at least not in the traditional sense. Rather, Imrey Culbert LP, the New York-Paris architectural firm she founded and co-owns with husband Tim Culbert, has carved itself a niche designing museums and exhibition spaces.

Imrey Culbert develops its fair share of homes, office buildings, and other urban structures, too, but when charged with a museum project, the mission is particular: be sensitive to the materials displayed within the building. "As an architect, you have to navigate how a visitor would go from one part of a program to another," Imrey says. "Materials and architecture help convey the stories or messages within art objects."

Sometimes that process begins before the patron even steps foot in the front door. An example is the Rubin Museum of Art in New York City. Only a few years old, it is the first museum in the Western world dedicated to the art of the Himalayas and surrounding regions. Imrey recounts how her firm was hired to design the site's permanent galleries, but encountered a more significant challenge: the building—formerly a Barneys clothing store—was incompatible with the museum's collection. So Imrey and company asked the Rubin for the right not only to design the gallery spaces, but also to redesign the public spaces, including the building's façade. Museum leadership consented, and what resulted, according to Imrey, was a bit of time travel: "We were trying to get a person from Seventh Avenue, year 2000-something, back to 16th century Tibet."

The architects posed an interesting question: At what point does someone begin looking at art? More precisely, when does he or she transition from being a pedestrian to being a focused museum visitor? Answers Imrey: "We wanted to start that on the street, where they would begin to get a sense of the institution's mission—who they are and what their identity is."

The Rubin's carefully chosen design touches and color palette are principal to making its Himalayan journey a successful one. "You just know you're in a special place," says Imrey.

Thanks to opportunities with notable clients, Imrey's firm continues to receive special recognition for its work in the museum world. Back in 1995 she and Culbert turned heads with work done for the Miho Museum, located northeast of Kyoto, Japan. (Imrey describes the Miho, 70 percent of which is underground, as one of the finest museums built in the last 20 years.) But it is Imrey Culbert's latest project that likely will resonate with an audience less knowledgeable of the museum world: in 2005 the firm won, with Japanese collaborators Sanaa, an international competition to design the Louvre satellite in Lens, France.

The project is now in the design phase, with construction due to begin in the fall; development of the building's interiors began earlier this year. To facilitate the process, Imrey and Culbert moved their family to Paris for most of 2006. While the couple's French-speaking children studied at nearby schools, Imrey and Culbert began the Louvre project's intensive design development process with the museum's curators. The architects also established a licensed practice in France.

Imrey says she enjoys working on overseas projects: "I believe there is a slightly higher standard there." She also appreciates that foreign projects more often are awarded via anonymous competition, processes that provide younger firms opportunities to vie against more experienced counterparts. Conversely, says Imrey, private institutions in the United States, even nonprofits, tend to handpick architects.

When a firm does secure a project, it sometimes has the option to bring aboard other design professionals for specific aspects of the project—lighting, for instance. Sometimes Imrey employs such opportunities to craft a diverse team. Architecture, she contends, is still predominantly a male business, partly because men still handle the bulk of the physical work of construction.

"Architecture is not just about making a drawing on a piece of paper, handing it to someone, and having them execute it," says Imrey. "Architecture is a collaborative profession, and it cannot happen without dialogue, discussion, back-and-forth collaboration.... I do feel that many women architects have been frustrated by their inability to assert themselves on a job site."

Imrey has a growing amount of experience, in the field and otherwise. Her firm is intentionally small, but thriving nonetheless, balancing projects such as the Louvre satellite with other efforts, including pro bono work. Meanwhile, away from the office, Imrey still finds time to be a mother, a wife.... and a part-time college professor. She teaches design at Columbia University and Barnard College.

When she thinks of how busy life has become, she cannot help but chuckle. "In delegation, there is also collaboration and partnerships: that's how to get work done."

—Scott Aubrey
The story of a family with a deep connection to Andover is the central theme of this reunion issue. In June, the family gathered in Andover to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the school. The event was filled with memories and stories of the past, and the attendees were deeply moved by the occasion. Among those in attendance were Andover graduates and their families, who shared their experiences and reflections on their time at the school.

Karen Humphries Sallick, P.O. Box 193, Greens Farms, CT 06831, 203-256-6881, ksallick@theprairietygroup.com, shared her memories of Andover, where she attended school in the 1980s. She described the school as a place where she formed lifelong friendships and learned valuable lessons.

Alexandra Gillespie, 416-513-7447, agilles81@gecapnj.com, and Laurie Nash, 800-336-6894, lanash@hotmail.com, also shared their stories, reflecting on their time at Andover and how it shaped their lives.

The reunion was a special occasion for many, and it was a chance to reconnect with old friends and make new memories. The event was a testament to the enduring bonds formed at Andover and the lasting impact it has on its graduates.
mates are doing 20-plus years after graduating. [My sister] Carolyn McDonough and I can't believe we are celebrating 10 years of running our own company, Diane James Designs. We continue to design and manufacture beautiful decorative bouquets for sale at Neiman Marcus and about 150 smaller boutiques around the U.S. and even selling to an Andover alumn, Mary Margaret Fitch '97, who has a store in Charlotte, N.C.). This year we've gone global with Forman & Mason in London, a department store chain in Japan, and private commissions in Qatar. We are looking to other markets abroad to continue to grow the business, as well as adding a bunch of new home accessories to the line. Hopefully, some day we can hire our own children (all boys!) in the shipping department!

James "Alex" French reports, "No outrageous stories, but Bill Parsons works as legislative director for U.S. Rep. Chris Van Hollen. I occasionally see Bill while playing my craft in my much-needed profession; I work as a lawyer-lobbyist for the entertainment industry (VF for government relations at NBC Universal). For my part, I am happily married and have twin 10-year-olds."

Michael Schaus writes, "Bob Hopkins, Ward "Tim" Timken, me, our wives, and our eight children are going skiing together in January outside of Buffalo, N.Y. I will report back, maybe with some incurring photos." Craig Kaufman and I look forward to reviewing the incurring photos.

Peter Meyer writes, "[Wife] Katherine and I moved to Glen Rock, N.J., this summer after years of apartment and condo living. We finally decided we needed the space a real house provides, since we now have two kids. Zachary is now 2, and Erika was born in October, so I'm usually in a sleep-deprived haze. I participated in this year's New York Civi MS charity ride (70 miles!) and discovered a passion for road cycling after years of mountain biking. My brother, Guenter, '88, took me to Ponocon Raceway for my 40th birthday this year for a day with the California Superbike School, where I achieved my long-standing goal of learning the bike over far enough in the sharp turns to scrape my knees on the asphalt. Still regularly trade vacation postcards with Maureen O'Brien, a long-standing tradition.

Seth Brooks writes, "I took my son to see Van Halen, with David Lee Roth, at the Boston Garden. It was almost like high school, except the garden was clean, there was no nicotine smoke, and I have a kid five years younger than I was the last time Diamond Dave played with Van Halen. I see Whit Spaulding and wife Carolineannon '87 pretty regularly. Lorraine Thomsen recently came for a visit and brought slides from Camp Deerwood, an outstanding summer camp on Squam Lake, N.H., that Lorraine runs with her cousin."

I saw Alex and Lorraine Thomsen and Andy and Elliot Smyth Berndt at a wedding in Montauk in June. It was great fun to hang out with them in the sun while everyone back home was shoveling snow.

Tajet Levit wrote in that she wrote the book and lyrics for the new adaptation of Ethel Warton's 1922 novel Glimpses of the Moon. The jazz age musical opened in January at the Oak Room of the Algonquin Hotel and runs through March

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I woke up this morning earlier than the rest of my family, and I was so excited to perhaps shop out and go for a jog before anyone asked for breakfast. But I quickly realized there is no skipping out! I had to walk the dogs, then feed the fish, cats, and dogs. Finally, I was ready for the run. I guess that's what you call it. I mean, my back is falling apart. When I went to the doctors they noticed all the bulging discs, but in physical therapy the doctor also noticed my bad neck, hips, and every muscle in my body. Did I mention I am only 39?

I heard from Kimberly Dogget Formisano, who completed the Pan-Massachusetts Challenge ride in August 2007. It is a 180-mile bike ride, in which she raised $13,000 for the Jimmy Fund. Great job! She's even going to do it again in 2008. Her daughter, Ellie, 8, and son, Thacher, 6, are doing well. Life is busy, filled with work as a second-grade teacher, sporting events, playdates, and craziness. She, along with most of us, is turning 40 soon. Hard to believe!

Caroline Langston Jarboe wrote that Ted Carleton got married. Congratulations! She also mentioned that Ted Beck and his partner's LA house was featured in the October (or November) 2007 issue of Dwell magazine. Caroline continues to be an occasional commentator for NPR's All Things Considered and is working on a memoir in which PA figures prominently, while also doing part-time development work for the Center for Public Integrity.

Susan Willard Hawes wrote that her cray, multigenerational household is very busy. Her son has the lead (as Henry Higgins) in the Andover West Middle School spring musical, My Fair Lady. Her daughter is busy with tech crew at Andover High—and changing boyfriends like the queen changes hats. Additionally, Susan is getting a new perspective on PA, as her son is going through their application process at the moment. I can't even imagine having kids go through this, although I guess it is coming soon.

Robert Creasy has a son, Cyrus, age 2, and a girl-to-be (1-month) clamoring to get out, so wife Jennifer is on bed rest. Bob is still enjoying the mountains of California (Mammoth Lakes) and is entertained weekly by Ted Carleton's wry, witty local newspaper, The Shet. Bob balances a mix of raising kid(s) with running his own architectural office and remodeling his house, which is finally done.

Matt Beersnma wrote, "I've been living here in Boulder, Colo., for 10 years now, after doing my time in Silicon Valley. My wife, Ramona, and I recently celebrated our 14th wedding anniversary, and our son Darwin turns 12 in March. I'm a computer programmer at Array BioPharma, where we have several cancer-fighting and anti-inflammatory medicines in clinical trials currently.

"Darwin and I ski often back at Steamboat, Colo., where my parents and sister still live, and at nearby Eldora Mountain. We haven't seen Rico Kelly who is at Eldora this year, so I don't know if he's still an instructor there or not. (See how lame I am at keeping in touch? Hi, Rico!) I play old-time banjo and some guitar, but mostly just admire my son's musical chops—he plays violin and guitar and has a superb singing voice. I'm also trying to make it through 'expert' drums in the video game Rock Band [insert geeky laugh here].

"I've done a lot of political volunteering for progressives in the Democratic Party, although I didn't make it to the Iowa caucuses this time. (De Moues in 2004 taught me that Colorado is a relatively warm place.) The highlight of every day is walking our bergamasco sheepdog, Charlie, in nearby Chautauqua Park. It keeps everything in perspective."

