Hilary’s History

‘Lobster Pie of the Gods’

A Humane Home on the Range

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Hilary Cleveland’s 50 Years of Living and Teaching History
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Thomas Galligan to Become Eighth President of Colby-Sawyer College

Thomas C. Galligan Jr., dean and professor of law at the University of Tennessee College of Law, has been appointed by the Board of Trustees as the college’s eighth president. Tom will assume the presidency of Colby-Sawyer on August 1.

Tom has been dean at the College of Law since 1998, where he is responsible for the college’s leadership, management and operation. During his tenure as dean, he has also taught torts and admiralty as professor of law and was appointed the Elvin E. Overton Distinguished Professor of Law in 2002.

Prior to joining the University of Tennessee, Tom served as professor of law from 1986 to 1998 at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University, where he was appointed the Dr. Dale E. Bennett Professor of Law in 1997. He earned his L.L.M. degree from Columbia University Law School, J.D. from the University of Puget Sound (now Seattle University) School of Law, and an A.B. in political science from Stanford University.

The Board of Trustees voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of Tom Galligan by the Presidential Search Committee, which was composed of trustees, faculty, staff and a student. “Tom Galligan has already captured the imagination of the campus community with his energy, intelligence and clear capacity to continue the marvelous momentum so evident at the college,” said Board Chairman Anne Winton Black ’73, ’75. “He has been a successful dean of a very fine law college at the University of Tennessee, and he will bring these myriad interests and talents for college management, strategic planning and fundraising to Colby-Sawyer. He will be a highly visible president, who, through colleague-ship, leadership and careful nurturing, will sustain and enhance the distinctive character of the Colby-Sawyer College experience for students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends.”

The faculty members on the search committee, academic department chairs Amy Knisley (Humanities), Ben Steele (Natural Sciences) and Jean Eckrich (Exercise and Sport Sciences), expressed their support for the president-elect in a joint statement. “President-elect Galligan caught our attention from the beginning of the search process by his thoughtful letter in which he articulated his attraction to Colby-Sawyer and our mission,” they said. “His teaching and administrative career have demonstrated his commitment to the teaching-learning process as well as the importance of service and scholarship. In all of our interactions with him, he demonstrated a leadership style that was dynamic and consultative. His keen intellect, analytical mind, respect for each campus and community...”

Colby-Sawyer welcomes the Galligan family

L to r: Chairman of the Board of Trustees Anne Winton Black ’73, ’75 stands with President-elect Tom Galligan, Tom’s wife Susan Stokes Galligan, and two of the couple’s four children, daughters Sarah and Aisling, as the Galligan family is warmly welcomed to the Colby-Sawyer family.
In September 2005, Colby-Sawyer College’s Athletic Training Education Program was granted reaccreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). Among the program’s strengths recognized by reaccreditation officials were Colby-Sawyer’s up-to-date facilities and equipment, as well as an “athletic training faculty/staff that makes obvious efforts to get to know students personally.” The CAAHEP encouraged Athletic Training Program faculty and staff to seek out more ways in which students can interact with physicians and practitioners in the field.

The college spent more than a year preparing for the reaccreditation. John Culp, the Athletic Training Education Program director and the college’s head athletic trainer, headed up the process, which must be completed every ten years. John pointed out that it is crucial for the program’s success to obtain reaccreditation because students who major in athletic training are eligible to sit for the National Athletic Trainer’s Association Board of Certification examination. However, students can do this only if they have studied at a school with an accredited program, and such board certification is necessary in most states in order for one to practice as an athletic trainer.

The process for reaccreditation is based on professional standards developed by a consortium of agencies, led by the CAAHEP. All schools must create a self-study committee whose members apply the professional standards to the curriculum to examine the Athletic Training Program’s strengths and weaknesses. Committee members then write a report based on their findings. This report is submitted to a joint review committee on Athletic Training Education. The Athletic Training Education Committee sends site visitors to campus to meet with constituents and students to review how the material is taught and to form a sense of the student experience. These site visitors write a report which is then submitted to CAAHEP to determine accreditation.

