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*On the Cover:* Colby-Sawyer alumna Amanda Rucci '01, director of the New England Handicapped Sports Association's (NEHSA) adaptive ski program, guides the bi-ski sled of one of the disabled skiers in her program down Mt. Sunapee in Newbury, N.H. Since 1972, NEHSA has been committed to providing recreational opportunities for people of all disabilities, and Amanda has had great success in recruiting and training volunteers for the organization.

PHOTO: JOHN QUACKENBOS

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# COLBY-SAWYER MATTERS

## Star Light: A Labor of Love

While an art major at Colby Junior College in the 1970s, Bruce Parsons '77 began photographing Star Island, part of the Isles of Shoals off the coast of New Hampshire. Nearly 30 years later he's created a book that shows off the island's transformations and beauty through the decades. *Star Light: Photographs by Bruce J. Parsons* (Peter E. Randall Publisher) is his first book.

"I didn't know I was going to create a book when I started photographing the island. I was just a lowly little art student in college," Bruce says. "But the thought of doing a book is at least 20 years old and Star Island is where I've focused so much of my photography."

Bruce's relationship with the island is strong, as he spent much time there even before his days as an art student. He is a former staffer on the island who worked during summer conferences. He is the current vice president of the Board of Directors for the Star Island Corporation.

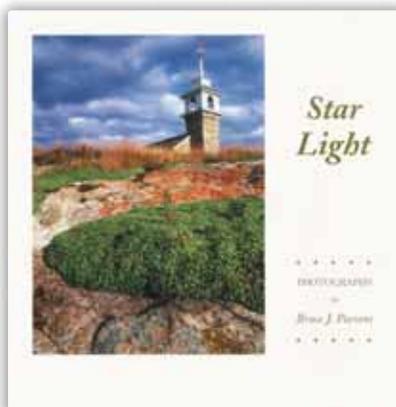
"Star Island is a magical place," Bruce says. Two features about the island in particular have captivated him. "From a photographic point of view, it's a relatively confined place with phenomenal light," he explains. He often focuses his photos on one small geographic area and looks for different opportunities—such as changes in weather or light—to create unique images. He's also enthralled with the old buildings that dot the island and interested in maintaining the sense of history. Because it's the island itself that most



PHOTO: BRUCE PARSONS '77

fascinates Bruce, the photos he's collected in the book are absent of people. "But the influence of people is there," he says, "from the buildings and towers that people created to their impact on the natural environment."

Star Island's rocky landscape can be traced to the ice age 10,000 years ago. From the island, visitors can see the shores of New England to the west and north, with vast sky and sea to the east and south. Bruce estimates he has taken between 5,000 and 8,000



pictures of Star Island through the years, so he found it challenging to pare those down to the 70 or so images that appear in his book. He first eliminated those with people in them, then he sorted

through the landscapes to choose personal favorites. "I got too close to it at times and had to have other people come in and give me their opinion. My publisher would say 'This looks great on the slide, but it won't look great digitized,'" he says.

Surprisingly, for Bruce the hard part began once the book was published. When he was considering publishing the book, he knew he wanted to create an art book that was somewhat marketable. Now he finds himself juggling his career as an architect for Yankee Barn Homes with book readings to promote *Star Light*. For someone as intimate with his subject as Bruce is, it truly can be considered a labor of love.

*Bruce Parsons' photographs will be on display at the Marian Graves Mugar Art Gallery in June, 2005. To learn more about Bruce's photography and book, visit [www.brucejparsonsdesign.com](http://www.brucejparsonsdesign.com).*

—Cathy DeShano

## Music as Medicine

As Anne Bewley's fingers flow across a Celtic harp on her "Gifts of Music" CD, one can imagine young lasses resting serenely in fields as described by Robert Louis Stevenson in "In the Highlands." Anne composed a musical version of the poem that appears on her CD, which was released in 2000. The gentle sounds of Anne's piece calm the mind and body, as do many of the arrangements she performs.

Anne is a Colby-Sawyer associate professor in the Social Sciences and Education Department, and she has taken her music to groups of people who may be most in need of serenity—individuals facing death or overcoming severe illnesses or injuries. She practices therapeutic harp by playing for people in the intensive care unit at Concord Hospital in Concord, N.H., and the Hospice House, located on the hospital's campus.

Anne began playing the harp about nine years ago. "It felt like coming home," she recalls of her first plucks at the instrument's strings. She believes people choose instruments that suit their personalities, and the harp fit with her love of Celtic music and her Scottish background.

With a Ph.D. in psychology and a background in counseling, it seemed natural to Anne to transform her love for harp playing into a way to ease people's suffering. During her sabbatical for the 2003-2004 school year, she enrolled in the International Harp Therapy program. The program leads to certification in therapeutic harp and offers workshops on such topics as music development, psychology and counseling, living anatomy, resonance, hospital etiquette, death and dying, acoustics, and music therapy.

Anne distinguishes between music therapy and her work in therapeutic harp. Music therapists study music and earn a bachelor's, master's or doctoral degree in music therapy. Those who have completed a therapeutic harp program earn a certificate, which takes fewer hours to complete than does a degree program. Health-care settings



Professor Anne Bewley

want those who wish to use music as therapy to have a degree or certification, and Anne says one or the other is essential to understanding both music's therapeutic effects and health-care settings. She completed the harp therapy program and is now at work to become a certified therapeutic music practitioner through the Music for Healing and Transition Program, a national certificate program that attracts students from a variety of musical backgrounds.

Before she earned certification in the therapeutic harp program, Anne needed to complete 80 practicum hours, so she began playing at Concord Hospital's ICU and Hospice House. During her early visits to the ICU, nurses looked at her quizzically when she asked if there was anyone who would benefit from her harp music. Now, when they see her, staff members often direct her to patients' rooms. "If Mr. So and So in Room 265 has been distressed all day, they'll send me there," she says.

Before she begins playing, Anne becomes aware of the patient's environment, observing their breathing or complexion. As she performs, she continues to monitor such features and finds that patients' heart rates will slow to the music's tempo. "Even if a person

is deaf, I can notice a change," she says. "We can hear with our skin and bones, too. Think of when a car pulls up next to you and its bass is loud. You can feel the vibrations." Humans are complex beings with many ways to communicate, and Anne feels it only makes sense that music can be and should be used to soothe and heal those in need. "We're using music as if it were medicine," she says.

—Cathy DeShano

## Faculty Members Present Sabbatical Research

At a dinner hosted by the college and attended by faculty, staff and friends of Colby-Sawyer, three professors who recently completed sabbaticals offered presentations regarding their current research. Professor Amy Knisley, chair of and associate professor in the Humanities Department, shared information about her investigation into organic agriculture and the issues facing farming, as well as the management and conservation of wilderness. During her sabbatical, Professor Knisley complemented her research by enrolling in the Master of Studies in Environmental Law program at the Vermont Law School, and by working at the Kearsarge-Gore Organic Farm in Warner, N.H.

Professor Beth Crockford, an associate professor in the Business Administration Department, talked about her research into the psyche of mid-life men who are faced with career instability. Professor Crockford's dissertation work, during which she surveyed 80 men, led her to begin exploring people's locus of control and whether they believe their fate is controlled by external or internal factors. She plans to launch a study into the locus of control for people during non-crisis situations.

Professor Anne Bewley, an associate professor in the Social Sciences and Education Department, discussed her studies into music as therapy. (For more information about her sabbatical and research, see the accompanying article on this page.)

—Cathy DeShano

PHOTO: KATIE DOW '90

## Chris Reed is Colby-Sawyer Employee of the Year

Chris Reed, assistant director of Annual Giving, was selected from 52 nominees as the college's 2004 Employee of the Year.

In 1998, Chris came to work for the college as collections specialist in the Business Office. During the next four

years, he launched both the Colby-Sawyer men's and women's rugby clubs, a sport he'd played and loved for many years. When the college's Ray Climbing Wall opened in 2003, Chris became a certified belay instructor. He's also been involved in the Gentle Men's Discussion Group, the Chargers Club, and, in 2002, was selected as the college's Club Advisor of the Year. Recently, he became academic advisor to a small group of students. He's also been active outside Colby-Sawyer, serving for four years as the executive director of colleges for the New England Rugby Union, a role for which he coordinated the efforts of more than 100 teams.

"I think the community atmosphere of our college suits me and my personality," Chris said. "I enjoy getting to know as many people as possible and love working with the students both through Annual Giving and with the rugby program. Having the rugby program grow



Chris Reed

PHOTO: DAWN REED '94

### CSC Fun Fact

*A great place to study  
...and work  
Of Colby-Sawyer's  
384 employees,  
44 went to  
school here.*



and flourish over the last six years has really been important to me. Seeing new players to the game becoming as enthusiastic about the sport as they do reminds me of when I began playing nearly 20 years ago."

—Cathy DeShano

## Student Callers

Pictured at right are this year's student fund-raisers who will have dialed the telephone nearly 45,000 times by the end of this fiscal year while reaching out to almost 7,000 alumni, parents and friends of Colby-Sawyer. Not only do our students work diligently to secure gifts for the Annual Fund, but they also have the opportunity to work in a team environment and develop career-oriented skills such as marketing and customer relations. Thank you for taking the time to speak with a member of our student calling staff.



**Front row kneeling:** (left to right) Kathryn Boyle '08, Caroline Stewart '08, Meghan Belanger '08, Ashley Reynolds '08. **Middle row:** (left to right) Anthony Soto '08, Chris Houston-Ponchak '06, Makenzie Dennis '08, Sara Gerlitz '07, Katina Caraganis '07, Kimberly Martin '06, Laura Sawyer '07, Jennifer Madigan '07, Sarah Cohen '08, Alison Borghesani '06, Sarah Champagne '08, Katherine Walls '08, Taryn Nicoletta '08. **Back row:** (left to right) Meghan Gately '05, Kaitlin Hull '08, Shannon McNamara '05, Kristin Bournival '05, Anthony Albano '06, Christopher Chase '06, Eileen Kernan '06, Ellen Kirsch '05.

## Jean D. London '41, Alumna, Faculty Member and Friend

Jean London, alumna, former faculty member and friend of the college, died at the age of 82 in Concord, N.H., on Monday, Nov. 15, after a struggle with cancer. Jean lived in Concord and in New London, N.H., where she summered at her family's cottage on Pleasant Lake. An involved alumna and former professor of social studies at Colby Junior College, Jean remained supportive of and close to the college until the end of her life.

Jean earned an associate of arts degree in liberal arts at Colby Junior College in 1941, an A.B. in sociology from Syracuse University in 1943, a master of arts degree in sociology from Columbia University in 1947, and a master of science degree in library science from Simmons College in 1968. Following her graduation from Columbia, Jean joined the faculty at Colby Junior College in 1948, where she taught social studies until 1961.

"Our Jean London was a part of our college for her entire life," said President Anne Ponder. "When her father, M. Roy London, brought the family to what was then Colby Junior College, they stayed for a few summer weeks on the second floor of Colgate Hall. Jean rode her tricycle in our hallway. One of the few excursions she and her friend, Peg Cawley, made that last summer after Jean became ill was to visit the President's Office for an update. From first to last, Jean London brought a quiet brilliance to every topic. Her Quakerly modesty would attempt to conceal her voracious intellect and her genuine interest in everything worthwhile, but her eyes and smile rendered them entirely visible."

For many summers while Jean was a faculty member, she and her lifelong companion, Margaret E. "Peg" Cawley '41, served as co-directors of Colbytown Camp on Little Lake Sunapee. The camp, in operation from 1940 until



Jean London (right) and lifelong companion Peg Cawley

PHOTO: KATIE DOW '99

1989, began as a refuge for children escaping Nazi persecution in Europe and later served underprivileged children from around the United States. Jean and Peg chronicled their experiences at Colbytown Camp in an article and photographs that are on permanent exhibition in Lethbridge Lodge. Jean and Peg went on to serve as faculty members at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Oneonta until their retirement.

In 1975, Jean and her brother, M. Roy London Jr., established a scholarship in honor of their father, beloved faculty member and chair of the Secretarial Science Department, M. Roy London (1890 to 1974), who taught at Colby Academy and Colby Junior College for nearly 50 years. In 2001, the London family established a professorship at Colby-Sawyer College, the M. Roy London Endowed Chair. The professorship recognizes an influential professor and community member whose work and vocation combine excellence in teaching with an influential and attentive persona on campus and in the wider community. Joseph Carroll, a professor of sociology in the Social Sciences and Education Department, was appointed to the professorship in 2001. In recognition of the London family's

transformative gifts to the college, Jean London and Peg Cawley, as well as Eleanor S. and M. Roy London Jr., were inducted into the Colby-Sawyer College Legends Society in 2003.

—Kimberly Swick Slover

## In Memory of Professor Harold Currier

Harold Currier, a longtime faculty member at our college, died on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2005, in New London, N.H. He was 91. Professor Currier taught biology and zoology from 1947 to 1979, and he also served many years as department chair.

Professor Currier was born in Newport, N.H., in 1913, and graduated from Sunapee High School in 1931. He went on to study science at the University of New Hampshire, graduating in 1935, after which he taught science at Portsmouth (N.H.) High School for several years. His graduate studies in biology at Cornell University were interrupted by military service during World War II. In 1943, he married Esther Mead, a fellow graduate school student at Cornell. Following the war and the completion of his graduate work, he joined the Colby Junior College Science Department. He taught for 32 years, and for 18 of those years, he worked alongside his wife, Esther Mead Currier, a professor of natural science and biology. Esther predeceased her husband in 1994. She was a founding member of the New London Conservation Commission and helped to protect the low plain area of New London, which was later named in her honor as the Esther Currier Wildlife Management Area at Low Plain.

One of Professor Currier's former students wrote to him to say that in his class, "I have never throughout my schooling years learned so much. Not just in the course of study but also about myself!" Professor Currier retired in 1979 and devoted much of his time to wood-working, in particular, wood turning and the making of Shaker furniture.

—Kimberly Swick Slover



PHOTO: KATIE DOW '90

*Community and Environmental Studies students scoop up a water sample from Lake Sunapee as part of the college's collaborative program with the Lake Sunapee Protective Association to monitor the lake's water quality.*

## NSF Grant Explores Feasibility of Ecological Field Station

**T**he National Science Foundation's (NSF) Division of Biological Field Stations and Marine Laboratories has provided funding to determine the feasibility of locating a freshwater ecosystem laboratory in Northern New England. The two-year \$24,170 grant, provided to the Institute of Ecosystem Studies (IES), the Lake Sunapee

Protective Association (LSPA) and Colby-Sawyer College, will be used to develop a feasibility study and strategic plan for a potential ecological field station. The field station would provide opportunities for freshwater research, and outreach and educational programs for students in grades K-12, as well as for college undergraduate and graduate students.

"The grant proposal was motivated by our interest in enhancing educational programs related to Northern New England's freshwater ecosystems," says Kathleen Weathers, the project's principal investigator, who has taken a sabbatical leave from her position as a senior scientist and head of laboratory facilities at IES ([www.ecostudies.org](http://www.ecostudies.org)) to serve as a visiting scientist with LSPA. "The project represents a unique collaboration and a common vision for advancing scientific understanding for a broad range of participants, including students, research institutions, regulatory agencies and residents of the area," she says.

Colby-Sawyer College faculty and students will be involved in research for the feasibility study and also stand to benefit in the long term from future collaborative research opportunities, according to John Callewaert, director of the college's Institute for Community and Environment and the project's co-principal investigator. Through its Community and Environmental Studies (CES) Program, the college has already established close working relationships with several regional environmental organizations, including the LSPA, New London Conservation Commission, the John Hay National Wildlife Refuge, and the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, and has collaborated with them on numerous short- and long-term community projects.

"Our collaborations, with the experience and vision we each bring, support and encourage research and educational initiatives throughout the region," says Callewaert.

An NSF panel member who reviewed the proposal found that it was "well-thought out, involving a good mix of participants, and it clearly addressed

## CSC Fun Fact

### Love that lettuce!

In the course of a school year, Colby-Sawyer students consume more than 900 gallons of salad dressing. At 540 gallons, Caesar is the most popular.



questions as to why and how to set up a field station." Another reviewer described it as a timely effort to "expand the boundaries of limnological research and training" in the region.

The NSF grant will support a series of workshops and planning meetings for the region's research and educational communities focused on the need for and feasibility of an ecological field station. The funding would also support the principal investigators' site visits to field stations and consultation with the personnel from the Organization of Biological Field Stations.

The NSF grant is the second for Colby-Sawyer, whose CES Program received an \$82,822 NSF award in 2003 to establish a spatial ecology laboratory and expand students' learning and research opportunities with geographic mapping and positioning technologies. The laboratory, located in the Curtis L. Ivey Science Center, combined with students' increased proficiency in using these new technologies, will serve as assets in the current project's research, according to Callewaert and Weathers.

As Weathers begins to build a rapport with the region's scientific and academic communities, she is encouraged by the spirit of cooperation among the groups. "I think the NSF grant and our research into a regional field station will serve as a catalyst for deepening the existing level of cooperation across the region," she says.  
—Kimberly Swick Slover

**"...the grant supported activities that will provide a real and lasting benefit to the community."**

## New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Funds CES Project

The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation awarded the Colby-Sawyer Community and Environmental Studies (CES) Program a \$3,500 grant in support of a collaborative project with the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT). The grant supported CES students' third-year project in which they assisted the ASLPT in developing conservation priorities for the 12 communities in the Lake Sunapee region served by the land trust.

In the 2004-2005 academic year, Colby-Sawyer students in the CES program used geographic information systems and various data collection and analysis methods to examine the region's natural history, landscape ecology and environmental policies and priorities. This spring, the students developed a regional land conservation report with maps that illustrate existing conditions and local and regional conservation priorities. The group also held a regional land conservation seminar and introduced "best practice" proposals based on the organizations' and communities' needs.

The CES students used the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation grant to produce publications and other materials to educate the community and environmental organizations about the research, according to John Callewaert, director of the college's Institute for Community and Environment. "This grant was a wonderful opportunity for us. The students worked very hard this year and the grant supported activities that will provide a real and lasting benefit to the community," said Callewaert. "It's also been great to work with the ASLPT and the surrounding communities. Members of the ASLPT and contacts in the 12 towns are providing great support and encouragement to the students."

**"The project allowed students to pursue their interests and gain real world experience."**

For the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, the project represented a promising collaboration between environmental and educational communities. "The project allowed students to pursue their interests and gain real world experience, while environmental organizations and communities benefited from the expertise and tools that an educational institution could provide. It's a good match," says Jen Hopkins, senior program officer, who explains that the Charitable Foundation supports initiatives that "strengthen New Hampshire communities."

The CES third-year project assisted the ASLPT in meeting its mission and larger goals to protect the region's farmlands, unfragmented forested areas and wildlife habitat, watersheds and scenic views, according to Deborah Stanley, the organization's executive director. "We're very excited about this partnership with Colby-Sawyer because by providing us with detailed maps and information about our region, the students have helped us to identify and focus on the areas of our region that need protection."

To learn more about the CES Third-Year Project, visit [www.colby-sawyer.edu/academic/ces/curriculum/thirdyear/projects/index](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/academic/ces/curriculum/thirdyear/projects/index). To visit the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust's Web site, go to [www.ausbonsargent.org](http://www.ausbonsargent.org). More information about the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation can be found at [www.nhcf.org](http://www.nhcf.org).

—Kimberly Swick Slover

## CSC Fun Fact

### So clean they sparkle!

During the school year, the dining hall washes more than 500,000 knives, forks and spoons.



# “A Conversation”

## The President and a Friend

*Edited by David R. Morcom*



PHOTO: KATIE DOW '90

**S**helli Gay arrived on the Colby-Sawyer campus in October of 1994, and from the beginning proved herself to be a valuable colleague in the President's Office. As executive assistant to the president, her myriad duties include coordinating major events, representing the president on leadership committees, and organizing and attending senior staff meetings, retreats and meetings of the Board of Trustees. One of her more challenging duties has been to manage the president's calendar, which means coordinating more than 1,500 appointments annually. A woman of many talents, this former photojournalist, town administrator, and music production company vice president has also managed relationships with all the members of the Colby-Sawyer Board of Trustees, as well as members of the college's \$1 million giving society. The last five years have been especially rewarding for Shelli as she supported the president and stewarded trustees and former trustees during a successful \$42.6 million capital campaign. This summer, Shelli will move on to the next stage of her career, and her colleagues will miss her greatly, but no one will miss her more than President Anne Ponder.

**AP**—You've spent the last decade in the service of Colby-Sawyer College, and as you prepare to move on in your career, this seems like the right time for you to reflect on the changes you've seen and your legacy, which is a significant one. I wonder which people are foremost in your memory as you look back over the last ten years.

**SG**—There are so many people who come to mind. As I go around the campus and think of the dedication ceremonies we've had for Rooke Hall, Lawson Hall, Danforth Hall, Mercer Hall, Lethbridge Lodge, the Cleveland, Colby, Colgate Archives, the Baker Communications Center, the Kelsey Athletic Fields, Pierce Park and the Curtis L. Ivey Science Center, I think of the opportunities we've had to celebrate people who are dear to the college. In many ways these people have also been very dear to me. Although these dedications are public, I really think of them as intimate moments for the college. For example, when we were dedicating Mercer Hall and Bill Mercer was standing there with all his children, and even though his wife, Ramona (Ramona Wells Mercer '41), was unable to join him, it was wonderful to be able to celebrate an incredible man who has been a great friend to this college. To do it with all his favorite people around him was quite moving because his family may have known about his affiliation with the college, but, perhaps, not how deep that relationship truly is. For them to share that moment with us and to hear us tell

*“...this is a college that is capable of cultivating deep emotional and intellectual connections.”*

Bill how we feel about him, those are the unforgettable moments I think of. And it's the same for all the others I mentioned. For their families to hear who they are and what they mean in terms of the college, those are pretty powerful moments.

**AP** – Those are just some of the people who stand in line for a hug from you when they come to our office, which is a sign that the depth of the emotion we have for the key relationships at this college is very unusual, and it is reciprocal. With these people, the generosity they've shown is just one of the ways they express their love for us. Usually, you think of love as being something between two people, but this is a college that is capable of cultivating deep emotional and intellectual connections. It's also a place where you find some splendid colleagues with whom to work.

**SG** – As you know, being in the President's Office, I have the opportunity to work with virtually everybody at the college. When I interviewed for this job, I mentioned to one of the college's longtime staff members that I didn't like to work with people who were not fully committed, and she replied to me, “Shelli, you won't find people at Colby-Sawyer who are not fully committed to their jobs.” It seemed like a bold declaration and I wasn't sure I believed her, but after some time working here, I realized she knew exactly what she was talking about.

**AP** – Part of your success has come from the fact that you befriend the people who come to this office, so we're known as an office that is gracious, welcoming, easy to work with and reliable. The other thing you've helped me to do is to develop the ability to move and decide quickly, to respond quickly, and this is something that's valued by all the people who work with us, in part, because it's so rare in higher education. This responsiveness is definitional of our style of leadership. We've continually improved in this area, but how else has your job changed and how have you changed?

**SG** – The college has reached out over the last decade to engage all of our constituents, and, as opposed to planning events, which used to take a lot of our time and is now done by other offices, we now spend much of our time fostering relationships as ambassadors for the college. We help people to understand who we are and what it is we're trying to accomplish. I, myself, have changed in that I'm a better lis-

tener than I ever was before. I used to make decisions then get on to the next one. At Colby-Sawyer we spend time talking about things so that everyone gets to have a voice. I've learned to spend more time listening to everyone's opinion, and that means improving a decision I may have made more abruptly in the past. In this way I'm a better member of a team, more collaborative when it comes to decisions, and that's who we are at Colby-Sawyer. I've also become a more senior professional. When you're empowered to make decisions for the president, you need to move quickly and confidently while understanding the impact those decisions will have on people and the college. This means being fully informed and confident in your ability to make important decisions. I also think that, thanks to working with a president with a Ph.D. in English, I've become a much stronger writer.

**AP** – Both of your parents worked in higher education, and you once told me about some professional advice you received from your father. I think our readers might enjoy hearing what that was.

**SG** – My father worked at New England College in the 1960s and '70s, when they were just building that school. He worked for President H. Raymond Danforth, who was the equivalent of Colby-Sawyer's H. Leslie Sawyer. My father always talked about Dr. Danforth in terms of his great leadership, and when my father heard that I might be interested in working at Colby-Sawyer, he said to me, “Shelli, if you're not a dreamer, and if you have an opportunity to work for a dreamer, take it. Hop on the train and hold on, because it will be the ride of a lifetime.” And that's what working for Anne Ponder has been like. It's been the ride of my lifetime. ■

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# No Boundaries

by Tracey Austin

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hen asked about the importance of her job as director of the New England Handicapped Sports Association's (NEHSA) adaptive ski program, without hesitation Amanda Rucci '01 breaks into the success stories of the numerous athletes she has known. There's Ed, a paraplegic who was injured in an army vehicle accident 32 years ago. For years Ed would spend the long and cold New England winters confined to his wheelchair, waiting for the snow and ice to melt so that he could enjoy the outdoors again.





After taking up skiing 12 years ago, Ed developed a new outlook on life. The six-inch curb he used to have trouble getting over truly seems insignificant since he has conquered the vertical slope of a 10,000-foot mountain. Then there's the athletic Karen, who was forced to give up a number of her favorite activities after she was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. Now Karen has found that the equipment used in adaptive skiing has given her the freedom of movement which has otherwise been taken away by the course of her disease. There's also Emily, an autistic 14-year-old, who loves the thrill and speed of skiing. As parents of a child with a disability, Emily's mother and father had difficulty finding activities for Emily in which she would be accepted for who she is and be able to achieve some level of success. Once they were introduced to NEHSA, Emily's parents fell in love with the program because of the world of social and recreational opportunities it has bestowed upon their daughter. "NEHSA's adaptive ski program has opened the door to sports for many disabled people. These athletes are truly an inspiration to all of us who work with them," says Amanda. "Our motto—Witness the Triumph of the Human Spirit—is embodied in the story of every one of our athletes."



The first established adaptive ski program in the East, NEHSA was founded in 1972, and has been headquartered at Mt. Sunapee in Newbury, N.H., since 1974. It is a non-profit organization run by and for disabled persons who want to enjoy active and independent lives through participation in sports. Though NEHSA offers year-round activities, such as canoeing and camping, skiing remains the central sport

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*Opposite page:* Amanda Rucci '01 guides a disabled skier in a bi-ski down the trail. *Top left:* Kathi Kirk Brown '75 follows along as Fred, a paraplegic monoskier, carves turns down the mountain slopes. *Top right:* Standing in front of NEHSA's lodge at Mt. Sunapee are (front row, l to r) program director Amanda Rucci and alumnae volunteers Kathi Kirk Brown '75, Barbara Johnston Rodgers '53, (back row, l to r) Chris Murray McKee '65 and Hilary Platt Cole '73. *Above:* Director of NEHSA's adaptive ski program, Amanda Rucci. Hilary Platt Cole '73 helps a disabled skier prepare for the trail. PHOTOS: JOHN QUACKENBOS

because of its amazing adaptability to many types of disabilities. Throughout the winter, NEHSA offers adaptive skiing and snowboarding lessons to people of all ages and disabilities.

Amanda's affiliation with NEHSA began when she was a student at Colby-Sawyer. Originally from Washington, D.C., she grew up skiing and was surprised to come to Colby-Sawyer and find that no one in her core group of friends, all of whom hailed from New England, were skiers. Amanda was looking for an outlet to ski where she could meet other people. Through the Harrington Center for Career Development,

she learned about NEHSA and its volunteer opportunities. The fit seemed ideal, as Amanda was an education major and loved children. She volunteered for two years until her graduation in 2001. She spent the first fall after college in Australia, and when she returned to the Lake Sunapee area that winter, she went back to volunteering with NEHSA. She took over as part-time director that winter, and has been full-time director for the last three years.

As the sole employee on NEHSA's payroll, Amanda relies on the assistance of more than 150 volunteers, who hail from all over New England. Four of Amanda's committed volunteers are fellow Colby-Sawyer alumnae: Chris Murray McKee '65, Kathi Kirk Brown '75, Barbara Johnston Rodgers '53 and Hilary Platt Cole '73. "This program would not run without the volunteers; they are the heart and soul of the program," explains Amanda. "With their assistance, we worked with 210 athletes last year, and we typically offer between 800 and 900 lessons per ski season."

Chris Murray McKee '65 has been volunteering with NESHA  
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# A First Lady for the People

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## Barbara Flavin Richardson '69

by Kimberly Swick Slover

The Governor's Mansion in New Mexico is a low and long brick structure, stretched across a hilltop overlooking the high desert capital city of Santa Fe and its surrounding mountains. On a cool and brilliantly sunny day in February, the mansion staff is busy welcoming visitors and scurrying around to prepare for another public event. In a couple of hours, dozens of volunteers for the New Mexico Clean and Beautiful organization, local and state officials, and a flurry of reporters and photographers will descend on the mansion for an awards ceremony. For New Mexico's first lady, Barbara Flavin Richardson '69, it's a typical day in which she will open her home to the people of New Mexico.

Barbara appears suddenly without fanfare, ushering a few guests into a quiet room for lunch and conversation before her public appearance. "I was not a political person, so it's been a long learning curve for me," says Barbara, a down-to-earth woman who laughs easily and often. For the last 33 years, she has been married to Bill Richardson, a popular politician and the current governor of New Mexico. Describing herself as "a very private person in a public position," Barbara has embraced an active role in public life since her husband took office in 2003.



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"New Mexico has a small population, just 1.9 million people. I realized I can have an impact here," she says. "It's an opportunity for me to focus on issues I care about."

### An Advocate and a Voice

In the early months as first lady, Barbara traveled around New Mexico to familiarize herself with the state and identify issues that needed attention. "I went searching for some causes and others found me," she says. "We're a culturally diverse and geographically large state, made up of both rural and urban areas. One of the things that struck me was the incidence of domestic violence, which is a very serious problem here. The issue of violence against women is of particular interest to me."

New Mexico's high incidence of domestic violence (more than 25,000 cases were reported in 2003) is tied in part to its large migrant populations and pervasive substance abuse and poverty, according to Barbara. "Domestic violence is all about control," she says. She pushed for the establishment of a domestic violence task force to study the issue, and soon after, the governor appointed her as chair of his Domestic Violence Advisory Board. The board has since escalated the issue of domestic violence prevention to the level of a statewide priority and has brought about tougher penalties and better treatment options for offenders, several new shelters for victims, and the appointment of a domestic violence "czar."

After learning that New Mexico ranked 50th in the country in childhood immunization, with just 61.5 percent of its chil-

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dren immunized, Barbara knew another critical issue had “found” her. With her husband’s support, she became chair of the New Mexico Immunization Coalition in April 2003, which united the state’s medical community and government officials in creating a statewide online registry that tracks children’s immunizations. The registry alerts health care providers, as well as families, about which immunizations children have had and which they still require. The effort has already boosted New Mexico’s immunization rates to 77 percent, according to Richardson, and the coalition hopes the state can reach 90 percent by 2010. “We’ve made a lot of progress,” she says. “Sometimes it just takes bringing people together to focus on a problem and create greater awareness.”

While Governor Bill Richardson has launched numerous initiatives to strengthen education and the economy, the first lady has taken on the closely related issue of the state’s high rate of illiteracy. In her most visible role, she has traveled around the state to read with schoolchildren and talk with their teachers about reading programs. As New Mexico’s chair of Read Across America, she has met with literacy volunteers and businesses to organize book drives for schools and libraries. She worked closely with the New Mexico Coalition for Literacy to create a partnership with the University of New Mexico and the Department of Health. Through her influence, the governor has pushed for the expansion of preschool and reading programs for young children.

“Literacy is an issue that has a great impact on New Mexico’s workforce and economy,” she says. “It’s one of the first things that businesses look at when they consider coming to New Mexico.”

Barbara maintains an office at the statehouse, where she will hold meetings this week on funding for specific programs under her purview, such as teen court (a peer-run judicial program), library programs and cultural affairs. “I want to make sure these programs are well funded,” she says. “I’m an advocate and a voice for them.”

### A Life in Politics

Barbara grew up in Concord, Mass., the eldest of five children in a middle-class family. She attended a large public high school, during which time she met Bill Richardson, who was attending nearby Middlesex School. When it came time for college, Barbara wanted something smaller and more intimate than her high school. Colby Junior College had a strong reputation, and she thought it might be the right place for her.

“The faculty was very good and it was a very close community. We got to know the professors and the deans very well. I also made some terrific friends,” she says, “some of whom I’m still in touch with.”

Following her graduation from Colby Junior, Barbara went on to Wheaton College, where she earned a bachelor’s degree in psychology in 1971. She began working in outpatient services at Massachusetts General Hospital and, soon after, married Bill Richardson.



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**Opposite page:** Barbara Flavin Richardson '69 and her husband, Bill Richardson, at the Democratic Convention in Boston, Mass., in July 2004. Bill served as the convention's chair. **Top:** Bill and Barbara (at right) hosted Mexican President Vicente Fox and his wife, Marta, at their home in Santa Fe, New Mexico. **Above:** During an awards ceremony for New Mexico Clean and Beautiful, First Lady Barbara Richardson (far right) poses with Cabinet Secretary of the New Mexico Tourism Department J. Michael Cerletti and one of the award recipients, Nancy Taylor, a board member of Keep Carlsbad Beautiful.

Although her husband has been involved in public service and politics since 1972, Barbara maintained a low profile through most of his career. From his first stint in Washington, D.C., in which he worked for the U.S. Department of State and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, to his appointment as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, his election to the U.S. House of Representatives, and his tenure as President Bill Clinton's Secretary of Energy, Barbara remained quietly by his side, pursuing her interests in gardening and antiques and playing the role of supportive spouse. “I did my own thing,” she says. “Washington is run by government, and New York by Wall Street. There’s so much going on that no one paid much attention.”

While serving as the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, Bill Richardson earned an international reputation as a skilled diplomat. He has been called to negotiate with leaders in some of the most volatile parts of the world, including Iraq, North Korea and Bosnia. But when asked about her husband’s diplomatic skills, Barbara chuckles. “I wouldn’t describe him as diplomatic,” she says, looking over at one of his staff members to see if she concurs. The assistant wisely declines comment. “But he has incredible energy; he’s driven. He, too, feels very strongly that he can make a difference in people’s lives through

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Rifle Club - 1945

# Always Something to Do!

## The Colby-Sawyer Club Scene

by David. R. Morcom

**T**here they were in the 60-year-old black and white photograph, 18 smiling young women, each an aspiring Annie Oakley ready, at a moment's notice, to brandish a rifle and shoot holes in any bull's-eye target that appeared. The year was 1945, and the women were members of the Colby Junior College Rifle Club. Like all of the college's students, from its founding in 1837 to the present day, they had come to learn, but during the learning, there also had to be time for some fun outside the classroom. That's where cocurricular activities were important to



Radio Club - 2005

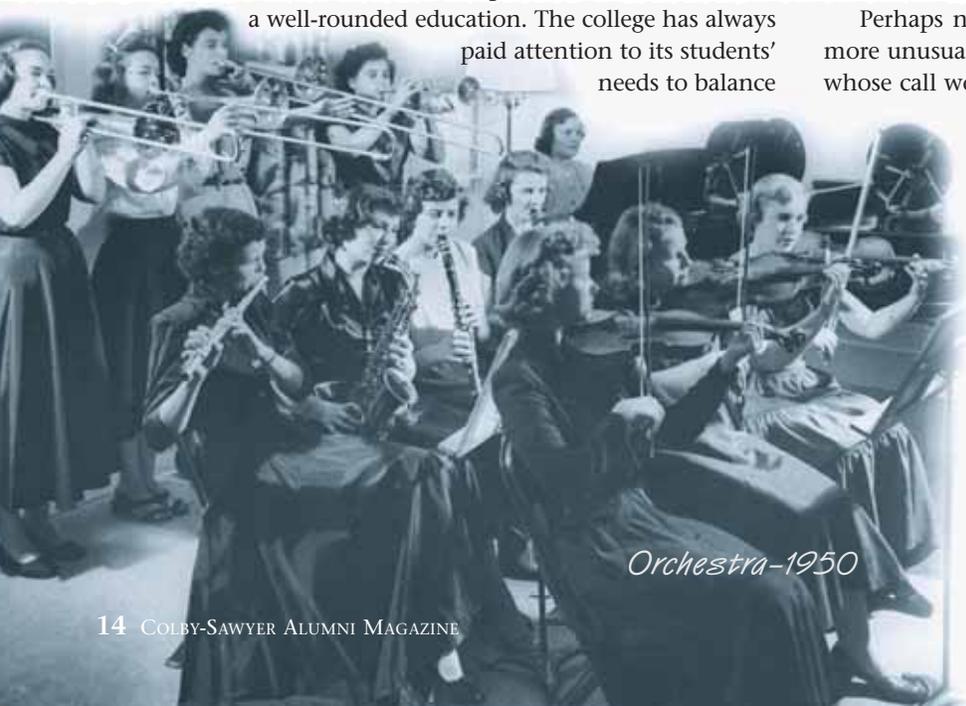
a well-rounded education. The college has always paid attention to its students' needs to balance

formal learning with fun and games, as well as with more altruistic cocurricular pursuits such as community service.

In 1918, when Colby-Sawyer was Colby Academy, there were nine cocurricular opportunities for the student body, and four of them were the men's track, basketball, baseball and football teams. Yes, football. And the men of that bygone era did the Academy proud as they finished the season 7-1, having scored 204 points to their opponents' 19. The baseball team was just as effective, finishing with a record of 13-1.

Perhaps no organization in the college's history has had a more unusual name than 1918's Kabbibanakka Campfire Girls, whose call word was "Wohelo" (work, health, love) and whose stated purpose was to "help girls learn to work together, to enjoy the life of the great outdoors, and to develop the girl's spiritual life as well as her body and mind." The 14 members of the Kabbibanakka Campfire Girls also strived to move up the ladder within their organization, and, in that year, six obtained the rank of "Wood Gatherer" while four others became "Fire Makers."

By 1931 the opportunities for cocurricular participation had grown to only ten, but since men no longer attended what was now Colby Junior College, only women students participated as members of the Student Council; Young Women's Christian Association



Orchestra - 1950



*Aviation Club-1945*

(Y.W.C.A.); The Blue Quill, a literary quarterly; Carnival Ushers; Chapel Choir; Orchestra; Dramatic Club (41 members); Glee Club (44 members); field hockey squad; and "Rouge Pot," which was described as "a dramatic organization which limits its membership to those girls who either have given notable performances in several plays, or who have written plays which have been produced by the school."

In the next 10 years, the cocurricular offerings more than doubled, and in 1941 there were 22 activities for the women of Colby Junior College to enjoy, including four organizations devoted to music, as well as a Verse Speaking Choir, which described itself as a group whose members "acquired an increased sense of rhythm and a greater appreciation of poetic forms. The Verse Speaking Choir is neither a musical nor a dramatic organization, but it combines the best features of both with the result of an interesting and unusual effect."

Some of the established clubs such as The Blue Quill and The Rouge Pot were still going strong, but times were changing and the women of CJC were changing along with them. The Outing Club, Colby Recreation Association, and Boot and Saddle Club were portents of a more vigorous lifestyle for women, while the Camera Club and Dramatic Workshop added to the variety of opportunities in which our young women could pursue creativity.

Over the decades many of the college's cocurricular organizations waxed and waned. The "Buzzin' Dozen" singing group was around for a short while in the early '50s, and the Aviation Club flew in and then flew back out. Change is inevitable, especially at a place where a new wave of young people breaks on the shore each September, bringing with them a rush of new interests, new social priorities, advances in technology, greater diversity, and new ways of enjoying their time outside the classroom.

This year, with a record enrollment, Colby-Sawyer offered its students a choice of 29 clubs and organizations from which to choose (see sidebar). In addition to the clubs and organizations, there were 13 recreational sports, numerous intramural sports, and nine varsity sports for men, 10 for women. At Colby-Sawyer, there's always something to do, something to pursue, something to keep your interest new.

Take, for example, the Mudslingers, which is described as "a group of outdoor enthusiasts who offer any student the chance to enjoy some fresh mountain air on any one of the local off-road trails while zipping around in the appropriate off-road vehicle. Topographical maps, land permissions, recovery equipment, and a good bunch of folks are a part of each outing. Even if you don't have your own vehicle, passengers are always welcome." President of the Mudslingers, Chip Fisher '05, says, "The clubs and organizations are good because they help you to get to know people who have a common interest, but who are outside your major. Clubs tend to mix up the crowd and expose you to the ideas of others, which, as in the case of the Mudslingers, makes for a lot of camaraderie. This is a good thing and is especially true on those days when we cut back brush to clean up trails or drain ponds to help with erosion control."

If a student isn't interested in becoming a Mudslinger, then there are many other choices, such as the Biology Majors Club, which entices new members with this wonderfully written bit of marketing: "No doubt about it, the natural world is absolutely amazing. From the beautiful simplicity of a spider web to the incomprehensible complexity of the human brain, there is more to observe and understand than one person could achieve in  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  lifetimes!" As president of the Biology Club, Jen Haagensen '05, says, "We get plenty of education in our classes, so the purpose of our club is to meet people and have fun by going to museums and taking other types of trips with our classmates. We even have professors who will often come along with us. The most fun is when we plan an activity and everyone in the club joins in. This happened recently when we had a raffle and every single member took part in some way. It was a great success."

In a world that is rapidly shrinking, what kind of club could better serve our students than the Cross Cultural Club, which describes itself as "a group of international and

American students who are interested in meeting people from other cultures and learning from each other. We host several dinners in homes off-campus, attend cultural events, and organize campus activities that expose students to other cultures. Our biggest event is International Night in April. Anyone is welcome to join."

Not only are all the clubs and organizations welcoming to



*Biology Majors Club-2005*



*Cross Cultural Club-2005*

## Student Clubs and Organizations 2004-2005

Alpha Chi National Honor Society  
 Art Students Society  
 Biology Majors Club  
 Campus Activities Board  
 Christian Fellowship  
 Class Boards  
*The Colbyan* Yearbook  
 Colby-Sawyer Coalition for Peace & Justice  
 College Republicans  
 Community and Environmental Studies Majors Club  
 Community Service Club  
 Cross Cultural Club  
*The Courier* (student newspaper)  
 Dance Club  
 Education and Child Development Majors Club  
 Emergency Medical Services Club  
 Exercise and Sport Sciences Majors Club  
 History, Society and Culture Majors Club  
 Key Association  
 Mudslingers Club  
 Photography Club  
 Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology  
 Psychology Club  
 The Radio Club  
 Safe Zones  
 Student Government Association (SGA)  
 Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE)  
 Student Nurses Association  
 Word Order

For more information about our clubs and organizations, please visit our Web site at [www.colby-sawyer.edu/campus-life/clubs/index.html](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/campus-life/clubs/index.html)



*MudslingersClub-2005*



*MudslingersClub-2005*



*Community Service Club-2005*

everyone, but if you're a student with a special interest to promote and you want to gain club or organization status, the college makes it easy for you. Basically, any group of five or more students who want to organize or pursue a common interest may start a student organization or club.

The college is extraordinarily supportive because, as Director of Campus Activities Sharon Williamson says, "By being involved in clubs and organizations, our students gain a lot of skills. While each club has a faculty or staff advisor who is there to help and guide whenever needed, the students are completely responsible for running their own clubs. From this they learn leadership skills and time management skills. Those who are treasurers learn money management, and those who are involved in advertising and the promotion of events learn marketing techniques. Working in groups helps them to learn management styles and how to work with other people toward a common goal. While our students gain knowledge in all of these areas in the classroom, clubs and organizations are a way to extend that learning outside of the classroom."

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One who has benefited greatly at the student-run radio station, WSCS, is Will Peters '05, who is station manager and is also the head of the Radio Club. Will, a communication studies major, is not only grateful to the college for its financial support of the club, but he also feels he has been given an opportunity he might not have had elsewhere. "I don't think I'd have had the chance to be a station manager at a larger school," he says. "At larger schools there are just too many people ahead of you for the station manager's spot, but here I got the chance to work at a high level doing something I love."

Adam Hussey '05 is a founder and president of the Christian Fellowship Club and, with the help of the college, his club has come a long way in the four years since he entered Colby-Sawyer. He sees the Christian Fellowship Club as one that helps students to think about moral values that, without the club, students may not think of in a religious way. "What we try to do in this club," Adam explains "is to bring out world issues and discuss them to find out what the Christian man or woman thinks about them. We also have discussions about how the Bible relates to our modern day and the things that are happening here on campus. I believe these discussions help to produce students who are intellectually well rounded."

From the Kabbibanakka Campfire Girls to the Mudslingers, the Colby-Sawyer slate of clubs and organizations proceeds. The club scene mutates from year to year and continues to bring to each student's life a myriad of ways to enhance his or her enjoyment of college while learning among friends outside the classroom in truly diverse and interesting ways. ■

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## No Boundaries

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since 1997. Having grown up on Mt. Sunapee, Chris always knew about NEHSA. “I got involved because, honestly, I just wanted to see what it was like,” says Chris. “Once I received a big smile and a hug from a student because I helped her do something she didn’t think she could ever do, I was hooked.”

Kathi Kirk Brown ’75 recently completed her first ski season as a NEHSA volunteer. She learned about NEHSA through Chris, and from the moment she became involved, she’s been inspired by the dedication of Amanda, her fellow volunteers, and most of all, the athletes.

Barbara Johnston Rodgers ’53 has been volunteering for NEHSA for three years. She had always enjoyed volunteer work, and she became involved because she and her husband, John, were looking for volunteer work they could do together. As avid skiers, they found that NEHSA was the perfect fit for them. “It’s very rewarding, and I love the one-on-one contact with the students,” says Barbara.

Hilary Platt Cole ’73 began volunteering with NEHSA in March 2002, after learning about the program from an adaptive horseback riding student she worked with at Windrush Farm Therapeutic Equitation, Inc., in Boxford, Mass. That student was also a sit-down ski student at NEHSA, and invited Hilary to join her at a lesson. “Witnessing one of her lessons on snow, I was amazed at what was available for people with disabilities. I became hooked right away, and just three years later I became a member of the Board of Directors for NEHSA,” recalls Hilary. As a member of the board, Hilary has a contagious desire to work toward expanding the public’s knowledge of the NEHSA program and all it has to offer.

As Amanda credits her volunteers, they, in turn, are quick to offer their kudos to her as a leader. “Doing all of the coordination work that Amanda does on a daily basis is no easy feat,” says Chris. She deals directly with our board, our athletes and all of the volunteers.” Hilary finds Amanda’s ability to “keep it all together” astounding. “Amanda juggles every detail, student and event remarkably well. She’s always pleasant and greets each day with a passionate vigor and dedication I have rarely witnessed,” Hilary explains.

All of these ladies will concur that, as volunteers, they walk away from each lesson with much more than they offer. They consider their reward the fact that they have given someone the opportunity to lead a more active and meaningful life. They also value the special bonds they form with the athletes and with each other. “It’s truly a fun group to be with, and in no time at all, we’ve become a family,” explains Kathi.

The efforts of Amanda and the others at NEHSA have helped to eradicate the misconceptions the general public has of the limitations of people with disabilities. The courage and tenacity of the athletes is astonishing, and the dedication and compassion of the staff and volunteers is extraordinary. Amanda sums it up best when she says, “It’s awe-inspiring to witness an athlete discover how skiing can take them away from their disability, and it’s a heart-warming feeling to know that we at NEHSA have helped them achieve that.” It’s evident that NEHSA’s motto—Witness the Triumph of the Human Spirit—is a true testament,

not only to the determination of the athletes, but also to the generosity of Amanda and her staff of volunteers.

*To learn more about NEHSA and its activities, or to explore becoming a volunteer, please visit the NEHSA Web site at [www.nehsa.org](http://www.nehsa.org). ■*

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public service. But he’s the kind of person who wants everything done yesterday, and if not, then definitely by the end of the day. He sees everything as a puzzle. If he can’t do it one way, he’ll do it another.”

Bill Richardson grew up in Mexico with a Mexican mother and an American father. His wife describes him as “totally bilingual and bicultural, which helps him relate to people of different cultures. He doesn’t have a typical background for a politician.”