Phoebe Coman wrote with much information. Post-Christmas, her daughter Emily, 4, appears to be a Gimp Gnoop (ping pong game) savant, and her son Teddy, 7, is awash in a sea of Legos. Her husband, Ted, took some time off after a grueling year of travel for Bus, and so the holidays were great for the whole family.

Phoebe added, "My father (Brewer '43) is thankfully still doing well, and is even off to Steamboat, Colo., for some skiing in a few weeks! My intent to return to part-time architecture work has been somewhat curtailed, but I am still enjoying dragging the kids around to tennis, swimming, skiing, etc., so no complaints.

"Got to see a few classmats this year. Ted, the kids, and I went to visit Alson Ramney, her husband, Erik Barkers, and their children, Ryerson, 6, and Dagny, 4, at their newly renovated home in Lake Bluff. Ill. We got to be there for the Lake Bluff Fourth of July parade, which was a blast. Our husbands mucked us for spending the evening of July 3 drinking wine and making crepe paper decorations for the kids' bikes and wagons, but the
Mike Ditka, the one-third American, oneDetroit resident, one former Chicago Bears head coach and Chicago Bears fans, once blared: "Who's your favorite player?" to which the fans chanted: "Mike Ditka." Ditka, who is now the Bears' general manager, said: "I'm just a little guy from Detroit." Ditka was born in Detroit, but he never lived there. His father was a steelworker and his mother was a homemaker. They lived in a one-bedroom apartment on the west side of Detroit. Ditka was a star football player at the University of Oregon and was drafted in the sixth round of the 1961 NFL draft by the Chicago Bears. He played for 12 seasons with the Bears, and was a key member of the 1963 Bears, who won the NFL championship. Ditka was named the NFL's Most Valuable Player in 1965 and 1966. He was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1988.

Ditka is also known for his colorful personality and his love of Detroit. He often speaks in Detroit's slang and is known for his outbursts on the sidelines. He is also known for his charitable work and his involvement in various causes, including breast cancer research and the Special Olympics. He is married to his wife, Nancy, and they have three children.
there. Anyone, anyone? Bueller? Bueller?

Tom Clyde and wife are the proud parents of three. Tom writes, "Our daughter loves observing the antics of her two brothers, who spend much of their time holding cheese sticks in the air and running around yelling 'cheese parade!' The origins of this ritual are lost to history." Check out Tom's blog, www.democratdad.com. It's funny and insightful. We would expect nothing less from an award-winning film director! See www.hogislandmovie.com.

Liz Kinder writes far better prose about what is going on in her life than I could or have space for. She also makes wicked cool ceramics. Check out www.lizkinder.com. If you are too lazy for that, know that between throwing clay she is currently turning Philadelphia hip and enjoying time with her two kids and husband.

Finally, thanks to free Wi-Fi at JFK, Tom Powers finally writes in after a 19-year break. Again, not enough words here to do his e-mail justice. In summary, wooden boatbuilding school, PhD degree in psychology, married, remodeled a 1906 Craftsman house, started a company (www.brookspowers.com), saw Erik Ranberg at a presentation by Steve Carter, and expecting first child in July.

Now, go to our class home page and see what we had to take out! —Dave

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It's high time, once again, for the tribe of '88 to congregate on Andover Hill this June 13–15 for a weekend of reunion—this time our 20th! For those of you who have made the journey to reunions past, I trust you need little in the way of persuasion. For those who haven't (or at least not in a long while), this is the reunion to make—20 years, after all! If you are sitting on the fence, seriously think twice, contact a classmate with whom you've lost touch, make plans to meet up, and don't let years of regrettable inertia get in the way of what promises to be a good ol' time back on campus.

It was great to hear recently from Tigger Fox, who seems to be in fine form: "I am living in Providence, R.I. I have spent the last three years working as a project manager in the department of Design and Construction for Brown University. It has been quite a ride, between Brown's billion dollar plan for campus growth and the general conditions of construction in Providence. I often think how lucky I am. Fortunately, I still maintain contact with some of my dear friends from Andover, most notably Steve Nezhad, who I love to go visit up in Boston pretty regularly."

Roddy Scheer passed on a long-overdue and eagerly anticipated update from Alex Tyneberg, who moved from San Francisco to Austin, Texas, where he lives with his wife, Elisabeth, and their daughter, Ruby. 2. Alex reports, "I've (recently) transitioned careers from the nonprofit land-conservation world, where I had been working for nearly the past six years, into the new urbanist, green building arena. I'm developing high-density, mixed-use, green development projects in Austin's urban core. A few months ago I also completed a top-rated green home, where my family and I intend to reside for many years to come." Alex and Elisabeth are expecting their second child this summer, which might, unfortunately, complicate a return to PA for reunion.

Dave Franzosa writes, "I have been married for eight years and have a 5-year-old daughter and 3-year-old son. I finished hockey after playing professionally in Italy. I skate these days only when attempting to keep the kids, which is eventful. I started working at State Street Bank in Boston when I got back from Italy. I am still employed there, currently as a vice president in the Securities Finance International lending division. Dave keeps in touch with Tim Alpersen regularly and occasionally speaks to Peter Welch.

Congratulations to Dr. Sandra Comstock, who recently defended her dissertation on "globalization of the garment industry" to receive her PhD degree from Cornell University. She reports, "In summer 2006, husband Hugh, son Sebastian, and I moved from Ann Arbor, Mich., to Canada, in order to teach at the University of Western Ontario, where we are all now thoroughly and happily settled. At the end of March we welcomed our marvelous daughter, Isabel, into the world. In July we got ambitious and decided to take a 'vacation,' which involved driving with two kids under the age of 2 from London, Ontario, to Stowing, Maine. Finally, in August we all headed down to Uthaca, N.Y., so I could defend my doctoral dissertation. The highlight was 2-year-old Sebastian saying, "Felidades Dr. Mama!"

Brigitte Herz is planning to make the long trek to reunion from Durham, N.H., where she lives with her husband, Mamon, and their three children, Mamon, 14, Hannah, 11, and Gabriel, 7, who is in class with Moby Parsons' daughter. Says Brigitte, "I can't believe I have a high-schooler of my own already. I used to teach at private schools abroad—grade five to university level—and five years ago I started a language school for children. We teach French, Chinese, Spanish, and German."

Also coming back to reunion this June is Mike Domesick. Mike lives in Los Angeles, where he works at a talent agency "helping to connect actors and actresses with roles in television and movies." In 2005 Mike got an MFA degree in producing from USC and has resided in LA since.

Tanya Selvaratnam just got engaged to Jay Schieb, a professor at MIT and theatre director. Tanya has been producing Chiai Clemente's Our City Dreams (www.ourcitydreams.com) and acting in Jay Schieb's Under the Radar at the Public Theater in Manhattan this past January. Lisa Binkerd Bergersen lives in Newton, Mass., and caught up with Andover alum Jennifer Deeds at Lisa Paul's wedding last summer. Dr. Audrey Tague lives in Northern California, where she works in a local emergency department. Lastly, if you haven't already heard the news, Andover achieved need-blind admissions this past year! Always a matter of priorities, no longer an ambition, it's now a reality. To me there is no better expression of Andover's spirit. In consideration of this important commitment and our class's 20th Reunion year, please consider making a contribution to Andover this year—your participation matters.

See you in Andover! —Joe

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Happy 2008 to all. I suppose by the time you read this, the New Year will have already passed, but as I write this, we're still in the immediate aftermath of the early presidential caucuses and primaries.

In that spirit, I'll start this report with our regular birth news. Sarah Rafferty and her husband, Santos, happily report the arrival of their first child, Oona Gray Seppala, who joined us in October 2007. Presumably the WGA strike has given Sarah ample time off from her bustling acting career to enjoy Oona. From the southern hemisphere, we also have a report in from Shellie Hendricks that she and her husband, Joe, welcomed Henry Santos Hendricks in December. Shellie and Joe both teach at Escola Americana do Rio de Janeiro.

Rick Yanes wrote in from St. Petersburg, Fla., where he is an anesthesiologist and has two chil-
In November 2007, he got married to Kerry, an Australian woman who was a PA alumni, and had his brother, Michael. The wedding was held on a cruise ship in Sydney Harbor. It is a great place to hold a wedding, and we all had a great time. Hope you all have a great 2008, and keep in touch. — Regina

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In October, my husband, Chris, and I enjoyed spending Labor Day Weekend at Andover. Also in attendance at our class were Steve Matloff and Cynthia Bing, whose mother, Cynthia Bing ’61, was honored for her service to the Academy. For me, it was truly awe-inspiring to participate in a meeting of class secretaries ranging from the Class of 1936 to the Class of 2002. The files I heard that weekend, including one of a military plane crashing outside Will Hall at the start of WWII, are stories of Andover that I had never heard before. It felt like it was a part of our story, and I was able to share some of my own stories, which I will discuss in our next set of news. Now, on with the news.

Frank Kardonski and his family have returned to Princeton after almost 8 years of residing through various locations. His and his wife, Lorena, are both former teaching assistants at the Department of Defense school on the old U.S. military base in Panama, which now has two children, Gabriel, 1, and Joseph, 3 months. Frank is a former copilot of Copa Airlines, Frank says Eli Migrati got his start with the beach volleyball team, and children’s playdates. Eli is his three children, Louis, Jaime, and Olivia, and they will be staying with their plans to visit Panama. Michael Deschene married Mary Ellen.
Sara Su Jones
Life On Her Own Terms

Sara Su Jones, formerly of the U.S. Embassy in Moscow, says her life’s greatest achievement isn’t helping to negotiate and finalize the documents signed by Vice President Al Gore during the 1995 Gore-Chenomyrdin Commission meetings. It’s not being named Most Promising Young Musician of the Year at 1992’s Bristol Proms Festival in England and having her winning performance broadcast by the BBC. It’s not graduating Phi Beta Kappa from Harvard and landing a job at the highly competitive consulting firm McKinsey & Company, or earning a JD degree from Harvard Law and then working at the distinguished law firm Ropes & Gray LLP.

Her greatest achievement is giving much of that up to care for her mother, who suffers from severe rheumatoid arthritis. In doing so, Jones sought and found success and happiness on her own terms.

“I don’t define success in conventional, material ways, such as attending prestigious schools or working for brand-name employers,” she says. “Happiness comes from making the choices that are right for you. Success is simply making the most of the opportunities you have decided to pursue.”

Jones’s relationship with her mother, Choe Sun Baek, has always been a close one. She describes her mother as her best friend, her counselor, her confidant, and the “chairman of the board” of her solo teaching business. Baek is at the top of the list of people Jones admires, and she lists her mother’s grace, strength, wisdom, and good humor in the face of excruciating daily pain as qualities she hopes to emulate.