—Kate O’Neill ’07
Three Trustees Join College Board

Three new members have joined Colby-Sawyer’s Board of Trustees. They include Laura D. Danforth ’81, ’83, Richard “Dick” Dulude and Thomas “Tom” Csatari.

Laura Danforth ’81, ’83, a resident of Farmington, Conn., is associate head of school at Miss Porter’s School, where she also teaches a senior elective course in psychology and coaches lacrosse. Previously, Laura served in other senior administrative positions at Suffield Academy, Ethel Walker School and St. Paul’s School. A leadership consultant to independent schools, she speaks regularly on a variety of boards and panels, including the annual National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) conference. Laura earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and anthropology from Colby-Sawyer and a Master of Arts degree in counseling from Lesley College.

At Colby-Sawyer, Laura was the first recipient of the Barbara Johnson Stearns Award for Outstanding Leadership. She was a member of the soccer, basketball and lacrosse teams and the first four-year letter winner in three sports. Laura served as president and vice president of the Student Government Association and president of her freshman class. At her Commencement, Laura received both the Graduate Award and the Colby-Sawyer Award.

Dick Dulude of Georges Mills, N.H., and Vail, Colo., is a retired vice chairman of Corning Incorporated. He joined the company in 1957 and served in many positions in the course of his career, from vice president and general manager of Corning’s Technical Products Division in 1971 to chairman and CEO of Corning Vitro Corporation in 1992, from which he is now retired. Dick is currently a member of the Board of Directors of Hand Held Products and is an emeritus member of the Board of Trustees of Syracuse University, where he was awarded the Chancellor’s Medal for Outstanding Achievement.

Dick has been on the Board of Directors for numerous prestigious corporations and educational institutions, including Corning Incorporated; Welch-Allyn; Grumman; Clarkson University; The American School in Paris and The American Hospital of Paris. He is a former member of the National Ski Patrol and is listed in Who’s Who in France and Who’s Who in the World. He earned a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering degree from Syracuse University and has completed the Senior Executive Program of the Sloan School of Management of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Tom Csatari of Hanover, N.H., practices law with Daschbach, Cooper, Hotchkiss & Csatari, P.A., with an emphasis on estate planning, probate administration and commercial transactions. Tom began his law career in Nashville, Tennessee, as a law clerk with Denney, Lackey and Chernau in 1975. Since then he has practiced law at a firm in Connecticut, as assistant and associate college counsel with his alma mater, Dartmouth College, as well as for a private corporation in Oklahoma and a non-profit hospital system in Dallas. While in Dallas, he was a founding member of the Board of Trustees of Canterbury Episcopal School and president during its inaugural school year.

Currently, Tom serves as director and president of David’s House, Inc., and is also vice president and a director of Theta Delta Chi. He served as a member of the Board of Directors of Upper Valley Habitat for Humanity for six years. Since returning to New Hampshire in 1977, he has served as the 25th reunion co-chair of his class at Dartmouth and served on the college’s Committee on the Student Life Initiative. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree cum laude with high distinction in history from Dartmouth College in 1974, and a Doctor of Jurisprudence from Vanderbilt University School of Law in 1977.

—Kimberly Swick Slover

Colby-Sawyer Welcomes Thomas Galligan

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“...intellectual experience." In addition to two endowed professorships at the University of Tennessee and Louisiana State University, he was selected by law students as their favorite professor in six academic years.