Early in their marriage, the Richardsons vacationed in New Mexico, and both now view Santa Fe as their home base. They have come to love the city’s lively blend of Native American, Mexican American and Spanish American cultures, its dynamic art scene and spectacular weather. While Bill Richardson has always thrived in the busy and demanding life of public service, his soft-spoken partner has only recently sought out the spotlight on her own and, to her surprise, she’s enjoying it.

“Life takes some unexpected turns,” she says, laughing. “Now that I’m back in New Mexico, I have a higher profile. It’s been a positive experience for me. Here I am, hosting groups from all over New Mexico, visitors from North Korea, Prince Andrew, and Mexican President Vincente Fox and Mrs. Fox. We’ve had Prince Phillip and Princess Letitia of Spain here, and Ron Howard, Jane Fonda, Rob Reiner and Robert Redford. We have a rotating social circuit. By opening our doors, we get a chance to show off the governor’s house. I like to be out there, to keep the mansion open and accessible. People enjoy seeing the governor and the first lady, and I see it as part of my responsibility.”

A high profile in comfortable, casual New Mexico is one thing, the national arena quite another. When asked by a reporter in 2003 about media speculation that her husband might run for president in 2008, the first lady responded: “I’ll tell you what I tell [my husband]. That’s another life and another wife. Honest to God. Not my bag. It’s just not something that I even want to contemplate.” Barbara laughs at the reminder of her now infamous quote, and admits it didn’t go over too well with her husband. “He said, ‘Why did you have to say that?’ she recalls with a smile. Then she adds, a bit mysteriously, “Who knows? In the past, I probably would have said the same thing about him running for governor.”

She then excuses herself to take a few minutes to prepare for the afternoon’s event, for which a large group has crowded into a heated tent on the mansion’s lawn. Soon the boisterous crowd grows silent as Barbara Richardson enters the tent. After the chair of New Mexico Clean and Beautiful introduces her as a “person involved in many causes,” the first lady steps up to the podium once again. ■

# SPORTS ROUND-UP

by Kevin Zeise

## FALL 2004 SPORTS

PHOTOS: JOHN QUACKENBOS

### Men's Soccer (8-9-3)

The Colby-Sawyer men's soccer team entered the 2004 season with many question marks on offense, but by the end of the season, the Chargers had enough answers to finish in the top half of the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC). **Head Coach Peter Steese's** squad finished in fourth place in the CCC, which earned them a home date for the first round of the CCC playoffs.



In the quarterfinal match against Wentworth, played in a thick fog at Kelsey Field, the Chargers showed some late-game heroics, scoring twice in the final four minutes to send the game to overtime, where a goal by first-year player **Pat Colbert** eight minutes into the extra period ended it with a Chargers' victory. The Chargers made their 10th straight appearance in the CCC tournament, and have earned a berth in each year of conference membership. Colby-Sawyer also had a winning conference record for the 10th straight season. Senior **Aaron Cinquemani** led the Chargers, earning first-team All-CCC and third-team All-New England honors as voted by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. Fellow senior **Ben Fortin** earned second-team all-league accolades, while first-year player **Chris Rafferty** was named honorable mention All-CCC.

### Women's Soccer (4-14)

With a young squad on the field, the Colby-Sawyer women's soccer team improved throughout the 2004 season, narrowly missing the CCC playoffs. The Chargers finished ninth in the CCC regular-season standings, just three points out of the final playoff spot. Although they had only four conference victories, they were in every game and lost three conference games in overtime, two of them after holding a lead at half-time. The season had its high points and one of them was that **Head Coach Paul Stinson** was able to get playing time for



*At left: Senior Aaron Cinquemani was a first-team All-Commonwealth Coast Conference soccer standout. Above: First-year player Sarah McRoberts is one of the young women soccer players who will be heard from in the future.*

14 first-year players, setting a strong foundation for the program's future success. A pair of talented Chargers earned All-Conference honors, as sophomore **Lesley Bolton** earned second-team honors and senior **Stacey Philbrook** was named honorable mention All-CCC.

## Women's Volleyball (23-9)

The 2004 season saw numerous firsts for the Colby-Sawyer women's volleyball team, including their first appearance in the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) tournament and their first time with back-to-back post-season berths (NCAA in '03). **Head Coach Chad Braegelmann's** Chargers also spent the entire season ranked in the top 12 in New England by the New England Women's Volleyball Association. The Chargers ended their season with narrow and hard fought losses in their final two matches. Against Endicott in the CCC Championship match, the Chargers lost the first two games, but rallied to win the third and fourth, only to fall in the deciding game. Similarly, the Chargers dropped the first two games against Smith in the ECAC Tournament, fought back to win the

next two, but lost the deciding fifth game. Colby-Sawyer placed five players on All-CCC teams, including three on the first team. Juniors **Amy Tarte** and **Kathy Couture** and sophomore **Jessica Niebuhr** earned first-team honors, while junior **Ashley Lorance** was named to the second team. Fellow junior **Anne Coulter** earned honorable mention honors. In addition, Tarte was named the conference's Libero of the Year, which means she was the CCC's top defensive player. This was the first time a Colby-Sawyer student-athlete earned that title.

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*At right: Sophomore Jessica Niebuhr (17) played above the net on her way to first-team All-CCC honors, which were also enjoyed by Kathy Couture and Amy Tarte. Below: Euginnia Manseau was the epitome of a downhill racer at the National Championships where she garnered an impressive third place finish in the giant slalom.*



## Men's and Women's Alpine Ski Racing

(Men third in nation; Women second in nation)

Colby-Sawyer's Alpine ski racing teams enjoyed their best season in years, and both came up with superb performances at the USCSA National Championships in Brundage, Idaho. The women's team, led by senior **Euginnia Manseau**, finished an impressive second in giant slalom and third in slalom, finishing tied with Brown University for second in the nation in the combined standings. Manseau was third individually in the giant slalom, earning first-team All-America honors. In all, the women's team grabbed eight All-America titles at the national championships. The men's team fared almost as well, finishing second in giant slalom and fifth in slalom, while tying with the University of Massachusetts for third in the nation. Sophomore **Ryan Dunstan** took first-team All-America honors in the giant slalom, leading the men's team to eight All-America awards.





## Men's Basketball (21-7)

For the fifth consecutive year, **Head Coach Bill Foti's** men's basketball team advanced to either NCAA or ECAC post-season play, earning the top seed in this year's ECAC Tournament. The Chargers posted a perfect 8-0 mark in January and had a 10-game winning streak at one point. For the second straight season, the Chargers advanced to the ECAC Tournament, defeating in-state rival Keene State in the opening round before losing a heartbreaking 81-79 decision to Rhode Island College in the semifinal game. During the season, both junior **Andrew St. Clair** and senior **Chris Condon** scored their 1,000th career points, becoming the ninth and 10th players in school history to reach that laudable milestone. St. Clair was named the CCC's Player of the Year and was joined on the first team by Condon. St. Clair also earned first-team Academic All-District and third-team Academic All-America honors from the College Sports



Information Directors of America. St. Clair also was named first-team All-New England by the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

## Women's Tennis (11-4)

Entering the 2004 season with first-year **Head Coach Sean McCaffrey** at the helm, the Colby-Sawyer women's tennis team continued its tradition of excellence and, for the ninth year in a row, finished with a winning mark in league play. Senior **Jen Wood** closed out her career by moving to fourth place all-time in school history with 42 wins in singles play and she moved to ninth in total wins with 58. Sophomore **Alex Hardenbrook** became the first Colby-Sawyer player to earn first-team All-CCC honors in both singles and doubles play since the Chargers joined the conference in 1995. Hardenbrook's doubles partner, sophomore **Jocelyn Poplack**, was also named to the league's first team in doubles play. Junior **Tarren Bailey** joined Hardenbrook in earning league honors, as she was named to the honorable mention list for her play in doubles, while sophomore **Leah Goldman** earned second-team All-CCC honors in singles play.

## Women's and Men's Swimming and Diving

(Women 11-2-1; Men 3-6)

The Colby-Sawyer women's swimming and diving teams of **Head Coach Rick Goerlitz** finished a strong sixth out of 22 teams at the New England Intercollegiate Swimming and Diving Association Championships. Sophomore **Breien Milton** won the 50 backstroke and the 100 individual medley to lead the Chargers women. Head Coach Goerlitz's men's swimming and diving team finished 12th of 14 teams at the New England's. Sophomore **Ryan St. Lawrence** and junior **Brian Valle** both grabbed eighth-place finishes, the men's team's highest of the meet. St. Lawrence was eighth in the 100 individual medley, while Valle finished eighth in the 1650 freestyle.

*Above: Senior Chris Condon (25) became one of 10 Chargers to score 1,000 or more points. At left: Coach Bill Foti congratulates junior Andrew St. Clair (55) who was a 1,000 point scorer and the CCC Player of the Year. Below: Senior K. J. Krasco (5) became the seventh woman Chargers player to score 1,000 points, finishing her career with a flourish.*

## Women's Basketball (22-7)

The Colby-Sawyer women's basketball team defeated Gordon to win its fourth CCC Championship. The win earned them a trip to the NCAA Tournament where the Chargers suffered a tough loss to Ithaca in the first round. The Chargers qualified for the CCC playoffs for the ninth straight year under Head Coach George Martin and hosted a quarterfinal game for the ninth time. In that quarterfinal game against Nichols College, senior **K.J. Krasco** became the seventh player to score 1,000 points. Fellow senior **Erika DeSanty** became the school's all-time assist leader in the conference semifinal win over Salve Regina. Krasco and senior **Jaime Peterman** were named first-team All-CCC, while junior **Kristen Sorensen** earned second-team honors. Krasco was also named to the New England Women's Basketball Association's (NEWBA) third team. In addition, Krasco and Peterman were both named to participate in the NEWBA Senior All-Star game, held April 10 at Babson College.





## Succeeding Together Campaign Exceeds Goal

by Kimberly Swick Slover

Colby-Sawyer College has completed the largest capital campaign in its history, exceeding its \$40 million goal by raising \$42.6 million for endowment, capital projects and academic support. The college's Board of Trustees officially closed the five-year *Confidently Colby-Sawyer: Succeeding Together* campaign at its February 2005 meeting. The campaign has enabled the college to establish 18 endowed funds and two endowed professorships, build and renovate academic buildings, and invest \$23 million in current academic programs, faculty and facilities.

"This campaign has animated the imagination of our current and former trustees, alumni, parents and friends," says President Anne Ponder. "Colby-Sawyer is one of the fortunate colleges whose supporters believe deeply in our academic mission and take pride and pleasure in the transformative power of their private support. They are helping us turn a good college into a great one."

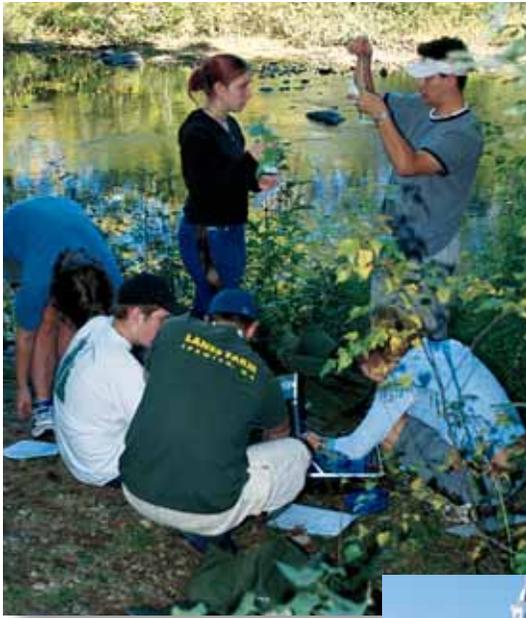
Colby-Sawyer College has benefited from the campaign in both visible and invisible ways, according to President

*Clockwise from top left: The Curtis L. Ivey Science Center, dedicated in September 2004; Exercise and Sport Sciences students put new equipment to use; George M. 'Bud' Lethbridge and his wife Judi Lethbridge (together in center in dark clothing) gather outside Lethbridge Lodge with family and friends following the building's dedication in May 2004; Judith Muyskens, vice president for Academic Affairs (left) and President Anne Ponder (right) pose with the recipients of the college's first two endowed professorships, Ann Page Stecker and Joseph Carroll. PHOTOS: KATIE DOW '90*

Ponder, who this fall will celebrate her ninth year as president. The college received a naming gift for a science building, and subsequently raised the additional funds to construct the Curtis L. Ivey Science Center. The college also built Pierce Park as an outdoor center for the campus and modernized and expanded Mercer Hall, home of the Exercise and Sport Sciences Department.

Two faculty members, Professors Ann Page Stecker and Joseph Carroll, were appointed to the college's first endowed professorships, the David H. Winton Endowed Teaching Chair and the M. Roy London Endowed Chair respectively. Additionally, Colby-





Sawyer hired 12 new faculty members and enhanced support for faculty and staff development, revitalized its liberal arts curriculum and updated its information technology systems.

Significant growth in Colby-Sawyer's endowment has strengthened the college's long-term financial foundation and increased support for student scholarships, which will remain two of the most important and enduring legacies of this campaign, according to President Ponder. Through private support, the college has increased its general endowment funds and created new resources for scholarships and financial aid, as well as for academic initiatives such as the Wesson Honors Program. The campaign also raised \$12 million in unrestricted endowment support, which enables the college to direct funds toward current and ongoing academic priorities.

Lethbridge Lodge and Danforth Hall were named and dedicated in honor of the service and philanthropy of

former Trustee George M. "Bud" Lethbridge Jr. and Trustee Peter D. Danforth. Other tangible results of the campaign include the acquisition of property contiguous to the college and the overall beautification of the campus. The college also inaugurated The Legends Society, which recognizes individuals or families who have contributed \$1 million or more to Colby-Sawyer. The first 26 members or "legends" were inducted into the society during the campaign.

Board of Trustees Chairman Anne Winton Black '73, '75, cochair of the campaign, says these achievements affirm Colby-Sawyer's aspirations to become one of the finest comprehensive liberal arts colleges in the Northeast. "The concept of 'succeeding together' resonated among Colby-Sawyer's constituents because we are a tightly knit and engaged community that has accomplished a great deal in the last 15 years," says Black. "We set ambitious goals for this campaign that built on these achievements,



*Opposite page, clockwise from top left: Community and environmental studies students view and analyze water samples. Two groups of the Colby-Sawyer Legends Society gather by the plaques dedicated to them in Colgate Hall. Participants in the Wesson Honors Program share fun and laughter during a photo shoot on the quad. Pierce Park stands at the heart of campus. **This page, top:** A nursing student checks a patient's vital signs under the guidance of her nurse mentor at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. A side and rear view of Mercer Hall reveals a beautifully renovated building. PHOTOS: KATIE DOW '90*

and together we have exceeded our highest expectations for advancing the college. Colby-Sawyer is well positioned today to continue its upward trajectory and to offer our students an outstanding and distinctive educational experience."

Campaign Cochair Peter Danforth, a New London, N.H. and Tuscon, Ariz. resident, and the parent and grandparent of three alumnae, says that he and other community members have found compelling reasons to become involved in the life of the college. "Colby-Sawyer has attracted extraordinary levels of support and dedication because it has an irresistible story to tell and because each individual can make a powerful impact here, whether through teaching, academic achievements or philanthropy," he says. "Many of us have found the college to be a wonderful resource for the community, and we are deeply committed to ensuring that the college remains a vital and dynamic presence in New England." ■

Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends,

It is with great pride that we write this letter of appreciation for the triumphant success of the *Confidently Colby-Sawyer: Succeeding Together* capital campaign. With the generosity of more than 7,000 alumni, parents and friends, we have raised \$42.6 million, surpassing our goal of \$40 million. This initiative has allowed the college to make remarkable strides in strengthening its academic and cocurricular programs, expanding and beautifying the campus and growing the endowment. Colby-Sawyer is rightfully being recognized as one of the best comprehensive liberal arts colleges in the Northeast. Private support has been critical to achieving this recognition.



You will read in this issue and have read over the past few years about some marvelously generous gifts; however, as we wrote at the outset of the campaign—each individual gift makes a difference in Colby-Sawyer's future. In the truest sense, we have succeeded together. Collectively, our active participation in this ambitious capital campaign has ensured that the college will continue on its upward trajectory. We should all take enormous pride in the college.

As we conclude this important initiative, it is important to remember the college remains tuition



dependent and will continue to rely heavily on private support to enhance the quality of our students' academic experiences. Ultimately, that is why we are involved—to give this generation and future generations of Colby-Sawyer students the opportunity for the best education we can

provide. They deserve nothing less.

Thank you again for helping the college reach new heights and for helping prepare Colby-Sawyer for a future it could not have imagined five years ago.

Sincerely,

Anne Winton Black '73, '75  
CAMPAIGN COCHAIR

Peter D. Danforth P'83, '84, GP'02  
CAMPAIGN COCHAIR



## Thanks to Those Who Made It Possible

In the victory celebration for the successful completion of the college's *Succeeding Together* campaign on Oct. 22, 2004, faculty, staff and students spoke about how the generosity of donors had improved the campus and the quality of students' educational experiences. Following are excerpts from some of their speeches, which paid homage to many special accomplishments and some of the donors who made them possible.

"At Colby-Sawyer, we find a community of scholars supported by the generous philanthropies of two remarkable families, the Wintons and the Londons. They have endowed faculty chairs to recognize the power that lifelong learning, inquiry and dialog have to shape individuals and communities..."

— Ann Page Stecker, professor

"This capital campaign enabled us to build a mission-critical technology network for now and into the future. We've expanded from six labs and smart classrooms in 1999 to 30 in 2004. We've invested in an administrative database system, an electronic library catalog system, online databases and the programs for learning, content management and student electronic portfolio development. In short, this campaign has allowed us to move boldly into the information age..."

— Bill Bitzer, director of Information Resources

"The Wesson Honors Program is an area of unlimited and yet unimagined growth, exploration and travel through the landscapes of the mind. It is a playful, busy, challenging new entity fostered by the curiosity and talents of professors and students."

— Aimee Parkhurst '06, Wesson Honors scholar

*Above: President Anne Ponder (at podium) joins the assembled celebrants as Professor John Callewaert, director, Institute for Community and Environment, offers his remarks concerning what the success of the capital campaign has meant to the college's faculty and students, and especially those involved in science education. PHOTO: KATIE DOW '90*

"One colleague described Mercer Hall as a wonderful, new and cheerful place to work. Other themes included the improved laboratory spaces that have become premier selling points for the athletic training and exercise science programs, and the redesign of space has allowed for more enriching interactions with students."

— Russ Medbery, assistant professor

"Your gifts have provided us the support to strengthen and broaden our liberal education curriculum and, in recent years, to hire 12 talented faculty members in art, biology, business administration, communication studies, community and environmental studies, computing, history, nursing, philosophy and psychology."

— Deb Taylor, academic dean and professor

"The Department of Natural Sciences plans to use the Curtis L. Ivey Science Center as a springboard to develop new ways of teaching science and infusing it into the lives of students across campus. We hope to follow our college tradition of innovation and will use this tremendous investment to imagine new directions and new initiatives within the college and also in the surrounding community."

— Ben Steele, professor

"We greatly appreciate all of you who have helped us to elevate the level and quality of science education at Colby-Sawyer for our current and future generations of students."

— John Callewaert, director of the Institute for Community and Environment

“As a graduate of the college and a member of the staff for a mere 18 years, it’s been exciting for me to witness the significant changes on campus. Bob and Natalie Rooke have been central to our ability to imagine new possibilities. Our donors are special people and their gifts will continue to benefit our students, the larger community and this college long into the future.”

—Deb McGrath '68, athletic director

“The three fields with pristine turf surrounded by 360 degrees of quality New England views are more than any of us could have asked for. As a student-athlete I would personally like to thank Pat and Bob Kelsey for their incredible contribution to our college community.”

—Aaron Cinquemani '05, student-athlete

“Pierce Park, named in honor of ‘Je-Je’ Pierce, has not just added to the beauty of Colby-Sawyer but has given the campus a visible heart, a heart almost as grand as Je-Je’s. By providing a place for classes to meet outside, as well as a place for students, faculty and staff to converse, Je-Je has created a priceless place on campus.”

—Cody O’Leary '06, student

“I was invited to disseminate my scholarship to an international community of forensic psychologists at the University at Aberdeen in Scotland, a university that is celebrating its sixth century of existence. I realized I had been honored by this powerful experience. Only through generous philanthropy was I able to represent the important work that is happening on the Colby-Sawyer College campus.”

—Lynn Garrioch, assistant professor

“I was the first person in my family to go to college. Although I was not aware of the impact that college and, more specifically, Colby-Sawyer would have on my life, I somehow sensed that wondrous things awaited me if I could get there. Without scholarships, tuition would have been an insurmountable obstacle to this experience.”

—Jackie Coe '95, resident director

“For students today, immediate unrestricted support makes it possible to realize our highest and most urgent priorities. Sheridan and Peter Danforth, when you and Art and Gusta O’Hara chose to invest in Colby-Sawyer, your unrestricted gifts were an investment in possibility, and they helped allow us to design and effect this campaign.”

—Beth Cahill, director of development

“Unrestricted endowment gifts provide for the future in two important ways. First, they provide income in perpetuity that the college can rely on forever. Second, because the gifts are unrestricted as to purpose, future boards and presidents will be able to respond flexibly to changing college needs. I’m pleased that our donors have concentrated their highest combined level of philanthropy on unrestricted endowment.”

—Doug Lyon, treasurer

Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends,

**W**ow! What a great ride it has been. You will read about the campaign success throughout this section. I thought you would enjoy seeing some of the details of this successful initiative:

- \$42.6 million raised
- 7,496 alumni, parents and friends made a gift
- 48 gifts of \$100,000 to \$999,999 were made
- 14 gifts of a million dollars or more were made
- 44 percent of the total dollars came from friends of the college
- 33 percent of the total dollars came from alumni
- \$22 million raised for endowment, including \$12 million in unrestricted endowment
- \$20.6 million in current gifts for facilities, scholarships, academic and cocurricular programs, equipment, and faculty development was donated.

Of special note and an example of their generous leadership, current and former trustees gave a remarkable 42 percent (\$18.2 million) of the campaign total. This group of trustees is made up of alumni, parents and friends of the college.

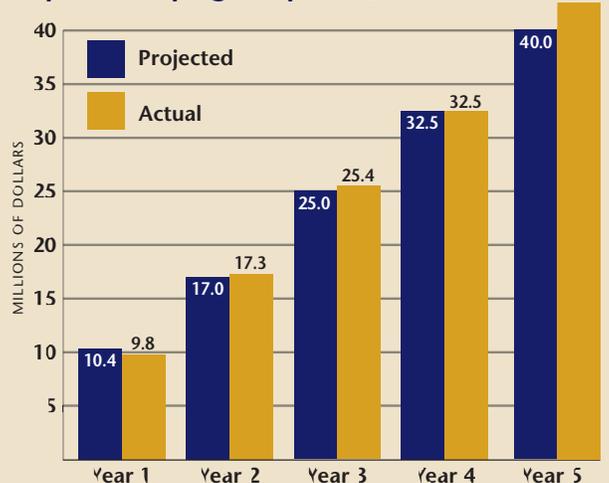
Congratulations to all of you who participated in this triumphant effort. The campaign has been a remarkable experience for me and I am grateful to have shared this success with you. It has allowed the college community and those who care deeply to work closely together to position the college for a future filled with newly imagined possibilities. Thank you for your involvement and support.

Sincerely,



Donald A. Hasseltine, Ed.D.  
VICE PRESIDENT, ADVANCEMENT

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# Danforth Hall Dedicated to Colby-Sawyer Legend

by David R. Morcom

Saturday, October 23, 2004, was a day on which many members of the Colby-Sawyer and New London communities came together to celebrate one of the college's most renowned legends. On that day the residence hall formerly known as New Hall officially was named Danforth Hall in honor of Trustee Peter D. Danforth. Opened in fall 2001, Danforth Hall is a residential facility for 102 students who live in 10- and 11-person suites with single and double rooms. The residence hall also features a conservatory, greenhouse, seminar room and the Wesson Honors suite, a study and event space for participants in the Wesson Honors Program. This past fall the Harrington Center for Career Development and Community Service located its new offices in Danforth Hall.

Peter Danforth's involvement with the college has been long and illustrious. The New London, N.H., and Tucson, Ariz., resident served his first term as a trustee from 1983 to 1992. This included four years as chair of the board, during which time major changes and events took place at Colby-Sawyer, including the college's return to coeducation, the launching of the first comprehensive capital campaign, and numerous improvements to the campus, including the building of the Dan and Kathleen Hogan Sports Center. In 1999, Peter returned to the board and was the cochair of the college's recently completed capital campaign. In addition to his service and leadership, Peter and his wife, Sheridan, have been extraordinarily generous to the college through their philanthropy, and they are members of the Colby-Sawyer Legends Society created to honor those who donate \$1 million or more to the college.

On dedication day, Peter was honored with a luncheon in Wheeler Hall in the Ware Campus Center, during which Sheridan made heartfelt and humorous remarks addressed to her husband and others in the gathering. "Peter's love affair with the college is one I cannot object to," she said. "She's been a part of our lives for so many years that I consider her a part of the family. I'm so very proud of you, Peter, for your part in Colby-Sawyer's history. I'm proud to be your wife and proud for your name and mine to be part of Danforth Hall. Finally, I have just one question for President Anne Ponder, Chairman of the Board of Trustees Anne Black and the Board of Trustees. The other day Peter and I were discussing living arrangements for that fateful day, hopefully years from now, when we must leave our



*Above: It was a great day to be a member of the Danforth family. Smiling faces in front of Danforth Hall belong to (l to r) Kim Danforth '84 (Peter and Sheridan's daughter), Kristin Danforth '02 (Peter and Sheridan's granddaughter), Peter, Sheridan, and daughter Laura Danforth '83.*

*Below: A visibly moved Peter Danforth embraces President Anne Ponder at the conclusion of Anne's touching, humorous and deeply meaningful remarks. PHOTOS: JOHN QUACKENBOS*



home on Old Coach Road. Could we just move into a small corner in Danforth Hall as our retirement home? No keg parties, I promise."

Other speakers at the luncheon were former Chair of the Board of Trustees Chuck Lawson, Colby-Sawyer Treasurer Doug Lyon, who sang a humorous musical tribute to Peter, and one of the Danforth daughters, Kimberly Danforth '84, who said, "I know all who share in this special event truly respect Dad's efforts to help make Colby-Sawyer what it is today. I'm so very proud of him, especially because he has always liked to work silently behind the scene."

Following the luncheon, many people from the New London community joined a standing room only group under a large tent outside Danforth Hall for dessert and further dedication remarks by Chairman of the Board of Trustees Anne Winton Black '73, '75, Peter and Sheridan's daughter, Laura Danforth '83, their granddaughter, Kristin L.

Danforth '02, and President Anne Ponder. "I felt a surge of pride in my father and in the work he's done for the college," Laura said, "but it was more than that. There are only a few events such as this in one's life when you are more aware of your identity as a family than you are of your own identity. A deeper pulse takes over and you feel a connection to something essential and larger. I think that connection is what Colby-Sawyer has provided my dad, too, and it's so wonderful that his relationship with the college has been honored in such a timeless way."

Moved to tears by the sentiments of his friends and family, Peter abandoned his own remarks, but was able to say, "I cannot adequately express my affection for the entire Colby-Sawyer family, nor my profound personal gratitude for this honor. But lest for a second you think I'll get a swelled head over all this hoopla, know that a friend of mine here today from another dimension of my life will be quick to admonish: 'Remember, Peter, you're just another bozo on the bus of life.' A bozo? Perhaps. But a grateful and thankful one."

When the celebration came to a close, there was no doubt this had been a special event held in honor of a special man, a friend and benefactor of the college who, in the words of President Ponder, "has an unparalleled record of service and achievement for Colby-Sawyer. Therefore, it is our privilege to recognize Peter's splendid contributions by naming Danforth Hall in his honor." ■



*Top: Peter's daughter Kim gives her dad a hug and a kiss on a day that was filled with lots of the same, most of it directed Peter's way.*  
**Above left:** Members of the Legends Society, Peter and Sheridan have been extraordinarily generous to the college in many ways for many years.  
**Above right:** Laura and her father share a moment of joy and pride.  
 PHOTOS: JOHN QUACKENBOS

# An Invitation...



# A Friend Becomes a Legend

## Janet Udall Schaefer '52

by Kimberly Swick Slover

When Janet Udall Schaefer '52 decided to attend Colby Junior College to study secretarial science, she knew it wouldn't be easy for her parents to afford her education, especially since her brother was still in college. "My father was a district principal who oversaw four high schools on Long Island," Schaefer says. "Educators weren't paid much then, so I'm sure my parents gave up things so we could go to college."

More than 50 years later, Janet returned to Colby-Sawyer last fall to receive recognition as one of the college's 26 "Legends," the society of donors that honors those who

started collecting art in the 1940s, and over the years amassed an impressive collection. In 1975, Rudie authored *J.E. Buttersworth, 19th Century Marine Painter*. The book helped bring due recognition to the artist. "Rudie really put Buttersworth on the map," Janet says. "His work is much sought after today."

Since Rudie's death in 1982, Janet has continued with research and collecting of photographs of Buttersworth's work and recently turned over to Mystic Seaport in Mystic, Conn., more than 950 photographs and other work related to Buttersworth. The seaport plans to publish an addendum

to Rudie's book, which Janet says will be a nice tribute to her late husband. "Rudie was a trustee of the seaport and they happen to have the largest collection of Buttersworth paintings," she adds.

Since moving to New Hampshire 10 years ago, Janet has been a hospital and hospice volunteer and pursued her interests in gardening, collecting art and serving on the board of the Sharon Arts Center. She has retained her close ties to the college through the many friendships she made at Colby Junior College, through hosting students and events, and through involvement in class and college activities. She chaired the 50th Reunion Committee for her class.

In addition to recent bequests to the college, she established the Udall Endowed

Scholarship in 1990 in honor of her parents, Richard and Alma Udall. The scholarship provides financial aid to students in need.

As she sits in her lovely sunroom in southern New Hampshire, overlooking her expansive gardens and Pack Monadnock Mountain in the distance, Janet says it's now time to alter the pace of her life. "I'm not looking for a lot of responsibilities. I've done a lot of volunteer work, and now I feel it's time for others to take over," she says. "I'm trying to simplify my life." ■



have pledged \$1 million or more to the college. "My husband gave me the privilege of designating a trust to charities of my own choosing," she says.

After college, Janet joined an architectural firm in Manhattan, where, over a period of 15 years, she became the executive secretary with oversight for 20 administrative staff. Through her work, she met and married Rudolph J. Schaefer Jr., a widower and the former president and chairman of the board of F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Co. Her marriage to "Rudie," an avid sailor and traveler, opened a whole new world to her.

"I was able to enjoy his golden years," Janet says. "We traveled to Europe, South America, the Caribbean and the South Pacific. I feel fortunate to have had that opportunity."

Rudie owned a number of sailing vessels over the years, and, in 1967 he launched a replica of the 105-foot schooner yacht "America." He was also a collector of marine art painted by James E. Buttersworth (1817–1894), who created exquisite oil portraits of ships and yachting scenes. Rudie

*Photo: As she is honored for her induction into the Legends Society, Janet Udall Schaeffer '52 (standing) receives warm applause from alumni, trustees, staff, faculty and students in attendance at a celebration of the Succeeding Together campaign's successful conclusion.*

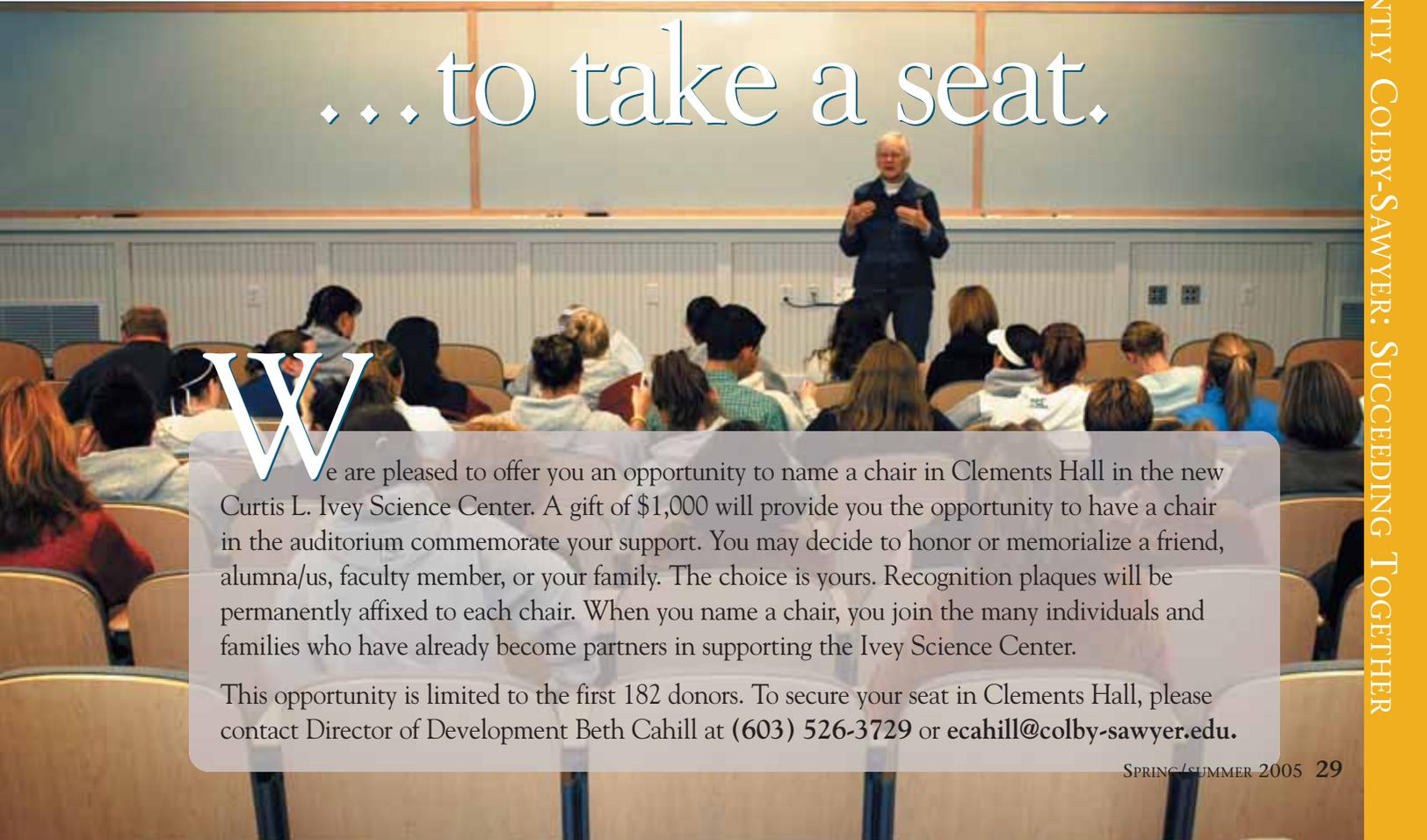
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## Cornelia and Stewart Clifford Welcomed as Legends

Colby-Sawyer's Legends Society honors donors who have contributed \$1 million or more to our college. It is an ever-growing group of devoted and generous people whose belief in the Colby-Sawyer mission is steadfast. Among those recently welcomed as members of the Legends Society are Cornelia Woolley Clifford '50 and her husband, Stewart. These experienced philanthropists and benefactors give their time, advice and resources to advance organizations they believe in, especially in New York; at Harvard, Stewart's alma mater; and at Colby-Sawyer, Cornelia's alma mater. In her willingness to serve our college, Cornelia has been a member of the Board of Trustees as both an alumni and term trustee. For many years she has been influential in guiding our college, especially as a member of the Finance and Investment Committees, and she was a key person in persuading our Board of Trustees of the importance of an endowment. The Cliffords' largest gifts to the college have always been designated to our unrestricted endowment, a crucial element in Colby-Sawyer's long-term success.

In remarks made to the Board of Trustees, Cornelia shared her feelings about her fellow board members and her alma mater when she said, "I have not only been stimulated, educated and entertained by my tenure on the board, but I have also gotten to know many wonderful, interesting, committed people who are fun to be around and whom I have enjoyed tremendously. We were doubly blessed with good fortune to have President Anne Ponder, who has been a marvel since the day she arrived, assisted by a thoroughly dedicated faculty and staff, whom I find amazing. There is an important place in this world for a caring, inclusive and academically good educational institution which teaches and nurtures those students who need the personal attention and encouragement Colby-Sawyer provides."

It is because of Cornelia and Stewart Clifford and donors like them that Colby-Sawyer will continue to thrive and to remain on an upward trajectory in providing a quality education to our students.



...to take a seat.

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e are pleased to offer you an opportunity to name a chair in Clements Hall in the new Curtis L. Ivey Science Center. A gift of \$1,000 will provide you the opportunity to have a chair in the auditorium commemorate your support. You may decide to honor or memorialize a friend, alumna/us, faculty member, or your family. The choice is yours. Recognition plaques will be permanently affixed to each chair. When you name a chair, you join the many individuals and families who have already become partners in supporting the Ivey Science Center.

This opportunity is limited to the first 182 donors. To secure your seat in Clements Hall, please contact Director of Development Beth Cahill at (603) 526-3729 or [ecahill@colby-sawyer.edu](mailto:ecahill@colby-sawyer.edu).

**Special thanks** goes to those donors whose contributions to the *Confidently Colby-Sawyer: Succeeding Together Campaign* were gifts of \$100,000 or more.

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## College Celebrates Rooke Challenge Success

**M**ore than 250 alumni, friends and parents stepped up to meet the Rooke Challenge, collectively contributing more than \$500,000 to Colby-Sawyer in the final phase of the capital campaign. Their contributions enabled the college to earn a matching gift of \$500,000 from Robert Rooke and Natalie Davis Rooke '48. In total, the Rooke Challenge brought an additional \$1 million to the *Confidently Colby-Sawyer: Succeeding Together* initiative.

To assist the college in completing the campaign, Robert and Natalie Rooke offered to match all gifts from \$1,000 to \$50,000 donated to Colby-Sawyer and directed toward endowment, scholarship or the Annual Fund between Jan. 1, 2004, and Dec. 31, 2004. In effect, the Rooke Challenge doubled the amount raised in 2004 for the college's highest priorities.

"We're most appreciative to all of you who took the challenge to heart and saw it as a great opportunity to double the impact of your gifts and propel the college toward the finish line of the campaign," says Vice President for Advancement Don Hasseltine. "Bob and Natalie Rooke have once again inspired all of us with their generosity and their talent for helping the college in the right way at the right time."



# ALUMNI NOTES

## Reunion June 3–5, 2005

There may still be time to register—don't miss out!  
Call the Alumni Office or register online.

## Great accommodations...new friends...and a good cause—Alumni Bed and Breakfast

If you're planning to visit the greater New London area at any time and need a place to stay, take advantage of our new Alumni Bed and Breakfast program. Families are welcome, and your likes and needs will be matched with those of the hosts. Many factors are considered when the "match" is made—allergies, number of beds needed, proximity to New London, accessibility, availability of the hosts, and many other considerations. Guests and hosts alike report that the visits have been splendid, and some guests and hosts have made plans to reconnect at another time. Contact coordinator Marsha Halpin Johnson '59 at (603) 526-4506 or [marnam@tds.net](mailto:marnam@tds.net), or contact the Alumni Office at (603) 526-3724 for details. The cost of your stay will be a donation—not to your host, but to scholarship programs at the college. Thanks go to our growing group of generous local alumni who have volunteered to be your hosts.



Pictured (l to r) here is B&B program coordinator Marsha Halpin Johnson '59, with four alumnae who have hosted: Carolyn Nagel Kaufman '53, Carolyn Farrand Hager '59, Janet Canham Williams '40 and Peg Rogers Andrews '85.

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## The online directory—great for keeping in touch and for networking.



The new online directory continues to grow in popularity, and the more of you who log in, the better it will be. Alumni of all ages have registered to be part of the password-protected online service. Once you've registered, you can post photos, write class notes, post notes on the electronic bulletin board, search for alumni and friends by class year, geographic location, or profession, make a gift to the college, register for events, and change your address. It's easy and fun. Visit [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc) and follow the step-by-step directions.



### **Colby-Sawyer College Artwork**

This strikingly beautiful and exquisitely detailed Judith Rayner print of Colby-Sawyer College, measuring 28" by 8", would make a wonderful addition to your home or be a great gift. It depicts the campus from the First Baptist Church to Seamans Alumni House. Ready for framing, this limited edition and numbered print may be purchased by calling the Alumni Office. Cost is \$75.00 plus shipping and handling. To view other CSC memorabilia and merchandise, visit the **Alumni Marketplace** at [www.colby-sawyer.edu/alumni-friends](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/alumni-friends). Whether purchasing pens or furniture, you can display your affection for Colby-Sawyer for all to see. New items are added frequently. Proceeds from the Marketplace support the mission and activities of the Alumni Association for the benefit of Colby-Sawyer College.

### **Colby-Sawyer College Alumni Inaugural Delegates**

*During the past months, Colby-Sawyer alumni represented President Anne Ponder and their college as official delegates to inaugural ceremonies at other colleges and universities. We are grateful to those who accepted invitations.*

**Ginger Gault Donaher '79** at Fairfield University on October 7, 2004.

**Barbara Chandler Kimm '57** at Syracuse University on November 5, 2004.

**Nancy Sullivan Bussiere '84** at Berklee College of Music on December 3, 2004.

**Eleanor Morrison Goldthwait '51, '52** at Wheelock College on April 8, 2005.

### **Weddings, babies, travel—**

We love pictures, and so do your classmates. Send us prints (just don't write on the backs) or slides and enclose a caption or identification of all those pictured. We'll return them if you ask. Digital photos via e-mail are also welcome—just be sure that the resolution is at least 250dpi.

### **Nursing Notes:**

The Nursing Alumni Group met for dinner and a program on a snowy November 4, 2004, in Alumni Lounge, Ware Campus Center. Although the inclement weather affected expected attendance, about 25 hardy alumni and CSC Nursing Department faculty enjoyed the opportunity for professional development and networking. Thank you to **Kathy Meyer '03** for organizing the event in conjunction with the Alumni Office. Kathy commented that she hopes it will be the first of many such opportunities.

On December 7, 2004, **Mitch Stone '97**, director of operations at Grantham Indoor in Grantham, N.H., presented **Nicole Ferland Stone '97**, pediatric program coordinator at the Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association, a special Christmas gift. With a theme of "kids helping kids," Mitch arranged for a percentage of all Grantham Indoor Soccer League registration fees in July and August to support the LSRVNA's pediatric program. The pediatric program includes care for acutely and chronically ill children, hospice and palliative care, and services for healthy kids such as annual exams and immunizations. Also offered are SIDS counseling, parent-child programs and prenatal care. "This sign-up drive, which included children age 6 through adults, gave our participants an opportunity to help area children and families, and to do so through an activity which promotes a healthy lifestyle. It teaches young people about community service and reminds everyone that there are many people in need right in our backyard," says Mitch. Grantham Indoor is a growing facility offering activities from soccer leagues to a golf-driving range. Because Grantham Indoor and LSRVNA serve many of the same demographics, this partnership enhances the work and mission of both organizations.



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# CLASSNOTES



## ACADEMY 1932

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## 1930 Reunion

Class Correspondent Needed

## 1931

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Of the 11 postcards I mailed to our classmates, only 2 were returned. **Barbara Vaughan Garside** manages to enjoy music, theater and reading. Those activities, along with Bill Bryson's *History of Nearly Everything*, keep her out of trouble. **Prudence Potter Jenkins** continues her volunteer work in the local hospital gift shop and the public library in Plymouth, MA. I, **Barbara Clough**, claim no such activity. Signs of spring keep my spirits cheerful as these brief notes are written in late March. How important at our age to remember that life on this planet is an adventure. Greetings to each of you as you read the *Colby-Sawyer Alumni Magazine*.

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The list gets smaller every year, which I suppose is only natural, but I was disappointed that more people didn't answer my card. I had a nice chat with **Nancy Gaunt Bradford**. She is in a nursing home in Denver, CO, and is on oxygen all of the time, but she still sounded great. I also spoke with **Helen "Dody" Reece French**. She, like a lot of us, endured the winter with a lingering cold. She probably caught it flying to FL to see the girls. I received word that **Edith "Teddy" Tedford Hendricks** died Jan. 30, 2005. **Theodoris Hoffman** is in the Sullivan County Nursing Home in Unity, NH. A friend replied for her and stated that Doris still has fond memories of Colby. She would be glad to see visitors if anyone is in the area. **Dorothy Goings Hubbard's** oldest granddaughter was married in Newport, RI, to Lt. Jim Stedman, who is stationed in HI. That sounds like a nice place to visit. I also talked to **Gertrude Ball Humphrey**. She does not drive any longer, therefore she enjoys being chauffeured. Gert enjoys the daily crossword and jumble puzzles. She says there are lots of changes in Seabrook, where she lives. **Evelyn Kelly** is taking pills to keep her alert, and she exercises daily on her step machine.

She enjoys reading her daily devotions and says, "having Milky Ways on hand helps!" **Barbara Wilson Lenox** was moved 6 times during the hurricane season, which was very stressful and exhausting for her. She now has a granddaughter, Madeleine Lenox, at Colby, which makes 3 generations of the Lenox family at our alma mater! Barbara has a new address at The Inn at Robbins Brook in Acton, MA. **Mary Kennon Robertson** says she has no news to report, but thinks it's amazing that some of us are still alive! I noticed she had blocked out "Books" from her reply. She must have retired. **Dorothy "Dot" Melendy Scott** and her husband, Dick, still live in New London. Their figure skating granddaughter is retiring after this season and planned to be married May 1. Her husband is a physical therapist and wants to be a doctor. Dot, who makes beautiful quilts, has just finished one for her daughter-in-law. I, **Barbara Johnson Stearns**, am still living at Woodcrest, and I really love it. I have moved to a larger unit, which has several closets and a porch, which will be screened in during the summer months. During the winter, I can look out one of my windows and watch the skaters on the ice at the New London Inn across the street. By the way, the Inn has new owners who are related to the owners of the Tavern on the Green. As of this writing, we were all looking forward to the opening. They are doing many renovations, which it really needed. My daughter,

who lives in Stowe, VT, comes to visit me often, which is a joy. I'm still taking Adventures in Learning (AIL) courses. AIL is a non-credit community-based educational program for adults, offered by Colby-Sawyer. I spent Christmas at Stowe, and the entire family was there, including my 2 great-grandsons. It was a very active time. I was shocked to read in the last issue that **Betty Ball Hughes** had died. She had been my roommate, along with **Barbara Wilson Lenox**. When I called Barb, she did not know of Betty's death either. I have asked Tracey Austin in the Alumni Office to please notify class secretaries when a classmate dies. She was busy on maternity leave when Betty's death occurred. She is completely forgiven.

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## 1933

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## 1934

**Elizabeth "Libby" Tobey Erb**  
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## 1935 Reunion

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# 1936

**Barbara "Barb" Melendy Parker**  
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**Geraldine "Joony" McKewen Bateman** writes, "I couldn't agree more with what you said about a healthy and happy summer! Last summer I was in and out of the hospital, and so glad I was with my kids, which brings me to my news. I am planning to move back to NH permanently, and I hope to be back by June. I'll let you know my new address as soon as I'm sure of it. I have 10 great-grandchildren." **Beulah Carrigan Crosby** says her days are much the same, but her daughter keeps her up to date on the news of her 3 grandchildren. Beulah met a Colby grad of the 60s, who visits her father at Canterbury Woods. Beulah does get to ME from time to time to visit her sister, **Connie Carrigan Coughlin '37**, who is in a nursing home in Freeport. **Judith "Judy" Clarke Kitchen** writes, "No news is good news." Her youngest grandson, a high school sophomore, plays in the high school marching band. He attended 4 summer camps, which accounts for no visits to grandma last year. "Of course I miss the family, but he is so happy to be in the band and I am delighted for him. He plays the snare drums, which apparently is the lead drum," writes Judy. **Nancy Fuller Sargent's** granddaughter, Laura Gibson, was married July 24. It was a busy summer with a family reunion the following Saturday. Nancy has been at Birchaven for a year now, and enjoys the many activities offered. She sends her best wishes to all. Sad news was received from Sue Handy Funk, who let me know that her mother **Hannah Smith "Smitty" Handy**, died June 11, 2004, after another bout with cancer. She was enjoying reading her most recent *Colby-Sawyer Alumni Magazine* not too long before she died. Smitty's husband has moved to OR to be near his daughter. More sad news in the passing of **Marian Alexander Michel** of South Bristol, ME, on Jan. 17. She led a busy life with the League of Women Voters, as a

case worker for Child and Family Services and a busy flower gardener. The Alumni Office also received word that **Althea Shinnery Myers** passed away March 8. I, **Barbara Melendy Parker**, am still doing my flower work at Cricenti's and have no trouble keeping busy there and at home. Please send your news!