Not long after Jones started working at McKinsey, Baek’s health deteriorated to the point where she needed a live-in caregiver. Then 22, Jones opened the doors to her Manhattan studio in 1997. Her mother has lived with her ever since.

During Jones’s first year of law school, her professors urged her to try out for law review. When she discovered the time commitment was akin to that of a full-time job—and realized she would be unable to also care for her mother, who was by then housebound—Jones opted to pass on the opportunity.

“That was the point where I realized I had made a far-reaching decision,” she says. “Our choices in life define us, and this is my choice. When your priorities are clear, it’s easy to make decisions, even major decisions that change the course of your life.”

Over the years, Baek has often urged that she be put in a nursing home because she cannot bear seeing her daughter’s life curtailed: “It’s my turn to go to boarding school,” she says. Her daughter laughs, offering this response: “I’ll consider doing that when you forget who I am.”

After Baek’s health deteriorated to the point where Jones needed to be home most of the time, she quit her high-powered job at Ropes & Gray in Boston. It was her mother who suggested she teach small-group enrichment and test-prep classes out of their home.

“I had a flexible business plan, but I had no idea if it was going to be sustainable over the long term,” she says. “Now I feel this is the best use I could make of my education. It’s clearly the most meaningful, most fulfilling work I’ve done. I’m helping young people discover and develop their talents. And maybe I’ve helped a little bit to direct them toward a brighter, more fulfilling future for themselves.”

Taking care of her mother also allowed Jones to move back to Chicago, a city she loves. And she once again has time for music, “arguably the most important part of who I am.” She rehearses and performs as concertmaster and soloist with the Chicago Bar Association Symphony Orchestra.

In 2006 her quiet, calm life was disrupted when the Korean-language media in the United States and Korea discovered her. Jones, whose mother is Korean, was written up in numerous magazines and newspapers, approached by a major Korean TV network that wanted to do a documentary on her life, and even offered a book deal.

“The editors deemed my story newsworthy because the Korean tradition of filial piety has all but disappeared,” she wrote in her Christmas letter that year, citing examples of rampant elder abuse and abandonment in Korea. She also explained that in Korean culture, success is often defined by where you went to school, how much money you make, your job, and other “superficial trappings.”

“So, for a Korean looking at my résumé, it would be hard to understand why someone in my position would give all that up to stay home taking care of my mom and doing the unglamorous, unprestigious work of teaching kids.”

She laughs off the media coverage, calling it surreal.

“I’m no saint,” she says. “If my mom hadn’t become disabled and needed help, I’d probably be a very unhappy corporate lawyer slaving away in New York. By making the decisions I needed to for myself, I have wound up in the best possible situation.”

—Melissa Beards ’91
Brian and Brian Maneke, Ken Lecomte, and Orlando Carlisle, who lived in the city's 12th floor, were some of the people who lived in the city. In January, they moved to a new place with a large balcony and a view of the city. The apartment is large and has a lot of natural light. The couple enjoys spending time together at home.

Sasha Malhotra moved from New York City to back to her hometown in San Francisco. In August, she married Michael Johnson, who lives in Boston. The couple is planning a trip to Europe to celebrate their wedding.

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.Class Notes

Joining the club for classmates with cameras, he's working for MTV's The Hills. He describes his job as "following beautiful 21-year-old women around with cameras, then thinking of interesting ways to present the footage." He reports that the task is not hard.

David Dorn has joined the ranks of fatherhood, with the introduction of his daughter, Wila (named after David's father, William, David's great-aunt-in-law, Willy, and also of course Wila Cather). Dave's working for an architecture firm, D.H. Ruggles, and enjoys a nursery with a lovely mural painted by Hilary Williams.

If he has another kid, maybe he should call up Ramona Gittens, who founded our N.Y.C. a few months back in an art open-ended by Brooklynites Liz Roberts and Josh Rosenblum. Ramona reports her new work is "pretty badass, and I'm very excited about it." Checking out ramongittens.com is required for all classmates. At her next show, fans might ideally include Maria Burnett (just returned to New York after spending the last while in Africa) and Dan Levine, who has just returned to N.Y.C. from Co. If the nursery business still beckons for Ramona, perhaps Lauri D'Agostino Doody can call. She had a baby, Ryan Matthew Doody, born in October. Arriving just before the start of the World Series, little Ryan had to wait only five days to see his favorite team win the World Series. Mom had to wait 29 years! The family is living in Baltimore, and Lauri is preparing to return back to work at Legg Mason after maternity leave.

Willett Bird and Carole Reid Bird are parents now, too. They welcomed a second Reid Bird into the world in August. Carter Keller is also a new dad, and he passes on word that Chris White is as well. Everyone still trails Nancy Vernylen Thornton, however. In December she had baby boy number two, Carter. If any of the new parents are confused about diaper changing or anything else, give thanks to Alex Ruiz: He's now working at Google and making sure we can find everything we possibly need.

Carter hangs with Steve Bronstein, COO of a digital music business, ICEMA, and Joe Fowler, who is consulting at Monitor. Carter also reports that Liz Gill is lawyering away at Morrison Foerster.

Across the world, Bojan Ivanovic just moved to Moscow from Dubai and became the CEO of Galaxy Media (the second largest outdoor advertising operator in Russia/CIS). Coolly, the largest shareholder in this company is Baring Vostok Capital Partners, where David Bernstein is director of Investor Relations and Fund Operations. A continent south, Doug Frisman is living in Australia in a place called "Surfer's Paradise," even though he doesn't surf. What he does do is train for triathlons, with his eye on the 2008 Olympics. Let's hope he makes it! And if he does, we've got the classmates to help him deal with China's nasty snog. Now deep in the world of cardiology are Sasha Opopowski (in Pennsylvania) and Mark Russo (at Columbia). Ethan Philpot is also in the world of fixing the ailing, practicing medicine in Missouri.

David Whittier meanwhile is doing a different kind of healing. He's recently begun a "life coaching practice geared toward 'overachieving do-gooders' who wish to create a healthy and sustainable world, but want to get their personal happiness, fulfillment, and well-being back on track." Check our idealistcoach.com for more info. Or stop by and visit while passing near Pittsburgh.

As for all the underachieving culprits in the class: you can turn things around by sending more info to me and Amanda Adams, or by joining the Andover '93 group on Facebook. —Nick

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One of the main reasons I've had a soft spot for Facebook since first hearing about the social networking Web site, is that it shares in name with the fond, ubiquitous sobriquet applied to the PA address book we all got at Andover. And just as the wondrously retro paper Facebook (with its black and white portraits and cold, official monospaced font delivering personal information) competed (and usually won) with homework for our precious few evening hours at Andover, the current, global, dynamic Internet version is an even more formidable foe of productivity. Yet, time spent with either Facebook ends up, in my opinion, being valuable. All that time enhances the strength of the user's social network, be it your high school community or the alum community now. As a class secretary, I surely think that's a good thing.

The above is all just to say that, for the first time in my 13 years of class noting, some of the news from classmates comes from Facebook. John Shin is a perfect example; he is someone who has never contributed to the notes before, but has found a medium that lets him shine. After six years in New York and two as a ski bum in Colorado, John settled down in the S.F. Bay Area, where he has built up an alum community as a board member of the Andover Abbot Alumini of Northern California. On Facebook, he tells me, made this interaction possible, culminating in his hosting a New Year's Eve party where Steve Bronstein '93 and Joe Fowler '93 played the game Rock Band with him. John also recently sees Mike Tum '93 and Dan Haumann '93, who is expecting his first child. Also vis Facebook, Peter Israel wrote to me that Elliott Blanchard '93 is addicted to the Wii game system and that the movie Jon Levine directed, The Wackness, screened at Sundance. Bhak Tanta-Nanta wrote that he and his wife are expecting their second child in March. And Ara Erdogan described his trip to Turkey over the summer with Cem Karson '95. Ara is a cardiology fellow at Northwestern here in Chicago.

Still, most of my updates arrive via e-mail. Rich Enos wrote from Boston. Tim Stonecipher and Danielle Sailer are engaged (not to each other). Ben Haddad's son, Henry, was born in the fall. Additionally, Rich recently had dinner with Tim, Darren Hopkins, and Laurence Jollon, who are all doing well. Finally, Rich spoke at length recently with Ryan Spring, who loves teaching at Blair Academy in New Jersey.

Tara Bedeau sent an e-mail from the Bay Area. After almost five years of practicing at the largest labor and employment firm in the world, she has moved on to become the executive director of the California Minority Counsel Program, a nonprofit that, among other things, strives to diversify the California bar.

Nick Olney wrote from Brooklyn, where he's enjoying Boston's athletic dominance while also directing the Paul Kasman Gallery in Manhattan. Also enjoying the Boston sports run is Mark Sabath. He and Chris Kim went backpacking at Glacier National Park back in August. Victoria Sancho Lobis wrote from Rome, where she is researching her dissertation. She's looking forward to meeting up with Lisa Kraussman this winter in Paris. Merry Rose is writing restaurant reviews and playing in three different soccer leagues in Los Angeles. She recently met up with Eden Doniger and Eden's new baby. In March, Meghan Madera Bent expected a second child, who will compete with big sister Avery for mom's attention.

Finally, two classmates have their creative output available online: Greg Whitmore's movie, Kabul Transit, is available on DVD from www.kabultransit.net. Additionally, James Verini has created an increasingly impressing virtual clip file at www.jamesverini.com.

While toting up URLs, then, I'll close with a reminder to our classmates to join Jay Barmann's Facebook group devoted to our class. The URL for that remains www.facebook.com/group.php?g=4891854546.

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The Class of '95 rang in 2008 with exciting news and births of all kinds from all over the globe.

Melissa Sperber married her sweetheart of 10 years, Ryan, an illustrator, art teacher, and guitarist. They live in D.C. with puppy Pharaoh and cat Gypsy. Melissa is working now at Vital Voices Global Partnership and is a lower by track, having spent the past three years representing women fleeing gender-based violence. She is currently writing a book for the partnership and covering all their major summits and programs around the world.

Tom Wing is currently pursuing a PhD degree in French at Yale and is in a serious relationship with a woman from Spain who is earning a PhD degree in Spanish. He and James "Jae" Brock meet regularly in New York, where Jae holds a finance job involving the supervision of stock-trading robots.
Chris Barrera denies Laura Hunter's claims of a love triangle between his wife and a third woman. Earlier this month, Barrera's wife, Jody, and Laura Hunter were seen together in New York City, but Barrera denies that there was any romantic involvement. 

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sign consulting firm, while finishing up a series of woodcut prints with Center Street Studios, a Boston print publisher. She celebrated the New Year in Greece with Neil Kumar '97, Dave Holmes '97, Anita Kumar '99, and Christiara Mother '99. Kelly sees Lel Byrnes Yonker, Lel's husband, Neil, and their two dogs every day in Newton, Mass. Lel is in her second year as a pediatrics resident at Mass. General Hospital, but still manages to do pottery, study Spanish, and go snowshoeing with her husband and puppies.