Tom has written or co-written 12 books and dozens of book chapters and articles on legal issues. He received the 1996-97 John Minor Wisdom Award for Excellence in Legal Scholarship for an article he co-authored in the Tulane Law Review and the Louisiana State Bar Association’s Stephen J. Victory Memorial Award for Best Scholarly Article in the Louisiana Bar Journal. He was also honored with the George H. Boldt Scholarship from 1979 through 1981, the 1979 Lawless Memorial Scholarship, West Hornbook Awards from 1979 through 1981, and with numerous American Jurisprudence Awards.
Colby-Sawyer Granted 10-Year NEASC Reaccreditation

Colby-Sawyer College has been reaccredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), the regional organization that reviews the quality of educational institutions and programs. The college was granted ten-year accreditation—the maximum period permitted between reviews—with its next comprehensive review slated for 2015.

Colby-Sawyer’s reaccreditation follows a more than two-year process of self-study by the college, which culminated in a site visit in March 2005 by a team of eight evaluators from the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education. The federal government requires that colleges and universities earn accreditation to receive certain federal and state grants and loans.

The commission outlined the college’s strengths, including a “strong sense of mission that is well understood by the college community” and a “dedicated and qualified faculty and staff who are committed to students’ success.” Additionally, the commission cited the college’s knowledgeable and involved Board of Trustees and collaborative approach to governance; its new Liberal Education Program that reflects a commitment to excellence, responsibility, community and connectedness; and campus facilities that serve specific enrollment and programmatic goals.

The commission also noted the college’s improved financial status over the last decade and the successful completion of its $40-million capital campaign in 2004. Colby-Sawyer has benefited from the leadership of a strong and well-respected president who has left the college well-positioned for future growth, according to the commission.

Colby-Sawyer will update the commission on its progress in areas the college identified for continued improvement in its self-study. The college will cite its progress in assuring an appropriate balance between full-time and part-time faculty across the academic departments, and in clarifying faculty contract options, the availability of tenure track positions, and its expectations for the faculty’s scholarly activity.

The college has already made progress in these areas, according to Academic Vice President Deb Taylor. “We have recently approved several more full-time faculty positions for next year and continue to work toward achieving the right balance between full-time and part-time faculty,” Vice President Taylor explains. “Additionally, the trustees and faculty have been at work for more than a year on faculty contracts and tenure-related issues, so we’re making significant progress in that area as well.”

Colby-Sawyer will also report its progress to the commission in other areas that the college identified as in need of further development. These areas include governance and planning processes under a new president and assessment of the college’s new Liberal Education Program. The college will also report on its efforts to achieve greater transparency in the budget process, to continue to assure financial stability, and to develop and implement assessment tools for the library/information resources and facilities/maintenance areas.

In describing the results of its visit to campus, the commission stated that “the college operates with remarkable openness in a shared determination to make things better for its students.” The team also noted that the Liberal Education Program “strives to integrate students’ entire educational experience, from their first-year seminar to the major Capstone, in a comfortable, interactive learning environment with excellent support from hard-working and dedicated faculty and staff and a well-organized team concept for delivering student services.”

Vice President Taylor, who played a central role in the self-study process, described the commission’s assessment as a “wonderful, helpful report...affirming both the strengths and the areas for further development that we as a community identified for ourselves.”

—Kimberly Swick Slover

“I have strived to make contributions to my discipline and to my teaching through my scholarship,” Tom said. “My writing has always made me a better teacher and my teaching has made me a better scholar.”

Tom has also distinguished himself through his commitment to service within the legal profession, academic and in the community. He currently serves as a member of the board of directors for several organizations that provide legal services and aid to communities in Tennessee and has served on a Knoxville Bar Association committee that seeks opportunities for minorities. He is also a former member of the American Association of American Law Schools Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure and chair of the American Bar Association’s Legal Education Technology Committee. He’s been involved in campus planning and faculty governance and the Student Affairs Council, as well as fund-raising for local schools.

“My community work over the years has made me both a better citizen of my academic community and, hopefully, a better citizen of my larger community,” he said.

Tom is married to Susan Stokes Galligan and has three daughters and one son.

—Kimberly Swick Slover
Two Faculty Members Promoted to Full Professor

Colby-Sawyer College has promoted two current faculty members to full professorships.