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# 1937

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# 1938

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*Editor's Note: Special thanks to Mary Trafton Simonds for compiling these class notes.*

**Inez Gianfranchi Snowdon** reported the good news that after a 2nd hip replacement of the same hip in Oct., she was able to drive by Christmas 2004. She also reported that **Barbara Rounds Carson's** husband, Bob Carson, died in Nov. Barbara and her daughter, Chris, flew to their summer home in Phippsburg, ME, to close it up the weekend of the 1st snowfall! Inez also wrote that a mental health building in Athens, GA, has been named for the Carson family. From Auburn, ME, **Jane Seavey Emerson** and her husband, Walter, report that they are still in their home and coping pretty well, although Jane has 2 painful shoulders. I received cheerful news from **Stuart Lydiard Patterson** in Calgary, Canada. Her large family planned a special 90th birthday party, including a "magic computer hook-up" with her daughter and husband in Korea! The previous evening at a football game, the announcer reported that a longtime fan was celebrating her 90th birthday. Stuart was then pictured on the big screen! **Mary Trafton Simonds** continues to keep herself busy with volunteering and her family. Her daughter, **Gina Simonds White**

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'64, ran a Colonial Dames fall trip to the Berkshires, visiting historic homes and gardens. The highlight of the trip was a reception at the home of **Jan Brett '69** and her husband, Joe Hearne, of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Jan and Joe shared their beautiful Adirondack camp, and Jan gave tours of her studio where she was completing her latest children's book, "The Umbrella." Everyone went home with an autographed copy of the book and poster!

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# 1939

**Frances "Fran" Holbrook Armstrong**  
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Greetings '39ers and thanks to all of you who responded to my appeal for news. A Christmas letter from **Elizabeth "Betty" Higgins Hassell** was full of news. She and Henry are delighted with their continuing care retirement community, John Knox Village in Orange City, FL. The back problem is gone, and they take part in the exercise programs, pool aerobics and daily mile walks around the tree-lined campus. The hurricanes didn't cause too much damage and they were only 3 days without electricity. Another Christmas note was from **Virginia "Ginny" Mahard Laming**, who says all kinds and shapes of pills are keeping her going. However, she still makes 3 visits a week to the Alzheimer's unit at the local nursing home. A weekly bridge game is enough to get her up and out. Ginny and her daughter drove to Raleigh, NC, for Thanksgiving to be with

her granddaughter, who is getting her PhD in veterinary medicine at NC State Vet. College. She was paralyzed in an accident 3 years ago, but gets around in a wheelchair, keeps an apartment with 3 cats, and drives a Subaru Forester. **Kay Scott Condit** was lucky enough to have her family (all but 4 students) with her for her 85th birthday. She writes, "Can you believe it was 64 years ago that we were in school together? What glorious years they were!" Ginny still plays a little golf and bridge and does volunteer work at Hope Hospice and the soup kitchen, which seems to fill her days. Hurricane damage amounted to trees mostly and the golf course. I am hoping we can see each other when she comes to RI in Aug. for a wedding. Another FL resident is **Norma Nordlund Overbeck**, who lives in Naples, but didn't mention any problems with hurricanes. Norma lost her husband a year ago after 60 wonderful years together. She is in great health, still playing golf and walking 2 miles a day. Norma teaches English in the program at Bentley Village, and also volunteers at the Cure Center. **Mary Russell Little** writes that she tripped on a sidewalk and fell, breaking her lower femur. Now she is walking again, and is most grateful for her care. Still active and loving life in MT, **Lucienne "Cinny" Jones Albro** says she is still playing lots of bridge and going to Vestymyd Oriental Rug Class. She had a big family gathering at Christmas and will have another in Aug. at the shore. She says the Mystic area is lovely. Her youngest grandson is a marine in Iraq. **Virginia "Ginny" Wells Chandler** writes that her husband, Jim, recently went into the nursing facility attached to the Alice Peck Day Hospital in Lebanon. His Parkinson's has left

him unable to walk. She feels quite lucky, as the hospital is just a short walk from Harvest Hill where Ginny lives. She is able to walk there and have lunch with him every day and walks down again after dinner to say good-night to him. They had a big celebration for his 90th birthday at their son's home in Cornish. They have 9 grandchildren. Ginny says she is in fairly good health, although she has a hip problem and had a pacemaker. **Nancy Edwards Cox** has no more dogs, show or otherwise, and she misses them. Nan is in a very nice retirement village in the northwest corner of CT. She still plays golf when the weather permits and walks about a mile a day. She is near her family, daughter and 2 granddaughters, and 3 great-grandchildren. **Beverly Gray Bachelder** has finally retired after 10 years of Head Start and substitute teaching. She and her husband winterized their home on the lake, but still went to their home in FL. They will probably sell it this year. "I'm definitely a northerner," she says. They have been happily married for 65 years and have 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. **Marion Sage Boyd** and Jack love their new home in Laconia. They went to FL for 3 months to escape the winter. A late note from **Anne-Shirley "Shush" Orent Hudler** says she and her husband, Lynn, are not traveling out of the country these days. Sept. 11

changed their desires, so they stick to visits to the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. After the arrival of the alumni directory, Shush had a call from her former roommate, **Gladys Greenbaum Meyers**, and they met for lunch. Her health is good. She swims every morning, weather permitting, plays some golf, and is knitting baby blankets for the local hospital. She'll be knitting one for the 4th great-grandchild, too. They were lucky during the last hurricane season, but are not looking forward to the next one. Ed and I, **Frances "Fran" Holbrook Armstrong**, are enjoying life here at The Seasons. I walk up the hill every Saturday morning to run the coffee/gift shop at St. Elizabeth Home, and also help with the bi-weekly newsletter at my church. I am in good health and walk a mile a day and use the exercise room here every day. We manage to get to ME for Easter and Thanksgiving and to our cabin in NH a few times during the summer. That is the extent of our travels. We have 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. The Alumni Office reports that **Joan Helms Orr's** address changed after the Alumni Directory was published, so if you'd like to get in touch with Joan, call the college for her new information. Sadly, I also heard from the Alumni Office that **Jean Anderson Burnham** passed away Feb. 23. We extend our deepest condolences to her

family. Keep in touch and remember Joy. Luv ya.

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## 1940 Reunion

**Juliette "Judy" Conover Reinicker**

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It was so good to hear from **Eloise Gedney Lawson**. She has been living at the Carol Woods Retirement Center in Chapel Hill, NC, for the past 7 years, and enjoying the resources of Duke and U of NC. She says she hears from **Petie Gamwell McCrudden**, who lives in Sequim, WA. Ellie says she is supporting peace and recommends their Web site [www.eldersforpeace.org](http://www.eldersforpeace.org). **Barbara Buckley Maner** moved to a retirement home in Evans, GA, 10 minutes away from her daughter. She is enjoying the luxury of being waited on and the company of the people she has met. **Helen Tripp Davies** lives at Rossmoor near Cranbury in Monroe Twp. NJ. Her youngest son, Paul, is the vice president for finance and administration at Sweet Briar College. Her eldest son, Fred, was the key-note speaker at a Rutgers symposium on horticulture, and a grandson has just graduated from Dartmouth. Helen keeps busy with golf, women's club and

church. A note from **Reid Francis Morris** indicates that she and her husband spent time in a rehab center in Portland last year with a variety of medical problems. I hope they are both back in Kennebunkport fully recovered by now and enjoying their family activities. **Peg Van Duser Hurlbut** and her husband visited Colby last year at reunion time after visiting some of their children in Boston for high school reunions. **Jeanne Schwob Homer** keeps busy visiting family in VT, San Francisco and at her home in FL. She says hello to all who are able to get to our Reunion in June. **Almira Taylor Campbell** is now living in a retirement home in Baltimore, MD, near her daughter and son-in-law. They all went to HI last Christmas as their gift to each other. Almira keeps busy with church, library work and bridge. I was sorry to learn that **Virginia Bishop Turcotte** died in Jan. in Attleboro, MA. She was an officer at the former Provident Institution of Savings in Boston until her retirement. She is survived by a daughter, a son, 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. I, **Judy Conover Reinicker**, am just recovering from hip surgery and hope to be back in circulation soon. A granddaughter was married in Waukesha, WI, last June and I am looking forward to a grandson's wedding in Charlotte, NC, next fall.

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**Colby-Sawyer Flashback:** *If you can identify the women in this photo and/or provide the year the photo was taken and the story behind it, please contact Tracey Austin in the Alumni Office at (603) 526-3886 or [taustin@colby-sawyer.edu](mailto:taustin@colby-sawyer.edu).*



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We look forward to hearing from you.

## 1941

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Speaking from a New England point of view, I hope our spring is better than our winter was. One thing is good: you listened to my plea for news, so here we go. **Margory Griswold Heath** keeps busy with church activities and her many friends. Her husband died 4 years ago when they'd been married almost 61 years. Two unmarried sons live at home. **Frances Jennings Irwig** has left the Midwest and is now living in NC; you'll find her address in the wonderful new CSC directory. **Marcie Franke Dunfee** and her husband, Gordon, spend winters in Lakeland, FL, and summers in Topsham, ME. They keep working on their golf games. **Arlene Dawson Knapp** has been living in a retirement community in Chester, CT, for 4 years. With a son in Naugatuck and another in RI, she sees family often. Her cottage gives her a chance to continue a bit of gardening. **Frances Smith Dennett** taught public school music education for 28 years, retiring 20 years ago. However, she still practices the piano everyday! With a daughter now living in Laconia, NH, she hopes to get back to CSC soon. Another daughter lives in ME. Fran is an active member of the College Club in Portland. I was sorry to learn that **Jeanne Hall Johnson** has recently been hospitalized for a heart problem. We wish her well and hope that she can resume a

bit of traveling soon. **Barbara "Bobbie" Owens Geiger** is a Hospice volunteer and also gives a couple of days a week at a local library. She does a bit of line dancing and visits family in TX and Ontario, Canada. She does a lot of reading and enjoys word games. **Eleanor "Ellie" Rowell McPherson** is also sporting a new address, having moved to a retirement community. Much to her surprise, she is very happy there. The reason? There are a lot of good bridge players! That was a great article about **Joan Russell Desmond** in our latest *Alumni Magazine*. Thank you, Joan! When she was on campus last Sept., she was in awe of all the changes and couldn't get over the number of student cars! Following lumbar surgery and a good recovery, **Deborah "Debbie" Burton Adler** and Wally are back in the curling rink. Dylan Burton Charlesworth is their newest great-grandson, and that gives them a good reason to visit CA. **June Skinner Peacock** and her husband spent 2004 moving around NC. After selling their home in Ashville, they moved to their summer home in Whittier until their new home in Raleigh was available. However, they did manage an Elderhostel experience at the Sarasota Opera in March and a fall trip to Ireland. Her husband, an Episcopal priest, has just retired "again," as June noted. Unfortunately, all the news I received isn't good. A note from **Ruth Leach Howard's** husband says she has survived surgery for an abdominal aneurysm, but it has left her with a faulty memory and physical disabilities. And it was not a happy Christmas greeting that I received from **Shirley "Sherry" Hemming Garwood**. Her husband, Peter,

died in July 2004. Our deepest sympathy, Sherry. I had a card in the fall from **Margaret "Peg" Cawley**, telling me of the year-long bout of serious ill health of **Jean London**. However, I was still shocked when the Alumni Office sent me the notice of her death. While we know of her deep involvement with Colby and New London, she was also a committed member of the Oneonta, NY, community, where they lived a number of years. **Mary Mitchell Witherell** died in May 2003. She was an Army veteran of World War II, having spent most of her tour of duty in the Philippines, and retained a special interest in that country throughout her life. She lived in Rochester, NH, all her life, where she married, raised a large family and continued nursing. She was an avid reader. **Mary Barkely Presby** died at Dimond Hill Farm last Nov. She spent most of her life in Concord, NH, where she was active in many community organizations. She is survived by a son, 2 daughters and several grandchildren. Word was received in mid-Jan. that **Harriet "Happy" Lipphardt Hammock** had died at her home in Hapamer Ranch, AZ. She had moved to the southwest 55 years ago and had a life-long interest in dance, particularly ballet. She is survived by a son, 2 daughters and a granddaughter. Our sincere sympathy is extended. **Mary "Marie" Francis Westberg** sees **Elizabeth "Betty" Ballentyne** often as they live in the same condo complex in Medford, OR. Marie was East in the fall to visit her cousin, **Connie Dickinson Johnson '49**. **Marcia Brown Macintosh** has been trying (unsuccessfully) to get together with some of her former "lunch bunch," including **Marion "Hug" Huggins Brown '42 MT** and **Virginia "Ginny" Newins Blondell '42 MT**. Maybe this will get things rolling! **Anne Weston Miller** continues to search the Boston and NY papers for items of interest. I was saddened in Jan. when she sent the obituary for **Ramona "Monie" Wells Mercer**. While I had known for some time that Monie was not well, this still seemed sudden. She and Bill have done such a tremendous amount of good for

Colby-Sawyer and the whole Hill community, really. Again, we send our condolences to Bill and their family. When the Blizzard of 2005 finally ended, I called **Margaret "Marnie" Scott Cikens** down on the Cape to see how she fared and told her of our bright sun and blue sky. She said she wouldn't know about that as she couldn't see out of any windows in her Sandwich home! The snow was coming horizontally at a gale force. We hope she and Buttercup have been plowed out by now. My Big/Big Sister **Elizabeth "Betty" Higgins Hassell '39** and her husband have moved into a retirement community in Orange City, FL, where they keep active volunteering in craft programs and enjoy trips to nearby Stetson College for concerts. Roger and I, **Connie Linberg Borden**, were on a "training" bus trip to PA in the fall and at one stop I was chatting with a man and somehow mentioned CSC. He mentioned that his cousin, **Dorothy Wallstan Drake '46**, originally from Shrewsbury, MA, but now lived in OH, was a graduate in the late '40s. In addition to that trip, we went on a delightful MA/RI coast island-hopping cruise in early Sept. Hurricane Gaston tried to disrupt the fun, but didn't succeed. And that's all for now. Just remember: Reunion in 2006!

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## 1942

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Hello to all! This time I write from Marco Island, FL, where it's supposed to be warm and sunny, but isn't! Compared to all the snow up north, we are lucky to be here, but 40 and 50 degrees at night and barely into the 70s in the daytime isn't as advertised! Do I sound spoiled? However, FL

weather is promised by next week and we are all looking forward to it. Many of you answered my plea for news, for which I truly thank you! If you still haven't sent me your news, it is never too late. It will be in the next bulletin. **Ruth Murray Carkeek** writes, "My husband and I celebrated our 61st anniversary in July. We are still traveling some and are in reasonably good health." I love good news like that! **Mary Williams Herrick** moved to a condominium in a retirement set-up on Cape Cod in 1998 and loves it. She says she loves being near, but not on top, of her 2 children. Her daughter, Laurie, was widowed in Australia in 2000 and is now happily remarried and living 10 months of the year between NH and Nantucket, and 2 months "Down Under." Mary's son, Hal, lives in Duxbury and Nantucket. She has 4 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. She says her traveling days are fewer after making 17 trips to Australia during the 30-plus years her daughter lived there. Mary loved it but is so happy Laurie now lives close by. She's busy needle pointing another rug for the newest great-grandchild, keeping her fingers nimble! Lucky greats! **Shirley Parsons** has discovered a new interest, quilting. She is part of a group at the senior center making baby quilts for the local hospital, which is where Shirley worked for many years. Music and gardening still top her list of joys, plus singing in the choir and playing the chimes at church. She was preparing for a choir festival with several area churches as she was writing me. She keeps in touch with **Ginny Coleman Hunter** with frequent phone calls. As you may remember from one of my earlier columns, Ginny is now blind, but would love to hear from any of you. Shirley lost her 4th brother in Sept., but has a younger sister, **Ginny Parsons Breuer '46**. **Barbara Hughes Ford** has moved into a retirement community on the lake, where she has all the Mercer Island activities and views, but no work! Sounds good, doesn't it? She keeps herself busy with bridge, book clubs and sailing. **Jinny Lighty Severs** and I talk on the

phone often and I hope to see her before we head north at the end of April. She lives with her daughter, Bonnie, and enjoyed visits this winter from her 2 other daughters, Julie and Stephanie. Julie lives in CA and Stephanie in OH, but plans to move to FL next fall. That will be nice for Jinny to have 2 daughters so close. I received a nice note from **Nancy Bowman Rutherford** who lives in Longmeadow, MA. She had a reunion last summer on Martha's Vineyard with **Mary Reed Cody**, who lives in Mexico, and her daughter, Amy. Nancy and her husband have 5 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Three of her children live close by, which she loves. She sends her best to all! On a sad note, I had a note from **Ginnie Hager Peppard's** daughter informing me that her dad had passed away in March 2001 and Ginnie passed away the following Feb. I also received a very nice note from **Elinor Pierce Alexander's** husband, Bill, with the following news, "In 2003, we moved from our home of 37 years to a nearby retirement community. Due to dementia related difficulties, Elinor is a resident of our healthcare facility (nursing home), while I reside in an independent living apartment in an adjacent building. Colby Junior College for Women was always an important part of Elinor's life. It is unfortunate that her lack of memory (including that of Colby) and failing eyesight means that she is unable to read or to understand information read to her." What fun it was to hear from **Nancy Eads Hornberger**. She told of a "leaf peeping" trip with her daughter and son-in-law to New England last fall. They stopped at Colby and were in awe of the many changes. Men on campus! Imagine! She still lives in AR. Sadly, her husband died in 2000. Nancy's son, an attorney, lives in AZ, and her daughter lives in Houston, TX, and is a partner at Price Waterhouse Cooper. Three grandsons and one granddaughter make joy in her life. **Jean Craig Brooks** and her husband celebrated their 50th last April. Their kids asked people from both their address books. Imagine the fun of seeing people



*Happy Anniversary. Bobbie Boyd Bradley '42 and her husband, Dave, recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.*

from many different parts of their lives! Jean doesn't drive anymore, but with a husband who does, she manages. Her grandchildren are nearby and she enjoys attending their sporting events. Jean says, "Even for the 6 and 9 year olds, the games are fabulous (and sometimes hilarious) to watch!" **Janie Raynor Groo** wrote of a small world surprise. After knowing **Betty Jane Bullard Anderson '68** for 30 years (she is a very good friend of Janie's daughter, Anne), they discovered that they had both attended CSC! Janie is still making progress from her stroke, although slow. How I know! **Marcia Barnes Shaw-Straube** and her husband, Hal, spent a couple of rainy days with us on the lake in ME last summer. We had a wet boat ride, but managed to have a great time together in spite of the weather. She writes, "We sold our house on Orr's Island in ME and bought another in Piper Shores, a lovely life-care community south of Portland. We will continue to spend 6 months in ME and 6 months in Vero Beach, FL." Luckily their Vero house was spared in the hurricanes that hit that area. Another very sad note was the notice of the cancer death of **Althea Everitt Cervery** on November 22. We all remember her exceptional musical talent, which continued throughout her life. She taught music and was a true musician and inspired her students to be musicians as well. I quote from her obituary a quote from her first student in

Idaho. "I've had teachers from Julliard, Oberlin and Indiana, and nobody ever touched Althea as a teacher and a human being." **Jean Gove Hines's** note made me laugh. "My health is excellent, though the short term memory is a little shaky." Sound familiar? She exercises twice a week with a trainer, and has a Siamese cat, Shadow, for company. She still drives, but her kids say "no" to driving to CT from VT. **Terry Allen Cadwell** and her husband "wintered in" in VT this year, and what a winter it was! Terry reads and her husband shovels! For me, I'll take the sun and warm weather! But they love the peace and beauty all around them. Does have its charm, yes? Remember our Colby days! As for me, **Barbara "Bobbie" Boyd Bradley**, my husband and I have been celebrating our 60th anniversary all year! We enjoyed a cruise through the Panama Canal in April (fabulous!) and another cruise at the end of Sept. with a Williams College group on a riverboat up the Danube. We learned so much! We learned about countries we've barely heard, which are now out of communist dominance and struggling to survive. But the people were so friendly! The actual date for us was October 14, but we waited until November 27 when all the grandchildren would be home from schools and colleges for the real celebration—we renewed our vows in our Episcopal Church, wedding style, with a reception following. Our best

man from 1944 came from Cleveland, OH, which was a thrill for us because we hadn't seen him for 50 years! All in all, it was a wonderful memorable event with our entire family and many close friends present. We feel very blessed to have had so many years together and for now, we're going strong for 70! The wonderful response to my cards was great! If you didn't send it back to me, send it any time. It will put me ahead for the next edition. My heartfelt thanks to all who responded and to those who still will. And remember, e-mail helps! You can reach me at MimiBrad@aol.com; please send me your e-mail.

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## 1943

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Once again it has taken time for sad news to catch up to us. A note from Joanne Garey Starr informed us that her mother, **Elizabeth Nettleton Garey**, passed away in Sept. 2001. We agree with **Priscilla Parker Craig** that the year has gone by ever so quickly. They've now been living in Venice (FL, that is) for 5 years. They enjoy their life in the sunshine, but complain that time seems to evaporate. It couldn't be because they are 81 and 85 and will have shared 62 happy years of married life in Aug., could it? As she wrote, "it seems like yesterday we walked the Colby campus together in '43." All the family gathered at **Doris Douglas Butler's** home to celebrate an old fashioned Christmas—but without the snow! She had a recent visit with the family of **Winona Brown Weeks**, who passed away a year ago in March, and enjoyed sharing old Colby memories with George. Debra, Winona's daughter, is a perfect image of her mom. Their grandson, Christopher, attends Loomis School. She also has **Natalie Codery Naylor's** new address if any classmates would like to drop her a line. **Nancy Jones Lacey** and Bud are at Heritage Heights in Concord, NH. They

are thoroughly enjoying life in this adult senior center right on the Merrimac River. Both in good health, they are active in many activities, groups and clubs. They can do their own cooking or go to the main building. Their place is easy to find, as they are the only one flying the American flag. They've also driven around Colby a couple of times and report it still looks magnificent and always brings back fond memories of the college and friends. **Priscilla Coan Barnes** sends greetings from the beautiful Ozark Mountains in northwest AR, where they often enjoy watching deer in their yard. She and Jim are blessed with good health, which enables them to chauffeur friends who need help. They enjoy their church and all the activities. In March they flew to St. Louis, where their granddaughter, Nicole, spoke while being recognized as Youth American Quarter Horse Association Superior All-Around. Her horse, Zippos Ace of Spades, also received a plaque! Their 3 sons and daughter live in 4 states as do some of their 12 grandchildren with their 6 great-grandchildren. Excitement two-fold for **Barbara Buck Lipes!** But not the kind you really want! First a raccoon attacked her friend while they were walking in the woods, and then it attacked Barbara when she tried to get the raccoon off! In Dec. she fell while helping Avery and broke her pelvis and is now recovering from this fracture! **Carolyn Sigourney Holtz** highly recommends bypass surgery, which did her heart a world of good. She's still drawing and taking French classes to keep those little gray cells active. **Jean Stewart Hilton** writes that all is well with their 4 children and 10 grandchildren. She and Harry took a wonderful trip to the Canadian Rockies last fall. She also mentioned they can't brag any more about Cape Cod's mild winters, as all records were broken from so much snow in Jan. In fact, the schools were closed all week. **Mary Deming Kramer** sends her greetings to all and an invitation to come and visit the northwest, as they have lots of things to show you and places to visit. Contact her at [mdkramer@juno.com](mailto:mdkramer@juno.com). On a clear day Demi can see Mt. St. Helens

from their windows. It still continues to put on shows. Some summer when **Jean Wackerbarth Hadidian** and family are back at Dodge Pond in NH, we'll hope to get together. That is if we ever stay home long enough instead of camping and dancing around the country. She extends warm greetings to all classmates from their home in CA. **Shirley Hobbs Craven** writes their traveling days are over since Tom hasn't been feeling too well these past few years. By using the Oasis, she's managed to see a few plays and took a lighthouse tour. She remembers the fun we all had at Colby and wanted to say hello to all her classmates. Similar news came from **Jane Hamlin Horton**. She and Ernie went along with good health for years, but then during these last few years they both developed heart problems, so now they take all kinds of pills. They send their best wishes to all. We always enjoy the postals our classmates send our way; it's nice to keep in touch. Doc is very busy now as co-chairman of his Dartmouth 60th reunion this June, trying to tie up the loose ends. It's been a strange winter here with very little snow in our area except the storm that came the day before we were to drive to South Jersey to his brother's wedding. But once we were plowed out, all worked out great! Now we're flying out to an A.R.T.S. meeting in TX and return after a visit to our kids in CA and NM. If any classmates get a chance to come to NH, we hope they can schedule a stop at New London to see in person all the changes that have taken place on "The Hill."

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## 1944

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Hear ye, hear ye! As we are one of the "vintage" classes, I thought this might be an appropriate greeting! Winter in FL certainly isn't hard to take! As I gathered news from each of you via the postcards I sent, I realized how grateful we are not to be



*Together Again. Virginia "Ginny" Hansen Gato '43 and Marianna Rockwell '44 enjoyed a visit in Boothbay Harbor, Maine.*

shoveling snow at our home in Shelburne, MA. Thank you, each of you, for taking a few moments to share your "happenings" with members of our class. Let's begin. **Elizabeth "Betty" Marden Hyde** of Woodstock, NH, stays holed up in their mountain side home in the winter and enjoys it. Their daughter (one of 4) came from NM to visit and another daughter from CO joined them. A wonderful time for fireside chats, she said. **Janet Peters Gardiner** shared sad news of the death of their oldest son, Douglas, from a heart attack in Oct. She said that they had wonderful family support at this difficult time. They have no travel plans, but still play golf. She keeps in touch with **Nancie MacBain** and **Mary Helen Williams** through Christmas greetings. **Nancy Hall Kurhan** and her husband have spent their retirement years in TX, where they have escaped hurricanes, floods and snowstorms. However, summertime brings plenty of heat and the air conditioning is a life saver. They reside fairly close to their son and wife and have been able to watch their grandson grow up to his teens. From TX also comes a nice note from **Mary "Cush" Cushman North**, who wrote that at Christmastime the houses in the Dallas area are all brightly decorated with lights, and her words were, "I wouldn't want to be a Yankee who didn't light up."

A few of her children, including her youngest daughter and son-in-law and also her oldest daughter, shared Christmas with her. She still paints and also has a new computer. Good for you to join the electronic age, Cush. A nice note was received from **Grace Riley Hunt**, who is now living in Hanover, ME, with her son and daughter-in-law. She has a granddaughter who has graduated from college and a grandson in college. She still keeps in touch with **Barbara Phillips Mello**, who was her roommate and friend at CJC. Let's return to FL, where **Alice "Toledo" Crowther Brooks** spends from Oct. to May in Naples, still playing golf, and her handicap is rising. She and her husband are moving into a life care community with an 18-hole, par 3 golf course. Imagine, she talks of her children and the youngest is 50! My, how the years are melting away. Last summer was rather difficult for **Barbara Phillips Mello** as she suffered with sciatica and then an infection, and ended up in the hospital for a week in Oct. While in the hospital, she celebrated her 80th birthday (the big zero b-day) and was treated to a decorated cupcake at lunchtime. We all are nearing, or have passed that benchmark, haven't we? She has the joy of having 6 great-grandchildren and another due this spring. **Dorothy Sears** mentions that she still keeps her house and gardens, with help. She helps in the selectmen's office whenever possible. Her current project there is to reconstruct the history of Lyme, as the records burned in 1872 and 1874. She has lived in Lyme for over 50 years. **Catharine "Caggie" English Kipe** works as a volunteer at the thrift shop reception desk. Another FL resident is **Cynthia Alexander Carlson**, who mentioned that she didn't have much news except AGE! They have 5 grandchildren and 3 step-grandchildren. Three are in colleges around the country and the entire gang of 13 arrived at their cottage in WI in Aug. Sounds like a wonderful time. A very busy **Jane Titus George** stated that she has 3 hobbies and 1 profession. She has been a real estate broker for over 30 years. She also takes school tours through the

Philadelphia Zoo and lectures to the children. On top of that, she also works at a local grocery store doing fruits and tropicals, and 2 or 3 evenings a week she hostesses at one of the top restaurants. Sadly, she mentioned that she lost her youngest son a year ago, and keeping busy helps her to deal with the loss. She plans on going to Australia and New Zealand this fall. Good for you, Jane. There are snippets of news from others of you in our class and this item is from **Ann Hartford Cochran**, who lives in NH, and told of just recovering from a 5th, yes, 5th total joint replacement of the shoulder. This has voided any tennis or sailing from her schedule, and she is going through rehab at the Exeter Hospital. I hope you'll soon be doing all of those good things you love, Ann. Another note was from **Kathleen "Ki" Howden Shellington**, who wrote that her life is rather routine and uneventful, especially during the winter months. They do stop in New London when they are en route to VT to see their daughter and family. When summer arrives, she'll be back to gardening and swimming. Eightieth birthday celebrations are often mentioned on the returned postcards I received. This was the case for **Natalie "Nancie" MacBain**, who had a lovely 80th with friends at an elegant restaurant. She is busy with volunteering at the hospital, church and the retirement community where she resides. Way out in CO we find **Barbara Tolley Martz**, who spent several days in June with **Jay Fyfe Armstrong**, who was attending a wedding in the Denver area. They had a great time recalling all of the past years, and they filled those days with life and laughter. She wrote that she was sure that their humor added to each and every day! Traveling westward to CA, I received a long note from **Elizabeth "Patsy" Leonhard Miller**, who said that she's alive and well in sunny CA. She has lived in Arcadia for 32 years. Her family includes 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Grandson Justin Miller, 19, went off to CA Poly in San Luis Obispo. Grandsons Andrew, 17, and David, 13, spent 10 days with Patsy in Sand Lake, Ontario,

Canada, at their great old cottage this summer. Her daughter (the boys' mom) came to visit with Dr. Dave and son Jeff. It was really great hearing from Patsy. From **Ruth Barnett Mac Anespie** came sage thoughts, as she wrote, "We're still among the living, but not too gracefully." Sadly, she lost her memory after a heart operation 4 years ago, and this year her husband, Mac, lost a leg as a result of diabetes. She remarked that she was very fortunate to have her husband and best of all, to have happy memories. I must add that we all garner strength from memories, don't we? **Jane MacCabe Kelly** is living mainly in NH and celebrated Christmas with her 3 daughters and their families, 12 in all. Her husband, Tom, has recovered very nicely from surgery and they spent 10 days in CA in Nov., visiting their son, Tom, in San Raphael. They took side trips to Mt. Shasta and then to Eureka and finally to the Redwoods. During this trip, Jane met **Betsy VanGorder Minkler** and they had lunch at Sausalito. I'm sure they had oodles to chat about. In July, **Jean Bush Gabriel** opened her wonderful New London, NH, home for the special wedding of her granddaughter, Jennifer. They were married beneath a beautiful tree on her front lawn overlooking the Mt. Sunapee. A tent stretched across the front lawn and the minister sang a love song as the bride, with parents, approached the tree from the house. What could be more fun than dancing on the lawn, on a heavenly day, with the occasion being a wedding? I was so happy to hear from **Martha Miller Hyatt** this time around. We had missed her at our 60th reunion, but let me share some of her thoughts. She said that for 80 years old she is doing fantastically well and is playing lots of tennis—even involved in the Senior Olympics of PA. She has established a non-profit no-kill animal sanctuary for animals of the elderly or disabled, who can no longer take care of their pets. Indeed, this sounds wonderful, Martha, and as you said, it is very successful. I spoke to **Barbara Janson Green** not too long ago and this winter they stayed in New England due to health problems with her hus-

band, Al. She said that they are reading lots and keeping the home fires burning in their fireplace. There seems to be lots of news about our classmates' grandchildren, and in a message from **Ann Tilton Carpenter** she shared quite a bit about her "grands." Her oldest granddaughter was married in Nov. in Durham, NH, with a reception at the Sheraton in Portsmouth, NH. Their 2nd oldest granddaughter has just received her "white coat" from Cornell Veterinarian School and is out in the field interning. The next grandson is a senior at Cornell and is trying his hand at pro golf in FL. Two younger granddaughters are in high school nearby. So that was the news from "Til." It's wonderful to hear from each one of you and to pass along happy news. From **Mary Helen (Mitch) Williams** comes word that she is "still alive and well and in good health, all things considered." She and her husband still spend their winters in freezing CT except for the month of April when they go to FL for golf. They recently enjoyed a superb trip to Southern Europe, visiting Poland, Hungary, Czech Republic and Prague. Volunteer and church work still fill her schedule. From TN comes a message from **Margaret Kentfield Burkey**—who has expressed what a good many of you have of late—that she is feeling her age and has cut back on gardening and overzealous housework! Their grandchildren number 12. They are involved with theater, and one of the grandchildren played the part of Henry Higgins this year. Christmas was spent with 5 of the grandchildren. Margaret's family celebrated the wedding of their oldest granddaughter in IN. Margaret ended her message by

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## Then and Now



Nat Slawson Goslee '44, Jeanne "Penny" Losey Bole '44 and Mary Jane "M.J." Neidner Mason '44 atop Mt. Kearsarge in 1944.



The ladies 60 years later.

saying, "I don't know what's around the corner, but I'm sure it will be interesting." And it's a good thing that none of us know, hum? **Jane Cooper Fall** recently received a volunteer award given by the NH Association for Hospital Auxiliaries. Jane has been affiliated with the Frisbie Memorial Hospital Auxiliary since 1958, and her volunteer hours were recorded in 1978. She had donated 5,760 hours at that time. She began the annual Lights of Love fundraiser in 1986 where the community members could remember family members by donating a light on the spruce trees atop of the roof of the hospital. It has grown to raise up to \$8,000 annually. All in all she has been involved in establishing the Farmington Day Care Center; is on the board of the YMCA; and has served for 26 years with the Farmington VNA. Congratulations, Jane! Wonderful, wonderful! And from another Jane, **Jane Cowles Parmenter**, is news of a move from her home of many years to the senior citizen Lyon Brook

community in New London. Her message read, "I have a sunny, spacious, ground-floor, 4 room, 2 bath condo with an in-house garage and I love it." There are 30 units and one of the residents is Dr. and Mrs. Woodman (**Ruth Randolph Woodman '40**), a former CJC president. It seems as though a good many of us are changing residences at this stage of our lives—gearing down it is called and it makes sense. However, let us not wear out—rust out yes—but not wear out! It's wonderful to read that some of you still keep in contact with friends from 1944 and one such person is **Ann Norton Merrill**, who meets **Ann Tilton Carpenter** in Concord for occasional games of tennis. Ann also reports that she is a great-grandmother of 2, one of the family living in Atlanta, the other living in MT. Pictures keep her up to the date as they grow up. This skiing season, Ann said that perhaps she and her husband might try the slopes again, after a hiatus of 2 years, which would be delightful. Bridge games also are a weekly

part of her life. A delightfully surprising letter came from **Mary Root Mollica**, who lives in Bennington, VT. Her life has revolved around many activities, including the Colonial Dames and church activities. She enjoys housing medical students from the U of VT Med. School, who come to Bennington for rotation with the local doctors. This has been part of her life ever since her husband died 25 years ago, and has been a fulfilling part of her life. She resides in a large Victorian cottage that she inherited from her grandparents. It was their summer place and has been well lived in for more than 100 years. On her trips back and forth to Dartmouth-Hitchcock, she said that she took time to visit Colby and was so impressed with the campus. Now back to MD, where **Shirley Tunison Eustis** noted that she too had received a Christmas card from **Jay Fyfe Armstrong**. Jay mentioned that her 8 grandchildren range from age 20 down to 9. As for Shirley, her only grandchild, Ben, is now 8 months old and she trots up to NYC every 6 weeks to play with him. She works weekly at the Space and Air Museum archives and has recently joined the Alliance Francaise, where she is freshening up on her faltering French and also can enjoy some good wine. I have enjoyed hearing from so many of you, and have used my 1944 yearbook to bring you before me. I wish that we all could meet once more! That would be fantastic. However, we'll do our best with newsy news from those who were so good to send back letters, e-mails and the postcards. From **Mary Jane Niedner Fletcher-McCausland Mason** came news that she was in Venice, FL, visiting a friend of long ago, and then she went on to Punta Gorda to visit her only cousin, **June Niedner Bernoth '52**. She then found herself across FL in Boca Raton for 4 days, and returned to CT the 10th of Feb. M.J. said that her church in Farmington, CT, has a mission group going to Punta Gorda, FL, this summer to help with the clean-up from Hurricane Charlie, which destroyed much of that city. By e-mail, I keep in touch with **Nat**

**Slawson Goslee**, who is living in Alpharetta, GA, near her son and family. Occasionally we chat on the phone, and Dick and I hope to return to western MA via a route that will take us up to see Nat. A stroke, right after her husband Sher's death, has left Nat going thru physical therapy, trying to make a full recovery. She's gaining, and also has settled into a lovely living facility, which was quite a change after living in their home in MA for years and years. But, we all make adjustments don't we? I received **Jean Ferguson Wilcox's** "All Seasons Greetings," which was a complete rundown of their "doings" in 2004. Reading through it, I made highlights of news of her family and shall share it with you all. Their son, Ben, who is 40, was married in Aug. at the luxurious Wentworth-By-The-Sea hotel. Ben and his wife hosted their wedding reception for family and friends at the Mt. Cranmore Resort, where Ben became CEO of the famous resort. Another son, Rick, highlighted the year with a trip with his wife, Celia, to Nepal last spring. In the fall, he had a mountain adventure in ME. He was featured in the Nov. publication of *ADVENTURES*, published by National Geographic, in an article entitled "No Margin For Error: Philosophy of the Mountain Rescue." Before Fergie and her husband departed for FL, they celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary! I, **Penny Losey Bole**, have a little book called *Wit and Wisdom of the American Presidents*, and have found some delightful thoughts therein. One saying is, "The best thing about the future is that it comes only one day at a time." I think this is applicable for all of us. And so I'll leave you, as I sit here in balmy FL during our 3 month "escape." We shall enjoy springtime here, as it is on the doorstep, and then again when we return in April to Shelburne, MA. May you all be well, have peace in your hearts and remember, when you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot and hang on! Love to each and all. Be sure to see "In Fond Memory," as we have lost 4 more of our classmates. Our sincere condolences to their families.

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# 1945 Reunion

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Do you remember those October days when we were in school and watched the alumnae weekend people? We thought, "Did those old ladies really attend our school?" Well, guess what? It's our 60th reunion year and now we ARE those "old ladies!" Having said that, I hope all who read this plan on attending. Just think how old we'll all be when it's time for our next one! Unfortunately, it's scheduled for the same time I am to be in Singapore for my grandson's high school graduation. Following that, we will fly to Bali to spend a week at their villa on the beach. I always preferred autumn reunions; they don't interfere with so many things. It was nice hearing from classmates in FL, if only to know that they survived the hurricanes. **Irene Bartholomew Brower** is one such who says they are lucky to have escaped hurricanes for the past 23 years. They live in Jacksonville. Hope they survived the "Superbowl!" I received a Christmas card from **Penny Brewster Austin** with no note, but it was also from FL, so glad to have a hello, Penny. Big exciting news! **Jean Morley Lovett** is now Mrs. Bill Roney. Congratulations, Jean. Go girl! She says she knew Bill 65 years ago. Their wedding trip was to Tahiti and they will divide their time between NH, MI and FL. You see, it's never too late. Speaking of which, I have a gorgeous 2 carat diamond on my left hand, but Gus and I haven't decided upon a date. We are just enjoying the glow of it all. **Prit Donle Berry** can't imagine how her husband, Lowell, could be 80 years old? How about all of us, Prit? **Laurie Nickerson O'Connell** has 2 great-granddaughters. You are lucky Laurie; hope you enjoy them. **Shal Glidden Splaine** beats the winter blues by snowshoeing and attending a creative flower arrangers' symposium in FL. **Nancy Dean Maynard** sent wonderful family pictures of her

granddaughter's fall wedding. It was especially fun for me, since I've known the granddaughters since they were little. Gee, Nan, you could soon have some great-grandchildren! **Char Epps Irtion** is settled in their new home at Sommerset in Sterling, VA. Did you know that Colby-Sawyer has an online alumni directory? It's a great way to get connected to our classmates. Visit [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc) and log-on! Have a great time at Reunion and I'll expect to collect a lot of news at that time.

## 1946

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*Editor's Note: Our sincerest apologies to Ann Foley Genest. Ann was inadvertently listed as deceased in the last issue of the Alumni Magazine. It was Ann's husband, Paul, who passed away in October 2003.*

This year's news began slowly. Do all Colby alumni go to FL for the winter? I connected with **Jane "Tish" Philbrick Armstrong**. She and her husband, Bill, vacationed in Rehoboth, NJ, and it snowed! She said the snow on the ocean was amazing. Jane had knee surgery and it proved quite successful. So successful, in fact, she is considering having the other knee corrected. Jane and Bill's children are well. I hope to visit the Armstrongs in MD, this summer when I visit my sister, **Charlotte "Hoppy II" Hopkins Morneau '48**. Charlotte lives in New Market, MD. Jane and Bill live close by. It should be a visit filled with laughter and reminiscences! **Jean Anderson Bozzani** and her husband, Joe, were on their way to NY when I called, so our conversation was short. They continue to buy and renovate barns. She says it is fun, but hard work. **Shirley Rimbach Rohan** continues to stay busy, even after having by-pass surgery. She and her husband, George, have been in the boat touring business on the Concord River or 55 years! Shirley has 4 grandchildren who help to keep her busy. She is

planning on attending Reunion Weekend this year and intends to be at our 60th in 2006. **Marianne Savage Edgerton** volunteers at the Falmouth Hospital. She's gone through knee surgery and a lumpectomy, but is doing well. This is great news to share! Her husband, Gardner, their 3 daughters, 2 sons, grandchildren and great-grandchildren share the joy of her recovery. They keep her moving! **Barbara Arnesen Wheaton's** daughter, Judy Herrman, received her doctorate from the U of DE last spring. She is also an RN. **Lorraine Cascianai Quinlan** and **Marty Oberrender** had a most enjoyable visit when Jason Zotalis from the Advancement Office at the college joined them for lunch and a football game. They were so pleased he took the time to join them. Our condolences to **Lillian Whiteman Spear**, whose husband, Stoughton, passed away June 30, 2004. We also extend our condolences to the family of **Barbara Moore Noble**, who passed away Nov. 7, '04. I, **Ramona "Hoppy" Hopkins O'Brien**, am also doing well. Last year was a bit tough, but "that which doesn't kill us makes us stronger." I enjoy each day and especially enjoy hearing from my fellow alumni. Please stay in touch if you can so that I may be able to share your "family" with "our family"—the Colby-Sawyer alumni. I wish you all health and happiness.

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## 1947

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A mystery e-mail arrived in Sept. from "Joan." After a lot of detective work it appears to be from **Joan Watson Krumm**. She wrote, "Lloyd and I went to the dedication of the wonderful Ivey Science Center on Sept. 17. I wore a black suit. The first day I was at Colby, almost 60 years ago, we were asked to write a composition about black. I wrote that I considered it to be a sophisticated color for clothes and limousines. There was a

beautiful view of Mt. Kearsarge. Lloyd wore a green jacket. During the ceremony, they mentioned that a Dartmouth student wrote his Colby girlfriend a poem about the mountain, which became 'When the Moon Comes Over the Mountain,' made famous by Kate Smith." Thanks, Joan, for that delightful note. In Oct. another welcomed e-mail arrived from **Shirley Herd Wieber**. George, her husband of 55 years, is a graduate of Cornell Engineering School. They lived in Albany, NY, for 20 years and then were transferred to Rochester, NY, by General Electric Company until George retired in 1985. In Rochester, NY, Shirley worked for a suburban school district and became secretary to the superintendent of schools, a job she loved until the day she retired. Upon George's retirement, the Wiebers moved to Chatham, MA, where they now spend their summers on the Cape. Their winters are spent in their Naples, FL, home. They feel fortunate with this arrangement. Shirley and George have 3 children, including a son who works for the government in DC and 2 daughters who are teachers. They have 2 grandchildren, both freshmen in college. On a sadder note, we have lost 2 more members of our graduating class. **Katherine "Betty" Owen Jacoby** died in April. Her obituary stated that she received a bachelor's degree from Syracuse U and married Casper John Jacoby III in 1954. Betty served as director of the family-owned Jacoby Furniture Co. in Alton, MO. In 2000 the Jacobys received the Circle Care Award by the Riverbend Head Start and Family Services for a lifetime of committed services to the community. In July **Eleanor Fort** died in Tarpon Springs, FL. As a certified medical technologist she worked in various medical centers and co-authored several papers dealing with pediatric hematology. In 1964 she went to Chiang Mia Medical School in Thailand and served 6 years there as a research associate and supervisor of laboratories. Most recently she collaborated in the development of a rapid identification method for Lyme Disease. We miss these 2 CJC girls and extend our

sympathies to their families. Meanwhile, I, **Marilyn Perry Sagar**, joyfully report that medical treatments, along with excellent providers, have eradicated Roger's recent cancer. He fought a hard battle and won! I await your news for our next column. Don't let me down.