Regan Clarke keeps Kelly entertained on her regular visits to New York, and regularly gives out the coolest new Colgate-PaladMDive products.

Kelly also saw Erika Prahil and Quincy Evans at Regan's N.Y.C. holiday party, but missed Aria Sloan and her dog by a couple hours. Erika recently got promoted at the Middleses School in Concord, Mass.

Regan reports that Charlotte Newhouse, Thea Stein, and Ting Poo Price all trooped to Napa Valley for Charlotte's 30th birthday brunch. Apparently, the girls tasted, sampled, and poured it up to get in the ring. The occasion. Matt Hintermeister held a N.Y.C. Class of '96 gathering at his pad-a-terne in the city, where Maggie Klarberg, Carmelo Larose, Aria Sloan, Jana Musumeci Neff, Megan Kuhlen, and Minor Myers were in attendance. It was a blast.

Julie Greenwell continues to run her successful jewelry company while attending Harvard Business School. We're happy to have her back from China.

Bret Asbury and wife Caroline Patton Asbury are now proud parents. Their son, Marlowe Patton Asbury, arrived in January. Aaron Cooper is also a new dad. He writes, "The news from my end is that our son, Gabe Gertnick Cooper, was born during the blizzard of December '07. He immediately understood his priorities, as he came out wearing a Red Sox hat."

Julia Lloyd Johansen got married in the fall to a wonderful primary school science teacher and has purchased a beautiful home in the Back Bay area of Boston. Before their wedding, the two visited Hannah Pfeifel Harlow in Africa and traveled together in South Africa. Hannah is fine-tuning her first novel while living in Uganda with her husband, Jason, and two cats. If you're ever traveling there, bring her black beans and tortillas, as she really misses burritos.

Stephanie Tipping Withers found a man who can match her sense of humor and married him in spring 2007 on Cape Cod. She still arrives at Goldman Sachs at 4 a.m. to keep the global investment machine moving.

Stefan Milkowski is nearing his two-year mark in Alaska. He works as a reporter at the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, has his fishing license, and bikes regularly.

Josh Oberwetter just moved in with his girlfriend in Brooklyn and continues to work as a computer programmer at Morgan Stanley.

Ann Gallagher married a doctor, bought a home, and is doing her pediatric residency near Pittsburgh, Pa.

Quincy Evans is working hard in N.Y.C. at investment banking. He's living in Queens. He writes, "Still representin' the hood! Been back here since July after spending some postgraduation (Wharton MBA) time in L.A., Vegas, and Hawaii this past summer. I saw Peter Saji in L.A. last July, which was awesome. Chilled with Ben Langworthy at a mutual friend's wedding in L.A. back in May. Constantly run into other random folks (most randomly, J.B. Lockhart '95 in St. Cross last April)."

Daveen Chopra is living in Hong Kong these days. He moved out there about four months ago from San Francisco with Medtronic, a medical device company. He runs one of their small divisions for the Asia-Pacific area. His other big news is that he got married on Dec. 8 to a woman he met about four years ago. Pratap Penumallli was at the wedding. Pratap's still alive and well working for Google in California. Daveen's also caught up with Lillian Kiang a bunch of times. She actually lives in Singapore and works for an investment firm. He wonders if there are other people from our class in Asia. — Carmelo Pennelli

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Happy spring, Class of 1997! I hope everyone has had a good few months and is looking forward to the summer. It was great to hear from some of you over the winter. To those I haven't yet heard from, please don't be shy about e-mailing me what you have been up to, so I can include it in future class notes. I know everyone has interesting tales to tell, so please do not hesitate to e-mail me anytime!

There continues to be lots of exciting wedding news to report, and it seems that last fall was quite the time for '97 weddings. Reena Mehta got married this past November in India to her college boyfriend, Dishell Flynn, in a three-day ceremony in Udaipur, India. Many Andover friends made the trip to celebrate, including Elyse Cowgill, Rebecca Sides, Courtney Gaddis, Ashley Cotton, Victoria Salinas, Fiorella Valdesole '96, and Priscilla Fraser '99. Everyone had a wonderful time and reported that the wedding was absolutely amazing.

Elizabeth Hedstrom got married in October to Alexander Herlin. Andover alumni from many classes were in attendance, including Matt Hedstrom '90, Teddy DeWitt, Adilso Demissie, Matt Starkland '96, Mary Beth Noonam '96, Gilmore Morris '97, Mike Graffeo '35, and Bob Massy '95. Dan Rabinowitz also had an eventful fall. He ran the Hartford Marathon in October and was married later that month. Teddy DeWitt was best man and Ben Over, Lindsay McCarthy Errichetto, and Dave Robles '98 were all in attendance to wish Dan well on the big day.

A wedding trike for Andover friends this past fall kicked off with Pat Noonam and Erin Keeney's wedding, continued a few weeks later with Paul Pennelli's wedding, and ended with Dave Weiner's wedding two weeks after that. A big congratulations to all! Additional Andover guests on this wedding circuit included Tom Ryan, Owen Tripp, Rob Holmes, Dave Constantine, and Todd Pugatch. I think it's safe to say that lots of fun was had by all over those few weeks.

I did hear from a few classmates from around the country and the world. Grace Rollins is living in Brooklyn and finishing up an MS degree in acupuncture this spring. Anna Post is living in Burlington, Vt., and her book Emily Post's Wedding Parties was released this past October. Ivy Chuang is living in San Francisco and married Hsuyuki Sato last September. She is keeping busy running Knoerd, her eco/design company. Sufta Dabashit reports from Nairobi, Kenya, where she is living and working for the Centers for Disease Control and also doing research on her dissertation project. Somehow, between all of that, she has also been able to squeeze in time to ring in 2008 by climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro! Pete Robbins reports that his third jazz CD, Do the Hate Laugh Skinny, was released in April and will be available soon on Amazon and iTunes.

If you haven't received my past e-mails, please be sure to send me your updated contact information so I have it. I look forward to hearing from everyone, so please keep me posted on all your adventures.

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I'm going to start this column with a bang. I have two milestones to report. Firstly, Heather and Doug Hsu welcomed their first child in the fall. This makes the first Andover-Andover legacy in our class. Bravo! Secondly, Greg Berard and his wife, Hannah, are expecting their second child this June. Greg and Hannah are excited to add to their family of three, which includes daughter Madison, who celebrated her first birthday in December. Unfortunately, baby-en-route's due date is smack in the middle of June, so the Berard family will be unable to attend our reunion. I told Greg that he won the prize for most kids in 10 years and that I would award him that honor in his absence.

To keep going with the nesting instinct, two recent engagements have crossed my inbox. Dan Burbons is engaged to Lillie Askari. The couple lives in Cleveland, where Dan works in commercial real estate, and Lillie is a second-year law student. In January, Moses Kagan proposed to his
Engagements, weddings, and babies seem to be big news among our classmates.

Angus Dwyer and his wife, Sarah, welcomed presidencr Victoria Dwyer (75, 12, 03). to the world in November. Angus reports all are happy and healthy. Congratulations, Angus and Sarah.

Kirsten Lewis emailed us on her big news that she became engaged to her boyfriend Tim (now fiance) this past December. No wedding plans have been finalized yet, but they are hoping to get married in late summer 2008. Kirsten mentioned she met up with Sara Smith, Joisan Decker, Liza Tration, Jeremy Hersch, Morgan Swift (WC), and a bunch of other Andover people at the AANY Holiday party.

Charlene Caputo is planning to marry Matthew The I on Thursday, June 21, 2008, at Cochran Chapel. Charlene said the ceremonies are at 3:30 p.m. and open to all classmates and friends who would like to attend.

Priscilla Fraser married Marco Cipriano this past January in New York City. There were many Andover alumni in attendance, including Peter Saliby, Rown Ryan WC, Caroline Lamborn WC, Margaret Chandler WC, Meghan Hayes WC, and Charley Lanford. Speaking at the wedding, Jonah Levine said: "I'm married and menneled, and I arrived in southern Vermont last week. September 2008 will be a busy month for me. I'll be spending a lot of time with my wife, and I'll be attending the Andover Reunion this weekend, which will be a lot of fun."

Caroline Berman gives an email's talk at the Whittier reunion this past weekend. She recently returned to Cambridge, Mass. to attend a conference in Mexico City, and is now working on a master's degree in visual studies at MIT.

As always, please feel free to e-mail me at caroline@caroline.com with any news or updates.
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The time has come once again, fellow '83ers. By the time this is published we will have had the first ever 2001 Decade Party in N.Y.C. celebrating 10 years since we were all little juniors back at Andover. Wow, has time flown by!

Kate Russell just couldn't keep away from the Big Apple for too long, so after graduating from law school at the University of Texas in Austin she will be coming back and, in September, starting work with Latham & Watkins.

Maria Nankova is still living and working in Boston and enjoying the snow. She and her husband are loving being young parents with lots of energy. Maria participated in Non Sibi Day in Boston, where she worked in a food pantry with Gavin McGrath and several other Andover alumni.

Kay Nassberg is officially engaged to Isak Sidenbladh, whom she met through a friend in St. Andrews. She is still working for RBC (RBS/US/BusinessConsulting), but has moved to Stockholm, Sweden, where she will be settling.

Desiree Simmons is still working her job with Jumpstart at Northeastern University. She will be leading a group of Northeastern students to Jamaica for Alternative Spring Break to build a playground and work in a local school. She will also be profiled as a recent college graduate in an article in Weekly Reader's magazine Career World, which goes to middle- and high-school students.

Kevin Sinclair graduated from Georgetown Law in May and now practices with Christensen, Gloer in Los Angeles.

Nat Wadsworth is now working in research at Russell Reynolds & Associates, an executive search firm in New York, and often sees Jeannie Kwok, who works down the hall from her doing research for a different group.

Liz Heroy is still at the Art Institute of Chicago working in the finance department and doing on-the-side projects for an upcoming exhibition in prints and drawings. She is taking graduate classes in modern art at the School of the Art Institute starting this semester. In addition, she is looking forward to learning German at the Goethe-Institut Chicago. Liz just took the GRE and anticipates returning to school for a master's/Ph.D. program in art history for the fall of 2009.

Nikki Waldstein is in med school at Penn State, and Liz will be visiting her later this month.

Sophia Walter is currently living in London, where, this past fall, she started a Ph.D program at the Courtauld Institute of Art. She is enjoying immersing herself in English library culture. In anticipation of Thanksgiving, Sophia had a bit of an Andover reunion in her "flat" with Jeff Wesler '03, Amy Malleck '03, and Justin Wardrop '03. (See the photo near the 2003 class notes.)