Jerry Bliss Explores the Playwriting Process

Jerry Bliss, professor in the Fine and Performing Arts Department, left the Colby-Sawyer College campus on sabbatical during the spring semester of 2005. In September, he returned to our stage and classrooms. English major Asher Ellis talked with Professor Bliss about his sabbatical experience.

How did you spend your time away from Colby-Sawyer?
I participated in the playwriting program at The Boston Playwrights Theatre at Boston University. I commuted from my home in Andover, N.H., to attend Boston University’s graduate playwriting classes under the tutelage of nationally recognized Kate Snodgrass. At the end of the semester, I directed three of the graduate student plays for staged readings for the public at Boston Playwrights Theatre. I also attended performances of new plays and The Boston Marathon of plays, a daylong event of over 50 ten-minute plays written and produced by various Boston area colleges and professional theatre companies and individuals.

How did you benefit from this sabbatical?
I learned a great deal about how plays are written and developed for the stage, and how professionals go about beginning to write a play and then working on them until they are ready to be produced. A great deal of writing, rewriting, listening and reflecting and then rewriting is put into a play. As a director I have always had much respect for the words as written by the playwright and have often demanded that my actors say the lines as written. This experience confirms that belief.

Have you been able to apply anything you encountered during your sabbatical in the classroom this semester?
My own training, understanding and expertise as an educator and director have been greatly reinforced. I am reassured that my teaching methods in my Pathway course and my acting course are right on. I have been reinforced in thinking about my approaches, but have also found some alternative methods in strengthening the messages to my students. This experience will help me greatly in my teaching of my Pathway course, Catharsis: A Theatrical Journey.

How did it feel to be back on campus and working with Colby-Sawyer students again?
I do not think that I could be any more excited. My sabbatical gave me important time to work and reflect on what I do as a teacher. I wanted to come back to my campus and working with students majoring in other fields.”

Professor Bliss has attracted students to his courses and has built a fine, credible theatre program entirely supported by students majoring in other fields.”

Professor Bliss entered two Colby-Sawyer Theatre productions in the Region 1 Kennedy Center/American College Theatre Festival, and two of his other productions were also invited to be part of the festival. In addition, the National Executive Committee of this prestigious organization selected Professor Bliss to be one of three judges on the national selection team.

Randall “Randy” S. Hanson, who has taught at Colby-Sawyer since 1996, was promoted to full professor of Social Sciences and Education. He was the recipient of the Jack Jensen Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1999 and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education/Carnegie Foundation U.S. Professor of the Year for New Hampshire in 2001. He has taught virtually all of the courses required for History, Society and Culture Program majors, as well as the foundational courses in the Liberal Education Program.

“Professor Hanson is an exceptionally fine teacher,” said Vice President Taylor. “He extends his teaching to everything he does, from his work with his advisees to his participation in Community Council and Across the College programs.”

Professor Hanson served as the liberal education coordinator, the chair of the Across the College Task Force, and the representative to the Teacher Education group for Social Studies Education. He also serves the college and the students as a member of Community Council, as a club and class sponsor, and as a frequent contributor to Across the College programming.

Professor Hanson’s scholarship extends to his work with colleagues on issues of pedagogy, curriculum design and assessment of student learning, and he has made numerous presentations on the design and implementation of the liberal education model.

—Kimberly Swick Slover
Psychology and the Law

A

ssistant Professor Lynn Garrioch has fin-
ished her project titled, “Discovering
Psychology and the Law,” by creating a series
of courses with a concentration in
this interdisciplinary subject. In recent
years, growing numbers of psychologists
have become involved in a wide range
of activities within the legal system, such
as evaluating the mental competency of
defendants and testifying as expert wit-
nesses, helping attorneys select juries,
and preparing witnesses for trial. She has
developed both one- and three-credit
psychology courses at the basic and
honors levels. The honors course is
called Diversity and Forensic Psychology,
which is now taught concurrently with
her Forensic Psychology course. The
one-credit course includes Group
Processes and Jury Deliberation, Investi-
gating the Interview: Psychology and
Practice and, finally, Sexual Assault
and the Law.