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## 1948

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**Nancy Dexter Aldrich** and Roger's Christmas news had more on the subject of last summer's trip to France, where Roger received the French Legion of Merit. Their daughter, Kathie, and her trumpet virtuoso son went along for the grand occasion. The family took a Grand Circle Riverboat Seine River tour with an extension to Normandy. Nancy's grandson, Christopher, was asked to play his trumpet during the crew's show and astounded the audience with his ability and aplomb, and made his grandparents very proud. The Aldrich family restaurant, Polly's Pancake Parlor, had its best season ever, feeding over 50,000 people. Nancy and Roger have more or less retired and say their daughter and son-in-law have done a great job following in their footsteps. They do step in when needed! In July, the Aldriches celebrated their 55th anniversary with a week in Nova Scotia. Nancy said they stuffed themselves with seafood. She still enjoys a weekly art class and sent one of her beautiful water colors with her news. **Charlotte "Charlie" Huke Canha** and John sent recent photos of their adorable, toddler grandkids, twins Karen and Kevin. They never expected to have any grandchildren, but modern medicine gave their daughter and son-in-law one of each. They're healthy kids, but they were overwhelming for the 1st time parents, who are in their 40s. From April until Dec., Charlotte drove to her daughter's home to help the new mom. She played with the twins and tried to do

anything that was helpful to her daughter. The hour-long trips eventually got to grandma and became exhausting. In the middle of this, Charlotte's husband, John, became quite ill. At first his sickness wasn't diagnosed, but after 10 days of excruciating leg pain, a visiting nurse decided he had cellulitis. She called the doctor, who sent the rescue squad, and John quickly had surgery. Charlotte says he's doing nicely, so she has planned to start helping out with the grandkids again. Her great comment was, "They (toddlers) are a lot easier than husbands!" **Madelon "Maddy" Pennicke Cattell** sent an e-mail to say that her husband, Newt, was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer at Thanksgiving. So far, he's doing as well as could be expected and they're both trying to hang in there. This was the 2nd bad blow for the Cattells, as they lost their lovely daughter in a scuba diving accident last summer. **Frances "Fran" Wannstrom Clark** and Sam downsized last winter. They rent a duplex on Silver Lake in Berlin, CT, and are able to close the door, leave home without worries, and travel to their hearts' content. They shelved their '04 travel plans while moving, but managed to spend New Year's in Budapest and Prague. In March, they spent a wonderful month traveling around Australia and New Zealand. **Katherine "Kay" Heinrich Clark** says her husband, Jim's, Lewey Body Disease (form of Alzheimer's) is progressing, but he remains cheerful and cooperative. The song, "Don't Get Around Much Anymore," fits them to a "T." Jim goes to day care 3 days a week, which enables Kay to shop and "do lunch" with friends. Kay says hello and wants everyone to know she's hanging in there. **Grace James Evans** and Stan were able to have a nice week in their Hilton Head, SC, timeshare and 3 weeks in Blowing Rock, NC, before things worsened. Stan had been bravely fighting cancer, but by summer was weak and reduced to a wheelchair. Sadly, he lost his battle in July. Our class sends our deepest sympathy to Grace. **Jane "Jimi" Adams Darnell's** husband, Carter, has had a bad year after developing a heart problem. While being x-

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rayed for a pacemaker placement, they found a golf ball size tumor in one lung. He's now had both surgeries and was in the recovery stage over the holidays. To make matters worse, the Darnells had lots of damage after FL's 3 autumn hurricanes. They lost many trees, their roof, the kitchen, dining room and master bedroom. Jimi says the house and Carter should recover in about the same time frame. I had hoped to see **Susan "Sue" Hight Denny** while Mase and I were in the DC area in Jan. It didn't work out so Sue and I e-mailed back and forth with our news. She had a wonderful visit in CA with her younger son, Steve, his wife, and son. Steve's new house is on a 4 acre mountaintop plot in Watsonville, CA, 2 hours south of San Francisco. It sports limitless views of the surrounding mountains, the Pacific Ocean, and a lot of blue sky. She spent Christmas week in NYC with her son, Chris, the pianist, composer and producer. They had a marvelous time seeing musicals and current plays. One evening they went to good friend Michael Feinstein's show and another night saw that funny "Ozzie" lady, Dame Edna, at the Music Box. Sue was picked to go on stage for some interacting with the Australian comedian. Sue knew her job as an audience member would be not to play for laughs, as that was Dame Edna's job. She played very straight and sincere and when asked why she lived in NYC before her marriage, Sue's answer was, "I was a performer, Dame Edna." Sue felt her instinct was right as the Dame led that statement drop right there. Sue got to play the role of the Dame's coarse, loudmouth daughter, Valmay. As luck would have it, Sue was recovering from a foot abscess, so she had a cane,

and was in an orthopedic boot. This added to the fun and laughs as she hobbled up and down the stage. She had hysterical lines to say and, when over, she received a gift of Spanx pantyhose, had her photo taken and got curtain calls. It had been 55 years since Sue had been on the Music Box stage. At that time, she was auditioning for a part in Ethel Merman's "Call Me Madam." It was great fun and a real dividend for her. How can she top that? **Jean Klaubert Friend** and Paul have lived in Pinehurst for many years, but this was their 1st Christmas at home. They rented a big house, as 2 of their daughters were coming with 7 grandchildren, including the 15-year-old triplets. After New Year's, they closed the doors and left for Sarasota until spring. **Sara Ackerman Frey** and Leonard always send annual puzzles with their Christmas letter. I have saved 2004's, and one of these days I will surprise them and do it! Last spring, the Freys had a grand trip to France, and during the fall, they spent time in New England with stops in NYC for opera and meetings with the new head of The Chapin School, where both Freys spent 12 years. They attended a 50th Reunion at Yale Divinity School for the class that Sara once attended. They enjoyed the excellent speakers and lecturers. While in NE, they visited friends in CT, MA and VT, and had a fun day trekking through a corn maze with directional clues that were related to George Bush and John Kerry. Both Freys do volunteer work at the Memphis Public Library welcome desk and do radio reading for the print impaired. **Jane Maynard Gibson** and Jack were home for the holidays, but in Feb. they "retired" to "Vicars Landings," a continuing care,

retirement community run by the Episcopal Church. Vicars is right in the heart of Ponte Vedra/Sawgrass, close to their former house. Jane says it's much like a college campus, only this time she has a boy for a roommate. She gets to play the same golf course, swim in the same ocean and spend time with lots of their local friends. **Marilyn Belding Hilly** and Gerry are still active in their community. She is still a ski instructor at Mad River Glen and is popular with the kids. Whenever a "hotshot" instructor has a problem skier, they send this skier to Marilyn. Her husband, Gerry, has recovered from his 2002 quintuple heart surgery, celebrated his 80th birthday and turned over his last few pro bono law cases to the Innocence Project (provides representation and/or investigative assistance to prison inmates who claim to be innocent of the crimes for which they were convicted). The Hillys spent Thanksgiving in FL helping their daughter, Meg, get her property back in order after the disastrous hurricanes. They rebuilt gardens, fixed plumbing, and finally, tanned and relaxed, returned to their beloved home in VT. Two days before Christmas, while the Hillys were in bed, a raccoon got into their mudroom through the dog door and tipped over the trash can. The coon ran into the dining room, checked out their bedroom, and got trapped in their bathroom. A call to 911 brought the local dog catcher who brought a "Have a Heart Cage," and captured the critter. All part of living in VT! **Anne Smith Jeffus** sends me occasional e-mails and at Christmas sent her best wishes and prayers to all her dearly loved friends from CJC. I really like **Heloise "Weez" Pike**

**Mailloux**, as she feels anyone who sends e-mails, the odd post-cards, and writes our column (for 20 years), deserves some news. Thanks, Weez. In early '04, the Mailloux' moved to a brand new continuing care, retirement community. Physically, it was rather like moving into an unfinished motel, but Weez and Ken, like most other residents, are glad they made the move. One of my Colby dorm roommates, **Cornelia "Nini" Hawthorne Maytag**, loves to cook, sports a kitchen to prove it, and spent 18 hours preparing a special family Christmas Eve dinner. When it was over, she said her kitchen looked like the city dump and took days for her to get it back in shape. After trips to Dallas and New Orleans, Nini was looking forward to the mid-Feb. Snowmass gathering with **Carol "Shoe" Shoemaker Marck** and **Emy Lu Simpson Croke**. Shoe and Chuck returned to Snowmass, CO, in late winter for some Feb./March skiing. Word is they had a great chatter and laugh time together. Shoe said when they arrived in Snowmass, the scenery was breathtaking as trees were covered in white, mountains were glistening, and there was tons of snow. The Marcks spend a few weeks at the Timbers Club before moving over to their Snowmass condo. My other Colby dorm roommate, **Nancy "Hobbie" Hobkirk Pierson**, and Jim had a fun year. They took the Copper Canyon train trip in western Mexico with their group of 16 acquaintances and a leader/guide. Being a professor of archeology, he was knowledgeable and interesting, plus the scenery was magnificent. In Jan., they made a trip to Costa Rica, which they found to be a great little country with lots of volcanic scenery. Costa Rica's population has a 98% literacy rate due to free education from elementary years through college. Jim still hasn't retired from business and Hob keeps busy with her art. She had a show in Manchester, VT, in June and another in her summer hometown of Pawlet. She loves being in VT as her artist friends keep her going and inspired. She has a cute little studio in which to concentrate and has gone back to painting portraits. One daughter,

Phoebe, and her family live year round in Pawlet while another, daughter, Sally, has a weekend house nearby. Of course, this makes the area even more appealing. The Piersons had Thanksgiving dinner in VT with daughter Sally's family and her in-laws. There were 22 in all. Just before Thanksgiving, Hob had a fun lunch in NYC with **Nini Hawthorne Maytag**, who was in town for some theater. When at home in NJ, Hob does volunteer counseling 3 times a week with recovering drug addicts at a mission in Morristown. She loves it and says, "I may be crazy, but it's like a full time job and I can't wait to get to it." I recently found several notes at the bottom of my CJC correspondent's file. I'm surprised this doesn't happen more often. One was from **Sybil "Billie" Adams Moffat**, who had spent a few days in FL last spring. She and Paul were visiting former VT friends with another couple from VT. They all were astounded as they watched existing homes in the Palm Beach area being demolished and replaced by new ones on the same lot. The 6 friends did a lot of walking, talking, and found themselves laughing a lot. Nice to get out of the cold VT spring. The Moffats were in Philly for a conference with a group they have known for 25 years. Billie noted a big change. Since they had been bundled up in VT all winter, she wasn't used to getting dressed up. The only other classmate I know that still skies, other than Shoe Marck and Marilyn Hilly, is **Mary "Oggie" Ogden Sutcliffe**. Oggie skies with her 3- and 6-year-old grandkids, while their mom is busy teaching snowboarding. She bought some new short skies for this year's snow season. She grumbled that a senior lift pass now costs \$79, where it used to be free. Her comment was, "they should pay us!" Having a religiously mixed family, the Sutcliffes celebrate both Christmas and Hannukah. Oggie belongs to the "Red Hat Society" and had a luncheon to attend right after a senior aerobics class. She had little time between both, knew she looked outrageous, but lunched in her purple leotards and a red hat. Her husband, Herb, stays active with several

weekly senior tennis games. Not bad for a man who is 85 and plays a mean ping-pong game on the other days. She attended the Senior Olympics in Tucson in Jan./Feb. **Pauline "Polly" Carver Watson's** big thing has been her move from Marblehead, MA, into her mother's house in nearby Swampscott, where she grew up. She has remodeled the kitchen and master bath, and made a wonderful room out of what was once a screen porch. They are great renovations and she now enjoys the swimming pool that kept her dad busy after his retirement. Polly has one college grad granddaughter and 2 still in college. She travels and plays golf and lots of bridge. **Barbara "Bobbie" Schulz Watts** and Peter loved my description of our family trip to Italy last May. The Watts adore Italy and have stayed at many of the same places. She wrote her note on a picture postcard of the same remodeled castle, Castello di Spaltenna, where we stayed in Gaiole, Chianti, near Siena. In Oct., the Watts traveled around Greece, the Aegean Islands and Turkey. They found post-Olympics Athens nicely spruced up and said the Greeks were still keeping their strict security measures into the autumn months. In Oct., Mase and I, **Phyllis "Les" Harty Wells**, made a trip to Nashville, TN, for an annual MOAA convention (Military Officers Association of America). We went through Atlanta and stopped in Roswell to see our son and his family. Mase and I hold an annual Halloween Party and thought Atlanta would be a better place than Gainesville to look for décor. Our son, Peter, and his wife, Lynne, took us to a fantastic Halloween store that is only open in Oct. We found some great wizard hats, so wizards became this year's theme. The party was extra special as Mase turned 80 the same day. Our family was here for Christmas. It was a fun time, but was over too quickly. In Feb., we were invited to the commissioning of the SSN 23 Jimmy Carter, a super nuclear submarine, 100' longer than average, with fantastic capabilities. Mase was a US Naval Academy '47 classmate of Jimmy's and all classmates were

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invited. The ceremony took place at the sub base in New London, CT. About 60 classmates attended. We hadn't been in CT since 1957. We looked around the NL area in 30° weather, came back to the hotel, and bumped into the Carters in the hotel lobby. We shook hands, passed the time of day. That night, we attended a gala reception sponsored by the Atlanta Navy League. We had cocktails and buffet with 200 of the Carter's "best friends!" No one checked our I.D's, but we could tell the secret service were around. People were seen talking into their wrists! The commissioning was held at a sub pier in a pier length tent since the weather was below freezing. We checked out of our digs before the ceremony and got to see Jimmy and Rosalyn one more time in the hotel lobby. As they left, we said, "See you at the 60th!" It was a nostalgic and fun time for us both. **Martha "Patsy" Dimmitt White's** husband, Peter, had a hip replacement, and their 52-year-old daughter had a knee replacement at the same time. It certainly made it easy on the family to visit the 2 of them at the same time. Their daughter lives locally and is with State Farm, while their son is a local dentist. All 3 grandchildren are doing well. One is studying to become a pastry chef, his sister is a sophomore at San Diego State and another is coach of the US Women's Ski Team. Patsy's husband, Peter, is an instructor for the Marin County Power Squadron and teaches safe boating. Patsy is vice chair of the Marin County Economic Commission, is on the board of the YMCA, the Novato Chamber of Commerce, the League of Women Voters, and the Northbay Family Homes

Development Group. **Betsey Cook Willis** and Dave say downsizing is not for sissies, so she's considering writing a booklet for friends who might be thinking of doing the same. During their move, most of their 6 grandchildren came to help. Their grandchildren range in age from 10 to 29 years old. After the moving trauma, she and Dave are still speaking and living together! They're happy with their new home, as is their English Springer, Jake, who just celebrated his 3rd birthday. The Willises new home is close to hiking trails and convenient to downtown Brevard, NC. Their move kept them too busy to travel, but they did get a week in DC with their daughter, Sue, and her husband. Betsy no longer plays golf or tennis after a recent health problem, but says life is still great! Last but not least, I'm sorry to have to report the deaths of 3 of our CJC classmates. **Elizabeth "Betty" Harris Adams**, died Jan. 28 in Sarasota, FL. Betty had been a bookkeeper in NJ before retiring to FL. She is survived by 2 daughters, 2 sons and 7 grandchildren. **Mildred "Millie" Greenwood Bueddeman** died Nov. 13 in Lebanon, NH. Millie was her Hanover High School valedictorian and graduated from CJC with a nursing degree. She leaves her husband of 56 years, 2 sons, 3 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. **Lydia "Scottie" Morse Chandler** died Nov. 9, 2003, in Rumford, ME. After CJC, Scottie received her BA from Notre Dame College in Manchester, NH, and her MA from Rivier College in Nashua, NH. Our deepest sympathy goes to all members of their families.

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# 1949

Class Correspondent Needed

**Annabelle Gates Broderick** and her husband, Bill, are enjoying their retirement on beautiful Marco Island, FL. Most of their children still live in New England, so they summer on a lake in CT. The Brodericks have 1 great-grandchild, and the second was due in May. **Patricia "Pat" Jaffer Russell** and her husband, David, have recently downsized, which she says is not an easy task. They are living in Southbury, CT. "Southbury is still country, although it will probably develop more as people retire and move away from the more crowded areas. At least we're hanging in there and looking forward to spring," she writes. **Sally Nicolosi Rattray** moved to San Diego, CA, 3 years ago after her husband, Bill, passed away. They had been married 50 years. Sally feels blessed to have such wonderful memories of her years with Bill. She lives in a high rise and loves big city life. Sally is retired as a national sales director for Mary Kay. She enjoys traveling, the San Diego Opera and Symphony. Sally would love to hear from her Colby friends. **Joan Trainer Kirsten** volunteers at least once a week at the Great Swamp Watershed Association. She will be taking a cruise in June from Budapest to the Black Sea, with a visit to Dracula's castle. Joan's son, Keith, still works in the Los Angeles national office for Marriott, and her daughter, Cheryl, works for UBS/Paine Webber in Houston. Joan's daughter-in-law planned to run the Boston Marathon in April, and the entire family planned to be there to cheer her on. **Dorothea "Dee" Walker Dressler** writes, "I'm always so impressed with the progress and beauty of Colby-Sawyer. I am so proud to have been a med tech there." Dee's husband retired, and they are still living in Potomac, MD. They lead a very busy life and are enjoying all of the perks and excitement that Washington, DC, offers. The Dresslers especially enjoy Embassy events and meeting people from all over the world. They also travel a lot. Last year

they visited New Zealand and Australia aboard a Seabourn yacht, and they'll be going on it again in July, traveling to Stockholm and St. Petersburg. Dee went to India with friends in Nov., where they stayed in a tented camp. The highlight of that trip was a visit to the Pushkar Camel Fair, the biggest in the world with gorgeous horses, as well. The Dresslers have 3 sons and 4 grandsons. They enjoy life at home with their 2 German shepherds and a large garden. They also enjoy playing tennis and golf. **Janet Sargent Russell** lost her husband, Edmond, in Feb. '04. They had enjoyed 19 wonderful years together. Janet enjoyed a lovely trip to France in September with a small group of friends from the Canterbury Shaker Museum. She has also enjoyed several nice visits with her 4 children in their homes. **Jean Monroe Hanna** writes, "After my husband, Harry, died, I sold our house on the water in N. Chatham, and bought a smaller one in the same area, so as to be close to friends and neighbors." Jean still spends the winter months at her condo in Jupiter, FL. Her oldest granddaughter graduated from Northeastern last June. **Elizabeth "Betsy" Dorrance Daly** is still living in Savannah, GA. She says she has no new news to report. **Julie Hamm McDowell** calls FL home for 10 months of the year. She stays active by serving on boards and welcoming house guests. She enjoyed having her entire family (her children, their wives and her grandchildren) with her in FL for the Christmas holiday. It was the 1st time the entire family had been together in 22 years. Julie is in touch with **Jane Coulson MacDonald** often. She was saddened to hear about **Dodie Rowell**. Julie planned a cruise to the Bahamas this spring, and plans to spend 2 1/2 months this summer on Seneca Lake. **Sally Harlow Terry** and her husband, Jim, will be married 54 years in June. They spend 7 months of the year in RI, and 5 months in AK. Jim became a pilot after he turned 50, and the Terrys own an old PA 12 single engine plane, which they use to fish for salmon in remote areas in AK. They

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enjoy hiking and love visits from their 3 children and 1 grand-daughter. **Doris Semisch Shearer** moved to a townhouse last Aug. It has a garage and a bedroom on the first floor, which spares her husband from having to climb stairs, as he is not well. The Shearers have 5 grandchildren (3 boys and 2 girls), ranging in age from 28- to 4 years old. Doris writes, "I love living near Hershey, PA,—"The Sweetest Place on Earth." **Pat Smith Beach** has moved to a senior living community and just loves it. She encourages anyone thinking about such a move to do it. "After 2 years of loneliness, I now have people with whom to eat and drink whenever I want," she says. Pat has had 2 knee replacements, an Achilles tendon replaced, and has lost one toe, but she still is able to play golf. "I'm on the right side of the grass and life is good," she reports. After 3 hurricanes, **Jean Larkum Hardcastle** feels very fortunate that her home in Vero Beach, FL, suffered very little damage. She and her husband keep busy by fishing and playing tennis daily. They are enjoying their life and are healthy. "What more can you ask!" she exclaims. Jean reports that their 7 grandchildren, 3 of whom are in college, are all doing fine. Jean sees classmates **Dona Oosting Muenzberg** and **Joan Hamilton Sweetland** and their husbands on a daily basis, as they all live at 7 Oaks 7 months of the year. **Ann Patterson Jenkins** moved "back home" to Attleboro, MA, 16 years ago. She enjoys her work at the Colonel Blackington Inn, the best (and only) inn in town. She reports that life in Attleboro is quiet, but she enjoys her 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandson immensely. Recent trips to HI and Scotland provided her with much excitement. **Sally Jenkins Kimball** keeps busy with church activities, bridge and tennis. She reports that she is "off the slopes," as she gave her skis to her granddaughter, who recently finished her 1st year at Colby-Sawyer. Sally's daughter, Deb, and her son, Rick, both live in Harwichport, which is great for Sally. The family enjoyed the wedding of her son, Bill, and his wife, Marcy, in Oct. Bill's 2 daughters were in the wedding.

"We're all so happy for him. Marcy is a great gal," says Sally. "Time marches on! Getting old is not for sissies," writes **Verna Williams Seidensticker**. She was in London in April with the symphony and botanical gardens for a music and garden tour. Verna and **Pat Jaffer Russell** are planning a Sept. meeting in NY, where they'll paint the town red! **Sally Randall** had a busy winter, traveling to FL a couple of times. She was in Vero Beach in Jan., where she spent much time on the golf course. She returned to Vero in Feb. for a member-guest golf tournament. She enjoyed seeing many of her friends and playing lots of golf. **Barbara Russell Sayward** recently enjoyed a visit from **Ann Ackerman Rourke**, who traveled from Washington, DC. Ann also had a great visit with **Ruth Dresser Paulson** and her husband, Don, last summer at Lake Ossipee in NH. Barbara also went to visit **Anne Getchell Floyd** and **Bobbie Ware London**. They all keep in touch via e-mail. Barbara just found out that **Jo Carlson Clark '50** lives 4 condominium units down from her. There are 4 "Colbyites" in their neighborhood at Concord Greene. **Susanne Neiley White** says things were relatively quiet for her in 2004. Her husband, George, is still recovering back surgery. They did manage a trip to San Antonio for a board meeting in July and another a week later in ME. They flew to Boston and drove to ME so they could take a day on the way back to drive to the Cape to visit Susanne's brother, Joe, along with his daughter and family, who live in Mashpee. Susanne spent a week in CA in Oct. to visit her daughter, Cindy. She still works for Disney and loves it. During that week she also spent a couple of days in Redding, CA, to visit her other brother, Bart, who had moved there after living in Mexico for a number of years. Susanne and George's oldest child, Steve, is an attorney practicing in Cleveland. Steve and his daughter, Amanda, a sophomore at Western Reserve Academy in Hudson, OH, were with Susanne and George for Thanksgiving. Their other son, Mike, and his family live in

Potomac, MD. Their 3 teenagers (2 boys and a girl) are involved in sports, so Susanne and George see them regularly at their games. Susanne plays paddle tennis and bowling in the winter and golf in the summer. "So aging isn't so bad, except when your brain thinks you're still in your 40s (though your body argues with that theory!) And you realize your children are older than that!" says Susanne. Susanne had the pleasure of seeing **Dorothea "Scooter" Walker Dressler** and her husband, Dave, over the holidays. She would like to thank **Peggy Monroe Mink** for her many years as class correspondent.

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## 1950 Reunion

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Happy spring to all classmates. We look forward to seeing you at our 55th Reunion, June 3-5, 2005. Let's be there! **Delina "Lindy" Clapp Macfarland** and her husband, Will, of Orchard Park, NY, hope to be with us. Their plans are underway. **Rita "Skeety" Ferris Briggs** continues to be our much appreciated class agent. Although "Skeety" retired in '98 from medical technology, she now is involved with family hospice in Pittsburgh, PA. Her family is scattered and friends are nearby. **Josephine "Jo" Carlson Clark** enjoys the advantages of living in Concord, MA, near her children and grandchildren. Change has its advantages, although the ocean is not as nearby. Her son has a house in New London, NH, and Jo does expect to be at Reunion. **Ruth Kinney Gould** and her husband, Dick, live in Salem, NH, not far from their Andover, MA, childhood locations. In Aug. they will celebrate 54 years of marriage. One son lives in Rye, NH, and the other lives in Andover, MA. Ruth enjoys visiting and caring for family and elderly friends. **Janice Newcomb Tanguay** and her husband, Clem, are taking their RV to FL again for part of the winter. Hiking, walking, and

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their friends there are irresistible during the Saco, ME, winters. Their son, Jonathan, lives and works from their home, and their daughter, Jill, is finishing her internship in NY state. **Marjorie Chisholm** is healthy, retired and enjoying life in Buffalo, NY. Her sister now lives in the carriage house next door. **Jane Richardson Pearson** moved to Marshfield, MA, 10 years ago. She spends her time working at a cat shelter and at the MA Audubon office. She enjoys gardening and swimming during the summer, and birding year-round. Jane takes several trips each year, both in the US and overseas. She sees **Barbara Russell Sayward '49** and **Jane Cluff Pickering '49** frequently. **Jean Wheeler Blackmur** and her husband, Arnold, sold their home in Great Barrington, MA, and are now full time residents of a recently purchased house in Jupiter, FL. Their 4 children and 7 grandchildren are scattered around the country. As for me, **Pat Davis Hoffman**, I plan to be at Reunion. In 2004, I joined my sister, **Gretchen Davis Hammer '55**, her niece, **Dale Thurber O'Leary '88**, and our cousin, **Carolyn Mugar '63**, at a family wedding in NJ. Here's to CJC-CSC! With much sadness, I report the deaths of **Cynthia Keller Sakai** and **Mary Lee Stratford Martin**. Our sympathy is extended to both husbands, Jim Sakai and Erwin Martin, and to their families. **Eleanor "Ellie" Morrison Goldthwait's '51, '52** husband, Jerry, died recently in New London, NH. Our condolences are extended to Ellie and her entire family. Many of us have fond memories of Jerry. We hope to see Ellie at Reunion. Alumni from the class of 1950

and others look forward to reading your news, as well as that of your family and any classmates with whom you may be in contact. See you in New London, NH, in June.

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## 1951

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As of this writing in Feb., we've received about a foot of snow. I will bet many of you in the Northeast got more. I was excited because I love it, but do not like to drive in it. We have a bit more news this time. **Marge Bugbee Atherton** writes, "New Smyrna Beach did better in the hurricanes than many places in FL. The weather is lovely now. We will be back in Plymouth for Christmas" (written a while ago). **Connie Bingham Boland** says life continues to be good to her. She is enjoying her new career in watercolors and is involved in 3 juried societies. She exhibits as much as possible. Good for you, Connie. I do watercolor and have not been juried yet, although I have tried. I hear it takes several tries. Her family has grown to 21, with all 9 grandchildren thriving. Her husband is still practicing law. **Dorie Ernst Bean** writes that she has a grandson in the freshman class at Colby-Sawyer. "Chris (son of our youngest 4 daughters) is very pleased with his attendance at his 1st choice college. We have visited, and the campus and new buildings look great," she says. **Eleanor Merklen Cambrey** says condo living was not for them, so they moved to Georgetown, where they previously had lived, and built a new home. She is glad to be back with friends and her favorite golf course. They enjoyed a Caribbean cruise in mid-Dec. Her husband had a hip replacement in mid-Jan. They keep busy with 6 grandchildren nearby. Good luck to your hubby, Eleanor. He is probably up and walking by now. **Barbara Alpaugh Bull** is still bookkeeping part-time for their local pharmacist, and taking care of 2 grandchildren once a week. She is a

little stiff in the knees, but doing okay. They had a month-long tour of Turkey, eastern as well as western, and say it is beautiful country with lovely people. **E.J. Martin Albergotti** and her husband enjoy good health. They had their 18th grandchild last summer. They spent a week at Yellowstone with a son and grandson, and even enjoyed a few strenuous hikes. **Ellie Morrison Goldthwait** and her (late) husband, Jerry, visited them when they attended Dick and **Nancy Hendrickson Latham's** 50th in Easton, MD. I saw **Anne Rantoul Conner** last summer. She seems happy. My roommate, **Jan McLane Spear**, writes, "It was wonderful to have a showing of my watercolors. I showed 31 of them in Swarthmore and sold 4. I had a well-attended reception on Dec. 3." Jan says she is doing pretty well for her age. She spends her time doing volunteer work and playing pinochle, pitch and bridge. She has 4 granddaughters, who are 8, 9, 12 and 22 years old. **Lynn Savely Fotheringham** is doing well in Chagrin Falls, OH. **Joan White Snively** and her son, John, spent 3 weeks in FL in late Jan. I hope they had a nice trip. **Sally Conner Parry** let us know that she and **Barbara Easterbrooks Mailey** attended the dedication ceremony for the Curtis L. Ivey Science Center on the Colby-Sawyer campus in the fall. "It's simply magnificent and makes one wish to return to study," she says. **Lynn Healy Nichols** retired from real estate May 31, '04. She sold her company and says she doesn't miss it one iota. She is still tax collector (34 years) for her township, which as grown from 400 to 750 households. Lynn enjoyed a wonderful trip to Scandinavia in June with her 2 daughters, **Katie Broadbent Wesley '74** and Amy Broadbent. After giving up golf for 30 years, Lynn has decided to take it up again. "This time around the ball doesn't go as far, if it goes at all," she says. Lynn spends her winters in Manasota Key, FL, and sometimes sees **Sheila Francis Dow**. She would love to hear from anyone in the area. I spent an afternoon with **Ruth Gray Pratt** last Sept. and we reminisced. She was impressed



*Mini-Reunion on the New Jersey Shore. Nancy Angell Turnage '52, Jeanne Roach Tozier '52, Betty Carlson Salomon '52 and Marilyn "Woodsie" Woods Entwistle '52 shared lots of laughs during an August get-together at Betty's home on the New Jersey shore.*

with my memory. Ruth and Paul spent last April in Manasota Key. They have a cottage on Perkins Pond in Sunapee, NH, near New London. Paul plays in an occasional bridge tournament. Guess that is all for now. Keep the news coming. Bye!

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## 1952

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Who would have believed that after I, **Rayma Whittemore Murray**, sent in my class notes last Aug., Vero Beach would be hit by 2 more hurricanes and the Gulf Coast would be beaten down by another one. I packed up my place like I was moving for Frances, and evacuated at the last second when a ticket became available at 6 a.m. the morning before. I had been home just a few days when the warning of Jeanne hit the airways. I was exhausted from cleaning up the debris and unpacking, and as Frances really hadn't been that bad, I decided to stick it out for Jeanne. It was an experience I won't soon forget. I am glad I stayed. It was an adventure. My little community was so blessed, but the destruction all around was unbelievable. The TV news showed nothing but devastation and my children were so worried that I promised them I would just close the door and go north

the next time. I hope everyone reading this was as fortunate as I, with just a little water damage. For me, '04 was a very good year. As mentioned, my home was not affected by the hurricane, the Red Sox beat the Yankees and then went on to win the World Series, GW won, my youngest, Penelope, had a son, George, on November 24, my older daughter, Margo, came from AZ to CT with her family for Christmas (we all had not been together for Christmas in years), and the Patriots won the Super Bowl. I just got back to FL Super Bowl Sunday from AZ, where I had been since Oct., with a side trip to CT for George's birth, Thanksgiving and Christmas. With all the joy there was a little sadness. My mother, at age 93, passed away Jan. 24. When shopping in New Canaan, CT, I noticed in many of the shop windows paintings by our classmate, **Gail Wilder Beutel**, who lives in New Canaan. I have never heard from her and was delighted to see her beautiful work around town. She is obviously well thought of. Gail, congratulations, and do fill us in. **Linda Middelbrook Allen** reports that she and her husband, Dick, are very involved in a program named "Character Counts" in 5 of the counties on the Eastern Shore of MD. There are 6 pillars of character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. Linda also volunteers at the art academy, the garden club and the church choir. They have 7 grandchildren and all their family

still enjoy the summer and fall on Lake Morey in VT. **Lynn Bentley** has broken her silence! She has had an extremely busy career in marketing research, specializing in "focus groups." She has traveled all across the country and has lived on both coasts, including NY, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and is now living in Fort Mead, CA. Almost 20 years ago she gave all this up to indulge in her passion for horticulture. She says her later years are more painful than she thought, but there are nice compensations. Lynn wishes everyone "good cheer and good health" and then comments on her great Colby memories. **Barbara Genre Cotter** and her husband, Charles, are retired. They have many hobbies, good health, 5 children and 12 grandchildren. As the country area where they live in WI is being developed, they will be moving further out to be in the country "again." Barbara, too, remembers Colby fondly. While in San Francisco attending a wedding, **Patricia Caswell Dey** and her husband, KV, got together with **Mimi Bentley Burton** and her husband, Neal, for a lunch reunion. Patty was looking forward to seeing **Joan Rablin Keppler**, who had recently moved to CA after her husband passed away, but she was ill with a serious virus. Joan, take care and give those German shepherds a scratch behind the ear for me. Hope to see Patty when she comes to Vero. **Natalie Clarke Jones** was fortunate that on her way to FL for a week of golf she stayed with friends in NC and missed the last of the hurricanes. For the month of Nov., she will be playing with koala bears in Australia, enjoying the majestic views of New Zealand, and God knows what in Figi. At home in Hopkinton, NH, she enjoys the snow and she and her husband go to Colby-Sawyer Alumni Ski Day at Mt. Sunapee. Her husband enjoys the skiing and Natalie the après ski. Since retirement **Phyllis Reynolds Kapner** and her husband have become exercise nuts. (Not a bad thing!) They love to travel throughout ME. As I was thrilled with my new grandson, so are they with their special granddaughter, Keira. They went all the way to Russia for the

adoption. Congratulations! I know the amount of time and effort it takes to adopt from overseas. **Ingrid Mellgren Davidge** and **Gordon McAllen Baker '53** visited **Nancy Shumway Adams** last May. They had good talk and lots of laughs. Ingrid is happily living in Westport, MA, in a carriage house. "Shum" also reports on the annual lunch when **Bobbie Smith Day-Schoen** comes east to visit her mother. **Marta Marano Ackermann**, **Nancy "Shum" Shumway Adams**, **Sarah "Sae" Bond Gilson**, **Joan Salmon Nesbit** (what a trooper, all the way from Boston for lunch), **Bobbie and Noel** met in Stonington, CT for lunch. Shum, hope you had fun in Jackson Hole. **June Parker Smith** has 2 grandchildren, **Krystlina (14) Madison (8)**, and an 8 month-old-dog, ToTo. I just hung up the phone with **Marilyn "Woods(ie)" Entwistle** and they are in the middle of a blizzard. Last Aug. some of us old CJers got together at **Betty Carlson Salomon's** great house just a block from the Jersey shore in Ocean Grove. **Nancy Angell Turnage** flew in from Birmingham, AL, and **Jeanne Roach Tozier** and **Woodsie** drove down from ME for no reason at all except to laugh and laugh some more. They hadn't changed a bit. Betty and Nancy still wear a size 4, and although Jeanne and Woodsie don't, they are still as svelte and lovely as ever. They have a grand legacy of 32 grandchildren between them, all extraordinary in every way, taking after their grandmothers of course. They had a great week. **Gina Farnsworth Allison '51** and I just came back from Tequesta, FL, from visiting **Marilyn "Chasie" Chase**. She is battling a bout of spinal stenosis. A tough lady, that gal. I'm sorry I can't report that **Marilyn, Noel Hendriques Brakenhoff** and **Jane "MJ" Montgomery** will be getting together here at my home in Vero Beach, but we can't contact Jane, who really wanted to be part of our reunion. Hopefully it will work out. **June Parker Smith '52 MT** wrote that **Ann Dodge Robertson '52 MT** passed away July 20, 2003. She didn't know the details. Our sympathy to her family. That's it. From **Mary Jane (Fritzie)**

**Moeller** a quote from Helen Keller, "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart."

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# 1953

Class Correspondent Needed

*Editor's Note: Special thanks to Sue Bice Huetteman, who served as class correspondent from 2003-February 2005.*

It is fantastic learning that **Jane Bingham Fawcett** established a thriving company and school for ballet in a multi-million dollar cultural center in Canton, OH, despite the odds in a sports-minded industrial town. She reminds us it is important to "have a real passion in these later years." Our class definitely has passion and energy! Your letters are so filled with purpose.

**Sinclair Smith Siragusa** finds it wonderful serving on the Colby-Sawyer Board of Trustees. **Diane Eppel Schryber** and her husband, Jack, celebrated their 50th anniversary with family in VA 3 months after his open heart surgery. They summered in Newport, VT, on beautiful Lake Memphremagog. "Always remember the beauty of Colby, good will of the faculty, and making new friends," she says. **Alison Faulk Curtis** and **Chuck** celebrated their 50th anniversary in HI. They visited Paris, Normandy, and toured southern Burgundy by barge and celebrated the birth of their 7th grandchild in June. **Myrna Perry Heald** and her husband celebrated their 51st anniversary. They have 6 grandchildren. "They are great kids and they have brought us much pleasure," she writes. For the past 22 years she has worked part-time for an insurance agency. Myrna just purchased a villa at Sun City Center, FL. **Barbara "Bobbi" Howe Tucker** had a successful hip replacement in Oct. and enjoys visits from her energetic family at the Cape Cod house. **Ellen Barrows Van Winkle** enjoys playing bridge, the game she learned in Burpee Butt. She has exchanged golf and tennis for croquet and touring. The Canadian Rockies were "the most

beautiful" and she would go back in a heartbeat. **Carolee Chisholm Miller** and her husband are committed to volunteer work. Chiz volunteers in adult education and recreational activities with the blind. Her husband, Charlie, volunteers for the Forest Service each year in CO. They also both enjoy working with 4-H. From horse activities and bicycling, grandchildren, touring, and a trip to England, Chiz continues to be amazing. Last summer **Jane Dickinson** visited **Janet Arminio Connolly** in PA and NYC, and is in touch with **Marina Filides Latchis**, who lives in VT and FL. In case you ski Sugarbush, Jane's oldest grandchild, **Dexter Lefavour**, is a part-time instructor. What a fantastic experience **Joan Vincent Donelan's** children (8) and grandchildren (11) had! They explored Swiss ice caves and hiked mountains before appendicitis put her "out of commission" for the month of May. The Alumni Office heard from **Judith "Gudy" Treuchet Scott**, who said that she is still adjusting to her to move to FL. Unfortunately, their home saw severe damage from Hurricane Charlie, but Gudy said, "Life goes on." Gudy is amazed with the growth of the college and is very proud to be an alumna. She sends her best to everyone. My letter reached **Tracy Rickers Siani** at a sobering time—national elections and the war in Iraq. She reminds us we must treasure our natural spaces and help citizens have access to affordable health care and "secure a responsible and caring society for our grandchildren." You speak for all our hearts, Tracy. Sadly, I announce that our classmate, **Janet Graves Bates**, passed away Dec. 4. Our condo-

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## Colby-Sawyer Alumni Ski Day

Many Colby-Sawyer alumni and friends gathered for a glorious New Hampshire winter day on the slopes of Mt. Sunapee for the 3rd Annual Colby-Sawyer Alumni Ski Day. (Photo I.D.s are left to right.)



Toni Houghton '77 with Susan Bonanno '70 and her partner, Danilo.



Amy Parker Rossi '77, Janet Spurr '76, Sandy Wiss (friend) and Debbie Bray Mitchell '78.



Ruth Gray Pratt '51, Barbara Easterbrooks Mailey '51, a friend of the ladies and Sally Conner Parry '51.



Peg Rogers Andrews '85, Theresa Grella '84 and Marion "Quinny" McElwee '84



Mary Goodell, Barbara MacDonald, Becky Young Robinson '64, Reva Bailey and Sara Gray Stockwell '71.



(Back row l to r) Philip Ingwersen, Barbara "Bobbi" Johnston Rodgers '53, John Rodgers, Sally Browne Foster '54 and Bill Foster. (Front row l to r) Jean Cragin Ingwersen '54, Jane Shoemaker Storm '54 and Janet Rich Nixon '54.

lences to her family. Finally, it was a thrill to learn that **Alison Faulk Curtis** knows Jeff Holmes. Jeff and I are collaborating on a staged musical, "The Hatch," and the primary reason that I'm passing on my job as class correspondent for our class. When we finally put this show on the road and it is "playing at a theater near you," I'll be in touch! Being in contact with you all has meant so much to me. You are incredible and inspiring, and I feel so lucky to be a member of this remarkable class. My phone rang last month and the voice at the other end said, "Suby?" And I knew it was my Colby friend and dormmate, **Sybil Espovich Luchetti '54**. We hadn't been in contact for over 50 years, but she found me in our alumni news. Corresponding with Colby-Sawyer classmates doesn't turn back the years, but it can jump start a new year and renewed friendships. Thank you all for being so fantastic!

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## 1954

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Our greetings to everyone as we begin our tour around the country with those who opened their door and invited us in for a visit and shared their lives in the months since our last column. A few have experienced some difficult days to work through, though we did not know about the event at the time it occurred. Our sympathy is extended to those who endured the terrible storm damage suffered all around the country, and to those who have endured illness or the passing of loved ones. The weather can either enhance our lives or disrupt the conditions wherever we live or travel. As the hurricane season approached in the fall and one after another rolled in, we worried about our friends and relatives in the south. Listening closely to the reports on the TV in the north as to the areas badly

hit, we heard Abaco mentioned, and remembered that was the home of **Mary Balzac '55 MT**. Here is what she had to say: "Frances and Jeanne visited our island (Abaco, Bahamas) on the way to FL, damaging dunes, wrecking docks, removing shingles and making a mess. No one was hurt, and just about all repairs have been made. The dunes have been rebuilt with sea oats and more tourists than ever are visiting. The air is clean, the night skies clear and the colors of the water are exquisite. A lovely community of locals and 2nd homeowners and winter boaters worked together to make Hope Town a great place to live. I'm blessed to have my daughters and grandkids all close by." It was a relief to hear from Mary. From FL, we have this report from **Joan Dryden May**: "Hurricane Francis hit us and those around us very hard. We were without electricity of any kind, as well as phone services, for 6 nights and 7 days, during a very hot time down here. Of course we had the house shuttered up and it was totally black all the time. We have a wicker trunk, which we call our hurricane trunk, and it is supplied with flash lights, radio, small fans (all battery driven) and lots of batteries and candles, so we were as ready as we could be. All the food, ice, etc., in our 2 refrigerators had to be thrown out; we were able to get some bags of ice, but not many. We lost trees and the screening around our patio, but all in all we were pretty lucky. Unfortunately, we went through it all again within a week when Jeanne arrived. The top 4 counties down here are still trying to clean up and make repairs. The storms are many months behind us and in some areas there still isn't electricity." (Letter dated Feb.) Joan also had to have knee surgery last Aug. and then 5 months of physical therapy. She has now recovered and thankful to be able to get back on the golf course now. Backing up into our New England summer, the end of June had perfect weather for **Jo-Anne Greene Cobban** and her husband, Jim, traveling through New Brunswick and Nova Scotia when the flowers were at their peak. Then in July it was time for the

family reunion in historic Salem, MA, as the descendants of John Balch gathered at the 1630s homestead. The Balch House is one of the 2 still standing and considered the oldest wood frame houses built in America. Jim's ancestry has been traced back to this line and the house, now a museum, is located in Beverly. Anyone who might like additional information on the Balch House Associates may contact us or check out the Web site. As history buffs, we like to share and spread the news. **Judith Miller Wyatt**, who lives in Yarmouth Port, MA, wrote she had her daughter and granddaughter over to swim last summer in the Kings Way Golf Club pool. Emily, who is 3 1/2, loved every minute of that. Judith's daughter, Betsy, prepared the Thanksgiving dinner for the family and for Christmas they all had a festive event held at the Harbor Point Restaurant. When snow storms finally moved into New England it definitely did not spare Cape Cod. We received a first-hand report from **Barbara Dennett Howard** who wrote, "Everyone told us to move to Cape Cod because it doesn't snow much here. Bob could play golf all year. As I sit here writing out this card, I can look out at the results of the Blizzard of '05. Every door but one is blocked with 5' drifts. It has been the coldest and the hottest; the driest and the wettest; now the snowiest since we moved here 4 years ago." **Margaret "Peg" Lewis Moreland '54 MT** of New London, traveled with a group of 15 in Sept. to Ireland. She had the winter to look back and remember how beautiful the countryside was and the experience of staying over night in a castle. Along the way she took care of the Christmas shopping, delighting family with those famous Irish sweaters. The Alumni Office tells us that **Janet Rich Nixon** lost two family members this winter, a 15-year-old grandson as well as a daughter. Both were incredibly tragic and untimely incidents, but family and community, including Colby-Sawyer, helped to support Janet through the difficult times. She remains busy and says that the approaching spring feels particularly welcome this year.

**Harriet Johnson Toadvine** said Reunion was great, and she was especially glad to see **Nancy Sellers Mion '55 MT** and John. Harriet spent a beautiful Christmas at the White Barn Inn, located in Kennebunkport, ME. They may have experienced a white Christmas, as it was reported that ME received more snow then we did in southwestern NH, where it had melted by Dec. 25, which is a very rare event for us. Kids had to wait quite a while before trying out all their newly acquired outdoor equipment. Harriet spends time in Naples, FL, from Jan. to May. **Janet Hofmann Hansen** spent Christmas in Mill Valley, CA, with her son, David, and his family. Watching her young grandchildren perform in their Christmas Eve pageant was an extra special event. Returning to San Diego to the first of the torrential rains, they were thankful there was not flood damage where they lived. In Feb. rain storms continued to do much more damage along the CA coast and must have sent our southern classmates a chill, as they remembered what they went through a few months earlier. **Barbara Knight Price '55 MT** is another one who experienced the unusual rain storms in southern CA. She reported that they had 3-4" of rain in Oct., and a cool Dec. In Feb., the rain washed away some back yards in her area and two homes lost their back porches. We suspect there is more to tell us as the rain continued and we were unable to reach them when preparing this article. One note Barbara sent announced her team won a pool tournament, "which doesn't happen very often!" Her ceramics hobby has created dragons to vases. Her husband, Jack, is a very creative cook! Our other Californian, **Mozell Zarit '55 MT**, said it was wonderful to see her roommate and classmates at Reunion, she liked the changes on campus and found the future plans interesting. "Being back in New England was a joy," she said. Her last card noted that she was taking good care of herself and looking forward to getting to CO in March or April. Moving off the coast and on to HI, we find **Frances "Frannie" Pryor Haws**. Her snapshots show her



*Sail Away. Frances "Frannie" Pryor Haws '54 aboard a sailboat in Hawaii.*

living more by the seaside, on a boat or in the water year round. She was sorry to have missed our 50th Reunion, but she and **Barbara Schaff Blumenthal** had a mini-reunion while their husbands were attending their 50th reunion at Yale, scheduled the same weekend. She said it was a great surprise for both, as they found themselves sitting at the same banquet table and spent their time talking about all the fun they had at Colby. Frannie and Bob now have a total of 4 great-grandchildren. This past winter will be one that **Elizabeth Margeson Harrison**, of Rochester, NY, won't forget. A city that had some big snowstorms must have made walking most difficult and provided the setting for a fall on Jan. 4. Without any warning, down she went and broke her hip. Others know the routine after an operation of the days in rehab, and more recovery time indoors at home. It takes time, but she should be in great shape by now. Of course, our snow bunnies from NH think snow was especially made for skiing. Isn't it great that there isn't any age limit to the sports that we love so much? **Margot Thompson** in Denver, CO, put it this way, "Just finished Colby week in CO. **Anne Dwyer Milne** and **Jean Cragin Ingwersen** were here for a week of skiing. We had brunch with **Patricia "Trisha" Dobbs Montgomery '53** in



*Class of 1954 Mini-Reunion. These ladies from the class of 1954 recently got together for a mini-reunion. (L to r) Joan Batchelor Brown, Glenice Hobbs Harmon, Anne Batchelor DeGrazia and Jo-Anne Greene Cobban.*

Denver, as she wouldn't ski with us. We had several dinners and fun with **Noel Roe Wilson '53** in Winter Park. The rest of the time we skied, laughed and had a great week. In addition, Anne, Jean and **Janet Rich Nixon** hit the slopes at Mt. Sunapee over the winter. Anne wrote that she was enjoying the CSC Adventures in Learning program with a course on Russian history and culture. That reminded us, have you checked out the courses available for seniors provided by a college or university in your area? We have them in many areas of the north and take advantage of the offer provided in the fall and spring. We must keep up with the times and what an enjoyable way to do it. And best of all, most often there's no homework! In MA, **Arline Soderberg Ely** found the snow cover very good this year for cross country and downhill skiing. She was scheduled for leading a tour group April 1 to San Francisco, a Hawaiian cruise and to Las Vegas. Her son finished up his trip around the world, which he started in Oct. and ended in March. When not outdoors in the winter, there is paddle tennis indoors for **Natalie Langley Webster**, who lives in Portsmouth, NH, and her friends. When warmer weather comes around it is back to the hard court. They had a break for a time when **Sarah Bond Gilson, '53**, went off to FL, **Sandra Davis Carpenter, '55**, Nat and their husbands traveled to the Black Sea, and **Jean Cragin Ingwersen** and **Anne Dwyer Milne** headed for CO, and **Jane Shoemaker**

**Storm, '55**, was planning on attending reunions in Buffalo and skiing in NH. Some of us northerners take the winter time to work a bit more in our areas of special interest. **Joan Batchelor Brown** has been creating and painting her own Christmas, birthday and Valentine cards. She belongs to the Fan Association of North America that will gather in Portsmouth, NH, in the month of May. She has been honored with having her lighthouse painting transferred to a paper hand fan that will become favors at the table setting. Last fall Joan and Wen had the opportunity to view the Queen Mary 2 in South Portland, ME. Oh, for a class trip across the Atlantic on the Queen Mary 2! **Glenice Hobbs Harmon's** daughter and family moved to Salt Lake City the end of Oct., and they were missed at the family Christmas gathering. Val returned with the 2 grandchildren later on for a 5-day visit about the time Glen and Vic celebrated their 40th anniversary in Feb. A trip to SLC would be a nice way to check out the many interesting sites, the warm dry climate and the neighborhood the family has moved to. Could be they have that in mind already after Vic recovers from knee replacement surgery. Moving on to Traverse City, MI, **Emily Spencer Breaugh** mentioned that her FL daughter and family spent a long time cleaning up after being hit by the hurricanes. They in turn were enjoying the snow that fell on their area and planned to stay in the area until Sept. Their plans will include a visit to Sedona,

Lake Tahoe, OR and Seattle, where they will visit with family and a great-grandson. **Dorothy Colburn Holstine** lives in Alexandria, VA, so close to the many museums in Washington, DC, that we like to visit. As office manager at Morgan and Finnegan, Dot enjoys work and doesn't mind the monthly trips to the NY home office. Jon teaches college courses and is still involved with consulting. A trip to China was expected in Feb.-March, related to conferring degrees, a joint venture between US/China. Holidays find them spending time in NH and MA. A family reunion and celebration around New Year's with 3 grandchildren was enjoyed by all. Dotty added, "We are blessed with good health and we wish the same for all." Further south in Pinehurst, NC, **Barbara Rogers Berndt** wrote about the excitement of 2 new grandchildren in the family. Her son, Ed, and his wife, Robin, adopted Anna, age 10, and Peter, age 8, from Russia and were bringing the whole family in the spring for a visit. Mary Beth and her 3 children were also planning on attending and Barbara said she expected lots of action and noise when they all gather. **Anne Batchelor De Grazia** and her husband, Joe, traveled from their home in GA up north to Black Mt. and Table Rock in NC to view the fall foliage. Asheville's farmers market wasn't overlooked. Anne said she was about to share her excess supply of Christmas decorations. Sometimes it is hard to give away, except to charitable agencies that lack extra funds for such things. Other FL residents we heard from included **Shirley Wax Baron** of Key Biscayne, who enjoys playing golf more than tennis, but also keeps involved with duplicate bridge games. She and Bob are in good health, and with family nearby they get to enjoy the company of 3 grandsons. Boca Raton, FL, is where we find **Ruth Levy Schultz**. Please make a note in your CSC directory. She said her husband, Herbert, died of cancer in '99. Her traveling has included a 52-day cruise half way around the world and a journey with friends that stretched from Athens, Greece, to Bangkok. **Marian Tweedle Anderson** is

still living in Bay Square in Yarmouth, ME. She continues with her painting and we wonder if the 2 Maine Coon cats, Greta and Gregory, are subjects in any of her paintings? Nearby in Falmouth, ME, **Shirley Wright Cantara** and her husband, Bill, spent a month in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, and then the month of Jan. in Ft. Lauderdale and Palm Beach, FL. Now that Shirley knows that **Barbara Dennett Howard's** daughter lives nearby in Yarmouth, they hope that they can work out a plan to spend time together. A 70th birthday party, planned by the family of **Cynthia Ames Hill**, was held in Cooperstown, NY. She had visits with a cousin and a sister and their families while there, too. She celebrated Thanksgiving and Christmas with her family and Jan. 1 brought a new grandchild, born to Doug and Rachel, making a total of 8 grandkids for Cynthia. Holland in springtime of 2004 was delightful, reports **Helen Johnson Sargent**. Other events were the marriage of 2 grandsons. One took place in Boothbay Harbor, ME, and the other in Chicago. Looking forward, June will be Scott's 50th reunion at Bowdoin and their 50th anniversary is coming up in Nov. A 50th wedding celebration was held on New Year's Eve for **Carol Nelson Reid**. She and her husband were presented with a scrapbook full of photos and notes from friends and family that brought back many memories. Their calendar is marked for a cruise to Bermuda in June with another part of the family and more celebration. A drive to FL to spend time with friends and family was sometime during the winter, but doesn't appear that they plan to retire there. They are living in a retirement community in Peabody, MA, where they enjoyed meeting new people and considering it a new chapter in their life. Congratulations to all our classmates celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. The Alumni Office heard from **Joan Potter Nelson**, who wrote, "**Jane Shoemaker Storm** stopped by for lunch last summer. I also had lunch with **Sally Bassett Howe**, who volunteers one day each week at the new hospital in Brunswick." Joan is proud to announce the birth of

another grandson, Karl Gustav Potter Hinckley, last June. He is the 3rd son to her son, Bill, and his wife, Katarina. **Deborah Dow Mathes Brabec** wrote to the Alumni Office about the new directory, "It's a beautiful directory—thanks!" **Jane Turner Machain** has a new address in Gilford, NH, and you will want to mark that into your CSC directory. We tried so hard to place extra stickers or even additional scotch tape to hold our cards together, but still one side or the other got returned to us, so we know some of you never received the notice for submitting your news. We will keep trying to fix the problem. In the meantime, feel free to write to us anytime during the year. We are open to new ideas for subjects to cover, too. Hope your months ahead are healthy and peaceful. Look for us in your mailbox as we drop in for another visit later on in the year.