Meg Blitzer is taking the Midwest by storm. She was surprised and honored to receive an endowed chair at Lake Forest Academy this fall. Being a dorm head in a girls' dorm has been quite the change after living with the boys.

Diana Mahler is still living in Brooklyn and working as a nurse in the pediatric oncology and hematology unit of the Children's Hospital at Montefiore. She will be starting grad school at NYU in a few weeks to get a master's degree in nursing and become a pediatric nurse practitioner.

Frank Brodie quit his job at General Mills and is now in the Postbaculature Premedical Program at Penn. Mira. He will be joining the West Coast '83ers in San Francisco in May and will start applying to med schools.

Chris Callahan recently renewed his lease in TriBeCa, where he is down the street from his second home at Citi, where he works in high yield sales. Chris began there early last fall after having worked at Bear Stearns.

Liesl Beecher-Flad is settling into the groove of the doctoral program in clinical psychology at the California School of Professional Psychology in San Francisco. When she's not hitting the books, she works part-time as a sports bar cocktail server. She encourages everyone to visit her at the Bus Stop Saloon if they're ever in town!

Ashley White-Stern is living in Oakland, Calif., two miles from UC-Berkeley and has been traveling all over the world—the East Coast, Italy for a film festival—and just living the grad student's dream. Ashley also is holding down a part-time job at a designer women's clothing boutique in Oakland.

Ian Cropp is still living in Vail, Colo., and has seen any fellow Andoverites since his last reunion with Mike Paa this past summer. Mike and Ian hiked a "14er" (a mountain that goes to 14,000 feet).

Aaron deVos dropped me a line from Fallujah, Iraq. He is halfway through his deployment. When he comes back home to Boston he is expected for some R & R before going back to base camp in North Carolina to resume training.

Kate Bartlett is still living with her fiance and fellow '01 Greg Kimbball in Boston, where she is finishing up her last semester at law school at BC. She will spend the summer studying for the Massachusetts bar and planning the wedding. She is also getting excited for James Kenly's wedding in August. After the summer craziness, she will start work in the real estate department at Bingham McCutchen in late September.

James Chung just started his three-year mandatory military service by working for a company called Zalman Tech Co. James is also trying to get the Andover alumni network more active in Korea. John Kwaak has one year left for his military service: he is serving as a first lieutenant in the Air Force. John and James have been playing a lot of squash together and hosting random people who visit Korea. John recently had a visit from Mark Kawakami and James Shin, during which John held a small Christmas banquet at his house. Mark is in his second year of law school, and James is still working for a talent agency and a producer-composer of music.

Many of you have asked what I've been up to, so here is my update as well. I am living in an amazing apartment building in Hell's Kitchen that is full of Andoverites, including Vikas Goela, Dave Kuts '00, and Brad Burwell '00. I am an associate account manager at Google and am staying very involved in the company with organizing social, corporate, and team-building events. In December I had quite the birthday shindig, which about a dozen or so '83ers attended, and, I have to say, danced big-time. I'm loving N.Y.C. and can't imagine living anywhere else. Thanks to everyone who sent updates and attended our Decade Party!

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Happy new year, Class of 2002? You all ended 2007 with a bang and have plenty of excitement on board for the upcoming year. I'm always impressed by how many of you consistently respond to our update requests. But I was particularly pleased recently when several of you mentioned how much you really do love reading the Class Notes section so that you can get updates on your classmates. So, without further ado, here is the news:

New York City is the reigning geographical "it" spot for our class. Brienne Leon is in the city working for 15 Minutes, a public relations firm for independent films and film festivals. In the middle of January, Brienne traveled to Utah to work at the Sundance Film Festival. As Brienne pointed out, "Manhattan is such a tiny island sometimes," a fact that allows her to stay in touch with fellow New Yorkers and former Andover classmates Sarah Lau, Jung-Eun Shin, and Jill Bramwell. Congratulations are in order for Jung-Eun, who recently married her Stanford University sweetheart, Niki Roberts, who is proud to report that her Texan kickball team made it to the playoffs only to be defeated, traveled to New York to meet up with Ryan Coughlan and to forget her kickball heartbreak. Niki and Ryan made the most of Nik's visit to the Big Apple by spending time with Tiss Takagi, Kate Planitzer, Carolina Van Zile, Holly Cronin, Lou Butler, Sarah Smith, and Rachel Sobelson. In the East Village, Freddie Martignetti graciously hosted another '02 mini-reunion. Dave Frisch, a broker in training at Smith Barney, was in attendance, as were Abram Mendal, Mitch St. Peter, Steve Brock, Will Hopkins, and Jarrett Wetherell. Dave tells me that Jarrett's band, The Fale Nimbis, is "one of New York's most exciting new bands and has been playing shows all over the East Coast." If you're in the area, try to catch one of their shows! Apparently, New York is the place for large '02 gatherings, because it happens to be where Boston-based nursing student Melanie Cyr hosted her 24th birthday extravaganza! Rob Howe, Ted Sack, Charley Poole, Natalie Ho, and Travis Pantin all
FIFTH REUNION
JUNE 14-15, 2005

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Our long-awaited Fifth Reunion will soon be here! Stay up to date with BlueLink and put June 14-15 in your calendar for our return to PA. As for our theme: the movie on the most in the last six months. In November, at Power Shift 2007, a conference on climate change, he spent most of the weekend with Caitlin Littlefield and caught up with Matt Longley, Bob Yamartino, Nick Ingazio, and Matt Minasian in DC. After spending Thanksgiving in Delhi, India, with his brother, Nate graduated from Vanderbilt in December.

Brittnex Bailey wrote from Oxford, England, where she visited her boyfriend in early January. While there, she had dinner with Paul Somme. Brittnex expects to see Julie Bromwitz this winter.

In England for the winter, Justine Wardrop enjoyed a Thanksgiving meal with fellow classmate Amy Malleck and Jeff Wessler hosted by Sophie Walter '01. Jams Stanton has returned from South America to Boston. She recently accepted a position at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, where she will be a research assistant in pediatrics.

Marianne Klevman, who graduated from Dartmouth in January, is in New York City. She is a literary agent at the literary agency of the same name. She is in New York City.

Jesse Bardo is now a drummer for his band, The Northfield Mount Hermon. He is also a lawyer for the band, which he believes will be successful in the future. He plans to visit former Hersey Housemate, Tari Islam in New Orleans with the company of longtime pal Kery.

Chimade Rulenge currently works in Abuja, Nigeria, for the architecture firm Ennione Vicher Week. He has been there since August and enjoys his work.

Priva Snider currently attends the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern. She was in Chicago until December, then headed to our nation's capital to be a reporter for six months.

Julia Tovotsky at the University of Waterloo in Canada, starting a master’s program in forensics, and working on spinal cord injury patients. She graduated with a degree in forensics from Cornell University, where she played varsity soccer.

Kathleen Minahan is spending the year studying Polish at Jagellonian University in Krakow, Poland. When she was in Brazil in March, she nailed her English and Spanish.

Her old roommate Andy Hattemer has settled in Seattle and now works for the Seattle Times and works for the Seattle Times and works for the Seattle Times.

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Our classmates continue to scatter themselves across the globe! Brittany Kaiser spent the fall traveling through Asia. She hung out with Yusuke Uchiyama in Tokyo, spent New Year’s with Jordan Nottke in Bangkok, Thailand, and had dinner with Catalina McCallum and Victoria VanStekelenburg in Shanghai, China. Brittany performed as a DJ in Hong Kong and Tokyo, and is now working for Human Rights Without Borders.

Chelsea Paige is studying in St. Petersburg, Russia, this semester. While at Georgetown, Chelsea took a class on diplomacy and culture, for which she participated in a dialogue with students from the Middle East and Europe. She saw Aria Stahl over winter break. Laylah Mohammed is studying interior architecture in Copenhagen, Denmark, where Cassie Cornell is studying with a different program. This fall, Laylah participated in the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer. Laylah also hung out with Matt Brennan and Sarah Donelan in Andover and Chas Steinhardt in New York.

Zach Sandman and Sims Witherspoon are spending the semester in Dublin after spending the fall in Shanghai. Diana Grace, Will Riorian, and Marcella Viktorin are studying abroad at the London School of Economics and occasionally see Kate Ireland, who is studying at Oxford. Will spent New Year’s in Nairobi with David Perry Kay Geary is studying in Berlin. Lisa Chloos is in Geneva, Switzerland, studying public health and working with the World Health Organization, United Nations, and Doctors Without Borders. Lisa spent winter break interning in stroke services at Massachusetts General Hospital. While living in Padua, Italy, for the fall semester, Kelly Stecker went to London and had dinner with Will Riorian and Marcella Viktorin. Kelly also spent time with Catherine Hambleton in Aix en Provence, France. Jenn Davis spent the fall seminar in Hainzhou, China. Sarah Chang, Kat Dix, Jason Duffett, and Katie Hunkler were all on the same program in Buenos Aires! Sarah and Jason spent Thanksgiving enjoying the beaches of Uruguay. Ben Grant spent the semester in London, where he can into both Patrick Shannon and David Wilkinson. Andy St. Louis studied abroad in Madrid, Spain. He traveled to Amsterdam, Portugal, and Rome, where he saw Jane Herceca. Over winter break, Andy, Daniel Hoyos, and Alex King traveled through Western Europe.

Su Zhu is graduating from Columbia in May, after which he’s moving to Tokyo to work as an exotic options trader for Credit Suisse! Michy Coman visited family in Perth, Australia, over winter break. At school, Michy works two jobs and manages to squeeze in the occasional visit to see Mary Roach at Harvard. Abby Schlink spent five weeks in Egypt surveying for Neanderthal sites in the High Desert. Natalie Ho spent winter vacation traveling to London and Italy. While at Cornell, Natalie and Kojo DeGratt-Hansen participated in PA’s Non Sibi Day, volunteering for the AIDS Ride for Life.


Anthony Green is starting a tutoring company in New York City. Alex Lebow is spending the semester studying at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. Ian Schmertzler transferred to Yale, where he’s playing in the orchestra and is the coxswain for varsity lightweight crew. He loves his new school! Katie Purcell transferred to Fairfield University and loves being closer to her younger sisters. Katie took an art history class in Florence, Italy, in January. Andrew Richards joined the rowing team at McGill and has started recycling. Better late than never, Andrew! Ben Heller is busy at Columbia, where he’s dating the two halves of Beowulf by studying the verbs in the original Anglo-Saxon manuscript, publishing a miniature version of the Iliad using antique printing techniques, and hosting an old-time jazz radio show. Wow!

Thanks for the updates! Stay classy, ’05.