Professor Garrioch hopes to teach
each of the courses at least once and
plans to enlist other professors to teach
the courses as well. The goal of her pro-
ject was to set up a program in which
students can take classes featuring
psychology and the law almost every
semester. These courses will provide
students with a well rounded education
in psychology, as well as offer them an
opportunity to explore a potential
concentration for the future.

With a specialty in psychology and
the law, Professor Garrioch has taught in
Colby-Sawyer’s Social Sciences and
Education Department since 2001.
—Joe Sampson ’06

‘Saving Faces’ of Mexico

For the past three years, Professors
Randy Hanson and Ann Page Stecker
have been hard at work on their research
project, “Saving Faces,” a compilation of
photographs found in Mexico. The pro-
ject’s goal is to study Mexican artifacts to
understand the country’s history from a
personal perspective.

The photographs that Professors
Hanson and Stecker have collected over
the years have come from flea markets
and tiny shops from all across Mexico.
Their idea is to preserve the history
and story of Mexican families through
the pictures they find. By analyzing
the many recovered photographs, the
professors have learned to differentiate
between upper- and lower-class Mexican
families. By studying the faces in the
pictures, the clothing worn and the
messages written on the back of these
artifacts, they have built a foundation of
knowledge they hope to assemble into a
publication in the coming years.

Professors Hanson and Stecker travel
to Mexico yearly in order to stay as close
to the Mexican culture as possible and to
continue their research. In the book they
plan to publish, they hope to pair each
photograph with an essay as a way of
educating others about the Mexican
families and their culture.
—Joe Sampson ’06

Program with Citibank Will Benefit
Alumni, Students and Families

Colby-Sawyer has entered into an exclusive agreement
with The Student Loan Corporation, a subsidiary of
Citibank N.A., to reduce the cost of financing higher
education for students. Students and their parents will
be eligible for Federal Stafford loans, Parent Loans for
Undergraduate Students (PLUS), and a variety of other
educational loan programs with no origination fees and lower interest rates.

Citibank will offer discounted lending programs to the college’s faculty, staff
and alumni. These programs include a home equity line of credit for education
and a mortgage program with preferred rates. For more information about Colby-
Sawyer’s financial services through Citibank, contact the Office of Admissions and
Financial Aid at (800) 272-1015.
The Deep South Comes Alive For Wesson Honors Program Students

The Wesson Honors Weekend is an extended weekend trip that exposes honors students to new places, people and activities. The inaugural Wesson Honors Weekend took place in Seattle, Washington. This year, students traveled to Charleston, South Carolina, for five days in February. Junior English education major Kate O’Neil was among those students who explored the historical city.

During a planning meeting for this year’s Wesson Honors Weekend trip, Professor Ann Page Stecker, the program advisor, appeared with ten postcard stamps and a request that each student and the two professors accompanying us write to her from our destination, Charleston, South Carolina. We assured her we would, but it was not until we arrived there that we began to wonder: How exactly does one summarize a city with a few words scribbled on a postcard?

The postcard-writing adventurers included Kristina Stalnaker ’09 (nursing), Sam Moore ’09 (graphic design), Christelle Kamaliza ’08 (business administration), Sarah Howard ’07 (history, society, and culture), Jessica Randall ’07 (early childhood education), Kathy Corr ’07 (graphic design), Chad Nussinow ’06 (psychology) and me. The professors who accompanied us were Randy Hanson, professor of Social Sciences and Education, and Janice Ewing, chair of the Social Sciences and Education Department. Our weekend itinerary consisted of much city-wide wandering, picture-taking, and sampling of the local culinary traditions, in between learning about the city’s storied history.