## 1955 Reunion

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I, **Diane Longmaid Kelly**, hope that the winter was not too hard on any of you. I am not wild about the snow or winter weather. The big event in my life was the retirement of our minister at the 1st Congregational Church in Norwalk, CT, after 42 years of service. Sitting in the congregation of approximately 600 people for Henry Yordan's last sermon was an old friend and his wife. She looked familiar, and then I found out that she graduated from Colby-Sawyer in '56. Her name was **Alma Gillespie** and she is now Mrs. Robert Neimeier. She and Bob are moving from NH to FL. She was married to Bob on July 24, 2004. I am sorry to say that **Barbara Middlebrook Sauer-Sandage** of South Burlington, VT, died at home on May 27, '01. Barbara was the owner of Sandage Advertising and Marketing, which she started in '79. Barbara earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from University of

VT and a master's of fine arts degree from Yale. Survivors include 3 daughters, a son, 2 sisters and 7 grandchildren. I was sorry to hear that **Judith Douvarjo Mitchell** had died March 9, '00. Also Charles Harmon, husband of **Marcia Symmes Harmon**, died Jan, 16, '05. Unfortunately we are all getting a little older, and I can only wish you all the best health possible. As I review names of our class members, it is interesting to note how well I knew some of them, and I think we would all agree that we never take long enough to know someone. I remember **Rosemary Carhart Keenan** well. She is spending the winter tucked away in her home in Sherrill, NY, and she will not be able to attend Reunion. **Lenice Peever Hicks** has been married to David for 50 years. What a milestone; congratulations. She has a great-grandchild due in Aug. Her husband is employed by NY Racing Assoc. and she is employed part-time at an insurance company in FL, where they live. She has a grandson in Iraq. She will take her family (22 of them) on a cruise to the Caribbean in July. **Chris Huckel Kinnamon** writes that her husband had a successful hip replacement in Jan. and the other was done in April. We wish you swift healing, Tom. She also shares that she was married 48 years as of Feb 23. What a milestone. Chris, I hope you are coming to Reunion. Chris still sings and is doing Beethoven's Ninth Symphony for the 20th year with her group and 25 years for the orchestra. She has 2 grandchildren, Samantha (23) and Matt (9). She feels blessed and she ought to. **Gretchen Davis Hammer** keeps busy with her grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Her youngest son was married in Sept., and many Colby Jr./Colby-Sawyer alumni were in attendance, all of whom are family. Gretchen is chair of the board at her local hospital in St. Johnsbury, VT. **Barbara Beecher Clark** and her husband, Ken, are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. **Connie Valpey Deschenes** had her work featured in a 3-generation photographic exhibit at the Virginia Carten Gallery in

Marblehead, MA, in Jan. The exhibit featured the work of Connie, her daughter, Linda, and her granddaughter, Kristen. **Marinda (Mindy) Helmer Beinert** writes that she is hoping to get to Reunion in June. We hope to see you there. My latest news is that I, **Diane Longmaid Kelly**, have been invited to illustrate a book for a reading specialist. It is a new adventure for me and I look forward to it. I hope to see you all during Reunion, June 3-5, in New London, NH! It will be great fun to renew old acquaintances. Blessings to you all.

*Please See In Fond Memory*

## 1956

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It's always fun to hear from classmates at Christmastime. **Carol Molander Linsley** reports all is well with her family. She has enjoyed lots of traveling, tennis skiing in VT. Carol was at her sister's home in New London for Thanksgiving. Carol says their home has a spectacular view of Mt. Kearsarge. Last Aug./Sept., Carol and Ralph enjoyed a delightful cruise circumnavigating the British Isles, concentrating on the outer island of Scotland. They enjoyed the trip and ship so much they signed on for 2 more cruises. They will cruise from India to Jordan in March and to the Black Sea in Oct. Carol has a son who is a geology professor and 2 other married children who also travel. Carol hopes to make our 50th if Ralph's Colgate reunion doesn't conflict. Hope it is on a different weekend, Carol. **Sally Marker Hayward** reports that her whole family met in "The Big Apple" for Thanksgiving to see the Macy's day parade, the Christmas show at Radio City, shopping at SOHO and just having a great time together. It was great to hear from Sally, but I was saddened to hear from her of the death of her very dear friend and our classmate, **Anne Wilcox Chapin**. Ed and I remember visiting Anne and Dick on the

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West Coast when we were first married. Ed flew to Okinawa a few days later and I joined him several months later to begin our married life. **Barbara Bradway Stone** recently enjoyed visits with 2 Colby-Sawyer alumnae. The first was with **Sallie Ward Moore '55** from Wilbraham, MA. They went to lunch and had the opportunity to catch up on what each has been up to since they both retired. "We found out we're both busier than ever!" said Barbara. The 2nd visit was with her niece, **Linda Hill Corthell '57**, who traveled from FL to Barbara's home in Tolland, CT, for a family reunion. Our sympathy goes out to **Gail Craven Watson** who lost her husband, Billy, in Aug. Gail's mom, who is 88, lives in Freeport, ME. Next time you visit your mom, please call me and we will have lunch. There are lots of good restaurants in Freeport. Gail said she will try to make our 50th. Our sympathy is also extended to **Sue Higi Clancy**, who lost her husband several months ago. Gaye LaCasce, director of alumni relations, **Pat Thornton** and I, **Nancy Hoyt Langbein**, met in Portsmouth, N.H. for lunch several weeks ago to start thinking about our big 50th reunion, June 2, 3 and 4, 2006. (Mark your calendars now!) We all had ideas, but will gather a committee together before planning further. We hope to get a great turnout of classmates. In honor of our 50th, we'd also like to encourage everyone to start thinking about really making a difference at the college with a special reunion gift. Thanks to all who sent words of encouragement when I had my knee replacement surgery. Anyone who is thinking of a "new knee," I highly recommend it. Life is so

much better and easier now. I wish I had done this several years ago. Hindsight is great, isn't it? Gaye LaCasce gave us the sad news that **Jean London '41** and Harold Currier had passed away recently. I never took a course from Miss London, but I remember cutting up a frog in biology (UGH). He made the class interesting though. Please send me news via e-mail, snail mail or I'd even love talking with you.

## 1957

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My old friend, **Janice Eaton Atkins**, writes that she and Courtenay are thoroughly enjoying their retirement after her teaching art at the elementary level and his working as a community college dean. Most recently Janice, a ceramic artist, had 2 shows. They traveled to CO for 2 weeks in July and stayed with **Debby Kent Springer** and Charlie and visited **Lois Hanewald Ward** and Gordon. Both couples have lovely homes with fabulous views in the mountains of Boulder. Sharol R. Stewart Images, a promotional advertising specialty business, just reached a 10 year anniversary. **Sharol Reed Stewart** is on the board for Southeastern CT Women's Network, where she was "honored for those who taught us to give," and is a member of the Greater Mystic Chamber of Commerce. **Jean Wheeler** says, "I can walk again!" She had relied on the use of crutches and a walker for 3 years due to 3 total hip replacements and a subsequent staph infection. She was hospitalized the

entire summer of '03. She has now recovered and was off to St. Thomas with **Judy Morrison Gentry** in Jan. **Susanne Schumann Fogelson** studied psychology in Germany after CJC, and then returned to graduate school at the U of MI, where she got her PhD in clinical psychology. She taught there until 1966 and at the U. of Chicago until 1970. She married and moved to Eugene, OR, opening a private practice, had 3 children, divorced and moved to Portland, where she retired 2 years ago and now studies art at Portland State U. She swims competitively with the masters swimmers program and is #3 in the world in her age group. (Go girl!) She travels a lot to 3rd world countries. **Gretchen Grohe Keyworth** is chief curator of Fuller Craft Museum in Brockton, MA, the only one in New England and one of 8 in the country. Her daughter, Kimberly, is a metal smith in Oakland, CA, and her son, Robert, is a software engineer. **Jane Baxter Richardson** moved to Wooster, OH, in '02, after her husband's death in '98. Prior to that they lived in Walnut Creek and Groveland, CA. Jane said, "Moving meant that I had to give up my machine quilting business, but there is plenty to keep me busy, plus I still quilt." Her youngest daughter is in CA and the other daughter lives near Philadelphia. After many years in Germany, Jane's son now lives in Buffalo, NY. Her oldest granddaughter is teaching special ed kids and the youngest is at Virginia Tech. She's looking forward to our next Reunion. **Joan Fullerton Lockhart's** "roomie" from CJC was **Martha Allen Combs** who is living in East Palm Springs, CA. **Linda Lamlein Gilman** earned a combined BFA with Colby-

Sawyer at the NY School of Interior Design/Manhattan in 1978 and became an allied member of ASID. Since then her career has been in retail home furnishings and she is still working full time. Her only son, Todd, is a librarian at Yale and is a candidate for a curator of rare books there. "My Colby-Sawyer education inspired me to be a life-long reader, for which I am eternally grateful," said Linda. **Paula Scammon Poire** retired after 43 years of working at the same medical office. Her last boss, a top-notch lady M.D., was born the day before she started working at the office and they worked 15 years together. She and her husband are enjoying their 4 grandchildren and just "hanging out." Her health prevents her from traveling to NH, although that's her home state. **Carol Morgan Southall** retired from her camp director job at Camp Onaway in Dec. 2003, after 20 years. She went to Kenya last winter and worked in a bush hospital and assisted in teaching solar cooking. She is a grandmother of triplets and a 4-month old. She's just beginning to get the hang of retirement. **Judy Lynah Wheeler** retired from teaching 1st grade after 35 years. She belongs to a bridge group, bowling group and health club. She and **Barb Tucker** and 5 Lexington girls went to Tuscany in Sept. and had a wonderful time. **Lois Hanewald Ward** wrote, "Last fall we had an outstanding trip with 'People to People' Ambassador Program to South Africa. Not only did we see lots of animals, but we learned so much of the history and culture of the people. My eyes were opened to the AIDS epidemic and the tremendous suffering of the African people." Lois still keeps busy with her art. She saw **Jan Eaton Atkins** and **Debby Kent Springer** last summer. Lois has 5 grandchildren, 3 of whom are in Boulder. I, Jill, had the opportunity to see Lois' art exhibited when I visited Debby a couple of years ago. It was just wonderful; Lois is very talented. Debby is also a wonderful talent in multi-subject art. **Barbara Chandler Kimm** shares, "We recently sold our home and moved to a condo while we continue to spend our summers

on the St. Lawrence River. I continue my healthcare affiliation as a family advocate in the Syracuse hospital where I was employed for many years. I also serve on the Board of Trustees of the Frederic Remington Museum in Ogdensburg. My 1st grandchild arrived this spring at 7 months and is doing wonderfully well." **Leslie Wright Dow** writes, "My husband, Bill, and I continue to enjoy our new home, 30 miles north of Charlotte in a lake/golf course community. I continue my architectural photography on a more limited basis and fill my extra time with golf and community involvement. My involvement in CSC is very important to me. In my final 3-year-term on the Board of Trustees, we have such remarkable changes on campus. I urge all my classmates to visit and see for yourselves." **Kim Yaksha Whiteley** wrote that she was about to head off for Croatia, Slovenia and Hungary, with Elderhostel. She plans to fill us in on her trip for our next column. A separate letter from **Robin McDougal**, who traveled with Kim, adds to Kim's news of how beautiful those areas were. Robin wrote, "Kim and I were both Pi Phi's at the University of CO. We attended every school together, from elementary, jr. high, high school, Colby and U. of CO, where we both graduated in 1959." Both of Robin's handsome sons (she sent a photo) live in CA, one in San Jose and the other close by, teaching at U. of Santa Cruz. Robin works with refugees, both from the Sudan and from Bosnia, through her church. She rides bikes extensively, when her arthritic knee isn't bothering her. Creatively, Robin photographs flowers and landscapes and gives them as note cards and presents. **Suzanne Vander Veer** writes, "I've retired from my au pair business and am planning trips for the Junior League of Philadelphia and the Cosmopolitan Club. I'm also chairing the graduate guides of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. I would love to see Colbyites for our next Reunion." **Anne Reed Fox** raised one son, Jeff, and has 2 grandchildren with another on the way. She had 6 emergency eye surgeries to save her eyesight. She worked several jobs, including working with animals at a

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## Colby-Sawyer Alumni Night at the Manchester Monarchs

Several Colby-Sawyer alumni and friends gathered in January for Colby-Sawyer Alumni Night at the Manchester Monarchs hockey game in Manchester, N.H.



Anne Baynes Hall '67 (l) and Deb Schofield Reed '00.



Paula Anderson Bothfeld '56 and her husband, Hank.



(L to r) Lucia Savage '02, Ben Reeder '99 and Justin Svirsky '03.



Michelle Souriolle Boucher '97 (l) and Amie Pariseau Ellis '97.

veterinary hospital. I couldn't read some of her job history, which was extensive, so maybe you could call or write, Anne, so I could include it next time. Elaine "Buzzy" Mecca Madden visited her old room in Burpee in the fall and had a long chat with the young man occupying it, whose mom also attended CJC. Elaine is still working full time as an economic development senior planner for the city of Cambridge, MA. Her other careers were being a 6th grade teacher and a banker/commercial lender. Her grandchildren are Sam, 11, who started Milton Academy, Annie, 7, and Julia, 2. Renee Keller Hill lost her beloved mother-in-law at 98. Her own mom is 97 and in a nursing home. She and Larry traveled to Thailand, AZ, Bangkok, DC, Boulder (where her daughter Wendy lives) and also spent a week in Estes Park with their son, Charles. They plan to downsize and are looking at southwestern VA, near Shenandoah Valley. This past summer Barbara Tucker

biked 160 miles in the Lombardi area of Italy, and then joined 4 classmates from the 3rd grade in Lexington, MA, for 8 days in Tuscany. One of those ladies was Judy Lynch Wheeler '57, also a CJC roommate. The group enjoyed lots of laughs and wine. Barbara sees Nancy Hoyt Langbein '56 and her husband, Ed, around Brunswick, ME, and always at the women's ice hockey games. This year Judith Morrison Gentry received her marriage and family therapy license, as well as the MN teacher's certificate to teach K-6, so it's been a busy year for her. She continues her career as an assessment and development consultant. Judith enjoys caring for her 22-month-old grandson. This summer will mark Adelaide "Happy" Anthony Griffith's 19th year as an herbalist at the Enfield Shaker Museum in Enfield, NH. She is still giving workshops and classes on herbs throughout New England. Happy also has a small business, Happy Ventures, for which she makes

healing salve, lip balms and potpourri. Diana Caddy Litten has lived in New Zealand since 1965, and has been retired for the last 8 years. She has 3 sons. Christopher is a research chemist for various pharmaceutical companies throughout the world. This has given Diana and her husband the opportunity to visit him in Berne, Switzerland, and Stockholm, Sweden. He's now living back in New Zealand, which Diana likes, as it gives her an opportunity to spend time with her only grandsons. Diana's son, Jeremy, is a property developer in Cairns, Australia, and son Gregory is a supervisory park ranger at the Grand Canyon. Gregory was recently married. Diana writes, "If anyone is coming to New Zealand and would like to contact us for information or whatever, I'd love to hear from you." My news is that I, Jill Booth Macdonell, continue to do black and white documentary photography/photojournalism with poor and homeless people in Sacramento.

I recently photographed a series of a 9-year-old girl injecting insulin early morning on the streets, waiting for a new shelter with her mom. My photos are used to raise peoples' consciousness to the marginalized people, at exhibits, churches, schools, etc. I'm enjoying my 1-year-old-grandson, and a 2nd grandchild was due in May. My very good friend forever, Cindy Grindrod van der Wyk, writes the class of 1958 news. We stay in close touch. Sally-Ann Winslow Holladay passed away Nov. 16, '04. The services were scheduled at the Little White Chapel in Burbank, CA, Dec. 11, '04. Our greatest sympathy goes to her family. Please send your news, plus current address, telephone number, e-mail address, plus your maiden name and married name. And thank you to all who responded with your interesting news for this newsletter.

## 1958

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I would love to hear from anyone; send me news! (Editor's note: an easy way to share class news is via the new on-line alumni directory. Visit it today at [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc).) Here's my (Cindy Grindrod van der Wyk) news: we are still working, and have many interesting projects, as usual. We are currently working with an account called Waterworld Waterpark, in the country of Cyprus. We visited there once—it was oh, so beautiful. The company now has bought an indoor waterpark in Germany, so we make their banners also. We continue to manufacture all of the flags for U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary boats... the boats that help the Coast Guard protect our shores. We celebrated our 25th year and have enjoyed every minute of it, but are still looking for a buyer for the business. I attended the wedding of the son of my Colby-Sawyer roommate, Jill Booth Macdonnell '57. The wedding was held in Sacramento.

I was Jill's matron of honor 45 years ago—yipes! There are no changes in our family except that Brittany, our oldest grand-daughter, is now 18. She is followed by Eryn, 15, and Brandon, 11. Our youngest daughter is fostering black labs and placing them in good homes. We just returned from the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN; what an experience. I ask everyone for positive thoughts for my husband's recovery. Last year I sold my mom's house in Syracuse, NY, the house that I grew up in... another chapter closed. Most of us have had to deal with the passing of our parents; we can all relate to how very much we miss them. **Martha Reed Jennings** has been retired for a year and finds herself muttering the often-used phrase, "How did I ever have time to work?" The Alumni Office received a note from **Sally Heyn Short**, who was alerted by **Sandy Powell Durling** that she was listed as "lost" in the new alumni directory. Sally still lives in TX, but now resides about 60 miles north of Houston. She writes, "My husband, Phil, and I moved in '97. We lost our oldest child, Stephen, to melanoma on his 40th birthday in 2002 which, of course, was a great tragedy. We have two daughters, one of whom is married with two wonderful children—Andrew (7) and Abby (almost 5). They bring us great enjoyment. Phil and I are active in golf and various local happenings." Sally finishes her note by saying, "My 2 years at Colby, from '56 to '58, continue to hold wonderful memories for me." That's all, folks. Please be in touch.

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## 1959

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Having reached the age of 65, **Judith Dexter Hoag** is winding down her non-profit career. She is currently working with a housing program for people with AIDS. Judith shares some news about her family, writing, "My son, who has struggled with schizophrenia for 17 years, lives nearby and is doing better following a 2-year medication crisis. I have one absolutely gorgeous 7½-year-old grand-daughter, Isabel, and one handsome Italian Spinone granddog named Scooby."

## 1960

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I am so sorry that I missed the last class notes. I must have been traveling, as I did quite a lot last year. Our condolences to the families of **Caroline Toby Deforest**, who passed away Nov. 28, 2000, and to **Emmie Merritt Cobb**, whose mother passed away in Dec. 2004. **Jerry Anderson Rosavage** moved to a new home in Virginia Beach on June 19, 2004, and her husband, Dick, died suddenly of a heart attack 8 days later. Our belated condolences to her. She and Dick had been married for 41 years. She has a daughter and 3 grandchildren who live within 10

miles of her new home. Jerry has written 2 books that she has not published. I hope she will continue to write and to be published. Thanks for your note, Jerry. **Judy Provandie Johnson** e-mailed to let me know that she, **Carol Sherman House**, **Claire Lippincott Flowers**, **Carole Whittemore Todd** and **Meri Skeels Nielson** had a mini-reunion. She sent me a picture, but at that time my computer was dying and I did not receive it. Hope they had a great time and we hope to see them at our 45th Reunion in June. I received a wonderful letter from **Sally Kimball Campbell**. She urges us all to do breast exams and have a mammogram, as she discovered early that she had breast cancer. She is doing very well, which is great news. Sally is still working with Community Education in Acton, MA. Her husband, Tom, is very busy with Softscape and does a lot of traveling. He was recently in London and Hong Kong. He helps their son, Tommy, with his landscaping business. Tommy works for Fidelity Investments during the week. Sally and Tom's girls, Karen and Susan, are both well. Karen works for Cape Cod Child Development and also for Chatham Water Tours during the summer. Susan has 2 girls, Kelsie and Brooke, who are into everything. See you at Reunion, Sally. I have seen my roommate, **Gale Hartung Baldwin**, several times this past year. She performed a brief service for the committal of my Dick's ashes. I found her a Newfoundland puppy, which she has named Grace. Gale is chaplain on the Trauma Pastoral Care Team at the Bridgeport, CT, Hospital. She also began her ministry as parish associate for Caring Ministries with the Norton, CT, Presbyterian Church. Gale has served as a deacon, Stephen Minister and parish visitor for the church. She received her MSW from Fordham University. Her daughter, Emily, graduated from UVM and now works in Washington, DC, for the White House Day Care, while pursuing her MSW. Josh, Gale's son, is a paramedic in Stamford and Darien, CT. Nothing like seeing the ambulance pull into their driveway as Josh comes home to say hello! We have fun visits.

**Judy Butler Shea** wrote that she would like to dedicate a chair in **Joan Perry MacDermott's** name as a part of our reunion gift. It is a wonderful idea and we will work on it. Her son, Jimmy, opted not to go to the World Cup Skeleton races this year. Maybe he is saving himself for the 2006 Olympics! Judy's mother is 90 and Jim's is 93; bless them. Judy's daughter, Susan, has 2 school-age boys, who are into ice hockey. There is a statue in progress for Zion's Bank, Park City, UT, that shows the 3 generations of Shea athletes: Jimmy, his dad (Judy's husband), Jim, and granddad Jim. She is planning on being at Reunion. I talked to **Judy Godden**, who has a home in Melvin Village, near Wolfeboro, NH. She reported that **Nancy Weston Lidedas** is building a big home in Greece overlooking the sea. **Roberta Panebianco Hobby** teaches piano and does environmental work. **Sally Stevens Johnson Rood** works at a tennis club doing statistics for members. Her husband is a manufacturer's representative. Sally has 2 daughters. Speaking of daughters, mine (**Patty Canby Colhoun**), Ann Dushane, received her master's in international business management from Thunderbird and also the top graduate award. She is starting a new job with Control Solutions International and will work in Marseille, France, for her 1st assignment. She is one of the reasons I traveled so much last year, but I also took a cruise to AK, sailing from Seattle. I did talk with **Emmie Merritt Cobb** while there. I also took my Wheaten terrier pup to "Camp Gone to the Dogs" in Stowe, VT. She became a therapy dog. I went to a family wedding in the Atlanta area, enjoyed Thanksgiving with my son and daughter-in-law in Denver, and Christmas with my children and their father in Kansas City. There were 6 adults and 5 dogs. A fun time was had by all. I have been very busy as chairman of the annual fund drive for the YMCA. That was only one of the hats I wore for them. We enjoyed a lovely winter, lots of needed snow this year. I look forward to seeing many of you at our 45th Reunion. June 3-5.

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## 1961

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In Aug., **Martha Clark** and I enjoyed having lunch with **Susie Heath Bint** in Concord, NH. It was a very special time for the 3 of us as it has been years since we have been together. My husband, Verne, and I had the pleasure of attending the dedication of the Curtis L. Ivey Science Center at Colby-Sawyer on Sept. 17. There were tours, demonstrations, and a lovely reception. This huge facility (33,000 square feet) was the gift, in part, of Curtis and Doris Ivey in memory of their 2 children who passed away in 1998 and 2001. This new building has 6 classrooms and 8 labs. It also has a lecture hall and study areas. The new science center will not only benefit Colby-Sawyer, but the entire community. The campus was buzzing with activity on Family Weekend, held Oct. 8 and 9. The weather was good and the trees were bursting with color. My husband and I served as greeters at the Family, Faculty & Staff Social, held in Wheeler Hall in Ware Campus Center. It was a well-attended event and a fun one to be part of. **Betsy Burbank Busse** remarried in 2002 to David Busse and they have moved to Dallas, TX. Her oldest son, Ernest Sink, is a children's orthopedic doctor in Denver, CO. Her son, Todd, and his wife, Heidi, are expecting twins, Betsy's 1st grandchildren. Son Jim Sink lives in Austin, TX,

and will be married in 2005. Betsy is in commercial real estate with Sperry Van Ness in Dallas. She often sees **Susan Lawsing Dow**, **Lynne Russell Pillsbury** and **Pat Mahoney Quadland**. After being an emergency room nurse for nearly 20 years, **Judy Wood Cole** is now a nurse practitioner at a family practice in NH. After 43 years of marriage, Judy and her husband, Peter, still ski, snowslide, hike, bike and travel. They have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren. I attended a lovely reception at the home of President Anne Ponder on Dec. 1. It was for the Colby-Sawyer graduates who reside in the Upper Valley/Lake Sunapee area. It is always a fun time and a great start to the holiday season. I was most surprised and pleased to hear from **Sandy Dantona Williams**. Sandy and her husband, Art, resided in Croton-on-Hudson, NY, for 30 years. They are now retired and back in Holden, MA. They have 3 children and 7 grandchildren. Their daughter, Laura, and their son, Chris, live nearby. Son Greg now lives in Atlanta, so they will have a nice spot to travel to. It was also nice to hear from **Susan Kershaw Brostoff**. Su and her husband, Stu, have lived in Atlanta for 24 years. Both their daughter, Amy, and their son, Jeff, live in the area. Amy is married and has 3 children, and Jeff is engaged and will be married next year. The Brostoffs have purchased a 2nd home on the Cape and enjoy summers there. Su keeps in touch with **Jane Mullen Hildreth** and **Carolyn Stanton Pierce**. I heard via the Alumni Office that Mary Tobey has passed away. She was the mother of **Susan Clark Tobey**, now deceased. Memorial contributions may be made to the Susan Clark Tobey Memorial Scholarship Fund, Colby-Sawyer College, 541 Main Street, New London, NH 03257. Another death to report is that of Harold Currier of New London. Mr. Currier was our biology and zoology professor at Colby from 1947-1979. Mrs. Currier passed away in 1994 and was also one of our professors.

## 1962

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**Sherry Smith Hayes** recently returned home to Dayton, OH, from FL, where she saw **Lynn Reno Peirce '63**, who had 6 Colby friends visiting her in Vero Beach. Sherry keeps very busy with being in an investment club, garden club, formed a book club, 2 bridge groups, plays golf, loves to travel, etc. She has 2 daughters, a stepson, and 2 grandchildren. **Christy Hale Riker** has retired after 22 years of teaching preschool. She is enjoying her 2 grandsons, with 2 more grandchildren on the way. She and her husband, Bill, are moving to Cochiti Lake, NM, which is south of Santa Fe. They had lived in Pittsburgh for over 30 years and look forward to this new adventure. She just returned from a fabulous trip with her 5½-year-old grandson to Disneyworld and suggests that every grandmother do this! Christy and Bill sponsor a Navajo student from Chinle, AZ, through Futures for Children. If any alum would like more info about this wonderful program, she would be glad to share info with them. **Jill Schofield Wainwright** visited us in sunny FL a few weeks ago. She is still with the Brockton, MA, school system, testing preschool children, but is looking for an early retirement package, should one be offered. After all these years, 56 to be exact, Jill and I (**Gail Graham**) still summer on Cape Cod right down the street from each other. **Beverly Brookfield Kinraide** is now retired from her Unitarian ministry. Her daughter, Jerusha, teaches chemistry at Lexington (MA) High School, and her daughter, Rebecca, has nearly finished her PhD. Beverly has 2 grandsons: 5-year-old Duncan and 2-year-old Matthew. After 22½ years, **Barbara Stone**

**Ramsay** retired from Deerfield Academy in mid-Dec. She and her husband, Joe, look forward to being able to travel in the fall and spring—their favorite seasons. She is also anxious to spend more time in her gardens, on the golf course, and taking courses in subjects she has wanted to pursue over the years. “Of course, spending more time with my grandchildren is a huge priority,” she says. **Joyce Rogers Harrington** has sold the Helmcken Falls Lodge and is now living in Clearwater, BC, Canada. She writes, “I am living in a rented trailer at the south end of Clearwater while I decide what I want to do when I grow up this time. I am truly enjoying having my own space, instead of living next to my office with staff wandering by my door all the time. For the short term, I am focusing on exercise, friends and family, reading and projects that have been waiting for me. Reality says I will have to look for work by spring. In the meantime, I am really enjoying my freedom!” A note from the Alumni Office: after the publication of the new alumni directory, we discovered that **Patricia Bryant Webber** has a new mailing address and phone number in CA. Contact the Alumni Office for the update if you'd like to be in touch with Pat. **Karen Loder Davis** wrote to the Alumni Office in Feb., saying that she really wanted to attend Ski Day at Mt. Sunapee, but her work just wouldn't allow it. “As geriatric education coordinator at a small non-profit on the Cape, I'm up to my ears planning 5 trainings. Bottom line...I can't in good conscience get away. I'm very disappointed, not having skied at Sunapee since graduating in 1962! I would have enjoyed connecting with present and former students.” Maybe next year, Karen! The new alumni directory contained a big surprise for **Catharine Cannon Reese**. Catherine has spent the past 25 years as senior administrator in a 3-doctor oral and maxillofacial surgery office handling, as she says, “every possible problem you could imagine in the present-day healthcare environment.” The directory listed her as working in firefighting and prevention! I suppose in a busy medical

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practice you must daily "put out fires," as the saying goes, but how the directory publisher managed to change your career is amazing! Our apologies.

## 1963

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Finally, I had enough time to meet the deadline for class notes but, unfortunately, only a small percentage of classmates have entered their e-mail addresses in the online alumni directory at [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc). If you have internet access (and you should, it's a great communication medium), please enter your information in the directory. I'm sure we all want to know what and how you're doing as we go into our older years. Personally, I, **Donna Dederick Ward**, have never felt better about my life! I've been spending 6 months, summer and fall, in the Manchester, VT, area and 6 months, winter and spring, in Naples, FL. It's taken my husband, Cliff, and me lots of time and effort to be able to split our seasons this way. We love it! Cliff had quad-bypass surgery last spring, so we've had to slow down somewhat. We also like to spend the in-between times in Tahoe City, CA, where both our kids and respective spouses live. Our daughter is expecting our 1st grandchild in Aug. We are semi-retired; working part-time jobs in FL and then running a horse farm/guest house in VT. We sold our Inn in VT; too bad most of you missed the CJC discount. But don't fret; our farm in southwestern VT horse country will be open as a guest house from June

through Oct. Come visit with us. From another great winter place, **Joanie Gibney Whittaker** e-mailed from Tucson, AZ. Their favorite activities are hiking, golfing, and having visitors to enjoy the climate. Their son, Rob, and daughter, **Sue Whittaker DiFatta '97**, will visit this winter. They have 2 granddaughters and another grandchild on the way. **Karen Archambault Hubbard** and her husband still live in Chester, CT, and plan to retire there. In the meantime, she is a volunteer coordinator for a hospice. They enjoy golfing and kayaking. Their daughter, living in San Francisco, is an assistant director to Peer Resources educational program. Their son is a professor at the U of Chicago and is expecting their 1st granddaughter. **Sandy Newbert Fitts** also winters in FL. She and her husband, Jeff, love to play golf. They go to Sarasota winters and summers in Framingham, MA, and Wolfeboro, NH. Jeff has had some cardiac problems, but he should be on the links soon. **Debby Morgan Lazoff** e-mailed that she has lots of family in MA who winter in FL. She said that **Barbara McLeod Martin** winters there, too. Debby lives in Jacksonville, FL. She has 10 grandchildren from her 3 children. In the summer, they go to Sapphire Valley, NC. She invites classmates in the area to come visit. Jack and **Bea Campbell Kempster** are still enjoying FL and retirement after 3 years. Things get crowded when family visits over the holidays, but they enjoy their small house the rest of the time. After hearing about all the retirees and semi-retirees, **Bonnie Doe Scarpelli** e-mailed from Portland, ME, that she still is raising her son, who will graduate from high school this June.

She is a professional singer, singing as a guest artist for symphony orchestras, opera companies and community groups. She teaches voice part-time. She and her husband, Tony, love living in Portland, where there's a lot going on; never a dull moment. **Sandra Newbert Fitts** says she survived 2004 with the help of 3 grandchildren and 2 new knees. She sends her best to all of her classmates. **Susan Willets Wyler** wrote, "Where's the Burpee group from the class of 1963?" To all the classmates who responded, thanks! For the rest, update your directory records in the online directory and respond with your news for the next *Alumni Magazine*.

## 1964

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**Jensine Dodge Allyn** and her husband are now spending their winters in AZ and their summers in VT. They feel blessed to be able to divide their time between 2 such beautiful and diverse areas.

## 1965

Class Correspondent Needed

**Nancy Sawyer Wadsworth** has been married to her high school sweetheart, Ed, for 36 years. They have 3 grown daughters and 4 wonderful grandchildren. Nancy is grateful for their good health and loving family. **Holly Biddle** has been a realtor for 15 years. She sells in the seacoast of NH and ME. She has 4 grown children and 3 grandchildren, all of whom live in VA and PA. **Gail Taylor Meyer** and her husband, John, moved from the Berkshires in western MA to the seacoast in Stratham, NH. They are enjoying NH and hope to get to New London this spring to see all of the changes at Colby-Sawyer since 1965! **Nancy Morgan Young** and her husband, Hap, will celebrate their 38th wedding anniversary in June. They have been living in Vail, CO, for the

past 8 years, where Nancy is the director of development for Vail Mountain School, a K-12 independent school. Their 3 grown children and their families, which include 5 grandchildren, also live in CO. Their grandchildren range in age from 4 years old to 6 months old. After 35 years as a licensed, clinical social worker, **Mary Kenison** has joined the ranks of the retired, and she is enjoying every minute of it. Mary has moved to the Northeast Kingdom of VT, which has provided her the opportunity to enjoy year-round access to the lakes and mountains. She sends her best to everyone in the class of '65. After many years in Groton Long Pt., CT, raising their daughter, and enjoying the area, **Marcia Hall Howe** and her husband, Jeff, sold their home upon his retirement. They purchased a large RV and went full-time RVing in 1999. Since then they have enjoyed their travels all over the country. Their daughter, Karrie, is married and lives in Tampa, FL, where they visit as often as possible. **Penny Odell** and her future husband, Graham Ingels, reside in Newtown, CT, with their 3 dogs. Penny teaches English at Masuk High School in Monroe, CT. She is looking forward to retirement within the next 5 years. She has 4 children, 1 boy and 3 girls, and her first grandchild was due to be born in April. **Joyce Clark Follet** is teaching women's history at Smith College. She is also working on the production of a historical documentary film, and developing the archival resources of the Sophia Smith Collection to reflect the economic, racial and sexual diversity of US women. **Rosalie Belanger Sorenson's** first grandchild, baby girl Margaux, was born in Feb. 2003. Twin boys, Trevor and Evan, were born to her daughter in March 2003. Rosalie's fourth grandchild is due in July. Her son, Christopher, was married in Aug. 2003, so it was a very busy year for her. Rosalie enjoys her activities at church, where she serves as a Deacon and works on parish care. **Susan Robinson Garriss** is an ESL teacher and her husband is a pastor. They have 4 children: a daughter in the Air Force, a daughter working in real estate,

a son who works as a physical therapist, and a son studying abroad in New Zealand. They also have 3 grandchildren. Since Colby Junior, Susan has enjoyed living in MA, ID, GA, TX, AR, WV, and VA, as well as Iran, Switzerland, Germany and Korea. She would love to hear from her Colby classmates! **Susan Feltham Kenyon** is nearing retirement from her long-term sales career, selling Olympus microscopes and digital imaging cameras. Her husband, Keith, has been retired for 2 years now. Their retirement plans are to remain in upstate NY, as they still think snow is beautiful! They recently purchased a Kubota tractor with air conditioning and heat for the mowing and snow blowing. Susan's niece, Caitlin Rawson, daughter of the late **Patricia Feltham Rawson '67**, Susan's sister, lives nearby. **Darcy Holland** continues to enjoy her 5-year-old business, Solution for Life-Long Living, an independent eldercare management business. She does take the time to participate in other activities throughout the year, including the Great Escape MS Bike ride from Boston to Provincetown, MA, a choral week in the Berkshires and this year in England, as well as skiing and hiking. **Julie Slocum Dahlgren** has retired after 34 years of teaching. She is presently on the board of trustees for the Blaine Co. School District in Ketchum, ID. **Lois Gilbert-Fulton** just loves being a grandmother to 8-month-old Kaileigh, daughter of **Chris Fulton '96** and his wife, Kath. Lois is enjoying assisting in a special ed classroom in her hometown. The job allows her to keep an "eagle eye" on her 14-year-old son, Tom. Jim, Lois's husband, enjoys teaching high school math in Springfield. **Susan Thomas Maloney** reports that she still loves her Jupiter, FL, lifestyle. She recently purchased a boat and plans on taking it up the Intracoastal, and living on it this summer in the Boston Harbor Shipyard and Marina. "Give a call," she says. **Ann Gorman Schenck** retired 4 years ago and now spends her time doing volunteer work, including serving on the DE State Arts Council, as well as other arts and social service organizations and

boards. Her husband, Tim, retired early from Du Pont and is teaching part-time in Wilmington. Their daughter, Sarah, is an internist, practicing in Wellesley, while her husband is a critical care pulmonologist. **Susan Lamson Strickler** has been living in Wilmington, NC, since 1983. She is working as a bereavement coordinator for Lower Cape Fear Hospice & Life Care Center. In Sept., she and another therapist, Deborah Bowen, had a book published by Augsburg Fortress Press. The book is titled *A Good Friend For Bad Times; Helping Others Through Grief*. They have had a good response and enjoy doing book signings and speaking engagements. Susan's husband, Herb, has been with GE for 38 years, so retirement is in his near future. The Stricklers have 2 sons. Brooks is married and lives outside NYC, and Nathan is living in Wilmington, DE, and will be married in Oct. Both sons are engineers. **Ann Hodgkinson-Low** has been very busy and dedicated to the Stratton Foundation, a local non-profit organization that raises funds for charities in her community. Having served on the board of directors for 7 years, Ann's areas of concentration have been development and board development. Ann says she is living a wonderful retired life from the corporate art business. She enjoys traveling with her husband, Cal, as well as skiing, golfing, biking and tending to her garden. She hopes to make it to Reunion in June to visit with her friends from long ago. **Lee Hodgman Rush** and her husband, Joe, are retired and enjoy the "snowbird" life of spending winters in Stuart, FL, and summers in New Milford, CT. Both of their sons have returned to the U.S. after studying abroad. Garrett and his wife, who live in the DC area, have delighted Lee and Joe with the birth of a granddaughter. Son Scott is a PhD candidate at the U of GA. "At last we have great reasons to enjoy our trips up and down the east coast!" Lee says. **Ruth Elliott Holmes** looks forward to seeing many friends at Reunion in June, where she will offer a presentation on handwriting analysis.

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**Looking Good.** Linda Brooks Hiross '66 with her granddaughter, Julia, and her mother, Ellen, at Ellen's 90th birthday party. This photo was submitted by Sue Chapman Melanson, who wrote, "I thought you'd all like to see how unbelievably terrific Linda Brooks Hiross looks these days."

## 1966

Class Correspondent Needed

**Carolyn Basqui McGraw** enjoys volunteering for a charity called "Stitches From the Heart," which makes hand-knit and crocheted items for preemies and newborns in hospitals all over the country. She also volunteers in the pediatric ward at UCLA's Children's Hospital. Carolyn keeps in touch with her "roomie," **Anne Grosmere Pomeroy Berndt**. **Susan Schauman Paull** is a varsity field hockey and lacrosse coach at Duxbury High School in MA. She was named the 2004 Coach of the Year by the *Boston Globe* for girls' lacrosse. Susan has recently started her own business, Helping Hands of Duxbury, a non-medical assistance company for the elderly. **Deborah Gale French** and her husband, Jim, will be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary on Oct. 21. They have been living in Doylestown, PA, for 34 years. Deborah is a paralegal working for the county government as a judicial secretary. Jim is in the men's clothing business and sells to Nordstroms in 5 states. Their 35-year-old daughter, Jodie, and her husband, Kevin, will be moving to Italy from Washington, DC, for 3 years. They'll leave on Aug. 1 with their fraternal twins, Ava and Ethan, who were born

Sept. 27, 2004. Deborah and Jim's son, Rick, and his wife, Liz, have 3 children: 8-year-old Sam, 6-year-old Emma, and 2-year-old Ruby. They live in Ambler, PA, 30 minutes from Deborah and Jim. **Kay McDowell Nicklas** sends a hello and reports that not much is new with her. Your former class correspondent, **Linda Brooks Hiross**, reports that her mother broke her hip last Sept., but recovered well enough to celebrate her 90th birthday Dec. 4. Linda continues to work for the Association Board at Lake of the Woods. She also writes articles for the local newsletter, "Lake Currents," and is very active in the local Sierra Club doing hospitality, fundraising and treasurer duties. Linda's first grandson, Eric, turned 1 on March 7, and Linda says he is an absolute joy! **Susan Heath Everett** and her husband of 39 years, Jol, live in Eastham, MA, on Cape Cod. They are both retired and enjoy their life on the Cape, both during the summer and winter. Their son, Andrew, and his wife, Elise, live in Charlottesville, VA, with their daughter, Tess, who was born Nov. 15, 2004. The Everetts daughter, Christy, and her husband, Nick, live in Anchorage, AK, and have 1 son, Elias, born Feb. 2, 2004. Susan and Jol enjoy visiting their children and grandchildren. **Barbara "Babbie" Dorman Conroy** and her

husband, Frank, returned to Essex, CT, 2 years ago to be near the ocean and their 5-year-old granddaughter, Amy. Babbie has been substitute teaching while trying to procure a full time elementary teaching position, and Frank has an art studio in Essex, where he does his master engraving. Babbie wrote, "We spent some time in ME last summer visiting **Carlyn Cleaves Watts** and her family in Otisfield, ME. **Nancy Fitzherbert Walker '67** and her husband were visiting from England. It made for a fun reunion. We stopped to see **Betsy Cochran Jones** in West Southport, ME, on our way to Boothbay Harbor, where we met up with **Peggy MacDonald**. It was great to see so many CJC friends in one summer!" **Ann Blackman Putzel's** latest book, *Wild Rose: Rose O'Neal Greenhow, Civil War Spy*, will be published by Random House on June 7. It is the true story of a prominent Washington woman who supplied information to Confederate General Beauregard that helped the South win the first battle of the Civil War. Ann spent 3 years researching and writing the book, which will be launched at the International Spy Museum in Washington in early June. **Kathie Kock Hewko** completed another Golden Gate Swim this year, marking 30 consecutive years and a total of 35 swims. Last summer she completed a roundtrip Alcatraz swim in 1 1/2 hours, knocking 1 hour off her time of 25 years ago. Kathie's husband, Emil, has joined her real estate business. They are now Team Hewko, selling real estate in Sonoma and Marin counties in CA. Visit their Web site at [www.kathiehewko.com](http://www.kathiehewko.com). (Ed. note: Apologies to Kathie, who somehow was given a new nickname—Katie—by the company that produced the new Alumni Directory. We all still call her Kathie!) **Jane Sleege Charlesworth** sent along a note to **Susan Ramsey Knaysi** reading, "Don't take us off your Christmas card list! David is still determined to get ours out, so be on the lookout for it! I think of you often and miss you. Our new address is 5 Kittanset Rd., Bedford, NH 03110." **Susan Merritt McIlvaine** continues to

teach 1st grade at Meadowbrook School. She says working with young children is a joy. "It has definitely helped me get through 6 devastating months in 2004," she says. "We lost my husband's mother, our 28-year-old youngest son, and my mother during that time." Our condolences to you, Susan. In July 2004, **Charlotte Sobe** became director of planned giving at Suffolk University in Boston. She enjoys working with a dynamic advancement team, and loves working in downtown Boston. Charlotte has 2 granddaughters, ages 1 and 2 1/2 years old. She reports that one of them lives nearby in Brookline, MA, while the other lives in Madison, WI. **Carolyn Brown** is teaching ESOL through Laconia High School's adult education program. Her students have hailed from Kosovo, Brazil, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, China, Laos and Vietnam. **Antoinette Curtis Ledzian** has lived in Stonington, CT, for almost 30 years. She owns a small art business called "A Writer's Garden," and is trademarked as "The Journal Lady®." For the past 8 years, she has run a summer camp for 9- to 12 year old children, where the focus is on writing, painting and design. Visit her Web site at [www.journalady.com](http://www.journalady.com) and enjoy the tour! Antoinette's mother, **Ann Norton Merrill '44**, lives

in Contoocook, NH, and at the ripe age of 80, still enjoys an occasional game of tennis! Antoinette's husband, Richard, is a partner in paint. 2004 was an up and down year for **Natalie Rice Ireland**. Her son, John, and his wife, Annie, gave Natalie her 1st grandchild, William Robert Cabell Barrett. Natalie's daughter, Sarah, was accepted into the JET program and left for Japan to teach English. Sadly, Natalie's mother passed away in Dec. after 4 years of suffering from Alzheimer's.