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Gabe Worgulik, Justin Yi, Simon Keyes, Emily Chappell, Louisa Rockwell, Megan Evans, Sarah Limmemann, Tobey Duble, Melissa Chiozzi, Spencer Johnson, Dan Taylor, Jeff Zhou, and Luke Cahill met in Vermont to ski after spending New Year’s together in Montreal. They were all ready to talk about school. Gabe spent a weekend with Colin Dunn ’07 in L.A. Tobey is continuing with her JV hockey tradition at Harvard, while Melissa loves UVM. Meg is going to South Africa spring term. Justin left part of a tooth in Canada over New Year’s, will never go back, and wants a new group of friends. If you’re available, let him know. Simon Keyes recently started playing varsity squash at Middlebury and has played Dan Wagman several times. Emily enjoyed Thanksgiving in London

PA alumni and friends get together for Thanksgiving dinner at the London flat of Sophia Walter ’01. From left are Camilo Sandoval-Acosta, Jeffrey Wessler ’03, Amy Malleck ’03, Justine Wardrop ’03, Shi Guo, Ivana Piyovic, and their hostess.
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As we write this issue, Massachusetts has set baseball, football, maybe basketball, and weather records. So these two "snowbirds" prepare to head south only to learn the January thaw will arrive just as we leave. What planning!

Last summer Trustee Emerita Betty Parker Powell '56 had an amazing trip to China, where she had a chance to see former visiting scholar Ni Xiao-min. Pictures show Xiao-min has not changed very much since she was at PA. When we’ve talked on the phone, she still has the spark and enthusiasm we knew. To hard to believe that her son is in his 20s. (He was 2 when she first came as a Chinese scholar from Harbin.) Karen Hale and Hale Sturge returned to China in October with a PA alumni tour group. They remarked on the incredible ways the country has changed. The pictures on their Christmas letter show them with the Great Wall of China in the background, in Costa Rica with two grandsons, and with two granddaughters at home.

On New Year’s Eve, Caroline Bridgman Rees celebrated her 85th birthday — congratulations! She now has three grandchildren in college and stays active in the peace movement. Anne Weld moved in April 2007 to New York State. She had been out to Seattle to be with son Dan and his family. Her new home is halfway between daughter Kathy and the family’s camp in the Adirondacks. She comments that Glen Edky is a lovely retirement community. Her new address is 101 Glen Edky Drive, Niskayuna NY 12309; phone: 518-280-8522; e-mail is still the same.

We received a wonderful photo card of Dottie and Dick Sheahan with the Wyoming Tetons rising in the background from where they were fishing. They look forward to visits from son Casey ’73, as he invites them out on the lake in his boat to fish. They no longer ski, hike, or play tennis.

Sandi and Joe Mesics plan to move in April (if their house sells) but we eagerly await their arrival in Florida for a month. Janette and Frank Hannah wrote from New Hampshire, where the primary election would take place the following week. At the staff and faculty party we delighted in seeing Suzy Joseph and Gerard Koerckel. She has taught at Gorton this fall.

Eleanor and Tom Lyons sent pictures of their 11 grandchildren all involved in a variety of activities, just like their grandparents. Tom still participates in his Thursday morning “News and Views” group, is active on his town’s Disabilities Commission and on the board of the Council on Aging, and helps with the Lifelong Learning Lectures. Eleanor continues to work as a SHINE (Serving the Health Information Needs of Elders) volunteer helping senior citizens as they wade through the health insurance maze. She is also on the board of the Friends of the Council on Aging, and does yoga, meditation, walking, etc. Audrey and Lou Hostma feel grateful for the safe return from Iraq of their two Marine granssons and for Lou’s return to good health after open-heart surgery this past summer.

As we write, Audrey and Dick Bensley recuperate from pneumonia complicated by a pinched nerve for Audrey and a broken kneecap for Diz. They are considering Marland Place, as they will both need rehab. Daughter Jenny ’78 is currently visiting here from Greece and helping with such arrangements. Pat and George Edmunds have already arrived in Florida. We thoroughly enjoyed having them join us for Christmas dinner.

Pictures of Wendy and Jack Richards’ 13 grandchildren filled their Christmas page. Their only out-of-the-country trip (to Bermuda) this year was to take the two oldest, who had graduated from high school and been accepted at college. Wendy and Jack did have a lovely stay in Yosemite after their Air Force reunion in California. In late October Jack received a beautiful new left knee to match the right one, which had been done seven years ago. They stay busy with volunteer and athletic activities and plans for adventuresome 2008 foreign travels. For us, after a variety of trips in the country, October brought a trip to Israel and Palestine cosponsored by our local Andover Episcopal church and Temple Emmanuel (15 from each congregation, plus Rev. Jeff Gill and Rabbi Goldstein). Sailing Christmas cards at the site of Jesus’s birth in Bethlehem in Palestine and visiting the Western Wall in Jerusalem on Shabbat were highlights of the trip — but the entire experience was powerful.

Jay Rogers was on campus in January as a workshop presenter on MLK Jr. Day. Following that, he and music instructor William Thomas had a wonderful trip to Las Vegas. They saw three shows, are fabulous meals, and enjoyed the change of pace. A cruise, PA Reunion Weekend, and Jay’s 70th high school reunion this summer are considerations ahead — all dependent on his health.

By the time you read this, we hope we’ve seen you at our Emeriti Luncheon in early May. Look for our report in the summer Bulletin. Happy 2008!

IN MEMORIAM

TRUSTEE EMERITUS

John L. “Jack” Cooper ’31
Westwood, Mass., March 24, 2008

John L. "Jack" Cooper, a Phillips Academy charter trustee from 1960 to 1981 and a proud and passionate Andover supporter for nearly eight decades, died at age 94. Several trustees emeriti who served with Mr. Cooper and knew him personally noted that he had, indeed, led a non-shy life.

Mr. Cooper graduated from Yale University with an AB degree in 1935. During World War II he served with the U.S. Army VI Corps, primarily in Italy, and attained the rank of lieutenant colonel. Following his military service, Mr. Cooper began a 30-year career at Massachusetts Mutual Financial Services, a Boston-based investment company, where he created the first growth-stock mutual fund and retired as chairman in 1978.

"Jack welcomed me to Andover's Board of Trustees in 1980, and I was grateful to have him as a mentor," recalls Betty Parker Powell ’56, trustee emerita. "A gentleman of vision and integrity, his careful and full consideration of issues set a high standard for all to follow."

Noting that Mr. Cooper was a member of the 1972 board that voted to merge Phillips and Abbot academies, Mrs. Powell added: "Through his prior leadership at Mount Holyoke College, Jack knew the strengths and vibrancy of young women and was eager to see girls be part of Andover and to move the school forward to be a modern-day coeducational institution of excellence."

Trustee Emeritus Bill Boeschenstein ’44 served on the board with Mr. Cooper for 13 years. "As chair of the Finance Committee, Jack was prima facie head of the endowment fund," he says. "Because of his expertise in financial matters, fellow board members always felt confident that the fund was in safe and efficient hands."

Remember Steve Barban ’64, trustee emeritus: "An astute judge of character possessed of excellent judgment, Jack made numerous consequential contributions to the work of the board. He was reliably wise and constant in his support of knowledge and goodness, both of which he embodied."

"Jack Cooper never hesitated in his support for Andover," says Head of School Barbara Landis Chase. "He worked hard and gave unstintingly in
Margaret F. Couch
Andover, Mass.
Aug. 4, 2007

An beloved member of the Abbot Academy and
Tufts Academy communities for 35 years, Margaret (Flint) Couch has been well known for her dedication to students and the library.

Margaret was a daughter of Oliver Couch Sr. and Hedy Couch. She was born in 1907 and taught in the history and government departments at the University of Wisconsin. She graduated from Tufts College in 1929 and received her Master's degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1933.

Margaret taught at Tufts Academy from 1935 to 1975 and remained there until her retirement.

In 1935, she married James Couch, a professor of Latin and Greek at Tufts Academy, and they had three children: Jane, John, and Marcia.

In her retirement, Margaret continued to be involved in the affairs of Tufts Academy and Tufts College, serving on various committees and as a member of the alumni association.

Margaret passed away on August 4, 2007, at the age of 98.

A biographical sketch of Margaret F. Couch was written by her family and former colleagues.

A. Lachlan Reed '15

Dana Beach, Fla.
Nov. 8, 2007

Arthur Lachlan Reed died at his home following a brief illness. He was 92.

Born in 1915 in Smyrna, Turkey, while that country was part of the Ottoman Empire, Mr. Reed came to the United States for his secondary education and premedical education. He earned A.B. and M.D. degrees at Yale University, as well as an M.D. from Yale's School of Medicine.

Reed served in the U.S. Navy as a surgeon, including four years with the United Nations and two years with the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, Japan.

In 1942, in the midst of World War II, he married Martha Swett, their union lasted 63 years until her death in 2005. The couple raised their family in Lake Minnetonka in Waverly, Minn.

This biographical sketch was written by Mr. Reed's family and coworkers.

Following the war, Mr. Reed began a lengthy career as an economist and business expert, which included teaching English at Andover from 1948 to 1951, serving as headmaster of North College School in Minneapolis, and working for Honeywell.

He also spent three years in the Eisenhower administration as special assistant to the executive branch. He earned a PhD degree from the University of Minnesota in 1954.

After leaving Honeywell, Mr. Reed went on to found three successful computer science technology firms, one of which, International Timesharing, was sold to the company that is now Sprint.

He was also an author and CEO of Lachlan International Holdings Co., a venture capital firm.

Over the years, Mr. Reed also coached three schools: Minnesota's Outward Bound School, a branch of Outward Bound, which was founded by his good friend, Andover superintendent John Moeller, London's Victoria College, and Dynacon Inc., in Worcester, Mass. Mr. Reed also coached his tennis at the University of Tennessee, a character building program for youth, and, in the 1990s, he headed Physicians For Peace, leading volunteer medical missions of doctors and nurses to countries such as Egypt, Sri Lanka, Palestine, Turkey, and Yemen.

Mr. Reed was an accomplished tennis and squash player, in later years, he devoted himself to golf. During his many winters in Palm Beach, he was an active supporter of numerous community, civic, and cultural affairs. Given his Scottish heritage, he was also a proud supporter of the National Trust of Scotland.

Mr. Reed was a trustee for many organizations and institutions, including the Harold W. Swett Foundation, American University of Cairo, International College, Rostov, which his grandfather founded in 1801 in Smyrna, Turkey, Harvard University, Nashville, Tenn., William Smith College, Owego, N.Y., and the Mark D. Anderson-Stevens Hospital, Istanbul.

A loyal Andover alumnus and frequent campus visitor, Mr. Reed served the Academy in many ways, most notably as an admission representative and an active fund-raiser. He had recently completed his autobiography, Lachlan Reed, which includes recollections of his days at Andover.