Named after King Charles II of England, Charleston was the fourth-largest city in the United States until 1800, smaller than only Philadelphia, New York City and Boston. Since then, it has adopted other names, such as “The Palmetto City,” for the state tree, “The Holy City,” for its skyline dotted with church steeples, and the “best-mannered” city in the United States, according to America’s published expert on etiquette, Marjabelle Young Stewart. This one-of-a-kind city is still saturated with history amid its exquisite architecture and rich culture. Palmetto trees sprout up everywhere, while Spanish moss seems to come down from the magnificent live oaks that line the cobblestone streets.

A picture of this photogenic city conveniently fills the front of a postcard, but we were left to fill the back. We could mention Fort Sumter, where the first shot of the Civil War was fired in 1861. Only one tier of the original three still remains on the structure, though the five-foot-thick brick walls still stand as a tribute to those who died nearly 150 years ago. One might also write about the Citadel, a military school dating back to 1842 that supplied many of the Confederate troops during the same war.

Among the lighter topics to write home about was the Gibbes Museum of Art, at which we saw the water-colored Amazon of Margaret Mee. We took in Walker Evans’ candid photos of sleeping bums and unsuspecting citizens taken during his trip with Ernest Hemingway to Havana, Cuba, in 1933. We could correspond about the South Carolina Aquarium, where we saw otters enjoy a morning meal and a two-story ocean display that contained 300,000 gallons of water and hundreds of different species of animals, including sharks and sea turtles.

A favorite among the Wesson Weekenders was the Magnolia Plantation. Magnolia was once a rice plantation owned by Thomas Drayton, who became wealthy thanks to his crop of Carolina Gold Rice, grown and harvested by slaves on the 2,200-acre plantation. The house that stands today is the third on that property, built after the second burned in the Civil War. The plantation features many breathtaking gardens, a tour of a swamp filled with alligators and turtles, and a petting zoo. While February may not be a good month for gardening in the north, the Magnolia plantation gardens were filled with daffodils, camellias, African violets, flowering quince, and Buddleja, or “butterfly bushes,” among numerous other floral delights. The plantation is also known, of course, for its many varieties of magnolias, but, unfortunately, they weren’t in bloom during our visit.

“As one who lives on a farm,” said Sam Moore, “it was exciting for me to examine the different types of vegetation and wildlife found in the southern climate. Cypress trees, live oaks, peacocks, and alligators were just a few of the interesting things we discovered at the plantation. Overall, this weekend provided a great way to experience Southern culture. It was an amazing time, and I am very thankful that Mr. and Mrs. Wesson are making trips like this available to Colby-Sawyer honors students.”
Professor Stecker adapted the idea for the excursions from Paul Simon, a former senator from Illinois who died in 2003. Just weeks after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, Professor Stecker attended a conference for the National Collegiate Honors Council, and she heard Sen. Simon speak of the need for honors students to study abroad so they could experience the world and fill the gap in the “missing conversations” between future leaders.

From this idea, Professor Stecker developed the Wesson Weekend, a three-to-five-day trip with an interdisciplinary theme to a major urban area. The theme for the Charleston trip, for example, was “Race, Religion and the Land of Dixie,” incorporating history, religion, literature and diversity issues.

Ideally, Professor Stecker wants every honors student to experience one Wesson Weekend during his or her four years of college at Colby-Sawyer, so they can, as she says, “enlarge their perspectives and receive a taste of the outside world.” The weekends are a good chance for the students to learn and to demonstrate the principles of the Wesson Honors Program.

We all wrote something different on our postcards, of course. Hopefully, these diverse thoughts from ten different people began to describe the romance, history and personality of Charleston. Writing a postcard is a small kind of art, meant only to suggest the overall character of its origins. Let us hope that there will be much postcard writing to come.