*Please See In Fond Memory*

## 1967

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I have heard relatively little from any of you. C'mon, ladies! A number of you have retired at this point, so please get your pen in hand—or maybe even your fingers on your keyboard—and jot me a line or two! What's happening with you? I really hate to turn in a column with so little news? Surely we are more newsworthy than just piddly stuff! Okay, I did hear from my own roomie, **Leslie Williams**

**MacFarlane!** She indicated that she's not much in the way of computer/e-mail responses, so, I guess we'll just have to use snail mail with her! Leslie is still on Cape Cod (North Falmouth) and is now the proud grandmother of 5 (is that right, Tink?) Wow! **Ellen Wilsey McDaniel** and her husband, Terry, moved to Albuquerque, NM, from Anchorage, AK, 7 years ago. They love the warm and sunny weather of the Southwest. Ellen is working as a staff assistant at Sandia National Laboratory, a DOE research facility. Her husband works at Wells Fargo Bank. Their oldest son, Dave, is pursuing his doctorate at the U of FL. He and his wife, Heather, had their 1st child, Maren Rose, in Nov. The McDaniels are just thrilled with their 1st grandchild. Their youngest son, Chad, is getting his master's degree at the U of WI in conservation biology. **Pamela Amesbury Doyle** and her husband, Paul, live in ski country in Burlington, VT. Paul is the author of *Hot Shots and Heavy Hits: Tales of an Undercover Drug Agent*. Pam and Paul have 3 grandchildren now. Their father is a fighter pilot, stationed with the Air National Guard. One of Pam's daughters is a teacher in Manhattan and another works in physical therapy. Her youngest daughter is a junior in high



*Sweet Celebration.* Kelly McWilliams Dvareckas '68 (standing rear) and her 3rd grade ESL students on Valentine's Day.

school. **Martha Friberg** says that she's called the Imelda Marcos of boats! She bought a 30-foot sloop to join their floating family. "Too bad summers are so short in ME. Here's hoping this one is a good one," she wrote. Martha is working in an ear, nose & throat practice in Portland. My (**Sis Hagen Kinney**) own middle son and his wife are expecting their 1st child and at this point (end of Feb.), they say it's a girl. They've chosen a real southern name: Savannah Grace. Well, since they're in NC, I guess that's in the south! I'm still muddling along in SC. I'm into my 2nd year of teaching, but still am only doing long-term sub positions. Right now I'm working as a resource teacher for LD students in 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. It's challenging at times and heartbreaking at other times, but I am really enjoying it a lot. My husband, Bobby, is hoping to be able to retire from the government soon. My daughter, Natalie, is graduating a year early and is still undecided about college. So! The rest of the story is up to you all! Send me some snail mail if you aren't comfortable with e-mail. E-mail me any time at kinivan@sc.rr.com. Any way you do it, just do it! We need your news!

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## 1968

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I am very sorry to report that our classmate, **Nancy Foley**, of Natick and formerly of Wellesley, MA, died in Jan. following a long illness. Nancy is survived by her parents, as well as a brother and sister. We send our condolences to Nancy's family and friends. **Carol Way Wood** continues to work as a freelance artist. She now has her own Web site—[www.carolwaywood.com](http://www.carolwaywood.com)—and writes, "I thought this might be a fun thing to share with my old classmates, because now no matter where they are, they can look at my work. My children are fine. My daughter, the dolphin trainer, recently moved to

## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

### Meredith Dodd Taylor '68

**A**s a medical technology student at Colby-Sawyer College in the late 1960s, it might not have seemed likely that Meredith Dodd Taylor's professional path would lead her to a career in wildlife research and activism.

Meredith's journey began following her 1968 graduation from Colby-Sawyer when she completed her medical technology internship at the Washington Hospital Center in Washington, D.C. Meredith explains, "The international influence of D.C. got me thinking outside the box, so after that year, I enlisted in the Peace Corps. I went to Brazil on a bush medical mission to treat and prevent the spread of communicable diseases in the native South Americans living in Mato Grosso and the headwaters of the Amazon." Following her work with the Peace Corps, Meredith did pulmonary research in Boston until she moved west in 1975. "At that point I'd had enough of indoor labs and wanted to understand how life works in nature. So I hiked the majority of the Pacific Crest from the Sierra to the Cascades that summer and then applied for a grant from Audubon to do a bighorn sheep study in Wyoming. Miraculously, I received the grant, and that began my career in wildlife research and activism," says Meredith. Meredith quickly fell in love with her life in the west, and during that first year, she met her life partner, Tory, and they were married in 1978. In 1980, they started their own wilderness horse-pack outfitting business, Taylor Outfitters. As Meredith explains, their work has allowed them to spend the past 25 years focusing on their passion: "teaching and researching the natural history of the Greater Yellowstone ecosystem. From prehistoric archaeology to the contemporary impact of Wyoming's oil and gas boom on wildlife and their habitat," Meredith says, "we have a full season of spending the summer and fall in our favorite place on earth—Yellowstone." Taylor Outfitters also leads winter wolf watching trips and bear and wolf trips in Yellowstone in the spring.

It wasn't long before Meredith's passion for Yellowstone and its wildlife extended beyond Taylor Outfitters. In the early 1980s she was involved in the founding of the Greater Yellowstone Coalition, and she served on their board of directors from 1983-1987. Serving as the Greater Yellowstone Coalition's Wyoming field representative for 7 years, Meredith worked

tirelessly on issues affecting wildlife and the wilderness in the Greater Yellowstone ecosystem.

Currently, Meredith works for the Wyoming Outdoor Council as their Yellowstone ecosystem field representative. She is very excited about an ongoing program, titled "Restoring Wild Patterns." The goal of the program is to protect and restore the ancient migration corridors of the native people and wildlife that were the predators and prey during the west's prehistoric period. The program has now caught the attention of the public and national press, and a documentary is being made, which will focus on the longest big game migration corridor in the continental U.S. Meredith is working feverishly with Congress to seek the designation of this route as a National Historical Migration Trail.

Meredith's activism doesn't stop there. She's been involved with many other conservation organizations over the years, including the Wyoming Wildlife Federation, the Sierra Club, the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance, the Wilderness Society, the National Wildlife Federation, Friends of the Red Desert and the Audubon Society. Just last year, Meredith helped start the Wyoming League of Conservation Voters.

It's easy to see why, in June 2003, the Greater Yellowstone Coalition honored Meredith with their "20th Century Outstanding Activist Award." During the award presentation, Greater Yellowstone Coalition Financial Director Valorie Drake offered the following kudos to Meredith: "She's ardently active, devoted, diligent, persistent and passionate. We're thankful to have her boundless energy focused on this area we all care so much about protecting." She summed up Meredith's work best by stating, "The Yellowstone Ecosystem is so completely embedded in Meredith's soul, one cannot be separated from the other. She will, I have no doubt, focus all the power she can muster toward the protection and restoration of this ecosystem forever."

—TRACEY AUSTIN



Brooklyn, NY, (she had had enough of the Florida Keys). You might be scratching your head and asking yourself where will she find dolphins in NYC? Actually, there are a number of

zoos and aquariums in NY that either have dolphins or other marine mammals. But, the truth of the matter is that her boyfriend is a musician and since she has already realized her

dream career, she felt it was time to support his. My son is now 14 and still in school in CO, where he lives with his dad. We have lots of phone calls back and forth and visits, but I still miss him

# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

## Cynthia Cole Heslam '69

**T**hirst, the first published work of Cynthia Cole Heslam '69, is a compelling collection of short stories. Dorrance Publishing Company shared the following in an issue of their trade journal, *Book News*:

*"In addition to joy and love, human existence often includes hardship and pain; how we choose to deal with these challenges in our lives can help us grow in love or hide in fear. Many people try to escape the pain of life by abusing alcohol, shopping obsessively, or seeking other people to save them from their own inner anguish. Cynthia Heslam illustrates these dual roads of destruction and recovery in this volume of short fiction.*

*These tales demonstrate the many ways people sabotage their own peace; they remind us that*

*no matter how full life may seem, there is always a spiritual hole screaming to be filled. In depicting the impact such behavior has on relationships—parent and child, husband and wife, friends—Heslam never forgets that individuals can find strength and love within themselves.*

*Heslam's honest portrayals of ordinary people thirsting for love will offer hope to families trying to help loved ones and to those who are struggling to satisfy their own sometimes insatiable thirsts."*

Cynthia teaches high school English and lives with her husband and three children in Braintree, Mass.

still in print and selling. Her son, Dylan, is a freshman at Friends Seminary in NYC. He enjoys drumming and samba. Gusty's daughter, Chelsea's, 4th grade class is getting to dance with Merce Cunningham/Alvin Ailey great grant programs for public school. Her husband, Steve, has signed a contract for a book to be published in 2006. Gusty stays in contact with **Anne Wadsworth Markle**, her Colby roommate and "soul sister since high school!" **Meredith Dodd Taylor** dropped a note after a mid-winter trip to Cozumel and Yucatan, Mexico, reporting that winter in the tropics is great. She and her husband, Tory, toured the Chichen Itza Maya ruins and marveled at the aqua blue sea along the arch of white beaches reaching forever. In 2003, they escaped wintry WY to spend a week in Kona, HI, with her sister, Laurel, and family. (My—**Kelly McWilliams Dvareckas**—family and I spent a magical week at Kona Village, HI, in 2000. It was a dream vacation.) Meredith continues to work with Wyoming Outdoor Council to help keep Wyoming's wildlife and wilderness wild. In 2004 she received the Greater Yellowstone Coalition's (GYC) 20th Anniversary Award for Outstanding Activist at the annual meeting at West Yellowstone. Read her "Alumni Spotlight" for more information. Mez reports "It's been a long ride, but a good one." This year she took her *Ancient Corridors: The Story of the Prehistoric Path of the Pronghorn* on the road as a speaker for the Wyoming Council for the Humanities. Folks from all walks of life are fascinated to learn about the longest big game migration routes in the country used by humans and wildlife alike for at least 6,500 years. Meredith and Tory continue to lead pack trips and tours into the Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks. As for me, **Kelly McWilliams Dvareckas**, high-tech marketing was a piece of cake compared to my experiences as a first-year teacher of grade 3 English language learners in Manchester, NH. My own 3rd grade teacher handled our class with ease—something I aspire to do! Lately, local talk radio has been debating

whether students need a mid-winter Feb. vacation—a tradition that's unique to New England. I cannot imagine one teacher who would agree with abandoning the practice. We need it to re-charge and re-energize! Kudos to my husband, Jack, for taking good care of me, including putting a hot meal on the table every night. Our kids are enjoying college and doing well. Life is good! Enjoy your summer!

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## 1969

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It saddens me to report of the death of one of our classmates, **Leslie E. Burd Iorio**, of Needham, MA. Leslie died Dec. 31 at the New England Medical Center. Leslie graduated from Boston U after CSC and worked in the KASE Program at the Broadmeadow Elementary School in Needham. She leaves her husband, Joseph J. Iorio, and her children, Jon and Alexander, all of Needham. Thank goodness for e-mail! Three members of the class of '69 responded to my request for news. **Ruth "Tiffany" Spake Petty** writes, "After graduation from Colby Jr., I was bitten with the travel bug, moved to England and divided my time between living in London during the week and Worcestershire (yes, like the sauce) on weekends. I then moved to Canada, where I am a business analyst for Glaxo Smith Kline in Mississauga, outside of Toronto. My daughter, Sarah, married in Feb. 2004. I am traveling lots. I went to Berlin, Prague, Budapest and Vienna last fall and loved it. During Christmas, I was able to travel to Rome, Florence and Venice. **Janet Campbell Kerr** and I were roommates at Colby Jr. and keep in close touch still. We're currently planning to get together—either in NM or in VT—in the next couple of months. Is there ever any news from **Linda Stitt Ryan** or **Judy Child Schwartz** (Colby Dorm—

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like crazy. I continue to live in South Dartmouth, MA, which I love. I recently welcomed **Debbie Coolidge** as a new neighbor. I am thrilled to have her within walking distance and we both hope to get into a habit of walking and visiting back and forth." Carol's Web site is most impressive. Her illustrations are superb. Read her bio for more information. **Gusty Lange** is in her 20th year of teaching at Pratt Design in the graduate communications department. Her 1990 book, *Foundations of Graphic Design*, is

### Pamela "PR" Hersey '69 MT

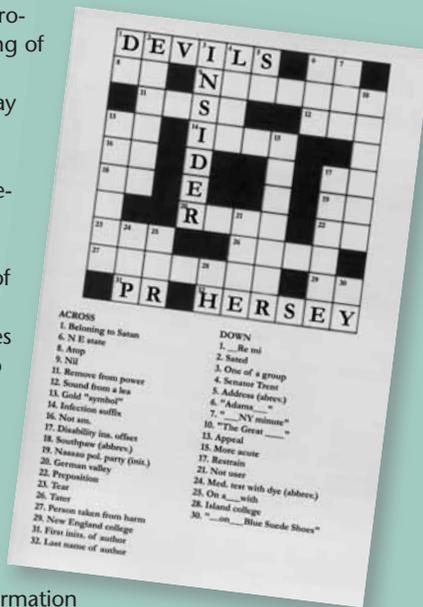
**F**or PR Hersey '69 MT, insurance is no mystery

Pamela "PR" Hersey recently held a book discussion and signing at Longfellow Books in Portland, Maine, celebrating the publication of her second novel about corporate espionage in the insurance industry. *Devil's Insider* is a sequel to her 2003 novel, *The Takedown*. PR spent 20 years working in insurance market research, underwriting, product development and competitive intelligence, all of which provide her books with the ring of authenticity. Her books, as described by staff writer Ray Routhier from the *Maine Sunday Telegram*, "add an intriguing twist to the time-honored mystery plot of people trying to cheat insurance companies out of money. What if the insurance companies themselves were doing 'shady stuff' to avoid paying claims?"

*Devil's Insider* is about corporate espionage, and features characters Sidney "Smoke" Lassiter and his friend, Victoria Halston, Esq. who become targets of violence because of information they discover about a rival company. Set in the late '80s, mostly in and around the coast of Maine (PR lives on Peaks Island in Portland Harbor), this is a fast-paced action mystery that will have you turning pages as quickly as you can!

PR is hard at work on book three, called *Company Men*. She's recovering nicely from a hip replacement, consulting for insurance companies, providing Notary Public and Dedimus Justice services and enjoying island living, including occasional mini-reunions with Pam Herd MacKellar '69 MT and old friend Pam Prescott '68.

—GAYE LACASSE



1967-1969)?" Susan "Sue" Baroni Hilbert writes, "We still live in Ithaca, NY, where my husband is a math professor at Ithaca College. We have 2 grown boys, 26-year-old Michael, who just graduated with a master's in teaching, and 22-year-old Matthew, who is at the U of Rochester getting his MBA. I am currently working for Computer Science Corporation in their national consulting practice. I am working on PeopleSoft software implementations as a technical project manager. I travel each week to the client site. Currently, I am working for a client in IA. We spend our summers in Eagles Mere, PA, so if anyone is in the area, please stop by or visit us in Ithaca. I would love to hear from any classmates. My e-mail address is shilbert@csc.com or hilbert@clarityconnect.com."

Mary Lou Philbin wrote and directed me to her business Web site that "says it all." Here's the short version: Mary Lou had been a professional singer for over 20 years when she went to Ireland to perform. While there she was exposed to traditional music and began a pursuit of that interest. When she married Charlie Clarke (a native of Cork) in 1993 they went to Ireland for their honeymoon. While they were there they met an old friend of Mary Lou's, which led to their business selling Irish music. For all the details, go to [www.ossianusa.com](http://www.ossianusa.com) and read about how Mary Lou and Charlie got started educating people about "the music" and getting it out to those who love it! An e-mail from Julia Stoddart Strimenos reads, "We are in our 6th year living in Castle Rock, CO, and still love it. I am still working part-time in assessment and special projects at the high school and will start volunteering at a local nursing home this week. My husband, Mike, returned to work in Saudi Arabia a year ago, but he makes regular visits back and will return for good in Dec. My 22-year-old son, Orion, will graduate from CO School of Mines in Dec., and will have an army commitment to fulfill. My 19-year-old son, Ford, is in his 1st year at the U of Northern CO. Both love school and are doing well. When I visit-

ed New England last June, I saw my old Colby friend, Martha Halloran McLaughlin. I always love to get together and wish I could see old friends more often." If you haven't yet done so, go to [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc) and register. You might find some old friends online, and it's easy to share your own information with others who might be looking for you. I have had the best time catching up with old friends, Carolyn "Callie" Coburn, Nancy Gill Richardson and Victoria Leidner. Let the CSC Web site help you do the same with your old classmates! Have a wonderful spring and summer!

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## 1970 Reunion

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I, Gail Remick Hoage, am hoping you will please take down my e-mail so I will have some news to report to you by the time the next class notes come out. I encourage you to sign up on the online alumni directory at [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc). There you will be able to find e-mail addresses for a number of our classmates. As of this writing, I am on my way to FL to visit with my parents in Punta Gorda, where those terrible storms were, and I'm leaving just in time before a big New England snow-storm. Only 5 short days as my son, Jarrod, is playing in a championship hockey tournament in Exeter, NH, over the weekend. Several months ago, Muffy Clark Faucher, Jennifer Cuddy and Ann Felton Severance met for a mini-reunion in Durham, NH, where Jen lives. I tried to make it, but no luck, so I am hoping they'll try another get-together this summer as I would love to see them. Kepple Miller Sullivan's youngest daughter, Katie, is a junior at the U of CA at San Diego. She is an international studies major, studying in Granada, Spain, this year. Kepple visited her in the fall and had planned to do so again this spring. Janet Connolly Wuehrmann reports that all is

well. Her oldest son, Drew, recently completed his sophomore year at Wake Forest U in Winston-Salem, NC. Her other son, Geoff, is finishing up his senior year at St. John's Prep in Danvers, MA. Janet says, "I can't believe we'll be empty-nesters next year!" Hoping the column is not so short next time and that some of you will e-mail me. The Alumni Office shares the following sad and shocking news: in early March 2005, local papers told the story of the murder of Edith "Pen" Knight Meyer by a

local man who was an acquaintance. Pen lived in near-by Goshen, NH; she was an accomplished fiber artist, board of directors member of the Norwich (VT) Farmers' Market, active and passionate environmentalist and avid lover of the outdoors. Pen is survived by a son, two daughters, and her parents. Her memorial service was held on March 18 at the First Baptist Church in New London. For more information, contact the Alumni Office.

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# 1971

## Class Correspondent Needed

**Sara Gray Stockwell** enjoyed the annual Colby-Sawyer Alumni Ski Day at Mt. Sunapee in Feb. "It was nice to meet classmates I never really knew and to connect with other Colby women as well," she said. **Laurel Denison** writes, "When I went to Colby 35 years ago, I completely fell in love with this area of NH. I was totally in my element. I vowed that one day I would live up here. And here I am! After being laid off from my flight attendant career of 28 years, my husband, John, and I packed up and moved to the Upper Valley in 2003. I found a good administrative job at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center (finally putting that Colby degree to work!) and my husband is at the Hanover Inn. We love our life here!" **Darcy Grimm Thurrott** has lived in Woodbury, CT, for 20 years, where she and her husband are currently renovating and adding on to their home. They do not have children, but do have 2 cats. Darcy has worked as an assistant retail manager for Woodbury Pewter for the last 5 years. Prior to that, she was the manager at a women's and children's clothing shop and assistant manager at Talbots. Doing calligraphy work has been Darcy's 2nd job for the last 35 years. Her husband is a wine salesman in CT. **Lesley MacVane** recently moved back to ME after an absence of 30 years. She is the manager of a retail store and a photographer. Lesley has 3 children. Her son, Andrew, is an artist who is also a combat medic in the Army. Her son, Tyson, is a builder and full-time student at ASU. Lesley's daughter, Paige, is a studio art major at UNC-Chapel Hill. **Connie Brown** is a map maker, creating maps on canvas with acrylic and pencil. They are one-of-a-kind maps for clients, showing their travels or their private retreats. You can check out her work at [www.redstonestudios.com](http://www.redstonestudios.com). Connie and her husband live in a converted academy building in Durham, CT. They have 3 children: Liza, a sophomore at Kenyon College; Andrew, a Peace

Corps volunteer in West Africa; and Greg, who works for a tech company in San Jose, CA. **Deborah Kurtz Peace Weaver** is thrilled that her son, **Peter Christenson '05**, graduated from Colby-Sawyer in May. "It was fun to have had him at CSC for 4 years. The campus is more beautiful than ever," she writes. **Joan Whitney** is working and pursuing a master's degree in early childhood education from Arcadia University. Her daughter, Hilary, is pursuing a bachelor's/master's degree in child counseling (elementary ed.), and her son, Whitney, teaches high school honors English. After 17 years at The Derryfield School, **Ellie Goodwin Cochran** made a career change and joined the NH Charitable Foundation as the senior foundation officer for the Manchester region. Ellie's son, Andy, recently completed his senior year at Lake Forest College, outside of Chicago. He is looking to get into a career in marketing and communications. During their spare time, Ellie and her husband love to spend time at Lake Winnepesaukee. **Susan Moe-Raposo** recently retired from teaching art at the Fall River, MA, School Dept. Her husband, Jeff, is semi-retired. They live in Westport, MA, with their 6-year-old Springer spaniel, Abby. It's a perfect spot for Abby with lots of woods, and the ocean nearby. Abby is an avid swimmer. Sue is the class of '71 class agent for fundraising for Colby-Sawyer. "It has been fun to reconnect with old friends," says Sue. "Once again, my thanks to all who have given to the CSC annual fund. It is appreciated deeply." **Ann Grinnell** has been living in Kittery Point, ME, for 25 years. She and her partner, Marge, are building a new house. They are temporarily living with Ann's 25-year-old daughter, Jody. Ann and Marge have 2 dogs and 2 cats. Ann is currently chairwoman of the Kittery Town Council. She also continues to teach swimming to children between the ages of 2 and 12, and she continues to love this job, even after 40 years. **Mary Lou Sibley Wolfe** says she is a late bloomer. At the age of 40, she married Cory Wolfe, who is 10 years her junior. They have 1 child, Alexander Sibley Wolfe,

who turned 10 in April. Alexander does well in school in accelerated classes, and he enjoys playing soccer. Cory works for Boeing Aerospace. Mary Lou spent 16 years in heavy equipment construction with I.V.O.E. Local 302, and after getting a pension, she went back to her primary career of teaching. She is currently substitute teaching, which she began when Alex was 6 years old, as she found the schedule to be perfect. After researching sculptor Herbert Adams for 10 years (1991-2001), **Marilyn Ducharme Hyson** wrote lyrics for a musical play of his life and that of his sculptor friends, such as St. Gaudens and Fred MacMonnies. This year, Marilyn finally got the courage to put the 10 songs to music. Marilyn has also written a full-length biography and catalog of his works (Smithsonian). **Angela George Laufer** is still living in Chester, NJ, and has been working for Weichert Realtors for the past 20 years. Her husband, Bill, has his own law firm in Morristown, NJ, and is a matrimonial specialist. Bill is also president of D.A.R.E. NJ, and was recently elected to the national D.A.R.E. America board of directors. Angela and Bill have 4 daughters. Alexis graduated from James Madison U in VA in May and now plans to attend law school. Marisa is a sophomore at James Madison. Amanda will attend Cornell in Sept., where she will play lacrosse. Their daughter, Chelsea, is a busy 7th grade student. Angela would love to hear from anyone who would like to e-mail her. You can find her e-mail address on the online directory at [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc). **Bev Bethell Dolezal** has been married to her husband, Ed, since 1972. They have 3 grown children: Patrick (26), Laura (24) and Kathy (22). Bev owns her own photo business, Hot Flash Photo. She enjoys fishing, sailing, boating and shelling. **Kathryn Blackwood McFarland** is currently teaching, as well as taking a few Spanish classes every week. Her 2 children are about to leave the nest, so she finds herself asking the question "what's next?" Kathryn is hoping to a lot of traveling in the next few years. **Candice Corcoran Raines** continues to enjoy teaching at

Green Mt. College in VT. "I also continue to be an athlete... even at my age!" she says. Candice participated in her 5th World Championship with the US Ski-Orienteering team in Levi, Finland, in March. Candice reports that they have changed their boys' camp name to Roaring Brook Camp, which now offer 2 and 4 week sessions. The transition required a lot of hard work, but the rewards have been worthwhile. Candice also joined the VT State Guard as a Lt. Col., to serve during times of emergency—natural or otherwise—at home. The Guard also takes care of the families left behind by the deployment of the Army reserves. **Christine Clarke Winsch** is in her 12th year working for Chico's as a retail store manager. Chico's is a company based in Fort Myers, FL, that sells women's clothing. Christine has 2 children. Twenty-six-year-old Timothy has made Christine a grandmother to Timothy Jr., who turned 2 in April. Christine's daughter, Katharine, recently graduated from Quinnipiac U in CT, studying physical therapy. She plans to remain there for graduate school and come away with her doctorate. **Karen Siney Fredericks** and her husband recently enjoyed a wonderful vacation in New Zealand. They are currently remodeling a new home, which keeps them busy. Her daughter, Colby, graduated from the U of CO-Boulder in May. She'll be married in May to a guy she met in CO.

# 1972

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Unfortunately, I have the unhappy task of informing all of you of the untimely passing of our classmate and friend, **Pamela Peters Fiorito**, on Jan. 10. I am sure all of you remember Pam as the always smiling, always friendly, strawberry blonde who lived in Shephard Dorm and was also the vice president of student government our senior year. I always thought of Pam as a quiet person, whose warmth, interest in others and giving nature said

more about her than words could describe adequately. Her presence always seemed to brighten any room she walked into, from the classroom to the dining room. I always had the sense that people were just glad to see her, as she always seemed so pleased to see them. You could see her smile from across a big room. After Colby, Pam went on to Columbia U and got her BS in nursing and then her master's in nursing in advanced practice nursing at the U of OR. Most recently, Pam was director of school health services for the Darien (CT) School System. Pam had been a marathon runner, an avid skier, a tennis player, a sailor, and was very active in her community and in her church. She is survived by her husband, Tom, her daughter, Caitlin, her mother, brothers, and stepchildren. The Pam Peters Memorial Fund has been established at Darien High School, which will be used to beautify the grounds of the new high school campus that is being built. Memorials can be made to: Darien High School c/o Meg Ricci, High School Lane, Darien, CT. 06820. I hope some of you will give to this fund in Pam's name. If anyone would like to consider creating a fund in Pam's honor to be used at Colby-Sawyer, please let me know. It would be a wonderful way to acknowledge this fine woman who touched all our lives and who was taken from us all too early. I received some updates from friends around the holiday.

**Deborah Berry Hall** and her family have moved back to Birmingham, AL. It's her 4th move in 8 years, after living 21 years in Houston. Debbie's daughter is a college freshman studying pre-pharmacy. Debbie has made a switch from the administrative side of real estate to the sales side and seems to be adjusting well to the new job, home, and being an empty nester. **Lucy Main Tweet** continues to love her job at Talbots, after 12 years there and 30 years in the business. She is the senior vp of manufacturing and continues to spend a great deal of time traveling to the Far East and Europe. **Lydia Biddle Thomas** continues to live and work in NYC and loves every minute of it. I planned to catch up with

**Lydia and Kathy Norris** at our 35th (choke) high school reunion in late April. I received an e-mail from **Lois Stewart** from San Diego, where she has been living and working at San Diego State University, with a few breaks, since she left Colby in 1972. Lois is the mother of a "wonderful (and challenging)" 14-year-old son. Lois would love to hear from any of the girls who went on the Kenya trip in the summer of 1972, when her nickname was "Lotus Blossom." Lois would also love to hear from her good friend from freshman year, **Nancy Gardner '71**. **Sherrill Howard** writes that she has many fingers in multiple non-profit pies and organizations. The local anti-violence organization recently gave her a community service award. Sherrill was heading to Tahoe for some skiing and hoping to catch up with **Audrey Scott Schou '71**.

**Deborah Ross Chambliss** shot me a note from Snowbird, where she was for 3 days of meetings and some fun in the snow. She wrote of a great snowmobiling adventure going out about 6 miles from the peak of the mountain into lots of powder and "letting loose" with the snowmobiles... to the point of rolling hers! Good job, Deb! Stay safe! **Patty Brown Kinnunen** has 3 grown children and continues to work for herself as a preschool physical education teacher, which allows her to continue traveling with her husband. Patty is in contact with her roommate from Colby, **Nancy Gillen Kunis**, who lives in Atlanta. She also sees **Susan Leach Moody**. Both Patty and Susan had remained close friends with **Pam Peters Fiorito** through the years. So that's it for now. I encourage you all to sign up on the online alumni directory as [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc), as it provides me a great chance

to find out what you all have been up to, and very little effort on your part to answer me. Just think, we could take over the whole alumni section of the magazine! Hope you all are doing well and that we'll be hearing from you real soon!

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## 1973

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**Catherine Moore Pomeroy** is still involved with the city council. She has greatly enjoyed doing college tours with her son Sam (17), and twins, Matt and Molly (16). "They are looking east. Yeah!" she exclaims. **Lilly Heckman Cleveland** lives in Duxbury, MA, with her husband,

### IN MEMORIAM

## Sally Kilpatrick Mathis '74

**Sally Kilpatrick Mathis '74** (at left in photo) passed away October 28, 2004, due to complications from a brain aneurysm.

The following has been excerpted from a letter from her dear friend, **Holly Hawkes Pascoe '75** (at right in photo).

*Colby-Sawyer played a significant role in Sally's life.*

*Although a true southern belle, Sally ventured north to New Hampshire to pursue her education. Throughout her life, she was an inveterate traveler who enjoyed exploring the globe and equally enjoyed returning to her home and family in Georgia.*

*At Colby-Sawyer, Sally was known for her disciplined jogging routine and her genuine southern accent, which made one envision peach blossoms in the middle of a New England winter. Just a few months ago, Sally was so happy to re-establish communication with her Austin Hall roommate, **Caroline Jestin Tilton '74**. They had 30 years on which to catch up! **Joanie Roubillard Clarke '74** also renewed her connection with Sally when she moved south several years ago.*

*However, I was the most fortunate because I was able to enjoy an active friendship with Sally for 31 years. Frequent phone calls, many cards and too rare visits kept us connected as close sisters across time and space. I was honored to serve as her matron of honor at her wedding in the same church where, 10 years later, I attended her poignant funeral.*

*Colby-Sawyer trained an excellent secretary in Sally. Several prestigious Atlanta businesses benefited from her lightning-fast word processing skills. In fact, it was within an office setting where Sally met her beloved husband, **Scott Mathis**. Together they enjoyed a decade of travel, church activities, home renovation and family gatherings.*

*Sally never forgot a friend, and she counted Colby-Sawyer, New London, New Hampshire, and New England as dear friends. She loved to return to Colby-Sawyer reunions and planned to attend her 30th until health concerns restricted her travel.*

*Thank you, Colby-Sawyer, for providing such a wonderful setting for Sally and me to meet and build a lifelong friendship. We would never have crossed paths without you.*



Mark, and their sons, Matthew and William. They enjoy spending time in the Hampstead and Franconia areas of NH. Lilly has been teaching at the Ellison Center for the Arts in Duxbury. She is also a faculty member and gallery artist at the South Shore Art Center in Cohasset, MA. Lilly is a juried artist member of the Cape Cod Art Association in Barnstable, MA. She has won many awards and honors, and her work has been exhibited in national shows. In May Lilly's paintings will be shown at the MA Audubon Sanctuary Education Center in Newburyport. Lilly will also be offering a workshop, "Impressions in Watercolor," during Reunion Weekend at Colby-Sawyer, June 3-5.

## 1974

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I have the sad task of advising you that our classmate, **Sally Kilpatrick Mathis**, died on Oct. 28, 2004, from complications of a brain aneurysm. She is survived by her devoted and loving husband of 10 years, Scott Mathis. Sally was a well-known, lifelong resident of Atlanta, who had many dear friends. Sally and Scott enjoyed extensive travel and were passionate gardeners and longstanding members of Crestview Baptist Church in Marietta, GA. Sally had been employed by R.M. Suggs Company as an executive assistant. If you would like to send Scott your condolences, please contact the Alumni Office for his address information. **Wendy Cadley Presley** sends greetings to **Jane Hopkins O'Donnell** in Littleton, NH, and encourages her to travel to FL for a visit. She also sends her greetings to **Ellen Attridge Dickhart**. The Alumni Office reports that **Katie Broadbent Wesley**, her sister, Amy, and their mother, **Lynn Healy Nichols '51** enjoyed a great trip to Scandinavia last June. The Alumni Office also reports that the new Alumni Directory has an incorrect

occupation listing for **Maureen Shea**. Maureen is the director of legal recruitment for Goodwin Proctor LLP in Boston. The directory lists her as a secretary—a job she hasn't held for over 25 years! My husband, Mike, and I, **Sue Brown Warner**, had a great vacation in Park City, UT, during the Sundance Film Festival in Jan. It was a crazy atmosphere, with some good films, great restaurants and terrific skiing. What's not to like? Our next major vacation will be a tour of the southwest in Aug., complete with whitewater rafting, horseback riding, hiking and, I hope, some spa time. Too bad work has to interfere with these adventures! I look forward to hearing from more of you and finding out what you are up to. Keep in touch!

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## 1975

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**Joanne Colter McNamara** is employed as VP and audit manager for Century Bank. Her husband, Walter, is in sales with Herman Miller, Inc. Their son, Chris, has been undergoing the college search as he will soon graduate high school, and her son Dan is a sophomore at Burlington High. Joanne would love to hear from her Colby-Sawyer classmates.

## 1976

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I, **Janet Spurr**, had a great time at the Colby-Sawyer Alumni Ski Day with my roommate, **Amy Parker Rossi '77**. We skied with **Debbie Bray Mitchell '79** and many other great alumni friends. It was warm and sunny and has become a tradition for us. **Cabby Herr** is doing a 100-mile bike ride for a cancer benefit on July 9 in Exeter, NH. **Lynn Esler Vail** and I will be there to support

## Colby-Sawyer Flashback



For years Colby-Sawyer students enjoyed the annual student Ski Day, when they would dress in costume and hit the slopes of King Ridge. If you can identify the women in this photo and/or provide the year, please contact Tracey Austin in the Alumni Office at (603) 526-3886 or [taustin@colby-sawyer.edu](mailto:taustin@colby-sawyer.edu).

her. I want all of you to know that I checked out the online alumni directory and made some excellent connections with some classmates who e-mailed me their news, as well as other alumni connections for business and pleasure. Please check out the directory ([www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc)) and e-mail with any news that you have. **Barbie Stevens Morton** received her master's in secondary education with an emphasis in literacy across the curriculum from the U of UT in Dec. She is teaching math and Spanish at a junior high school (7th-9th). She will be celebrating her 50th birthday in July and 25 years of marriage in Aug.! Goes to show that age is just an attitude! After 10 years at home with her kids, **Brooks Rolston** is graduated from the U of Pittsburgh on April 30 with her master's in library and information sciences. She is looking forward to working as a public middle school librarian, possibly in Philadelphia. Brooks keeps in close touch with **Jane Therrien**

**Hood, Sandy MacDonald Crabtree**, and **Sally Gordon Hogan**, all of whom live in MA. **Marty Stengel Ryan** is living in Concord, MA. She has 3 children: Tyler (13), Christopher (10) and Kendall (7). Marty teaches preschool 3 mornings a week. She is still great pals with fellow alumnae **Marcia Abbott**, **Mary Hunt** and **Nancy Ledgard**. **Cynthia Hermes** gave birth to triplets (Luke Daniel, Ian Thomas and Sean William) on Aug. 11, 2004. They join big brother Sam, who is 5 years old. She and her husband, Bradley, have been married almost 18 years. They live in a log home on 10 acres in MT. Cynthia is a nurse-midwife in a busy obstetrical practice serving under-insured women and their families. She is currently in a per-diem position at the hospital where she's worked for over 10 years, but she's not sure just when she'll return to work. Cynthia says, "Being on-call 24 hours at a time is hard to juggle when I have 4 small children, a husband, 3 dogs, 2 cats, 2 birds and fish! As my husband likes to

say, we are way outnumbered, but so happy!" **Dawna Cobb** works in the MD Attorney General's office as a lawyer for the U of MD. She is the mother of 2 teenage boys. They visit NH every summer, and Dawna has taken them to see the Colby-Sawyer campus. This year they will be staying at Twin Lake Villa on Little Lake Sunapee. Dawna's sister has a place in Eastman in Grantham, NH, which is where they have stayed the past 2 summers. While there in 2003, Dawna ran into **Patty Collins Duffey** and says she looks great. They were at a 5K/10K race, in which both of their sons were participating. When in New London, Dawna enjoys going to shows at the Barn Playhouse, which brings back good memories for her. In 2004, Dawna traveled to West Africa with her 13-year-old son along with a small group of other moms and their sons. She writes, "It was an eye-opening experience for all of us. We went to remote villages in The Gambia and Senegal and saw children who had very little. We gave away all of our pens and pencils on one outing, and the children jumped for joy just to have their own writing instrument." Dawna misses her friends from Colby-Sawyer and wishes everyone well.

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## 1977

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**Bruce Parsons** had his 1st book, *Star Light: 30 Years of Photos of Star Island*, published in Nov. He will be exhibiting his work in the Mugar Gallery at Colby-Sawyer during Reunion Weekend, June 3-5. To learn more about the book, visit [www.brucejparsonsdesign.com](http://www.brucejparsonsdesign.com). **Susan Sommer Ballou** is enjoying her visits to Colby-Sawyer to watch her daughter, **Shannon Lange '07**, play rugby. Susan will graduate in May with her master's in education from Rivier College, where she has also worked in the biology department for the past 12 years.

## 1978

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## 1979

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Well, hello to everyone! **Deb Taubert Morris** and I, **Gail Hayes Priest**, are more than excited this time, as we actually have plenty of news to tell everyone. We used the Colby-Sawyer online alumni directory, which is [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc), to send out an e-mail, soliciting anyone and everyone to jot us a note. And I'm thankful to say that some of you actually helped us out. Deb and I continue to enjoy CA life. Although we had a great deal of rain this year, it is starting to get back to normal now. This has been the 3rd rainiest year in history in San Diego. Deb moved to southern CA in 1981 and has enjoyed a fast paced career with high growth companies on the West Coast. She is currently the CFO

of a Bay area based healthcare company, so she travels from southern CA to northern CA quite often. She has been married for 23 years and has 13-year-old boy/girl twins, who are her pride and joy. Deb's old roommate, **Barbara Groff '78** spent several years in Phoenix, but has been back in VT for several years. Groff (as we always called her) has a 14-year-old son and a daughter who started college this year. **Alyson Priddy '81** married Deb's brother shortly after graduating Colby-Sawyer and has 4 sons between the ages of 3-12. They live on Cape Cod. Even though they live on opposite coasts, Deb and Alyson and their families go skiing annually and try to spend a few vacations a year together as well. I, **Gail Hayes Priest**, live in Escondido, CA, which is about 30 minutes north of downtown San Diego. My husband, Jim, my 3 children and I have lived here for 7 years. My daughter, Bre, is 19 years old and goes to college at Chapman U. in Orange, CA. She transferred to Chapman after her 1st year at CA State University—San Marcos, and has loved every minute of her new school. She is trying to enter their film school. Chapman is about 5 miles from Disneyland, so she and her friends have their season passes, and when studying gets monotonous they run over for a quick ride on Splash Mountain or the famous Haunted House. My oldest son, 17-year-old Ryan, is a senior in high school. He plans

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to attend Santa Barbara City College next fall, and I think he is excited to be moving out of his hometown. Nathan (the baby of the family) is a sophomore in high school. He has a love for the guitar and I'm just ready for him to get over that 15 year old age. I have been working part-time out of my home for the past 5 years. Most mornings, however, you can find me on the tennis court playing doubles tennis. Besides skiing, this has become one of my favorite sports. So there you go, a little info into our world and what has been happening to us. Please share some of your thoughts with us so we can remain connected. We would really appreciate it. **Marion Chadwick Hafner** and her husband, Charlie, own and operate Chadwick Funeral Service in New London. They enjoy being able to watch Colby-Sawyer grow and improve on a regular basis. Marion says it's a wonderful spot and continues to be an asset to the town. Charlie



**Shepard Get-Away Weekend.** These former Shepard dormmates gathered for a get-away weekend recently. (L to r) Whitney Crowell Cardew '77, Charlotte Houck Crowley '79, Kathy Kiely '79, Susan Jacoby Marks '78, Elizabeth "Elz" Spofford '78, Anne Venie Fitzgerald '79, Leslie Brown Cochran '79 and Linda Botti '80. Present, but not pictured, was Mary O'Neil '80.

and Marion have been married for over 22 years. Their older son, Dan, is a freshman at St. Michael's College, just outside of Burlington, VT, and is very happy. Scott, their younger son, is a freshman in high school. Marion and Charlie stay busy attending his sporting events. Marion runs into retired professors around town and enjoys keeping up with their lives. **Sandy Brooke VanDerWerf** has been married for 15½ years and has 4 daughters, ages 12, 10½, 9 and 7½. She grew up, had a career, married and had her 1st 2 daughters in MA, then moved to IL. Sandy left the work force to be a full-time mom, had 2 more daughters, and before Tess' 1st birthday, they moved to Germany, where they lived for 3 years. Sandy's husband, Michael, was working for a pharmaceutical company at the time, and they thoroughly enjoyed their experience. Sandy writes, "The girls learned to speak German very quickly and translated for us more often than we care to admit! We've been in the Philadelphia area for 3 years now, and are very busy, as you can imagine. The girls are involved in all kinds of activities and still manage to do well in school. Our family enjoys entertaining, traveling and getting outdoors." Sandy would like to say hi to Debi, Jane, Sarah, Naomi, MaryEllen, Gwen, Sue, Weezie, Cami, Nina and Joyce! Does anyone have any idea how Sandy can locate **Joyce Renfrew**? Sandy would really like to touch base with her, wherever she may be. **Sally Wright Walker** lives in Beaufort, SC, with her husband and 2 sons. They moved there from Southport Island, ME in 1994. Her husband, David, works for Palmetto Bluff, a 22,000 acre resort near Bluffton, SC, as a

manager in the marina division. Son Jared is a 17-year-old senior in high school, who plans to attend The Citadel in Aug. Son Erik is a 14-year-old freshman in high school and loves lacrosse. Both boys are Eagle Scouts. Sally works part-time in a land investment company and part-time at the local marina. The Walkers also have 2 dogs, Jesse, a crazy 5-year-old schnauzer and Casey, a beautiful mixed breed they rescued from the animal shelter 9 years ago. **Yvonne Martini Small** moved to NJ after school, and after spending a long time at a company as a medical editor (she was in the med tech program, so medical editing was easy for her), she decided to start my own business as a medical proofreader/copy editor. The company name is A Few Small Changes, after her husband's name, Small. Yvonne writes, "The company has been doing well for the past 5 years, so well in fact, my husband was also able to leave his job and help me out. Working from home is great especially because we have 2 huge dogs (a Rhodesian Ridgeback named Shasta and a Lab named Pete) that need attention every 10 minutes. They were 'gifts' brought along by my stepdaughter, Erin, who moved in with us a while ago to 'regroup.' She is attending Montclair State for a master's degree in counseling (free therapy for me!). Her sister, Kimberly, also moved in with us for a while, but has recently moved to her own apartment, so we have reclaimed some space in a very small house! I attended our 25th Reunion with several Colby-Sawyer girls, including **Ellen Fitzpatrick Criscione, Susan Chapman Warren, Mari Hanaberg O'Sullivan and Martha Colinan Ellicott**. Not many people came, but we

laughed the whole time. We had so much fun! **Debbie Bray Mitchell** and her husband, Bill, were at Reunion, but drats, we did not see them! Just as they came outside to the picnic area, we were walking downtown to PC's etc (remember that place?), so we missed them, but it would have been fun to see them and get the scoop." Some of you might remember **Christina "Tina" Tornaritis Andronicou**. She came to Colby-Sawyer from the beautiful island of Cyprus in the Mediterranean, as her mother is American and her father was Cypriot. She writes, "I graduated in 1979 and came back to Cyprus, where I met my husband, Chris. We got married in 1981 and went to South Africa for our honeymoon. We loved it there and stayed for 5 years. Our 21-year-old daughter, Annabel, was born there. She is in her final year at Radford U. in VA. We are planning to attend her graduation in May. She plans to get her master's in England next year, so she will be closer to home. We came back to Cyprus in 1986 and settled here. Our son, Steven, was born in 1988 and he is a senior in high school. After finishing high school, he has to do 2 years of army (it is compulsory in Cyprus) and the he will be off to study either in the States or UK." Tina was happy to hear from someone from Colby-Sawyer, as she no longer corresponds with any of her college friends. She would love to hear from **Priscilla Wallace Alvarez, Janet Head Gustafson and Heather Fasano Kephart**. **Susan Chapman Warren** has visited Colby-Sawyer many times since we graduated 26 years ago, mostly at reunions. Susan writes, "There is a group of us that go back for every 5th consecutive reunion and have a blast and a trip down memory lane. This past summer, we attended our 25th Reunion and stayed in the new dorm, Danforth Hall, which was great. We all participated in the 5K walk/run in honor of a deceased CSC alumna. I wish that more people would attend the reunions. It is always the same 10 people that attend. You should come!" Susan has been living in Scituate, MA, for the past 14 years. She lives only a quarter mile from the beach, and

loves oceanside living. She has a 16-year-old daughter, who attends Cushing Academy in western MA, and a son, who is 11 and is really into the hockey scene. Susan works in Cohasset, MA, for an import/export company that imports granite and marble from China, Brazil and Italy. The company is close to home that she is able to enjoy work as well as be there for her son. **Anne Brenton** and Mike Isenberg have been living in Atkinson, NH, since 1995. They have 2 daughters, 12-year-old Liz and 8-year-old Abbie. Anne keeps busy with the girls, and also as a Girl Scout leader, PTA volunteer and a substitute teacher. So that is the news for now from the 1979 gals of Colby-Sawyer. Those of you out there who didn't respond this time, we would really love to hear from you. We do not have e-mail addresses for many of you, so please send me your e-mail with a note of where you live. It is fun to reconnect and so easy with e-mail. Also, I encourage all of you to sign up on the online alumni directory. Within this directory you can find your classmates' and friends' e-mail addresses. The Web site is [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc). For the next magazine, Deb and I want to add some pictures and put them into the article. If any of you have some that you would like to share, please send them along to either me or Deb. Especially those of you that were at the 25th reunion, let's get some of those in here. Well, it was really fun communicating with all of you who participated this time. Let's keep it going. And special thanks go out to Marion, Sandy, Sally, Yvonne, Tina, Susan and Anne.

## 1980 Reunion

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Happy spring! It's so good to have some news from our classmates! **Linda Botti** sent greetings and a picture from a CSC Shepard Get Away Weekend in Nov. in Annisquam, MA. Those present were Linda,

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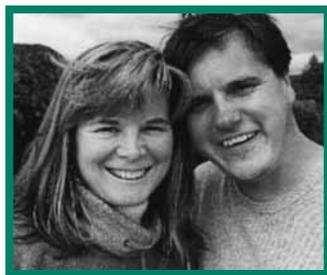
Whitney Crowell Cardew '77, Charlotte Houck Crowley '79, Kathy Kiely '79, Susan Jacoby Marks '78, Elizabeth "Elz" Spofford '78, Anne Venie Fitzgerald '79, Leslie Brown Cochrane '79 and Mary O'Neil. They decided that they all looked exactly the same as when they left school...ha, ha! The smiles were only the beginning to a great weekend of selective memories and many, many laughs! **Ellen Achenbach Lewis** has gone back to school to earn her master's in elementary education. She's hoping to land a job teaching 2nd grade. We also heard from **Stahley Herndon Szebenyi**, who wrote that she has remarried and had a baby girl, Emma, born Jan. 2004. She was the administrator of a national HIV project, but enjoys being at home with Emma now. She and her husband Steve, live on 4 acres in upstate NY and volunteer with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters and enjoying running in road races. Hope everyone is off to a great 2005. We have a Reunion coming up, so I hope you all put CSC on your calendar. Let's try to get together!