He is survived by his six children, Bill, Lach, Mark, Arch, Ada, and Margaret, his brother, Howard '72, and 10 grandchildren.

ABBOTT AND PHILLIPS

1924
Lila Clevenger Burke
West Tisbury, Mass.

1929
Jane Ann Gale
Zanesville, Ohio
Feb. 1, 2006

Alton H. Hathaway Jr.
Pompano, Fla.
Aug. 8, 2006
Theron L. Marsh  
Naples, Fla.; July 30, 2007

1930  
Roul Tunley  
West Palm Beach, Fla.; Oct. 15, 2007

1931  
Herman J. Chilton  
Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; Dec. 5, 2007

Helen Richardson Coughlin  

1932  
Sidney E. Sweet  
Hilton Head, S.C.; Nov. 9, 2007

1933  
James L. Martin Jr.  
Austin, Texas; June 21, 1999

Egbert W. Pfeiffer  
Missoula, Mont.

Ralph C. Rudd  

Lois Chapman Tarby  

Lois Chapman Tarby died peacefully at age 93 surrounded by her loving family. Mrs. Tarby lived in Southbury, Conn., for 40 years prior to husband Walter “Tiger” Tarby’s death in 2004.

Mrs. Tarby was born in Onono, Maine, and grew up in Newton, Wellesley, and Princeton, Mass. She graduated from Bryant & Stratton Business College and the Boston Cooking School. Prior to her marriage, she was a dietician for the Cherry Lawn School in Darien, Conn., and Coldstone Restaurants in Boston. She later managed two restaurants for the Hotel Statler in Boston.

Mrs. Tarby and her husband owned and operated Old Drive Package Store in Seymour, Conn., for 25 years. They were founding members and for 16 years chaired the Seymour Pumpkin Festival, proceeds from which were used for town beautification. Mrs. Tarby was a founding member of the Seymour Garden Club and the Seymour Newcomers Club. She had a keen interest and expertise in gardening and also was active in the Seymour Women’s Club. After her retirement, she and her husband ran the Friendly Senior Travelers from their home in Southbury, Conn., for 15 years, taking seniors on many enjoyable trips.

She is survived by her son, Lawrence C. Greene, six grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

Francis G. Woodruff  
Monter, Ind.; Dec. 14, 2007

1934  
DeWitt Horner  
New York, N.Y.; Feb. 24, 2008

DeWitt Horner died of heart failure while in Barbados. He was 91.

After graduating cum laude from Harvard in 1918, Mr. Horner had a long and successful career in banking at Citibank, retiring as a vice president. He called New York City his home, but enjoyed summers in Osterville, Mass., on Cape Cod and winters in Barbados. He was an avid sailor, golfer, and horseback rider.

Active in his class and Andover affairs for decades, Mr. Horner served as head agent from 2000 to 2004. He and his wife attended and hosted numerous Academy events; they were most recently on campus for Mr. Horner’s 70th Reunion in 2004.

Survivors include his wife, Lucinda, their sons John and Gordon, and a granddaughter. Mr. Horner requested that memorial donations be made to Phillips Academy.

Dorothy Lambert Robinson  
Sarasota, Fla.; Nov. 26, 2007

Frederick L. Tausch  
St. Augustine, Fla.; Dec. 6, 2007

Frederick L. Tausch, 92, died following hip surgery necessitated by a fall in early November.

He was born Nov. 26, 1915, in Hollywood, Calif., where he grew up. He was the son of Carl and Margaret (Baker) Tausch.

After graduation from the University of California in 1939, Mr. Tausch entered the Navy and saw action in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

In 1941, Mr. Tausch was assigned to Newport News, Va., to work for the Navy Yard. He was later transferred to Los Angeles and later to San Diego, where he served until the end of the war. Mr. Tausch died at his home in Oxnard, Calif., Apr. 15, 2007.

Mr. Tausch was predeceased by his wife, Carol, and his sister, Mary Burnham.

David L. Rubin  
Wellington, Fla.; Oct. 11, 2007

David L. “Ducky” Rubin died at age 90.

He was born in Brockton, Mass., and later lived in Wellesley, Mass. A 1940 graduate of Yale University, David was the beloved husband of Charlotte Tarlow Rubin for 64 years. David, a captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve, saw action in World War II. He retired in the early 1980s from Dexter Shoe Company, where he held the position of executive vice president.

He is survived by his children, James ’61 of New York, Jonathan of Atlanta, and Caroline R. Goodman of West Palm Beach, Fla., as well as by five grandchildren, including Henry-Alex Rubin ’91 and Delphine Rubin ’95.

—James H. Rubin ’61

Dwight W. Webb  
Wellfleet, Mass.; Nov. 15, 2007

1937  
H. Farwell Ferry Jr.  
Sun Rafael, Calif.; Jan. 29, 2007

Richard B. Tweedy  
Darien, Conn.; Oct. 23, 2007

Richard Burr Tweedy died at his home after a short illness. He was 88.

Mr. Tweedy graduated from Yale College in 1941 with a degree in history. Shortly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor six months later, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and entered in its Officer Candidate School.

He served in the Army Corps of Engineers from 1942 to 1946. As a captain with 180 young driftees from upstate New York under his command, he traveled first to England and then to France. Three of his platoons landed on the shores of France on D-Day, he followed soon after. Mr. Tweedy was in Paris on V-E Day in spring 1945 to witness and participate in the joyous celebrations. He later traveled to Okinawa with a new unit and was in Japan when the war ended. He was pleased and proud to maintain lifelong friendships with the men of his unit.

With assistance from the GI Bill, Mr. Tweedy attended Yale Law School. Upon earning an LLB degree in 1948, he joined the Stanford, Conn., firm of Durey, Pierson, Ward & Pringle and was made a partner in the successor firm of Durey & Pierson in 1956. In 1980 he joined the Stanford branch of the New York firm of Winthrop, Stimson, Putnam & Roberts.

Throughout his life, the distinguished attorney was involved in numerous local Stanford and Darien civic affairs, including service as a director and secretary of the Stanford Hospital for more than a decade and as president of the Stanford Bar Association. He enjoyed reading, croquet, tennis, skiing, and other sports.

He is survived by his wife, Joan; four sons from his first marriage, including Burr ’70 and Jonathan ’75; four stepchildren; four grandchildren; and nine step-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Louise Richmond Dornance Tweedy, in 1981.
1948
Richard FitzHugh
Westfield, Md. Nov. 19, 2007

David S. Stem
Beadle Farm, Han. Elly 8, 2007

1939
Rosamond M. Graves

Frederick M. Sahl

Robert K. Sherwood

Richard M. Thompson Jr.

1940
Paul E. Carter Jr.
Spring, Tex.

Richard C. Lawrence
West Chester, Pa.

Frederick F. Taussig
Englewood, N.J. April 19, 2006

1941
Alda Greco Cesaron

Jane Phyllis Wood

1942
John B. Russell
West Harford, Conn. Dec. 26, 2007

Beatrice Hardy Verdery
Somerville, N.J. July 3, 2007

1943
Anne Locke Haman
Harpers Ferry, N.H. Jan. 7, 2008

William C. Lancaster

Jean Replen

Winfred Tucker Roach
Fulbright, Calif.

Louise Swenning Weimar
Sarasota, Fla. May 15, 2007

1944
Daniel J. Carroll
Armon, Colo. Nov. 20, 2007

Richard Schuster

1945
Frank U. Naughton III

1946
Roland Algrand

David L. Jones
Akron, Ohio. Sept. 2, 2007

1947
Carol McLean Bly
St. Paul, Minn. Dec. 21, 2007

Carol Bly, an award-winning writer, editor, teacher, and critic, died from complications from ovarian cancer. She was 77.

Carol graduated from Wellesley College in 1951. Four years later she married author and poet Robert Bly, the couple participating together in many literary initiatives. For 25 years they lived on their farm in Montclair, N.J. Although their house had no running water until 1962, Carol was proud of the "splendid outhouse, spic and span clean, with a bookshelf of first books of poetry."

In the early 1970s, Carol was invited to write a monthly column for the Minnesota Public Radio magazine. These short essays constituted her first book, Letters from the Country. She later taught writing at several Midwestern colleges and universities, including the University of Minnesota, Hesdale University, Carleton College, and Northland College. Her short stories, including "My Lord Богу imei
e "he Toms Wa," appeared in collections and were published in the New Yorker, the Idaho Review, and other literary publications. Rachel Rizer, a 1983 feature film, was based on three of her short stories. A strong female spirit and a deep knowledge of small-town life characterized much of her work.

In addition, Carol wrote several books on how to write and how to teach creative writing, including The Passionate, Accurate Story. In recent years she and her friend and business partner Cynthia Loveland created customized crossword puzzles and published several books.

Carol's first novel, Shaker Hall, due to be published this summer, has an Andover alumnus as a protagonist. He loves Andover and regards it as an island of the saved, the same I felt when I was at Abbot. She said in the Spring 2002 Bulletin. Lette her short stories and essays, this novel speaks to her belief that writing is an ethical purpose, a new weapon against the cruelty of government and the indifference of the immortal.

Joseph M. Champlin

Carol is survived by two daughters, Mary and Bridget, twins, Sarah and Michael, two brothers and eight grandchildren.

The Bulletin welcomes obituaries written by family members. Obituaries and tributes should be no longer than 300 words. The Bulletin reserves the right to edit for length, grammar and style. Please submit obituaries to Assistant Editor Bill Clark via clark@andover.edu.
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Otto M. Bueger III


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Kenneth J. Russell

Fort Orange, Fla.; March 13, 2007

Kenneth J. Russell died of leukemia at age 67. After graduating from Andover, he received an AB degree from Williams College in 1966, a JD degree from Boston College Law School in 1969, and a master of comparative law degree from the University of Chicago in 1971. He served as a Russian linguist in the Army Security Agency from 1962 to 1965. Ken was also fluent in German, which served him well, he spent most of his professional career at Siemens AG, where he was deputy general counsel of the U.S. Legal Department. In 1998, he became general counsel of the Siemens telecommunications subsidiary in Boca Raton, Fla. Upon retirement in 2003, Ken moved to Volusia County, Fla., and became active locally, focusing tirelessly on the environment. He was the chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee for Metropolitan Planning Organization, a member of the Volusia Forever Advisory Board, and a board member of Halifax River Audubon.

Ken had a marvelous sense of humor and was a lover of word games and a voracious reader of his entire life. A daily devotee of the New York Times crossword puzzle, he did the Sunday puzzle in ink. His family lived for many years in Chappaqua, N.Y. Jim Russell ’56, his older brother, said Ken’s first hobby was his family; Jim said he lost his best friend when Ken passed. Ken was a great father to his two sons, frequently taking them skiing at their ski house in Londonderry, N.H. His caring and sensitivity is revealed in the daily early morning walks he took along the beach in Florida, looking after the sea turtles and their nests.