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The Alumni Office received an e-mail from **Ligia Delgado**, who is doing some fascinating work in Caracas, Venezuela. Ligia is a practitioner and president of a foundation called Fundavision that provides a range of eye-care for low-income patients. This international non-profit helps "low-vision" patients obtain ocular medications, surgeries and laser treatments, eyeglasses and other rehabilitative treatments. Founded in 1995, Fundavision also can provide transportation for patients to treatment, school or work, and they help people of all ages with "low-vision" retrain for jobs appropriate to their



**Happily Married.** *Stahley Herndon Szebenyi '80 and her husband, Steve*

vision challenges. Ligia writes, "It is beautiful work and very necessary these days where community visual needs are left behind."

## 1982

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I, **Melissa Buckley Sammarco**, just returned from a week of skiing in the Italian Alps, the Dolomites, for the customary "Settimana Bianca," which means a "white week" in Italian. We had wonderful weather, plenty of sun and lots of fresh snow. Who could ask for more than that? We stayed in a spa/wellness hotel, where we relaxed our souls and ate like kings. My little Isabella (4) started to ski this year so that was a big step. My son, Matteo (8), took the silver medal at the ski school race, which was quite the thrill for him and his parents. I've heard from a few new classmates via the Internet, so now I have other things to report instead of talking only about my family. **Tricia Connelly Reggio** is trying her hand at selling real estate. She is working for Re/Max Innovations, an Internet-based real estate operation. You can visit her Web site at [www.cambridgemarealestate.com](http://www.cambridgemarealestate.com). She says that her children are great. She coaches soccer, is an executive trustee for the Watertown Children's Theatre and teaches CCD. She's a busy lady! I received a wonderful surprise e-mail from **Michele McGuirk Gordon-Benington**, one of our 1st floor buddies in Colby Dorm. She says that she had very fond memories of me,

**Kathy Bernardi**, **Tricia**, **Kathy Brough**, **LuLu** and **Lisa Dargis**. She is married to a commercial photographer and lives in South Portland, ME, with her 2 children, Malcolm (12) and Emma (6), dog Zoe and ZuZu the cat. She currently works at Cole Haan, where she started a photo studio for them. Previously, she worked for 5 years at GH Bass doing marketing and visual design. Like most working couples, her life is very full between work, sports and school activities. She loves living in ME and tries to keep life simple and stress free. **Sarah E. Wheeler** tied the knot with Alden W. Sachs on Sept. 12, 2004. Sarah is employed as vice-president and northern region mortgage lending manager by Banknorth Mortgage Group. They are living in Augusta, ME. **Debra Roy-Pozerycki Cooper** and I have become pen pals, or should I say keyboard pals? She is looking for her old CSC friends, **Krista Peterson** and **Linda Griggs**, with whom she has lost contact. She says she has such fond memories of her years at CSC. Please contact her at [Coopdj@comcast.net](mailto:Coopdj@comcast.net). Deb has been living in Woodlands, TX, for the past 5 years with her husband, John, and her 2 teenage daughters, Emily (17) and Lauren (13). She is a stay-at-home mom and involved with her children's school. She has recently picked up a tennis racquet and has found a new passion. They will be celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary this year. As a child study major at CSC she says, "Although Dr. Marc Clement failed to prepare us for the teenager, their toddlerhoods were a breeze." She quotes Erma Bombeck, "Teenagers are like nailing Jell-O to the wall." Deb hasn't been back to a reunion, but says she won't miss the 25th. **Betsy Baldwin Levick** is living in Palm City, FL, with her husband and her 3 children. Her oldest is now looking into colleges, which she finds hard to believe. Betsy says, "I feel as though it was just a while ago I was at Colby-Sawyer. Best to all my friends at CSC." **Lisa Dargis Nickerson** writes, "We continue to be a busy family. Nate is winding down his time with the Eisenhower ship and is preparing to fulfill his final set of orders

with COMLANTFLT in Norfolk. I am still working at the elementary school as the school nurse. Michael is now a 16-year-old sophomore in high school and is absolutely thrilled to have his driver's permit. He runs on the track and cross country teams and is quite busy with the school band. Meagan (13) played her first season of JV field hockey this fall and stays very busy with her soccer team, chorus and band. This certainly explains the exorbitant amount of mileage on our vehicles!" From a newspaper clipping we learned that **Suzanne Abbott LaRose** married John LaRose on Sept. 18. They live in Warwick, RI, and Suzanne is the area manager for LaRoche Poszey Pharmaceuticals. Please remember to register on the CSC online directory at [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc). It's a good way to keep in touch with me and locate your old CSC pals.

## 1983

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Greetings to the class of 1983! I received a lovely note from **Stephanie "Cissie" Archer Rogan**, who is still living in Pittsburgh with her husband, Harve. Stephanie is busy working for Citizens Bank in commercial underwriting while raising 4 children. Her oldest, Eddie, is in the 4th grade; Sarah is in the 2nd grade; Seamus is in the 1st grade; and Catie is in her last year of preschool. Stephanie writes, "I think of CSC often. Please give Dr. Anderson my best regards!" I also received a nice note from **Karen Stakenburg Reilly**. Karen lives in Darien, CT, where she has begun a new career as a builder and general contractor. She recently completed her 1st teardown and set a 4,000 square foot modular colonial home behind her house on another street. She hopes to have the house on the market within 10 weeks. Karen still finds the time to be a mom to 3 kids. Her oldest daughter is a junior in high school and is presently looking at colleges. Karen also keeps busy with her 2 other active kids in 4th and 7th grades. As for me

## Colby-Sawyer College at the Boston Yacht Club, October 7, 2004

**Suzie Fitzgerald Travers '88** worked hard to help the Alumni Office set the stage for a great reception at the Boston Yacht Club in Marblehead, Mass. Money was raised there to benefit the Susan L. Blair Memorial Scholarship Fund. **Sally Trussell**

**White, '59**, Susan's mother, was in attendance, as were nearly 50 alumni ranging from the class of 1951 to 2004. It was a great event on a balmy coastal October night. *(Photo I.D.s are left to right.)*



*Susan Carroll-Hassett '77, Heidi Scheller-Maddix '75 and Cabby Herr '76 enjoy a reunion in Marblehead.*



*Anne Marie Gillis Finch '87, Sally Peper Tompkins '88 and Rachel Hobbie '86 reminisced about their friend, Susan Blair '88.*



*Margy McGarry Roy '87, Amy Jarnes Newhall '84, Kacey Carpenter Desmond '83 and Cara Landen Wall '85 relax in the comfortable surroundings of the Boston Yacht Club.*

(**Gail Smart Scibelli**), I am happy to be back in the Boston area after living in NY for about 2 years. My fiancé, Tony, and I live by the sea in Winthrop, MA. I currently serve as the vice president of global public relations for Corel Corporation, a Canadian software firm. Fellow classmates, please send me any and all updates at [gail.scibelli@corel.com](mailto:gail.scibelli@corel.com)! I look forward to hearing from you.

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## 1985

Class Correspondent Needed

After being among the first graduates to receive a bachelor degree in nursing from CSC in 1985, **Sandra Sandin** spent 10 years working as a charge nurse at New London Hospital. Presently she is employed as the assistant director of nurses at Langdon Place of Exeter Assisted Living. Sandra is enjoying her new home in Barrington, NH, and her 2 beautiful grandchildren, ages 1 and 3. **Ginny Sandstrom Kern** has been married to her husband, Ted, for 16 years. They live in Cumberland,

ME, with their 3 children, 14-year-old Sam, 11-year-old Grant, and 6-year-old Jennifer. Ginny has her own eBay business and works part-time in a nutritionist's office. Ted is an account manager for Cingular Wireless and has worked in the wireless industry for 16 years. **Sarah Ketchum Reilly** was married to her husband, Robert, in 1990. They recently moved to Hope, ME, previously having lived in London, UK; Nashville, TN; and Reading, PA. Sarah and Robert have 3 children, Joshua, 7; Lindsey, 5; and Zeke, 3. The Reillys have started their own business, but Sarah says her main job is her children. **Amy Carrier Lyon** has been married since 2000 and is still living in the New London area on Kearsarge Mountain. She

received a master's degree from Dartmouth, and continues with her teaching career. Amy keeps busy as a New London fire fighter and by taking care of her 2 horses. "Has it really been 20 years? Yikes!" she writes.

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In Sept., **Catherine Marquardt** began a new job as a physical education and health teacher at Salem High School. She absolutely loves it and says things are great. She sends a hello to all of her classmates.



*Equestrian Event. Athletic Director Deb Field McGrath '68, Jen Ellis '85, Adam Therrien '04 and President Anne Ponder at an equestrian team event in Grantham, N.H., in October.*

## 1987

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Hi everyone. I, **Heidi Van Wagenen Day**, would love to hear from you, so please send your news. My husband, Mike, is currently attending the Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth. We are due to leave here for a yet unknown assignment in mid-June. Our son, Tyler, is 8 years old. I keep busy volunteering at his school and teaching quilting at a local shop. **Sarah Hancock Klees** lives in Orlando, FL, with her husband, Jason, and their daughters, Hannah and Haley. She works as a physical therapist. The Alumni Office received a

note from **Gina Zuffoletto**, wondering why the college had given her a new class year! Gina is, indeed, a member of the class of 1989, not '90, as indicated in the new alumni directory. Gina reports that she has recently relocated to CA from CO; she comments that it's been a bit of an adjustment, but that she's closer to family, and loves the fabulous climate.

## 1990

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**Wendy Johnstone Collins** says hello to everyone. She and her husband, Dean, bought a new house in the same town they have been living for the last six years, Manchester-by-the-Sea. They moved in just in time for them to welcome their baby girl Emalia (a.k.a. Emma), on Oct. 2, 2003. Big sister Sophia is doing great and is entering kindergarten. Wendy would love to hear from classmates. She is in the book and looks forward to catching up with everyone at Reunion. **Denise Sampson Berntsen** is happy when she gets an e-mail from me. She knows that a reunion is coming up or a class update is being put together. The last time we heard from Denise she invited classmates to visit her in Amsterdam, but she is still waiting for someone to take her up on it! Denise has a new house, a little bigger than the last and great location near the center of Amsterdam. She still loves the city. She is still working at University Hospital, Amsterdam Medical Center and at various

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fitness centers teaching aerobics, bodyshape and spinning classes. Her parents have moved to sunny Florida near Miami. She visits them about twice a year. **Alison Lambert Vernon** writes, "We have 3 kids in college. Life is rich and good."

## 1991

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**Sarah Allen Fredricks** and her husband, Steve, have moved many times since they were married in '97. They are currently living in MI with their 2 golden retrievers, Scout and Ranger. Steve is the CCO of Jackson National Asset Management and Sarah opened her own title insurance company, Allen Title Services, LLC, last year. As for me (**Gretchen Garceau-Kragh**), I graduated from the U. of the Incarnate Word in May '04 with my MBA in sport management and I am currently working at the San Antonio Sports Foundation as a grants writer and planner of special events. The San Antonio Sports Foundation brings amateur sporting events to the city and provides sporting opportunities to disadvantaged youth in the city.

## 1992

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Hello class. I (Kelly) hope you all had a great summer and enjoyed the beautiful weather in the company of friends and family. I have a few updates to share with you this time, from some long lost Colby-Sawyer alums. I recently heard from **Angie Piccini Fowler '93**, who was married in Dec. She and her husband, Mike, were married at Notre Dame in Montreal. They



**Piccini/Fowler Wedding.**  
*Angie Piccini Fowler '93 and her husband, Mike, on their December wedding day.*

had a picture-perfect wedding day complete with heavy snow fall, and a horse-drawn carriage to transport them to their favorite restaurant after the ceremony. A reception followed on Sunday. Angie and Mike reside in Burlington, VT. I also heard from **Maryann Storey Flores** who wrote that she is currently living in Kansas with her husband, Joel, and her 2 children, Kyle and Kelsey. Maryann owns her own childcare business, working with children from 4 weeks old to 12 years old. Her husband was being deployed for a second tour of duty in Iraq with the Army, beginning in Jan. The family is planning a trip to Holland when Joel returns. Maryann would love to hear from old friends from CSC. You can reach her at jmmmkj2003@yahoo.com. **Laura Cameron Shaw** and her husband, Tim, are quite the globe-trotting couple: they took a trip to London and Gothenberg, Sweden, right before Christmas, and then spent a week in the Bahamas in Jan. during Laura's birthday. Next, they are off to Australia for a 2-week vacation in April, to scuba dive the Great Barrier Reef. **Stephanie Stratton Schell** is keeping busy with her husband and 3 children in

Meriden, NH, and **Electra Mead Blair** is keeping busy breeding and raising rat terriers on her farm in Plainfield, VT; another litter of puppies was due in Feb. As for me (**Kelly Lynch Collins**), I've been keeping busy with golf, skiing, and travel. My husband, Justin, and I have taken a few local trips to Napa wine country, Monterey, and Carmel in the past few months, as well as Las Vegas. We're planning a week-long trip to Dana Point in Southern CA during the month of May, and to Scottsdale, AZ, in Aug. If the Class Notes section of the *Alumni Magazine* is the first thing you read, be sure to keep your updates, news and photos coming! Jen and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

## 1993

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Well, hello to our fellow alums. Before I send out all the wonderful news about our classmates I must plug the Alumni Directory web link at [www.netdirectories.com/~csc...](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc...) an innovative use of technology. Like all of you I am busy, there just are not enough hours in the day to meet work, grad school, and life requirements and still have normal sleep/rest cycle. I had forgotten about sending out a letter to check on everybody; Tracey in Alumni Relations gently reminded me of the directory. Within a few hours I had classmates responding. So for the rest of you who have not registered, please do so. It was painless and actually benefited our class. On with the news of our great class. We are a very successful, loved bunch of individuals; lots of moves, marriages and many babies to extend a warm welcome to. **Katie Ventura O'Neil** writes that she and her husband, Jim, have recently relocated to Exeter and have welcomed their first son, Nolan. Nolan was born on Aug. 4, 2004. **Maureen "Mo" Mahoney** wrote to say she just caught up with **Sandy Morgrage-Phillips** and her little sweet-pea, daughter Molly. Following Mo's



**Boston Get-Together.** (L to r) **Katie Ventura '93**, **Tracy Sutherland Fitch '94**, **Nicole Mayo-Gowell '94** and **Tobi Harrington Murch '94** with her daughter, **Harley**, enjoyed catching up with one another at a Boston get-together.

civil-union wedding, she is en route to NYC to attend PA school at Weill Cornell Medical College. Mo, we wish you the very best! **Susan "Bo" Trainer Russell** and her husband have moved to CT to cut down on the commute to her NYC job. (Not ever an issue in New London!) **Carolyn Norris** is doing fantastically well and can share my woes of graduate school sleepiness. She is working hard to complete her dissertation on orphaned and abandoned children in Romania. She is working out the details to narrow her research, a tough choice since she has such a loving heart. **Amy Liner Field** and her husband, Matt, live in Concord, MA, with their 2 children. Matt is the managing partner and owner of Capstone Insurance in Boston, and Amy recently left her position as a senior sales consultant with Pfizer to stay home with the children. Looks like **Laura McGuinn McCarthy** and her husband, Kevin, have relocated to North Reading, MA, and have been able to catch up with lots of fellow classmates. Laura also shares that she is still working in video production and is now working as a commercial voice-over actress. I just saw **Leslee Cammett Murphy** at her baby shower. **Ally Goff Sharpe '94**, **Julie Camp '94**, and **Beth Bryant Camp '92** were there also. **Kristen Kelly Blankenship '94** was just in town visiting; she lives in San Diego with her husband and little girl, Sumner. She is working as a real estate agent and is doing really well. **Beth Horvath Palmer** gave birth to Kristin Elizabeth Palmer on Nov. 7, 2004. She weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was 20½ inches long. **Angela Piccini Fowler** married

**Michael Fowler** on Jan. 29. She is employed by the Chittenden County Sheriff's Office. News from me: I have recently caught up with **Kathryn Kelly Scoville '94** and her husband, Marc. They are currently living in TN, where Kath will finish up her Family Nurse Practitioner degree in Aug. Congratulations, Kath! I will complete my master's in nursing in Oct. and should be reassigned around that time as well. I'll keep you posted on my new location. Please sign up for the on-line alumni directory; it is a useful reconnection and networking tool, and with so many of us moving around the world it is a great way to stay connected. Best wishes to all of you.

## 1994

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Happy 2005! We appreciate everyone who contacted us with their latest news. It makes our job more fun when we hear from you, so please keep informing us! **Rene Whiteley Warren** and her husband, Travis, welcomed their 3rd child, Andrew, who was born July 26, 2004! Her 3 children keep her busy as a stay-at-home mom. I, **Tracy Sutherland Fitch**, continue to teach 1st grade in

Winchester and have recently been certified as a Wilson Reading Instructor. My husband, Donny, and I are planning a trip to Europe this summer! In Jan., I attended an engagement party with **Nicole Mayo-Gowell** and **Katie Ventura '93**, hosted by **Maureen Walsh** and **Katie Walsh '99** for **Tricia Bartlett**. Tricia and Stephen Kramer will be tying the knot on Oct. 1 at Stratton Mountain. We also ran into **Susan Yates White** in Brownsville, VT, at her sister's store, the Brownsville General Store. Susan is a mother of two; Trevor, 3½, and Camden, 2. Susan is running a home day care. She reports that **Anne Michaels Yates '95** and husband Jim Yates built a new home and have two girls; Samantha, 3, and Sophia, 1. Anne is a P.A. at Dartmouth College. I am also happy to report that **Tobi Harrington Murch** and her husband, Rich, had a little girl, Harley, on September 22nd. They continue to live in NYC. **Katie Ventura '93** had a baby boy, Nolan John O'Neill, born Aug. 4, '04. **Neil Cremin** and his wife, Nikki, purchased a home in Malden, MA, last May. Neil continues to work for Wells Fargo in sales on the wholesale side. **Jay Geiger** writes, "I'm still at the same job and plan to see **Chris Gasparro** in FL this Jan." **Jen Hollingsworth** wrote that **Jen Ellis Vachon** had a baby girl, Elise, this past fall. She also reported that **Marcy Bronzino Bettencourt '93** had her second child, a boy, on Jan. 12. Marcy continues to live on Martha's Vineyard. **Brooke Scarpa** writes that she is living in Lebanon, NH, working for Coldwell Banker VT and NH. She recently bought a 100+ year old Victorian home. Brooke stated, "It's great fun but also hard work!" **Pam Casey Chani** writes she was married on June 19, 2004 in Manchester, VT. **Carrie Bibens Palmer '95** was her maid of honor. Other CSC alums attending the wedding were **Jeff Palmer '96**, **Jimmy McGilvery '96**, and **Pete "Bird" Ladd '96**. This is Pam's 8th year employed as the head athletic trainer and assistant softball coach at GMC. Pam also reported that **Dyan Perewicz Welch** was married on June 4, 2004. **Jennifer Gallagher Pimental**

married Ken Pimental in Monterey, CA, in Nov. 1998 and moved to Washington, DC, where they now live. They have two children: a 3½-year-old son, Geordi (born July '01) and a 22-month-old daughter, Reagan (born May '03). Jennifer is working for the Federal Highway Administration (Department of Transportation) as an information architect since November 2003. **Jan Keith** writes, "My newest information relates to my current position. In Nov. 2002 I was hired to set up and manage an ambulatory surgical center for a Portland, ME, gastroenterologist. The project was immense, including working with a builder to remodel existing space, working with the state to approve our plans, buying equipment, hiring staff, training my staff, writing the policies and procedures, set up for infection control, safety, and performance improvement programs and then undergoing state and federal inspections to become state licensed and federally certified. I am very proud to say we accepted our 1st patients in April '03 and are currently doing about 2,500 endoscopic procedures a year." **Christine Boulanger McCarthy** married her husband, Kevin, in May 2002. They live in Franklin, MA. Christine has been employed in various positions by the Liberty Mutual Insurance Group for over 9 years. She currently serves as a customer service manager, servicing national accounts. **Chris Gasparro**, his wife, Jenn, and their 2-year-old daughter, Kate, moved to the Sarasota/Bradenton area of FL last June. The move was a result of Chris's new position as director of client relations with Miles Media Group, the company he's been working for since 2000. They really miss New England and are thankful to have had a steady stream of visitors. **Dave Morin**, his wife, **Sara Hodgkins Morin '95**, and their son, Jack, visited for Thanksgiving. Chris caught up with **Jay Geiger** in Jan., and then had dinner with **Dan Berry** while he was in Sarasota for business. **Jen Deasy** dropped in for a visit in Feb. before heading to Orlando for a conference. During March and April they welcomed **Dan Berry** again, this time with his wife, **Patti Randall Berry**,

and their daughter, Maggie, and **Matt Richards '95** along with his wife, Maureen, and their daughter, April. "The Hotel Gasparro is open for business," writes Chris. **Matt Reed** recently enjoyed a cruise to AK with his wife, Corey, their children, and many other family members. He writes, "It was great. We rode a fire truck across the Golden Gate Bridge, got a frappuccino at the original Starbucks in Seattle, went dog sledding on a glacier in Juneau, and dined next to Hollywood types in Vancouver." Matt also spent some time in NYC and Montreal. **Noelle Collins** is happy to have moved back to CO, though she tries to get back to New England at least once a year. She is currently enrolled in an MBA program with a concentration in strategic marketing at Regis U. She's also working as a marketing communications manager for Dex Media, despite the fact that the new Alumni Directory has her listed as a social worker! Noelle still talks regularly with **Darci Bubar**, **Belinda Sleeper Chambers '92** and **Brenda Morin Lucil**. Noelle writes, "If you remember, they all left after their 1st 2 years at CSC. They are all doing great. Darci is becoming a nurse practitioner and has an adorable little girl, Belinda has 2 very cute little ones, and Brenda is also working as a nurse and has a very cute little daughter."

## 1995 Reunion

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**Caroline Herz, Jeanne Corcoran Wiggin** and I, **Wendy Mansson Olsen**, have been in touch with many of you the past few months and hope to hear from

even more of you in the future! We also hope to see all of you at the 10-year Reunion this spring (has it really been 10 years?). Caroline loves her job as an audit manager at Citigroup. She is especially enjoying the work/life balance her job provides, as opposed to the previous 5 arduous years spent as an auditor at KPMG LLP. Jeanne and her husband, Matt, welcomed their 1st child, Gavin Corcoran Wiggin, into the world Dec. 8, 2004. He weighed 5 lbs. 12 ounces. They love their new role as parents. In early Jan., **Jessica Dacey Van Olst** stopped in to visit with Jeanne and to meet Gavin when she traveled back to the northeast on a baby tour. **Susan Olsen** and **Stephanie Smith Hanna** also met Gavin when they attended Jeanne's meet and greet/shower. Jeanne started back to work in early March at Cronin & Company, Inc., where she is a public relations executive. Kirk and I (Wendy) are still calling Reno, NV, home and we enjoyed all of the snow we received over the winter. I am still working as the director of development at Sage Ridge School and learning a lot! We recently spent a weekend with **Robyn Ryan**, who came up for a ski weekend. **Lindsay Andrews Dillow** is an operations administrator for a law firm (Weiss & Freedman, LLP) in the beautiful little village of Chagrin Falls, OH. Lindsay and her husband, Jamie (vice-president/operations of a marketing firm) were married in 1997 and have 2 lovely daughters, Nora Greer (age 7) and Mary Logan (age 5), as well as 12-year-old Matthew Charles, Jamie's child from a previous relationship. They live on a small farm in Pepper Pike, OH, (a suburb of Cleveland's east side) but are looking to move closer to

the girls' Catholic school in University Heights. Lindsay keeps in touch with **Pete Johanson** semi-regularly and reports that he is doing well. **Mike Rosmus** and **Theresa McLoughlin Rosmus** were married in Oct. 1997. They are living in Portland, ME, and absolutely love it! Mike works for Synergent as a graphic designer/illustrator. Theresa changed jobs about a year ago and is now the office manager of Old Port Specialty Tile. She loves the job and the company she is working for. Mike and Theresa are planning an addition to their house this spring to make more room for their expanding family, as they are expecting their 2nd child in July. Their daughter, Kitiara, who turned 5 in March, is very excited about being a big sister. She'll also be starting kindergarten in the fall at the Cathedral School in Portland. Mike and Theresa celebrated the New Year with **Krista Barbagalo LaFemina**, her husband, Anthony, and their kids. **Robyn Ryan** is living in San Francisco, working for a fashion designer out of Milan. **Heidi Stevens Freeman** lives in Park City, UT, with her husband, Justin. She is teaching 2nd grade at McPolin Elementary School in Park City. Heidi and Justin moved to Park City in the summer of 2003 because he is on the US Nordic Ski Team and the ski team headquarters is in Park City. They are enjoying the west and the skiing, hiking and exploring of the many National Parks in this part of the country. Heidi visited **Hillary Woodward Pincoske '96**, her husband, **Josh Pincoske '97** and their new baby, Quinton Starks Pincoske, at Christmas-time. **Chris "Koz" Kozlowski** opened his 2nd restaurant, Orchard Street Chop Shop, a few months ago. It is New

Hampshire's first prime steakhouse. Things have been extremely busy between the Orchard Street Chop Shop and the Crescent City Bistro. His wife, **Christen Wallingford Kozlowski '96**, is doing his accounting full-time for both restaurants. Chris is hoping to open a boutique wine & cheese shop right next to the Bistro in May if things go well. He is scouting out a big building to buy up north for a brewing company or something more casual, but thinks that project will probably take a few years. Chris sees **Kevin McGovern**, **Mark Cassinelli '96** and **Jim Gowell '96** and his wife, **Nicole Mayo Gowell '94**, on a regular basis. **TJ Gondeck** started his own real estate company right near Boston University 3 years ago, which is doing great. In addition to the real estate company, TJ manages 6 buildings on Newbury Street and 2 other buildings in Brighton. TJ visited CSC last Feb. to play in the alumni basketball game. "It was fun to see some of the guys and all the new buildings that the college has constructed," he said. **Ken Lubin** and **Allison Armstrong Lubin '97** welcomed Eleanor "Ellie" Armstrong Lubin on Jan. 7, 2005. She weighed 7 lbs. 5 ounces and measured 20 inches. Ellie is keeping her new parents very busy. She was born in Worcester, MA, and the family resides in Millbury. Ken is a managing director with Z Resource Group in Westboro, MA, and Allison is a project manager for Averion in Framingham. They are looking forward to growing their family and continuing their careers. **Matt Godbout** is still working as a sponsorship sales manager for the Indianapolis Colts and was disappointed that his team suffered another loss to the New England Patriots. Matt and his wife, Denise, recently built a new home. Their daughter, Gabrielle, turned 2 in April, and as Matt says, she has a little attitude as well! Matt was excited to be in St. Louis to see the Red Sox win the World Series. He is planning to try to get to campus for our 10th Reunion, June 3-5.

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## Colby-Sawyer Families



Proud parents Josh Pincoske '97 and Hillary Woodward Pincoske '96 (seated) with their new son, Quinton Sparks Pincoske. Colby-Sawyer friends in the photo include (l to r) Ashley Gamwell (CSC athletic trainer), Jim McGilvery '96 and Kyle Battis '99.



Emma Szebeny, daughter of Stahley Herndon Szebeny '80.

## 1996

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Hello class of '96. We hope you all made it through the snowy winter! We were so happy to hear from you again. **Tiffany Taylor Merrill** is living in Augusta, ME, with her husband of 5½ years, Chris, their daughter, Brooklynn, who is 2, and their yellow lab, Daisy. She has really enjoyed being home with Brooklynn since she was born, and was looking forward to the arrival of Brooklynn's baby sister at the end of March. Best wishes and keep us posted Tiffany! **Donnelle Mozzer Bowers** and **Stefanie Lord Baublatt** also had some wonderful news to share! Donnelle and Damon were happy to announce that little Molly Anne was born on Sept. 29, weighing in at 8 pounds, 4 oz. Sydney, 2, is her very proud big sister. Stefanie welcomed her 1st child, Sara Madelyn Baublatt, on Oct. 1. She is doing very well, enjoying motherhood and living in GA. She has been in touch with **Diane Marsden Morley** and **Krystal Kennedy**. Congratulations, Donnelle and Stefanie! **Kimberley "Kim" Parent** has wedding bells in her future. Kim and Sean Flanagan were engaged in Dec., and are planning a July 2006 wedding in Freeport, ME. Congrats! **Wendy Howe LaFlower** and her husband have been keeping busy and having fun with their 2 children, 6-year-old Josh and 2-year-old Savannah, while her husband has been recovering from emergency gall bladder surgery! She also recently heard from **Jacqueline "Jacqui" Hardy**, who lives in CO. Much to her delight, Jacqui became owner of a pottery studio in Oct., after working there for more than 2 years. The studio is called Pottery Caffe and the Web site for the store is



Tara Schirm Campanella '00 with her husband, Jon, and their daughter, Gianna Rose.



Katie Josephs Flint '97 and her son, Harper.



Jack and Kathryn Bickford, children of Shayne Bickford '96.



Allison Armstrong Lubin '97 with her daughter, Ellie.



Gavin Corcoran Wiggin, son of Jeanne Corcoran Wiggin '95.

www.PotteryCaffe.com. Check it out! **Christopher "Chris" Boire** is doing very well and is busy with his business. Boire Design is in its 5th year in Plattsburgh, NY, Chris's hometown. He is engaged to a woman named Jennifer House, who is from Omaha, NE. She works with early intervention and as a 1-on-1 aide. They recently bought a house, which they have completely remodeled. Check out his website at [www.boiredesign.com](http://www.boiredesign.com). Chris passes the following message on to his mentor at CSC, Joe Hruba: "Everything you taught me and told me about the graphic design business was right on the money and I owe my career to you. Thanks for the guidance. Hope all is well with you and your family." We were very happy to hear from **James "Jim" McGilvery**. He is still living in Philadelphia and works as an account executive selling sponsorship for the AND1 Mix Tape Tour. He visited with **Matt Richards '95** recently and met his daughter, Ally, and adds that Matt is glowing. He was on the Colby-Sawyer campus for the alumni basketball game this winter. **Stacy Mott** is attending Lynn University in Delray Beach, FL. She is working toward completing her master's degree in communications in Aug. Best wishes on completion, Stacy. **Daren "Dow" Villeneuve** has been living in Denver, CO, for the past 2 years. He really enjoys the weather and skiing. He is currently teaching English at Smoky Hill High School in the international baccalaureate program, which is a program for gifted and talented students. He is in his 6th year of teaching and says that he enjoys the classroom. He adds that if anyone is in his area to drop him a line at [dow\\_ville@yahoo.com](mailto:dow_ville@yahoo.com). We were also happy to hear from **Shayne Bickford**, who is living in Rochester, NY. He has included a picture of his "2 greatest accomplishments, Jack and Kathryn, taken on a rare sunny July 4th." He says that while Jack rooted for the Eagles in the Superbowl, Kathryn was cheering, "Go Pathrious!" He and his wife, Nell, bought a house just over a year ago after Kathryn was born, and they really enjoy spending time with their chil-

dren. We also heard from **Mona Andrew Stewart**, who is working as an acquisitions analyst for a real estate investment firm. She is married and living in TX with her husband, Kelly, and 2 daugh-

ters, Aileen and Bethany. Aileen is almost 10 and Beth is 2 1/2. Again, it has been wonderful hearing from you all and we encourage you to keep writing. We were thankful to hear from

some of you whom we hadn't heard from in years. Remember, you can e-mail us anytime and we can always let you know when the news will be published. Until the next article.

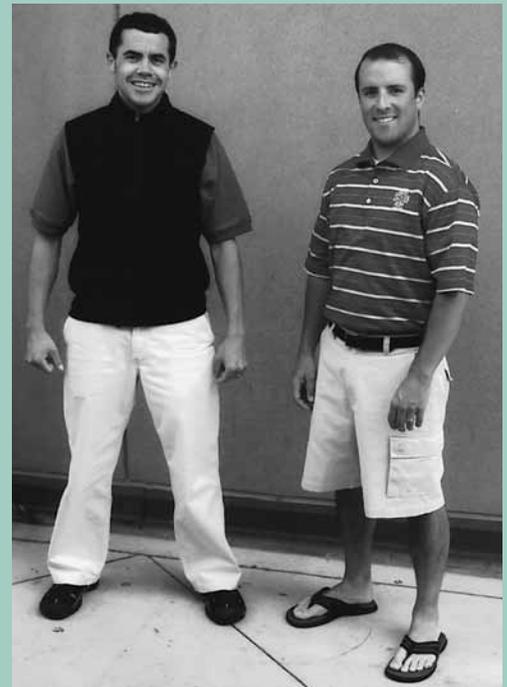
## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

### Jim Gowell '96 and Mike Sansonetti '97

If you live in New England, and certainly if you are a fan of the World Champion New England Patriots football team, there's a good chance you've seen people wearing "Belichick for President 2004" T-shirts. What you may not realize, however, is that this product is the vision of two Colby-Sawyer alumni: Jim Gowell '96 and Mike Sansonetti '97. As avid New England Patriots fans, the duo wanted to show their respect for the team's head coach. In February 2004, the team had just earned its second championship, the Democratic National Convention was on the horizon, and Boston was set to be the host city. Jim and Mike invested their time and money in their T-shirt idea and were amazed at the success of their marketing efforts. "The 'Belichick for President 2004' T-shirt craze spread throughout the United States," explains Jim. "Most notably, the BFP T-shirt reached The White House, Jon Bon Jovi, prime time New England-based radio stations, and numerous professional athletes and coaches."

The success around their initial marketing effort gave Jim and Mike the idea to start a company that followed their passion: tailgating and the outdoors. The two entrepreneurs leveraged their combined 23 years spent at concerts, camping sites and sporting events, plus their collective 15 years of information technology industry experience, and the result was the April 2004 founding of Tailgate Outdoor Wear, LLC, a company that provides rugged all-season apparel for the professional tailgater and outdoor enthusiast. "From a simple T-shirt in 2004, we now offer a full line of unique T-shirts, rugged fleeces, which include bottle openers and "koozies" in the pockets, foul-weather long underwear, and a plethora of accessories for the professional tailgater and outdoor enthusiast," says Mike. "The Tailgate Outdoor Wear Web site—[www.tailgateoutdoorwear.com](http://www.tailgateoutdoorwear.com)—generates well over 56,000 visitors to the site each month, and is converting 23 percent of those visits into online sales," adds Jim.

Playing upon the success of their beloved Patriots, Jim and Mike have added sweatshirts and bumper stickers to their "Belichick for President" line, and they have introduced a "Belichick Pioli '04" line to their collection as



*Jim (l) and Mike attribute their early success to the love and support of their friends and families, including their alumnae wives. Jim is married to Nicole Mayo-Gowell '94, and they live in Kittery, Maine, with their two-year-old son, Mason. Mike and his wife, Lynn Nixon Sansonetti '98, reside in Marlborough, Mass.*

well (Pioli is Patriots Vice President of Player Personnel Scott Pioli). "We want Pioli to stay in New England, and Mike and I are doing our best to make sure that he does," says Jim. Their efforts have not gone unnoticed, as Scott Pioli recently presented the duo with three official NFL footballs signed by linebacker Tedy Bruschi, kicker Adam Vinatieri and one from Belichick and Pioli themselves, reading "To Tailgate Outdoor Wear. Thank you for your support."

There is much on the horizon for the guys at Tailgate Outdoor Wear. They'll be at the Great American Tailgating Expo at Baltimore Ravens Stadium in August, and they are in the early planning stages of other ventures with the NFL. In the meantime, Jim and Mike are keeping their fingers crossed that the Patriots will bring yet another Vince Lombardi trophy home to New England.

—TRACEY AUSTIN

# 1997

Class Correspondent Needed

*Editor's Note: Special thanks to Amie Pariseau Ellis and Jolene Thompson Stratton, who served as 1997 class correspondents from 1999–March 2005.*

I, **Amie Pariseau Ellis**, finished up 2 positions in the fall of 2004. One was as the assistant women's tennis coach at CSC. We had a great season and record, with many of the young ladies receiving accolades from the conference. Unfortunately, we ran into some trouble and lost in the quarterfinals of the tournament. They'll be back next year though! My grant-funded position with the Girl Scouts ended in early Nov., and I started right in with a new job, a new career actually. I am the marketing coordinator for a company called Tele Atlas in Lebanon. I handle small trade shows, customer meetings and all kinds of other small projects. It is overwhelming at times, as it is a new world for me, but it is going quite well. I will be experiencing my 1st business travel as I will head to New Orleans, San Diego and San Francisco this year to attend trade shows for the company. Congratulations to **Stephanie Peterson Racine** and **John Racine**, who expected their 1st baby in April. While waiting for their bundle of joy to arrive, John became a licensed architect and Stephanie finished her master's in ESL/ special education. They currently live in a 3-family home in RI, but are looking to sell and move on to a single family with some land. Other future CSC grads include Charles Scott Walgren, who joined the Walgren family in Aug. Mom, **Catherine Yarbrow**

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**Walgren**, is working in the ER and dad is getting as much "Charlie time" as he can before he is deployed overseas. Coach Foti has a recruit for the class of 2025! Quinton Starks was born in Nov. to **Hillary Woodward Pincoske** and **Joshua Pincoske**. "Yes, named after John Starks of the NY Knicks," says Josh. They also bought a house in Concord and a dog. Josh is in his 10th season as the men's assistant basketball coach at CSC and 3rd year as general manager at RC Brayshaw Printing, Co., Inc. **Charlotte Hulland Holst** and her husband, David, welcomed baby boy, Joshua, in Dec. **Katie Josephs Flint**, her husband, Scott, and their son, Harper, added a second son, Jonah, to their family in Feb. **Michelle Dodier Deming** and her husband are busy chasing around the twins, who are 2 years old. They are talking, climbing and running in 2 different directions, of course! She is now an adjunct clinical nursing instructor at Mount Wachusett Community College and loves it. This is while she continues to work in ICU working towards criterias toward her lifeflight. Michelle also received her PediatricAdvancedLifeSupport. Congrats on all your accomplishments, Michelle! **Chip Steward** has been the director of resort marketing for the Mount Washington Hotel & Bretton Woods Mountain Resort since Sept. It is a 1 1/2 hour commute from his Lebanon, NH, home, which he and his wife, Kellie, built before Chip changed jobs. It must be a great neighborhood, as **Chris House** bought a home 7 doors down from the Steward family! **Laura Powell** is working part-time in a computer store and headed to Disneyworld in March. **Lauren Smyrl** is working for Burns Veterinary Supply, Inc. and covers NH and VT. **Lori Monroe Yates** and her husband, John, are living in Littleton. They recently sold one house and bought another. She is working at Home Depot in the kitchen and bath department. **Donna Studley** is living and working in Plymouth, MA. **Lauren Calvarese Tauscher**, her husband, Brandon, and their 2 boys, Peter and Lewis "Jack" Jackson, have moved to WA. They have

bought land and plan to have a house built by fall. **Jolene Thompson Stratton** and her husband are expecting their 2nd child in July. She is looking forward to 3 months off in the summer, and enjoying the pool with her babies. Please keep in touch with the Alumni Office with your most recent information and check out the Alumni site at [www.colby-sawyer.edu/alumni-friends](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/alumni-friends) for alumni events in your area and ways to keep up with your classmates!

# 1998

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Hello class of '98! I, **Jamie Gilbert**, am busy working in the visual department of a Banana Republic store, working on store openings in the CT region, and also working with my district manager in making the visual part of your shopping experience fantastic. I am also completing my 4th year as a nationally certified massage therapist. It's great work and I am always learning so much. I have kept in touch with many alumni including **Pat Desmond '95**, **Jimmy McGilvery '96** and **Donnie Varnum '95**. They got together to celebrate St. Patty's Day in Philadelphia, PA. I also talk to **Amy Hall '99** quite often. She is making the trek across the country to live with her fiancé, Shaun, in San Jose, CA. We are all sad to see her go, but hopeful that she will be back in a few years. **Chris Quint** has been busy working at Planned Parenthood and updating his great farmhouse in ME. Kim and Chris have survived the winter in their new home. Not many of you sent me updates, but here are what some of your fellow alums had to say. **Jodi Lambert Meader** writes, "2004 has been a big year for me and my family. It started on April 12,

2004 when Larry and I welcomed our daughter, Lillian "Lilli" Pauline Meader, into the world. She was 8 lbs. 12.5 ounces, 21.5 inches long. At the end of May, Larry and I bought a house in Farmingdale, ME. We spent the summer busily moving, painting and getting settled into our new house. Larry and I exchanged wedding vows on Sept. 18, 2004 in Augusta ME. Attending our wedding was **Rachel Bratter-Gronblom '00**." Jodi has changed jobs and is now working at Central Maine Medical Center in the Hematology Oncology Associates outpatient office. **Craig Laabs** married **Jessica Smith Laabs '99** and has graduated from South TX College of Law. He is working at Ernst & Young as a customs and international trade consultant. They purchased a house in The Woodlands, TX, which is 30 minutes north of Houston. "We enjoy training for the upcoming triathlon season and spending time with our 2 boxers, Kona and Aspen," said Craig. **Rob Gagnon** has given up his MI living to move back to good old MA. He is living in Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA, and working at the Manchester Athletic Club and Absolute Performance Physical Therapy. He recently got a new boxer puppy, fittingly named Fenway. I have been in touch with **Rob Kasprzak**, seeing him at many of **Frank "Rizzo" Abel's '97** parties this past summer. Rob is still working at Staples corporate office as a senior financial analyst. He will finish his MBA from Boston College in May 2006. He also keeps in touch with many of his friends from Page Hall. **Sam Hamilton** writes, "I am still living in Virginia Beach with my wife and cocker spaniel. I'm still working as a high school teacher and athletic trainer at Bayside High School. Next year I will be teaching human anatomy for Bayside High School's new Health Science Academy, educating future doctors, nurses and other healthcare professionals. Recently, my wife, Amanda Biittner (a Virginia Tech graduate), **Dave "Digger" Pratt**, **Michelle Whitney Pratt** and I enjoyed a week vacation in Jamaica. A mini-class of '98

reunion." **Gary Kennedy** is still working hard with the postal service in Portsmouth, NH. Things are going well for him. **Kevin Webster** and **Beth Ferreira Webster** are proud to announce they have a new addition to their family. "Beth and I are doing great. We now have a 5-month-old son named Brayden. We have been very lucky with him. He is all smiles from the time he wakes up to the time he goes to bed," writes Kevin. The Websters are also in the process of moving into their new home in N. Dartmouth, MA. Congratulations to the both of you. Recently an e-mail came from **Brian "Pepe" Heon**. "Let's see... just making my way through another ski season. This is my 4th year as the lift operations manager for the Canyons in Park City, UT. We'll close in 4 weeks then I'll take 8 weeks off and travel. I still live with **Chris Tulloch '97**, and **Justin Hersh '00** lives right down the road so I still spend too much time with those guys. Other than that we're getting ready for another summer of water-skiing and wakeboarding." **Kelly Dudek Trella**, another CT resident, has been busy. "My division at work reorganized in Jan., and I became the director of distribution marketing & communications for a combined broker/dealer and rollover/payout product organization. (In non-financial jargon that means I manage the team that handles communications, promotions, and numerous other miscellaneous projects for sales agents in the financial services industry.) I am almost halfway done with my master's degree, and spring 2006 can't get here soon enough! I've recently been in touch with **Sarah Lidstone**, who is happily living and working in TN, and I am really hoping to get down there to see her this year. Other than that, I'm just trying to enjoy life with my husband and all our pets!" **Theresa "Tee" Saucier Bousquet** and her husband, Henry, welcomed a baby girl, Phoebe Pauline, on August 20, 2004. They are all doing great. They have recently remodeled the kitchen and bar in their restaurant, Cobblestone Restaurant, in New Bedford, MA. Tee is also going to be opening

"Phoebe's Closet," an infant and toddlers resale boutique in the middle of May. We wish her luck! She is also busy working as a full time athletic trainer at MIT. Here is the latest and greatest news from **Chuck Morrison**. "Sophie and I are enjoying our 1st year of marriage together! We recently bought a house in Milford, NH, and welcomed a new addition to our family... Shiloh, our 4-month-old Siberian husky! I'm still working at 1510 The Zone as director of production." Please keep sending Chris and me info about yourselves and other CSC alumni. Also, take a few minutes and check out the new CSC directory online at [www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc). It's a great way to keep up with your classmates. Take care!

## 1999

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Hi everyone! We hope all is well. Drop us an e-mail or write to stay in touch; we enjoy hearing from each of you. I, **Suzanne Blake Gerety**, and my husband, Ed welcomed, our 1st child into the world in Dec. Our son, Ryan, was an early Christmas present, born Dec. 14. I love being a new mom and despite the sleepless nights, it's totally worth it. I'm able to work from home, as I still help to run the speaking business with my husband. I, **Kelley Healey**, live in Weymouth, MA, and teach high school seniors in Sharon, MA. I finally completed my master's degree in education during the summer of '04 and would love to be a professional student. I have enjoyed numerous weddings amongst my friends and family, as well as celebrating many of them having new babies, too. **Adrienne Shrekgast** is still living in Boston and teaching 1st grade in Arlington, MA. She is also working at an Italian restaurant. She learned how to snowboard this

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winter and is taking some fun classes. **Ben Reeder** started working in admissions back at CSC in the summer of '04 and is living in Georges Mills. He states that, "It's a bit of a change from living in LA, NY and Boston, but it's nice to be back." One of his responsibilities is to coordinate any alumni who want to volunteer for the Admissions Department, so anyone who is interested should get in touch with him at [breeder@colby-sawyer.edu](mailto:breeder@colby-sawyer.edu). Ben is also coaching the women's club softball team and is back on WSCS with his 1st radio show in 5 years. **John Gosselin** and his wife, **Liz Cronin Gosselin '97**, are busy looking for a new house and have been hanging out with many CSC friends. **Erika Cone Clohecy** is still teaching in Derry, NH. She has 2 sons, 3-year-old Jayson and 1-year-old Joshua. Erika and her family had a great time visiting **Brian Frenkiewich** and **Michele Grodziki Frenkiewich** and their daughter, Ayla, in Jan. at their house in ME. **Andrea Goupil Stone** has had a great year. She married Andy Stone in Nov. in Bedford, NH. Her CSC friends **Angela Cloutier**, **Jena Van Stelten**, **Alex Peak**, **Lauren Grassini** and **Jim Gebro** were there to celebrate the big day with her. Andrea has a new job working for a large pharmaceutical company as a senior sales professional. Congrats, Andrea! **Ron Coleman** writes from Iraq. He reported back to the Middle East in Jan. and may not be back to the U.S. until spring of 2006. He said that it is quite an adventure being there as they rebuild the country of Iraq. We wish you well, Ron! **Laura Densch Heath** and her husband, Courtney, welcomed their son, Connor Charles, into the world

in Jan. Laura writes that she is enjoying motherhood and does not look forward to going back to work. She said that Connor is growing fast and they are enjoying adjusting to being new parents. **Amy Hall** shares news of her engagement to her boyfriend, Shaun. They are planning a fall 2006 wedding with CSC friends to be a part of it, including **Jamie Gilbert '98** and **Nick Burchard**. Amy's fiancé, Shaun, lives in San Francisco, CA, so she made the move out west to be with him this spring after their engagement. **Dana Bruce Carman** lives in ME with her husband, Chuck, and their 2 daughters, Brooke and Carli. They moved into a beautiful new house this past winter. Dana works as a head shift leader at Hannaford Bros., so she is able to spend the better part of the day with her children. She was sorry to have missed our 5-year Reunion, but that was her due date. **Shane Hoover** is now working for Digital Federal Credit Union in the indirect lending department, which is part of the consumer loan department. He moved into this new position when his son, Simon, was born last year. Shane attended a few CSC gatherings, including his own Christmas party, Rizzo's (**Frank Abel '97**) summer party, and a weekend at Seth's (**Seth Hurley '99**) in VT. **Kim Kogut** enjoyed a trip to Chicago with her office for a national conference in Nov. She spent a week there and got to take in the sights from Millennium Park to Navy Pier and stayed on the "Magic Mile," next to the Water Tower Place where Oprah lives. Kim spent the holidays with family, and unfortunately her family dealt with the death of 2 family members. She's looking forward to baseball season and enjoying

the warmer weather ahead. **Kevin Pickering** is working as the assistant head athletic trainer at the U of MA-Dartmouth. **Mike Bernard** reports that all is well. He's living in West Hollywood, CA, and has a new job working for a post production house cutting movie trailers and TV spots. **Tyler Blout** and his wife are expecting their 1st baby in June. They celebrated their 1st year of marriage and all is well. Tyler, **Ryan Willey '00**, **Ryan Smith '00**, **Jason Frew '00**, **Chris Lindquist** and other friends will travel to Denver, CO, for their annual golf/baseball trip in June. They've now visited 6 stadiums in the US, with many more to go. Tyler continues to work at Bank of America and is enjoying the warm southern CA weather. **Nate Corddry '00** is currently touring the country playing Benjamin Braddock in the national tour of "The Graduate," also starring Morgan Fairchild. Congrats, Nate! **Rose Keefe** and her family are recovering from the effects of Hurricane Ivan, which changed so many lives in Sept. Many of her friends have no homes, everything is gone. Rose is blessed to still have her home, but it had major damage. They have had many months of construction, but finally see the light at the end of the tunnel. Nineteen trees went down in their yard, several of which were in their pool. Rose is still the director of a private preschool. She also teaches a pre-K class and loves her job. **Cara Falconi** bought her 1st home this summer and is living in Winchester, MA, with her 5-year-old foster son, Ian. She writes, "He is an amazing little guy who has added a whole new dimension to my life. We are both doing very well, and are healthy and happy!" Cara is finishing up graduate school and will be done in May. She is working part time as a therapist with children and adolescents who have severe mental illness and/or are in trouble with the law. **Jeff Devaney** continues to live in Salt Lake City, UT, with his wife, Mindy. They expected a baby girl in April and are very excited about the new addition to their family. Jeff is working in the corporate world, which he reports is much different than

working in a hospital. It has brought him from the coast of CA to Europe and to the Asian Pacific. He has seen some amazing things, and is deep into different cultures. His wife, Mindy, gets to come with him at times. Congrats, Jeff! We send our best to everyone. Please keep in touch!

## 2000 Reunion

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Hi everyone! This is **Jen Prudden**. Things haven't changed too much for me over the last couple of months. I am living in the North End of Boston and still teaching 3rd grade in Andover. I have gotten to see my girls from CSC a few times in the last few months. In Dec., **Katie Sykes**, **Jess Dannecker**, **Kate Lovell**, and I spent a weekend shopping and celebrating in Boston. **Jess Dannecker** will be finishing up her MBA this spring and will then be looking for a new job. She and **Chris Fitzpatrick** are still going strong. Chris is working for Deutsche Bank in a Southern NH office. They keep him very busy. **Kate Lovell** continues to work at Emerson College in the purchasing department and is living in South Boston with **Hayley Cozens**. She is busy training for her 3rd Boston Marathon and is auditioning for a community theater performance of "A Chorus Line." Good luck, Kate! **Hayley Cozens** reports that things are going well. She had lunch with **Katie Tirrell** last week and reports that Katie is taking a massage therapy course. She also reports that **Kelly Sargent** is doing well. She will be attending **Greg Hooven's '99** wedding in May in Syracuse, NY. **Zanna Campbell** has been very busy with a new job and graduate school. She is working for the NH Higher Education

Assistance Foundation, a company that helps high school students get funding to go to college. She loves it and says that it is very rewarding. **Katie Sykes** and **Matt Follis** have bought a house in Saratoga Springs, NY, and are busy planning their Sept. wedding, which will take place in MI. Katie is working at a vet clinic and loves her little cat, Billy. **Kristin Anderson** is still enjoying teaching science. This fall was her 5th season as the CSC asst. volleyball coach. They came in 2nd in the CCC and got their first ever ECAC bid. She didn't coach basketball this winter, but is looking forward to the softball season. Don't forget that this spring is our 5-year reunion. It's an all-campus reunion, but our class will be hosting and organizing many of the events. I will be working on the committee so if you have any suggestions or ideas, please e-mail me and let me know. Have a great spring and see you on campus in June! Ciao to all! I, **Tara Schirm Campanella**, hope this update finds everyone getting ready for the upcoming reunion. I can't believe 5 years have gone by already. I am not sure if I will be stateside then, but if I am, I hope to see everyone in attendance. Let's break the attendance record! I am doing well in Sicily enjoying my new job as a mommy. Gianna Rose was born Sept. 8, 2004. She weighed 6 lbs, 4 oz, and was 20.5 inches long. She was a tiny one but she has caught up fast, weighing 18 pounds at 6 months old. I can barely carry her up the stairs! She is such a joy for me and my husband, Jon. We came home to both coasts for Christmas and it was great to show off Gianna to all our family and friends. **Justin Hersh** still loves life in Park City, UT. He writes, "I recently got a

job as a national sales manager with Deer Valley Lodging, so I don't anticipate leaving UT in the near future. Plus, Park City had an epic ski season, so **Chris Tulloch**, my sister, my girlfriend, Leslie, and I enjoyed plenty of skiing in fresh powder almost every weekend. Other than that, I have just been traveling for work. My territory is the mid-west, and southeast, so at least I get to meet up with **Drew Lydecker** and **Halley Westdale** (soon to be Lydecker) when I go to Chicago." Justin also mentioned that **Lindsay Sylva Hay** had a new addition to her family, a baby boy, born Jan 2. **Jenn Wallerstein** enjoyed the "winter-free" lifestyle of San Diego, CA. She and I may soon be neighbors, depending on my husband's next Navy assignment. Jenn writes, "I am still living in San Diego. Work is blah, but life is good! My roommate and I just moved to a new place in Little Italy (downtown San Diego). The winter was crazy, with a ton of friends and family coming to visit. **Danielle Dobson** and her crew came out for a week to ring in the New Year, California style. It was so nice to have her here; I miss her! We all managed to have a great time and see a little of Mexico, too. I still can't believe sometimes that it is now Feb. and I am still wearing flip flops and heading to the beach! I made the right move. I hope everyone is doing great!" **Maryellen Skulski** is enjoying married life, living outside of Boston and working hard. Her Web business is taking off; some of her merchandise was picked up by Newbury Comics stores. Congrats, Maryellen! **Anne Raeburn** sent me a great e-mail. She writes, "I left Fidelity Investments and left Manchester, NH, while I was at it. I moved to

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**Wright/DeTore Wedding.** Courtney Wright DeTore '02 and Tony DeTore '00 are surrounded by their alumni friends on their wedding day. Pictured are (back row l to r) Julie Longtin Morales '00, Chris Bryer '01, Nick Bertsimas '99, Dan Darcy '00, Ben Selleck '01, Dave Urban '00, Steve Drozell '00 and Mike Vroom '00, (front row l to r) Liz Steward '02, Hilary Cogen '02, Courtney Wright DeTore '02, Tony DeTore '00, Deb Panza '02, Laura Sallee '02 and Stacy Leughmyer Drozell '01.

Stowe, VT, because I couldn't stand **Cindy Bailey Mace** living the good life without me. I am working at A.G. Edwards in Barre, VT, as a registered financial associate. It's a less micromanaged company than Fidelity, with better client relationships, and I am not being strangled by the phone for 10 hours a day. **Dan Darcy** vacationed in Stowe and got in plenty of skiing. He is a manager at Enterprise Rent-a-Car in Rochester, NH. Another reason for my move to Stowe is that my

boyfriend, Nick Robinson, and I moved in together. Funny story, his mom is CSC alumna **Becky Young Robinson '64.**" Small world, huh? **Sheridan Johnston** had some great news. She says, "I have moved to Memphis, TN, to take my dream job at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. I am working as the child life specialist on the inpatient leukemia/lymphoma unit and I love it! I also completed my 1st marathon in June with Team in Training (a fundraising arm

of the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society). It was probably the toughest day of my life, but was well worth it! I was able to honor my patients as well as raise money for cancer research." It sounds like Sheridan is on a very rewarding path. **Jason Frew** is engaged to be married in Sept. He is working as the assistant director of admissions at Boston University. **Missy Labrie** wrote, "I kept busy helping my friend, **Stacy Leughmyer '01**, plan her fall wedding to **Steve Drozell.**

It was a lot of fun and a lot of work. I am sure photos will be sent in soon. Being maid of honor was great. **Tony DeTore** and **Courtney Wright DeTore '02** were married the following weekend. For the last 5 years I have taught pre-k and kindergarten between 2 different schools. The last 2 years I have also been the assistant director. I have currently taken on a position at the Great Bay Kids Company as the program director, in Newmarket, NH. I have a staff of about 11 ladies. We have 4 classrooms (age 2-kindergarten). It is a bit of a change from teaching, but challenging as well. I am also now helping my sister **Michelle Labrie '03** plan her May 2006 wedding to **Matt Strand '03.** I will be the maid of honor in this wedding as well. If the program director thing doesn't work out, I may consider a job as a wedding coordinator!" **Tony DeTore** also sent the Alumni Office a letter about his marriage to **Courtney Wright DeTore '02.** Following their wedding, the couple enjoyed a fantastic honeymoon in Jamaica. Courtney is working at Lawrence General Hospital and Tony is still with Swanson Advertising. "God willing, my band will finally have a CD completed this spring, and we are preparing for a busy summer playing around New England," writes Tony. Well, that is it for my update, I hope to see you all soon at Reunion. I am trying to get in touch with **Jaime Skillern.** If you see this, Jaime, e-mail me so we can catch up!



**Opuszynski/Schwenger Wedding.** Colby-Sawyer friends gathered to celebrate the marriage of Michelle Opuszynski Schwenger and her husband, Christian, on their October 9, 2004, wedding day. Posing are (l to r) Tonya Steiner '99, Julie Tyrrell Olsen '01, Megan Smith '01, Michelle Opuszynski Schwenger '01, Christian Schwenger, Amanda Rucci '01, Jen Caron-Small '01 and Kasia Fadrowski '01.

## 2001

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Hello! I hope that everyone is doing great. I am in the midst of completing my 1st year of graduate school. I really enjoy my classes, as they are challenging, but great. I am pursuing my master's in child development and early childhood education with Wheelock College, and still working at Advocates for Children in Lewiston, ME. I am now the education coordinator,

## Eaton/Casey Wedding



Mandy Eaton '01 tied the knot with Paul Casey on September 5, 2004, on the island of Martha's Vineyard, with many Colby-Sawyer friends in attendance.



(Back row l to r) Taber Lightfoot '01, Mandy Eaton Casey '01, and Tracey Guarda Perkins '01. (Front row l to r) Beth Ashley '01, Emily Thomas '01 and Lisa Killam '01.

and I have taken on many new tasks, which are wonderful. I have spent some time up at CSC as well. My sister, Meggan, recently completed her freshman year at CSC. I went up for the dance show, which was fantastic. It totally made me miss my days of performing, though! I was surprised to see so many familiar faces in the audience; it was great. One of those familiar faces was **Allison "Ali" Wamboldt**, who still loves Frozen Ropes, she has been busy coaching and running workshops, and enjoying her new promotion. **Jorden Blucher** is living in Burlington, VT, and is the market manager for American Diabetes. He is a volunteer on the Smugglers Notch Ski Patrol and is in the process of joining a rescue squad.

**Jennie Cocchiario LaBranche** and her husband are still enjoying life overseas. They expected a baby girl, Lily, in early April. She stopped teaching kindergarten in order to prepare for the arrival of baby Lily. **Jennifer Pesare** is taking classes towards her master's in speech language pathology at URI and is still working at the police station. She writes, "Life in RI is great!" **Amanda Rucci** is still working at Sunapee and attending grad school at Lesley University for a master's in special education. Amanda talks often with **Julie McFarland**, who is getting married in July, **Megan Smith**, who moved to MN, **Kim Morrison**, who is now living in Raleigh, NC, and **Jamie Babine**, who lives in Lebanon, NH, and planned to be married in

April. **Michelle Opuszynski-Schwenger** writes, "I am enjoying every second of married life!" Michelle was married Oct. 9 of this year. Congrats, Michelle! Another recently married classmate is **Adam Dow**. He and his wife are living in ME, and Adam is working with a local high school as an athletic trainer. Congrats, Adam! **Grace Gravelle** is juggling work at Crate and Barrel, power yoga 3-5 times a week, and preparations for her sister's wedding in Sept. She is also planning a trip to NC and SC to visit friends sometime within the next few months. Grace is still living with **Cheryl Lecesse '02** in Woburn and loves living so close to Boston. **Danica Letarte** shares, "I am living in Waltham, MA, with my fiancé, Mark. He proposed on Christmas Day. So it's been fun planning a May 2006 wedding and working on a few business ventures, while getting tons of snow this year. Hope other alums are doing great and hope to see them around the Boston area." **Mandy Eaton Casey** tied the knot with Paul Casey, Sept. 5 on the island of Martha's Vineyard. **Beth Ashley**, **Ben Watts '02**, **Tracey Guarda Perkins**, **Taber Lightfoot**, **Emily Thomas** and **Lisa Killam** were all there to celebrate and enjoy the 3-day event. **Tracey Guarda Perkins** writes, "Keith and I are settled into our Exeter, NH, home. Our newest addition to the family is our beloved golden retriever puppy named Sam. Yes, we are obsessed with him! Since

leaving the CSC admissions office, I have been enjoying my new role as director of alumni relations at The Derryfield School in Manchester, NH. I have seen **Taber Lightfoot**, **Mandy Eaton Casey** and **Lisa Killam** at our frequent "girls' nights." **Erik Rocheford** is finishing his master's at CO State U. in Fort Collins, CO, and enjoying every minute of it. Erik writes, "**Katie Lynch '02** was just out here for a week and we had a great time touring all over the state and enjoying some great skiing. She went from MA to making great turns at 12,000+ feet; we had a blast!" Erik is looking forward to getting back to the Boston area and working in research in the exercise physiology field. He writes, "Can't wait to get back to the ocean and Red Sox games. Hope everyone is doing well." **Steve Robinson** writes, "I am back in beautiful and scenic Worcester, MA, working for Apple Trailer, a storage container and trailer company. I also get to see **Dimitrios Tsihlis** quite often at our monthly Latin dance and salsa lessons in Manchester, NH. Wow can he move and shake!" **Kristin Giannino Spinney** writes, "Hi all! Things around here have been great. Mike and I went to AZ for Feb. vacation and we headed to Disney for April vacation. Teaching is wonderful. I have the cutest class and Sparhawk is an awesome school! **Marisa Tescione** and I enjoy watching our weekly chick flick. We have many laughs! Hope everything is going well for everyone. Take care!" **Melissa "Missy" Brown** is still working as an 8th grade teacher at the APW Middle School. This year she finally got back to her "roots" and started up a school newspaper at her school. The kids have really taken to it and although Missy takes care of the layout, design and final editing, the students are in charge of coming up with story ideas, interviewing and writing. Sounds great, Missy! **Katrina Ryan** writes, "Not too much new to report. I am heading into my 2nd year at the RBC Center in Raleigh. It has been strange (and interesting) being exposed to the NHL lockout on the arena side of things. Hopefully by the time this is printed, the lockout will



**Holiday Celebration.** December 2004 Christmas Party with CSC friends at Grace and Cheryl's place: (Back row l to r) Grace Gravelle '01, Cheryl Lecesse '02 and Heather Thomson '01. (Front row l to r) Chris Roofe '01, Ariana Rork Grant '00 and Randy Grant '99.

be over and hockey will be back. I'm keeping my fingers crossed! I hope everyone is doing well." **Krissi Dyer** is currently living at Sugarloaf/USA year round, snowboarding and telemark skiing as much as possible. She is working for lift control and ski patrol dispatch, bartending, and running various events for local bars. I was so happy to hear from so many of you. It sounds like things are going great. Please feel free to drop me an e-mail at anytime. I look forward to hearing from you all soon! Take care of yourselves and enjoy the summer.

## 2002

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Hi everyone! I hope you all are doing great and enjoying life! It's great to hear that so many of you are attending grad school and are successful in the business world! As for me, **Cheryl Lecesse**, I am still working for Community Newspaper Company in Concord, MA, but am now the assistant editor of the *Lincoln Journal*, a weekly newspaper. The position is great because I can still write articles for the paper, but I'm more involved in the design and layout process. I'm still living in Woburn, MA, and having a fun time with my roommate, **Grace Gravelle '01**. I keep in close contact with **Christine Symmes Lucius**, who now lives in Boxford, MA, with her husband, Rich. She is working as a personal trainer at the Manchester Athletic Club in MA and is the athletic trainer for both Georgetown High School and Manchester Essex High School. **Hilary Cogen** is living in Concord, NH, and is working as a news reporter for WKXL radio in Concord, NH. In Oct. 2004, she received her first NHAB golden mic award. Congratulations, Hilary! She also said she had a

great time dancing the night away with her old roomies at **Courtney Wright DeTore** and **Tony DeTore's '00** wedding. **Amy Birner Plourde** and her husband, Andrew, have purchased a home in Derry, NH. Amy said construction on the house was expected to be completed in May. Amy sees **Kelly Raiano '03**, **Kevin Maccioli** and **Vicki Burgess Fahey** often. Kelly and Kevin live in Malden, MA, and are busy planning their Sept. wedding. **Katie Reeder** is enjoying life in Thomaston, ME. She is taking graduate classes for social work and is working on her clinical license. **Casey Mitchell** is working for Bombardier Capital in Burlington, but decided to move to Chicago in April to challenge her career. Good luck, Casey! In Chicago, she plans to live with **Lisa Farina**, whose rental agency business, Apartment Aides ([www.apartmentaides.com](http://www.apartmentaides.com)), is now 2 years old. Lisa's sister, Paula, has also moved to the city. "It is my goal to move everyone to this city. I love it here," Lisa said. **Mark Miller** is living outside St. Louis, MO, where he and his fiancée, **Lindsey Wright '03**, purchased a home. He flies 50-passenger regional jets out of the St. Louis hub for American

Connection. He also flies regional jets for United Express out of their O'Hare and Washington Dulles hubs, as well as for US Airways Express out of their Pittsburgh hub. "We are having a great time in our new home, and although we miss the northeast, we have enjoyed exploring a new part of the country," Mark said. Mark also would love to hear from you! His e-mail is [mark\\_miller@att.net](mailto:mark_miller@att.net). **Erin Hardy** is still living in Laconia, NH, and is working as a manager at The Fitness Edge. **Katie Lynch** is working at Danvers High School in MA as the athletic trainer. She plans to take some classes this summer to begin preparing for PA school. **Angela Langevin** has begun working on her master of science degree in industrial relations and human resources at PA State U. "After moving down to PA from NH, I am still getting accustomed to my new surroundings, but I love the campus and I am enjoying my classes," Angela said. **Ramsey Hoehn** is still living on Long Island, teaching tennis in Locust Valley, but planned to return to VT in May to work for the Windridge Tennis Camps. He said he is looking forward to being closer to friends living in the VT/NH area. He recently met



**Adirondack Mini-Reunion.** (Bottom to top) **Karen Kotopoulos '02**, **Missy Brown '01**, **Heather Billings '02** and **Nikki Fowler '02** enjoyed their 2nd annual mini-reunion in the Adirondacks on Columbus Day Weekend.

up with a bunch of college friends for New Year's, including the Crowell brothers and **Matt Hagerty**. He said it was nice to see everyone doing so well. **Beth Burnham** is working for Sweetser as an ed. tech. in an elementary



**Pub Night.** This group of Colby-Sawer alumni enjoyed a pub night in New London following the alumni basketball games on campus. (Front row l to r) **Julie Sheehan '02**, **Tommy Lavigne '03**, **Adam Tuttle '02**, **Hillary Cross '02** and **Brendan Carney '02**. (Middle row l to r) **Jennifer Buck '02**, **Tasha Beaudin '02**, **Sara Hammond '01**, **Michele Favre '03**, **Meredith Buzzi '03**, **Katie Bishop '03**, **Calen Paquette '02** and **Katie Lynch '02**. (Back row l to r) **Brian Pendergast '03**, **Ethan Betts '03**, **Amy Callahan '02**, **Ashley Bramwell '02**, **Beth Chartier '97**, **Nick Jewett '03**, **Josh Pincoski '97**, **Coach George Martin**, **Jim Durell '94** and **Jim McGilvery '96**.



**Boston Mini-Reunion.** Colby-Sawyer young alumni gather in Boston for a mini-reunion. Pictured (l to r) are Rob Ryder '03, Erin Slavin '02, Katie Lynch '02, Jenny Buck '02, Tommy Lavigne '03, Calen Paquette '02, Ashley Bramwell '02, Adam Tuttle '02, Brendan Carney '02, Ethan Betts '03.

school in Saco, ME. She lives in Kennebunk, ME, but planned to leave May 31 for Guyana, South America, where she will work through the Peace Corps. Good luck, Beth! I'm sure we all would love to hear about your experiences! **Eli Soll** is 7,500 miles away from New England, in his 2nd year teaching English in South Korea. The experience has allowed him to travel through Southeast Asia and Europe, visiting Thailand, Japan, Iceland, England and the Czech Republic, where he earned a TESOL certificate from Trinity College. **Pilar Bescos** is living in a townhouse in Methuen, MA, and is enjoying married life with her wife, Jenny. They have a dog

named Ollie and stay busy balancing family and work. She is also only 3 classes away from earning her master's degree in early childhood education through Wheelock College's Off-Campus Program in Concord, NH. "I am loving it and fortunately I am doing well, despite my full time job teaching toddlers," she said. Both Pilar and Jenny are looking forward to Pilar's graduation in Aug., and plan to start a family. **Brendan Carney** is still living with **Jenny Buck** outside of Philadelphia and continues to work at AND1. They plan to move back to New England and settle for a little while in the Boston area soon. **Brett Gaede** has been living in

southern FL, working as an assistant tennis director at the Mizner Country Club in Delray Beach, FL. He planned to stay south until the beginning of May, when he headed back north to Nantucket, MA, to work as an assistant tennis pro. Brett said he sees **Anthony Giovino** and **Adam Seppala** on a regular basis, and would love to hear how his classmates are doing. **Debbie Panza** graduated from grad school at UNH Manchester in May, and is coaching a varsity cheerleading squad, which qualified for the state competition. She also said the party scene isn't what it used to be. "Sitting in on a Friday night watching movies and drinking wine has become my favorite pastime. I just can't hold alcohol like I used to. Does anyone else feel this way?" Debbie said. **Courtney Norris** said she had the chance to see some fellow alumni at her sister's wedding this past summer. **Kirsty McCue** now works at Huggins Hospital as an athletic trainer, and also serves at the athletic trainer for Kingswood High School, her alma mater. "I am really excited about the position," Kirsty said. "It's a great feeling living in my hometown, close to family, friends, and of course that someone special." **Douglas "Dug" P. Scott** worked for a year as a "poorly paid" reporter for the *Suburban and Wayne Times* in Wayne, PA, but when he realized a person

couldn't live on that type of salary, he decided to get into his family business. Last April he started working as a salesman at his family's automobile dealership, Scott Honda, in West Chester, PA, and became the 1st of the 4th generation to give the business a shot. He was recently promoted to leasing manager. On May 28, Dug is marrying "the most amazing woman" he has ever met. "She is a photographer at the paper, her name is Bridgett Ann Woody, and I can't wait until that last name matches mine," he said. Several Colby-Sawyer alums are attending the wedding, which will take place in his grandparents' back yard on the Main Line outside Philadelphia. Congratulations, Dug! **Ashley Bramwell** is living in Marshfield, MA, and teaching pre-K. She is also in the process of getting her master's degree in elementary education, and is coaching basketball and softball at her old high school in Marshfield. **Hillary Cross** is living in Duxbury, MA, and is working in membership sales at the Boston Sports Club in Wellesley, MA. "We try as often as possible to have mini-reunions with **Susanna Jesser** and **Leisa Jesser**," Hillary said. **Rob Buckley** is still working as a program coordinator for North Suffolk Mental Health Association in MA, and eventually plans to start looking into grad schools. **Matt Sweeney** is also working at



**Colby-Sawyer Alumni Baseball.** Several former members of the Colby-Sawyer baseball team were on campus in the fall for an alumni baseball game. Participants included (back row l to r) Assistant Coach Rick Miller, Ryan McCarthy, Brian Weigler '03, Kevin Maccioli '02, Ryan Smith '00, Kurt Svoboda '00, Darcy LaFrance '00, Rory O'Donnell '03, Matt Smith '04, Nick Daigle '03, John Clay '03, (front row l to r) Head Coach Jim Broughton, Scott Lavigne '01, Kevin Gula '99, George Sylvester '00, Rob Fagan '01, Eric St. Onge '99, Dave Shoreman '01 and Garrett Chambers '03.

North Suffolk, as a program manager. He takes as much time to travel as he can, visiting friends and family in NYC, VT, ME and a few other states. He is also waiting to hear back from graduate schools, after applying for some PhD and MSW programs, and plans to be back in school by the fall. My co-class correspondent, **Nicole "Nikki" Fowler**, has moved to Albany, NY, with her boyfriend, Ben. She has been busy with spring travel at SUNY Canton and is finishing requirements for her graduate work. As part of her studies, she took on a practicum at the local elementary school, working with the K-3 guidance counselor. **Stephanie Vickers** will be spending a semester in Spain this fall, where she will finish up her degree in Spanish. She keeps in touch with **Sarah Price**, who recently became engaged to her longtime boyfriend. Congratulations, Sarah! **Karen Kotopoulos** planned to run in the Boston Marathon in April, as part of the Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge Team, raising money for cancer research. Best of luck, Karen! **Crystal Colby Desmond** was married in Sept., and spent 2 wonderful weeks in Italy, visiting Venice, Rome and Positano. She's still working in the operations department at a credit union and really enjoys it. I hope you all have enjoyed catching up on your classmates' latest news. And if you don't see your name here, be sure to e-mail Nikki or me and let us know how you're doing and how we can reach you in the future. Hope you all have a great summer, and remember to keep in touch!

## 2003

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**Editor's Note:** Special thanks to **Kristen Horn**, who had served as class correspondent since 2003. A warm welcome and thank you to **Tim Ingraham**, who has volunteered to serve as class correspondent. If anyone would like to help Tim in this volunteer role, please contact the Alumni Office.



**Colby-Sawyer Alumni Rugby.** Former Colby-Sawyer rugby players gathered for a rugby tournament. Pictured are (back row l to r) Ethan Betts '03, Dave Calkins '01, Assistant Coach Jim Howell, Brian Kerkhoven '01, friend Liam Murphy, Eric Keskula '03, Jed Norris '03, Gary Smith '04 (front row l to r) Ben Barr '04, Head Coach Chris Reed, Sam Fucile '03, Rob Ryder '03, Adam Therrien '04 and Tim Morin '04. Present at the match, but at the emergency room at the time of the photo, was DJ Palmer '99, who turned out to be okay.

Ok folks, are you ready for this ride? It's going to be a good one, thanks to **Timmy Ingraham's** help! So here we go... **Micah Lashar** spent the winter in Stowe, VT. He works for the ski academy and spends his days coaching his very own group of 15- to 18-year-old girls. **Jennifer Griffith** also lives in Stowe, and the 2 of them are currently planning a 3-week trip to Europe in the spring for a much needed vacation. Micah is in the midst of turning into one of the hottest coaches on the circuit, really stepping it up a notch... **BAM!** **Corey Felton** was in Jackson Hole, WY, again this winter. He worked for a ski shop in the afternoons and evenings and skied and rode a snowmobile during the day. It really is too bad that all the snow hit the east and not the west this year, though! **Topher Plimpton '04** joins Corey this year. The 2 of them thoroughly enjoyed parking their huge trucks next to each other all winter. They were eagerly awaiting the spring, when they returned to the Sunapee area to gas up their dirt bikes. **Ben Crowell** is still working hard at the power plant during the days, trying to find the most efficient way to produce power, and at night he grooms at Mt. Sunapee. In the few spare hours that he had, Ben was

prepping his maple lines for the thaw, making maple syrup for his company, All Tapped Out. Like the country song states, "He's a hard, hard working man!" **Nick Salter** is still living at Ben's house and has landed a great job working for Technica/Volkl as the head of the race room. Nick gets to work his butt off for some of the fastest skiers in the US. **Scott Bailey** still lives in Portland, ME, with **Sarah Welch** and is now working for an insurance company. Scott spends his days cruising the streets of the Old Port in the sickest car ever made. That's right... **Timmy Ingraham's** old 1998 Honda Civic... beep beep! **Matt Ferguson** and **Kate Rocheford '04** have done some amazing things to their New London apartment, as Matt recently received a promotion within the ranks at Enterprise Rent-A-Car. From what we hear, **Chris Russell** is no longer a Pacific Blue bike cop, as he has graduated to the full-on cop level. He has a cruiser and even gets to arrest people every now and then. Way to go, Chris! **Wendy Theall** visited the Sunapee area for the Super Bowl. Go Pats! She is doing great and is almost done with her massage therapy classes. **Sarah Cailler**, **Kate O'Connor**, and **Margaret Lambert** still have the same apartment, and spent the winter

trying to deal with all the snow that covered their cars. Sarah is working for a gym in Boston. **Megan Andersen** has a new job in Boston, and spends much of her time with the girls. **Beatty Schlueter** is living with her boyfriend, Ryan Cornish, in Ludlow, VT, and working for Elan skis in West Lebanon. **Timmy Ingraham** was doing great until he crashed while coaching kids at Mt. Sunapee in Jan. and tore his ACL. He had surgery in Feb. With the injury putting Timmy out of commission, it is allowing him to finish graduate school in Aug. That's right, folks, he did it in one year! Congrats, Timmy! He will be the only MBA pizza delivery boy in the world (ha ha)! **Kelly Raiano** is living in Malden, MA, with her fiancé, Kevin, and is working as a graphic designer and production artist at Classic Copy and Printing in Cambridge. She absolutely loves it! Kelly also teaches dance classes on Saturdays to the little tots in Melrose. Wedding plans are coming along smoothly for Kelly and Kevin's Sept. 17, 2005 wedding, and their honeymoon to Italy is booked. **Geri Matyiko** is now in Portland, OR, working as a paraprofessional in a K-3 class. She's still playing lacrosse, and she's enjoying her new hobby of learning to play the mandolin. **Kerstin Swenson** has been living



**Happy New Year.** This Colby-Sawyer crew, including (l to r) Mike Sullivan '04, Jon Evans '04 (front), Kim O'Connell '04, Mary Lougee '04, Chuck Mayer '06 and Taylor Theall '07, rang in the New Year in Sunapee, N.H.

in Ketchum, ID, since Oct. She works at her friend's pizza shop and is a nanny for a family with 4 kids. She visited HI with the family in March, and then went back to CO in May for another

summer at Cherokee Park Ranch. Scott Griggs spent time after graduation in the Back Bay, working for a financial firm. He is now living in Hartford, CT, working for The Hartford

Insurance Co., and getting ready to begin law school in the fall. Ana Aponovich is currently working as a graphic designer at TF Moran (an engineering company). She is still in touch with her girls, Liz Perry, Beth Harvey, and Renee Thayer. Adam Schlesinger has settled down in Yarmouth, ME, with his fiancée, Rachel, and is working for Beneficial in Portland. Steve "Scuba" Haynes '02 is working as an internal sales consultant for GE Private Asset Management, and is still residing in East Longmeadow, MA. Lida Vanasse has been busy working on her MBA at UMASS, and working at Mass Mutual. She was quite the traveler this winter, spending part of Dec. in CO and then part of Jan. in Ireland. Where to next, Lida? Amanda Gagnon is working as a production assistant at the *Katahdin Times* and volun-

teering at the local cable access channel in the Katahdin Area. Jazmine Greenlaw headed out west in Feb., to work at Glass Mountain Beads, designing jewelry and working at their store in Bend, OR. As for me, Kristen Horn, I bought a condo in Tewksbury with my boyfriend, Chris, and I'm working at Safety Insurance in Boston with Kelly Dubois '04 and Lynsey Ells '04. Jazarae Kirchdorfer is living outside of Boston and is attending graduate school at Wheelock College. This will be my last class notes column for the Alumni Magazine. Timmy Ingraham has offered to take over, so if anyone is interested in helping him, please contact the Alumni Office. Hope everyone has a great spring and summer!

## IN FOND MEMORY SPRING 2005

### 1925

The Honorable William F. Kidder  
FEBRUARY 16, 2005  
Paul B. Shepard Sr.  
JANUARY 19, 2005

### 1931

Constance Petersen Parker  
OCTOBER 2, 2003

### 1932

Edith Tedford Hendricks  
JANUARY 30, 2005

### 1935

Dorothy Johnson Alstrom  
AUGUST 8, 2003  
Elizabeth Smith Angier  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2004  
Caroline Crane  
JUNE 16, 2004  
Arline Lebow Hootstein  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2004  
Carol Kiniry Riley  
FEBRUARY 18, 2005  
Marion Malkin Satter  
JUNE 19, 2002  
Martha Bishop Wood  
NOVEMBER 13, 2004  
Annette Briggs Young  
OCTOBER 27, 2004

### 1936

Mary Mercer Allen  
MAY 18, 2004  
Marion Alexander Michel  
JANUARY 17, 2005  
Althea Shinnery Myers  
MARCH 8, 2005  
Margaret Winterode Pitt  
JANUARY 26, 2005  
Nancy Mitchell Rinck  
MARCH 19, 2005

### 1937

Janet Fletcher Ellrodt  
JULY 31, 1999  
Charlotte White Gaunt  
FEBRUARY 17, 2005

### 1938

Martha Mueller Pfaff  
OCTOBER 10, 2004  
Mary Turner Russell  
MAY 31, 2004  
Beatrice Chalmers Wilson  
MAY 1, 2004

### 1939

Elizabeth Hill Bolton  
JANUARY 25, 2004  
Jean Anderson Burnham  
FEBRUARY 23, 2005

### 1940

Susanne Strong Filkins  
MARCH 17, 2005  
Virginia Bishop Turcotte  
JANUARY 29, 2005

### 1941

Alice Iffland Booth  
FEBRUARY 15, 2005  
Helen Clark Hall  
DECEMBER 26, 2004

Harriet Lipphardt Hammock  
JANUARY 11, 2005

Jean D. London  
NOVEMBER 15, 2004

Ramona Wells Mercer  
JANUARY 9, 2005  
Mary Barkley Presby  
NOVEMBER 18, 2004

Mary Mitchell Witherell  
MAY 12, 2003

### 1942

Althea Everitt Cerveny  
NOVEMBER 22, 2004  
Virginia Hager Peppard  
FEBRUARY 27, 2002

### 1943

Clarisse Davis Adams  
APRIL 10, 2004  
Elizabeth Nettleton Garey  
SEPTEMBER 21, 2001  
Constance Edwards Hunt  
MARCH 20, 2005  
Elizabeth Floyd Knowlton  
FEBRUARY 10, 2005

### 1944

Nancy E. Furstenberg  
OCTOBER 29, 2004  
Edith Storm Kemp  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2004  
Alice McKown Riley  
JANUARY 11, 2005  
Virginia Barnes Still  
MAY 15, 2004

### 1946

Barbara Moore Noble  
NOVEMBER 7, 2004

### 1947

Eleanor Georgiana Fort  
JULY 31, 2004  
Katherine Owen Jacoby  
APRIL 23, 2004

# 2004

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Hello classmates! I hope everything is going well since the last magazine. I see that many of you have signed up on the alumni directory; that's great! For the rest of you, join the club! ([www.netdirectories.com/~csc](http://www.netdirectories.com/~csc)) Well, since the last magazine, Charles "Charlie" Bazdanes has written to say that he is the account executive for the San

Antonio Spurs, and that he is coaching a little league team. Erica Reeder is working as a child care counselor at St. Ann's Home in MA. Lauren Kovach and Sarah Crete are still living together in Concord, NH. Sarah is working at Franklin Savings Bank while taking classes towards her MBA. Lauren is currently working for Concord Hospital, where she says that one of her bosses is Colby alumna A. Paige Edwards Kingsley, from the class of 1994. What a small world! Lauren and Sarah had a small get-together a while back that included Nina Lavigne, Krista Lind, Stephanie "Steph" Hicks and Kelly Sullivan, which was a great CSC reunion. Ethan Nosel is testing the waters out west, where he lives in Lake Oswego, OR. He is living with friends he met over the summer on Nantucket. He says it is a

beautiful country with no snow! He has a great view of Mt. Hood from his backyard and he is training at Enterprise Rent-a-Car in Portland. Beth McElwee has been working for a start-up biomedical company in Medford since June. Her primary function is finance and administration, but she has also had the opportunity to be involved with many of the science aspects as well. She has kept in touch with her previous roommates, as well as the equestrian team, and she has been able to keep up with her riding on the weekends. Jessica "Jess" Murray has started graduate school at the U of New Haven to get her master's of science in elementary education. She is doing an internship at a school in New Britain. She says that it is fun, and that some of the kids are challenging, but it's a good experience. Other than

that, she is working at the restaurant when she can, and going out with her friends when she has the money! She also spent 3 weeks in Europe traveling to England, Ireland, Scotland, France and Italy with a friend from high school. She says she misses everyone at CSC! Nina Lavigne has moved to Manchester in hopes of more job prospects. She says that it paid off because she is now the marketing director for The NH Agency, which is an insurance agency in Bedford. She rang in the New Year with friends Krista Lind and Lauren Kovach at a house party hosted by Krista. Over the summer, Nina worked as a marketing assistant at Finest Image Photography to gain some experience. Amanda Ashe writes that there have been big changes for her since we left school. She had gotten really sick and had

## 1948

Elizabeth Harris Adams  
JANUARY 28, 2004  
Lydia Morse Chandler  
NOVEMBER 9, 2003  
Mildred Greenwood  
Bueddeman  
NOVEMBER 13, 2004  
Joan Lyons Holland  
SEPTEMBER 21, 1990

## 1949

Gloria Goddard Lester  
NOVEMBER 18, 2004  
Sally Boyce Newman  
JANUARY 13, 2005  
Kate Gregg Scott  
NOVEMBER 19, 2003

## 1950

Mary Lee Stratford Martin  
JUNE 25, 2004  
Cynthia Keller Sakai  
JUNE 30, 2004

## 1951

Virginia D. Clarke  
OCTOBER 11, 2004  
Jane Laidlaw Fisher  
OCTOBER 30, 2004  
Nancy Heywood Myers  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2004  
Carole Taylor Ready  
FEBRUARY 2, 2005

## 1952

Ann Dodge Robertson  
JULY 20, 2003

## 1953

Janet Graves Bates  
DECEMBER 4, 2004  
Jane Wyllie  
JANUARY 11, 2005

## 1955

Sarah Walker Faeth  
OCTOBER 3, 2003  
Judith Douvarjo Mitchell  
MARCH 9, 2000  
Barbara Middlebrook Sauer  
Sandage  
MAY 27, 2001

## 1958

Janice Dubois Clancy  
OCTOBER 7, 2004

## 1960

Caroline Q. De Forest  
NOVEMBER 28, 2000  
Susan Moss Newman  
JANUARY 26, 2004

## 1965

Ingrid Colvin McCaffery  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2001

## 1966

Marian Timm Edward  
NOVEMBER 5, 2004

## 1967

Linda Deming Hansen  
NOVEMBER 22, 2004

## 1968

Nancy E. Foley  
JANUARY 27, 2005

## 1969

Leslie Burd Iorio  
DECEMBER 31, 2004

## 1970

Edith Meyer  
FEBRUARY 23, 2005

## 1972

Pamela Peters Fiorito  
JANUARY 10, 2005

## 1974

Sally Kilpatrick Mathis  
OCTOBER 28, 2004

## 1976

Anita Renzetti Brefini  
NOVEMBER 4, 2004

## Faculty and Staff

Harold Currier  
*Biology and Zoology*  
JANUARY 5, 2005

Judith Patten Newcombe  
*Exercise and Sport Sciences*  
JANUARY 31, 2005

Donald H. Rhoades  
*Psychology*  
OCTOBER 19, 2004

LeRoy C. Smith  
*Business & Technology*  
MARCH 26, 2003

to leave school. She is slowly recovering and has started working for the Peoples Heritage Bank/Bank North. She is having a great time in ME and would love to receive e-mails from other classmates. She is currently attending the University of ME-Presque Isle and will be obtaining a degree in accounting in the spring. Amanda lived in Bar Harbor all summer and was happy to have **Katy Bishop '03** and **Tasha Beaudin '02** come up for a great visit. **Stephanie "Steph" Hicks** lives in lovely Littleton, where the latest excitement includes the brand new TJ Maxx and the soon-to-be-open Home Depot. Steph is working at Profile Junior-Senior High School as a teacher's aide, and she is enjoying it for the most part. She hopes to be teaching some day soon. Steph says she certainly missed the windy winter on the hill. **Marshall Greenleaf** is currently spending his time as a graduate student working towards his master's in college student personnel administration as well as a hall director at James Madison U in Harrisonburg, VA. **Kate Rocheford** is still living in New London with **Matthew "Matt" Ferguson '03**. She is currently working at Country House Real Estate as one of the 2 office managers. Kate will soon be starting a class at NH Technical College in order to get her prerequisites finished so she can begin the graduate school application process. Kate hopes to attend graduate school for nutrition in 2006. **Tia Holt** recently finished her 1st semester at Simmons and cannot wait to get her master's. Tia is working at a group home for boys and loves it. She says they are a little tough at times, but they are teaching her a lot. She is still dancing. At her old dance studio she is currently taking some classes and is teaching classes to 5-7 year olds. She has a new nephew, whom she loves dearly. Tia says she gets to spend Tuesdays taking care of him! He brings much joy to her life. She says that she is still with Timmy (three years now) and gets to see him about once a week, since he is still up on the hill! As for her friends, Tia writes that she sees a whole bunch of them on a regular basis, which is

great! **Lauren Palmer** has been super busy lately. She is working for Mix 98.5 in Boston. Lauren says that it is a radio station owned by Infinity Broadcasting. She is doing promotions for them part time and is having a blast! Lauren is also coaching soccer. She coached 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys and girls this fall with **Ryan Willis**. Now she is coaching ODP (Olympic Development Program) of NH with **Megan Hudson** and a girl's team with **Matt Solazzo**. So even though she is not playing any more, Lauren is still involved with the sport. Lauren says that as for the girls, they keep in touch quiet a bit. She sees **Tia Holt**, **Karen Salvo** and **Dayna Selvitella** more than most, but all of them get together as frequently as possible. Lauren writes that, as weird as it sounds, she is thinking about going back to school to get another bachelor's degree. She has realized that she wants to work with kids! She and **Tia Holt** are trying to go to Australia for the summer. They are in the process of applying to be part of a program where high school kids get to travel. They would be leaders and would get to go for free if they get in. Good luck, ladies! **Erin Sawler** is working full time for the Woodward School for Girls as the 6th-12th grade art teacher. She is the varsity soccer coach and is also in charge of the ski and snowboarding club. She is also working for the Appalachian Mountain Club. She is the assistant manager of August Camp, coordinating the next camp in Rainier, WA. She and her boyfriend, Eric, are apartment searching on the South Shore. She spent every weekend skiing at Sunday River this winter. **Courtney Stevens** is working as a child care worker in a residential treatment center for adolescent boys. She is also taking ballet classes and a class at Worcester State. **Kathryn Meadows Gray** was married Sept. 11, and is now living in Rocky Hill, CT. **Jessie Price** is living in New London and has been working in the CSC Admissions Office since Aug. She keeps in touch with quite a few alums. If anyone finds themselves in the New London area, Jessie encourages them to swing



*Class of 2004 Mini-Reunion. (Back row l to r) Sarah Crete and Nina Lavigne. (Front row l to r) Stephanie "Steph" Hicks, Krista Lind, Kelly Sullivan and Lauren Kovach.*

by. **Kimberly "Kim" O'Connell** told me that she has been living in Dover, NH, since Sept. She recently got a new job at Hawthorn Publications in Portsmouth, NH. She sees **Kelly Bateman '05** and **Michael "Mike" Sullivan** often. She has also seen **Mary Lougee**, **Jonathon "Jon" Evans**, **Michael "Mike" Ricker**, **Margaret "Maggie" Warner**, **Charles "Chuck" Mayer '06**, **Kristina "Tina" Burnell** and **Jessica "Jess" Murray**. Kim spent New Year's at **Mary Lougee's** house in Sunapee. She says it was nice to see everyone and it was fun. **Sarah Procissi** is a preschool teacher at the Creative Arts Studio Preschool in Woodbury, CT. She is also working with the therapeutic horseback riding program at the Deveraux Glenhome School in Washington, CT. **Ali Quinton** is living in Newmarket, NH, with **Amber Tombarello**. They get together often with **Lauren Kovach**, **Nina Lavigne** and **Kim Valentine**. Ali is teaching 1st grade in Strafford, NH, and loves it. Sarah became engaged to her fiancé, John Soto, on Aug. 20. Congrats, Sarah! She is busy planning a July 2005 wedding. As for me, **Mary Lougee**, I have moved from Sutton to Sunapee with a friend from work. Sadly, I am no longer living with **Jonathon "Jon" Evans**, but we still keep in touch quite often. A while back I went to lunch in Concord with him, **Adam Therrien** and **Jonathon "Jon" DeYoung**. I am still

working as paraprofessional at Kearsarge Middle School. It is fun, but challenging. I have to say though, I am learning a lot of patience, which can be a virtue. **Benjamin "Ben" Adams '02** also works there. I have recently begun working at Peter Christian's restaurant and I love it there. The people and atmosphere are great and there also a lot of Colby-Sawyer alums there as well. Back in Dec., **Kristina "Tina" Burnell** came up for the dance show. It was good to see her. We did a little shopping and some catching up. New Year's was rung in with a bunch of great friends. **Charles "Chuck" Mayer '06** came up and spent the week before New Year's as well as New Year's Eve, along with **Jonathon "Jon" Evans**, **Kimberly "Kim" O'Connell**, **Michael "Mike" Sullivan** and **Taylor Theaup '07**. Over the winter I was the dance coach for the Kearsarge High School cheer-leading team and I was the track coach for the middle school in the spring. **Sarah Southworth** and I try to see each other at least once a month. Through her I've learned that **Jenni Mongeur** got married. Congrats, Jenni! I've been accepted to New England College for teacher certification and master's of education, so if I don't get into UNH, I will be starting that program in the fall. Well, that's about all for now. Keep sending in your updates, news, addresses and pictures!

# the Arts

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he Year of the Arts, a multifaceted initiative that brings arts faculty members to meet with groups of alumni and friends around the country, was launched in November 2004 in Boston. After a wonderful evening there, we traveled to Florida for gatherings on the East and West Coasts. We look forward to several more gallery talks and receptions in the months ahead, and invite you to join us for any date that is convenient for you. These events are an opportunity to learn more about a specific exhibit and to visit with local alumni and friends, as well as with faculty members and President Anne Ponder.

## **Greenwich, Connecticut**

Bruce Museum, April 29, 2005

## **New York, New York**

55 Mercer Gallery, May 6, 2005

## **Portland, Maine**

Portland Museum of Art, August 3, 2005

## **Chicago, Illinois**

Art Institute of Chicago, September 20, 2005

## **Charlotte, North Carolina**

Mint Museum of Craft and Design, November 9, 2005

**For additional information** or to become involved with the Year of the Arts, please contact Director of Development Beth Cahill at (603) 526-3729 or [ecahill@colby-sawyer.edu](mailto:ecahill@colby-sawyer.edu).

**Photos, from top:** Sylvia Cookman Hnat '52 (left) visits with Mary Stanton Tullis '50 at the von Liebig Art Center in Naples, Florida. Linsey Craig Willis '76 (left) and Prudence Hostetter '67 enjoy a Year of the Arts gathering at the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens in Delray Beach, Florida. President Anne Ponder shares a college update with guests at the Morikami Museum. President Anne Ponder (left foreground) listens as Department of Fine and Performing Arts Chair Jon Keenan welcomes alumni and friends to the inaugural Year of the Arts event at the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston, Massachusetts. Edward and Nancy Hoyt Langbein '56 visit with Board of Trustees Chairman Anne Winton Black '73, '75 (right) at the von Liebig Art Center in Naples, Florida.



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