In addition to his brother, Ken is survived by his loving wife, Caroline, and his two sons, Benjamin and Matthew.

—Jim Russell ’56

Miss Michael L. Welch

Chicago, Ill.; Nov. 18, 2004

1959

William H. Frickhoeffter

Statesville, N.C.; June 23, 2006

1965

Peter U. Andrews

Washington, D.C.; Nov. 21, 2007

1976

Jennifer Lichan

St. Augustine, Fla.; Feb. 24, 2008

1977

Mark L. Caputo

Marion, Mass.; Feb. 16, 2008

Miss Nancy D. Hawes

Grass Valley, Calif.; Sept. 1, 2007

1948

Arthur J. Keeley


Peter M. Pozy

Haines City, Fla.; Dec. 16, 2005

1950

B. Rand Metcalfe

Shreveport, La.; Jan. 16, 2008

Rand Metcalfe died after a long battle with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was 75. After three years at Andover and one at Lawrenceville, Rand earned a BA degree at Yale University in 1955 and then served in the U.S. Air Force as a navigator from 1955 to 1958. He met his future wife, Virginia (Ginger), on a blind date while stationed at Barksdale Air Force Base near Shreveport. They were happily married for 50 years.

Following military service, Rand stayed in Shreveport and worked for United Gas Pipeline; he was later transferred to Houston, where he and his family lived for 21 years. Rand was an economist, according to his daughter, Susan Shores.

In 1996, the couple returned to Shreveport to live. Rand was a member of First Baptist Church of Shreveport and an avid golfer.

He is survived by his wife, his daughter, and his son, Baxter Rand Metcalfe Jr.

—Eric B. Wentworth ’50

1951

Nathaniel Reed

Manchester, Mass.; Dec. 11, 2007

Nat Reed passed away just hours after moving from his home in Manchester-by-the-Sea to the Kaplan Family Hospice House in Danvers, Mass. The cancer that took him so swiftly at the end never robbed him of his sense of humor, his faith, or his love—not his concern for family and friends.

Nat was perfectly suited to be dean of freshmen at Amherst College, a position he held from 1963 until the early 1970s and that enabled him to teach and help mold the lives of so many young students while serving them as friend and mentor. After many years of academic life, Nat left to become executive director of the Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities. He worked with and helped organizations and individuals across the state until his retirement in 1985.

In 1994, he and his beloved wife, Dabney Freeman Reed, moved from Amherst, Mass., to Manchester-by-the-Sea. He began volunteering at St. John’s Episcopal Church in nearby Beverly and soon became a leader in the parish, spearheading fund-raising activities to expand and upgrade the church. The results of his efforts were evidently visible immediately following his memorial service at St. John’s.A reception celebrating his life was held in beautiful new gathering rooms built with funds he had helped raise.

During his retirement Nat learned to fly and eventually acquired a Piper Warrior airplane. As recently as Labor Day weekend 2007, he flew to Long Island to spend the holiday with son Tim and family in Southampton, N.Y. An avid fly fisherman, he pursued his love of adventure while fishing throughout the United States, Canada, Chile, and Mongolia. Nat was also a gifted writer who indulged his talent for the love of the art; getting published was a distant secondary goal.

Throughout his life his dedication to Andover was legendary. He served as class president for more than 50 years and was also a non-sib agent and a member of Alumni Council.

Nat’s love of family, including daughter Wrenn Reed ’75, daughter Priscilla Reed Anderson and her husband, Jerry; son Tim and his wife, Carole; and grandchildren Grace, Lily, Gus, and Dabney; sustained him until the end. Nat was predeceased by his wife in 1999.

For more about Nat and comments from classmates, please see the 1951 class notes.

—George S.K. Rider ’51

Lawrence R. Reno

Denver, Colo.; Jan. 27, 2006

George T. Strzatecki

Natick, Mass.; Nov. 22, 2007

1952

Aubrey L. Goodman

Waco, Texas; Sept. 28, 2007

Joseph Ross

Wayland, Mass.; Dec. 27, 2007

1953

Hazen K. Richardson

Essex, Conn.; Feb. 2, 2008

1954

Albert C. Blanchard

Venezia, Maine; Feb. 2, 2008

Bruce F. McKnight

Rosemont, Pa.; Dec. 10, 2007

1955

Douglas C. Brown

Keene, N.H.; Dec. 6, 2007

Summer M. Crosby Jr.

Woolbridge, Conn.; Dec. 14, 2007

1957

Otto M. Bueger III


1958

Kenneth J. Russell

Fort Orange, Fla.; March 13, 2007

IN MEMORIAM

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Laughter Is the Best Medicine

by William Cochran '41

One autumn evening, my brother, Tom, and I were part of a rather small, nearly senile group—Channcey Hull '41, Bucky '42, my roommate Morris Eisold '41, Nick Gal Bem and occasionally Charlie Nelson '41. As the fall term wore on, an all-too-frequent event was a curtain-of-crawling dinner party at one particular table in the Den. That way, we could socialize daily.

One evening, Channcey did not show up. Morris reported that our friend had sprained his ankle badly in football practice and been taken to Elora Infirmary. Feeling sorry for him, Tom, Nick, and I decided to visit. After dinner, we tossed the darkened campus to the infirmary door, but were told visiting hours were over. Frustrated, we circled the building to see if we could find a way to sneak in.

At the back, a lower level of the building was exposed, the infirmary being built on a hill. Thus there were three levels visible. The lowest, with occasional windows, the second and third featuring a closed-in porch—darkened, with casement windows all around. Walking close to the building, I came upon a west-high lighted window. Peering in quietly, I saw a young woman, probably a nurse sitting in bed, and in her hand, looking out of the open window, probably having heard our whispers. I dropped back into the shadow and signaled for Nick to come look. He boldly—some might say stupidly—walked square in front of the west-high window, bent down, and looked in. There was the nurse, the covers now drawn up to her chin, staring back. Nick took one look and ran back toward the house, rolling laughing down Isham's sleeping rear lawn and I burst into uncontrolled laughter and that started us all on a real guffawing jag.

Standing together on the lawn down the slope, we slowly got our guffawing under control. Keeping Channcey in mind, we again started perusing the list of the band, eventually discovering we could attempt to glue in second-story porch, seemingly deserted. Maybe. The west-high window was open and, indeed, we struggled up the shanty, one of us pulling and the other pushing Nick, who we knew in present day terms would be described as "circumferentially challenged," then we all stood at the narrow railing surrounding the window. Balancing on it and slowly moving around Tom and I tried various windows while Nick, with his fiberglass shape, hung on tight. Tom finally found a house window and climbed in. He then skirted open a window near Nick, who tried to squeeze in, but he was stock in the window frame and we couldn't move him either way. We were bursting with guffaws and some outright laughter, luckily no one was within earshot. Every time we tried to rock Nick through, he'd start laughing and giggling even harder, claiming we were "tickling him to death." (Nick had a belly laugh that Lou Costello would have envied.) After five minutes of my pushing and stuffing from the outside and Tom pulling and compressing from the inside, we finally forced Nick through.

After the moment's laughter, we proceeded up some dark back stairs to the upper porch. Here again were windows, but these led to a lighted room full of occupied beds. We could hear voices behind the windows and guessed that we were closing in on Channcey's bed. Since the big room seemed full, probably with a nurse or doctor lurking, we were apprehensive. To keep our guffaws subdued we stuffed our mouths with handkerchiefs. Hugging the wall, I crawled along the floor of the porch, just under the window of the inner room. I could see a open double doors ahead and crawled slowly to them, a handkerchief corner protruding from my mouth. Nick was just behind me, shaking silently.

As I came around the door, my eyes, still cast downward, came upon a pair of white slippers and white stocking-clad legs. It took no rocket scientist to know a nurse was standing above me, probably arms akimbo. From behind, Nick, eyes lowered, kept pushing at me to proceed. I pulled him up beside me, panting to the shoes. He took one look and burst out laughing, his handkerchief flying out onto the floor. I grabbed my handkerchief as it, too, flew out with it laugh; we kept up and ran down the stairs, screaming, Tom, who'd been searching for other ways to get in, was now bringing up the rear. We ran across the darkened first-floor porch to the open casement window, looking wondering if we would ever have time to push Nick through before we got caught. He was first in line and popped through without hesitating a second.

We jumped to the ground and lay there in the dark, rolling back and forth, laughing harder than I'd ever laughed before—or have since. It was months before we (or Channcey, who heard the commotion from inside the infirmary) could recall that episode without bursting into guffaws, tears in our eyes. Nick's most infectious belly laugh enhancing the recollection.

A resident of Westwood, Mass., William Cochran '41 practices pediatrics medicina partime at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston.

Do you have an interesting memory of a favorite teacher or a campus anecdote to share? Please send your account, approximately 700 words in length, to the editor of the Andover Bulletin.
Art Inspires

At the heart of Phillips Academy’s visual arts program is a focus on critical thinking, visual literacy, and an underlying principle that art is for everyone. In fact, art is an essential component of the curriculum for students who enter Andover in grades 9–11.

“We believe that making art is fundamental to learning about art,” says Shirley Veenema, chair of the department. “Art has been central to expressions of individuals and cultures for thousands of years.”

In their teaching, faculty emphasize the development of creative ideas in relation to the understanding of skills, materials, history, and new technologies. “I can’t imagine an Andover education without the arts,” says Veenema.

Advancing education in the visual arts is one of the many priorities of the Andover Fund. From paintbrushes to charcoal, from canvasses to clay, the Andover Fund ensures that all Academy students have the tools they need to create, explore, and thrive.

Small gifts to the Andover Fund add up to millions of dollars each year, and do make a difference in the lives of students. A $25 gift helps pay for art supplies, which are integral to a well-balanced curriculum.

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To give online, please visit giving.andover.edu.

Every Student, Every Day
Uncommon Artistry—Uncommons, Andover's temporary dining hall in the converted Sumner Smith Rink, offers good food, easy fellowship...and a rather amazing view. The facility's eastern interior wall features a 12- by 45-foot mural by Maine-based artist Wade Zahares. The painting, titled "Beyond the Blue," presents a conceptual view of the world as seen from a PA dorm room window. Zahares wanted his work to encourage students to look toward their futures in the larger world. Requiring nearly 150 hours to complete, the mural—painted around two real windows—depicts the Memorial Bell Tower and Samuel Phillips Hall, an obscure city and expansive new lands on the horizon, and vast seas between. On the student's desk sit three objects: a globe (representing PA's cherished diversity and global reach), an omnipresent coffee mug, and a fishbowl. The mug reflects the denizen of the bowl: a blue shark, calling card of Big Blue super-fan David Chase.