—Kate O’Neill ’07

Remembering Life
Trustee Emerita
Barbara M. Clough ’31

Alumna and Life Trustee Emerita Barbara May Clough died Dec.12, 2005, in Hanover, N.H., at age 95. A member of the Colby Junior College class of 1931, Barbara remained dedicated to and involved in her alma mater throughout her life. She served as a member of the college’s Board of Trustees from 1954 to 1984, and was designated as a life trustee emerita in 1985. She also served as class correspondent from 1992 until her death.

In recognition of her outstanding service, Barbara was presented with the college’s Alumna Service Award in 1982, and with its highest award, the Susan Colgate Cleveland Medal for Distinguished Service, in 1983. In 2001, she received the Distinguished Alumni Award in honor of her 70-year career in education. Also in that year, Barbara was awarded an associate’s degree at Commencement because illness in the final weeks of her senior year prevented her from graduating with her class in 1931.

“Barbara was a thoughtful and wise member of the Board of Trustees, as well as a wonderful mentor, friend and neighbor,” said Trustee Eleanor “Ellie” Morrison Goldthwait ’51. Barbara began her career as a French teacher at the George School in Newtown, Pa., where she later served as dean. In 1951, she became director of the American Friends Service Committee School Affiliation Program in Germany and Holland. In later years, she served as headmistress of the Northfield (Mass.) School for Girls and as director of the Reid Hall program in Paris.

Barbara moved into higher education in 1963, when she accepted the position of associate director and then director of admissions at Wellesley College. While at Wellesley, she became trustee of the African Scholarship Program of American Universities. She often traveled to Africa as the only woman on the admissions team, interviewing students from French-speaking African countries who had applied to American universities.

After retiring from Wellesley College in 1970, Barbara served for five years as director of the Boston YWCA. On behalf of the Institute of International Education, she traveled to Hong Kong to evaluate area schools and to interview Chinese applicants to American universities.

Her family says that while Barbara’s professional accomplishments were impressive, a recitation of them does not capture her love of nature, her insights into people, her flashes of humor or the twinkle she had in her eye. Barbara resided for many years in Wellesley, Mass., but most recently lived at Kendal at Hanover and her cottage on Block Island, where her family says she spent some of her happiest moments.

—Kimberly Swick Slover

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Professor Baer Wades into Water Research

With Lake Sunapee just miles away and an abundance of streams and wetlands in the New London region, Nick Baer has found an ideal setting for investigating what he enjoys most: aquatic habitats. An assistant professor in the Natural Sciences Department, Professor Baer loves examining water and the organisms living in it while sharing his enthusiasm for this science with his students.

Last summer he became involved in research into how water quality affects food-web dynamics, or a series of linked food chains. Specifically, he’s examining how dissolved organic carbons (DOC)—which result from the breakdown of such matter as plants—impact tributaries of the Lake Sunapee Watershed and the organisms present in it.

“The applied question that we’re asking is: How do heavy metals move through food webs?” Professor Baer explains. “In effect, might that brook trout you catch end up with methyl mercury in its system?”

During his research, he’s been collaborating with Kathleen Weathers, an ecologist with the Institute of Ecosystem Studies; Celia Chen, a researcher at Dartmouth College; staff members of the Lake Sunapee Protective Association; and Colby-Sawyer students. Weathers has been able to provide Professor Baer with valuable information regarding water chemistry as he examines the impact of DOC on life forms. Dissolved organic carbons occur naturally in water through a process Professor Baer describes as similar to brewing a cup of tea. Leaf material falls into water. The longer the water is exposed to such materials, the more DOC that water will contain. “Carbon compounds from the leaf material leech out into the water,” Professor Baer says.

Although DOC is naturally present in water, higher levels of the material have been associated with the presence of methyl mercury in its system?” asked Natural Sciences Professor Bill Thomas. “Though you’d never know from looking at me, nursing is not a sexy profession,” Professor Ayers joked. “There are so many other options now for women. It’s hard work, physically, emotionally, mentally. The demand exceeds the supply.”

Through her survey of existing research and her own studies, Professor Ayers confirmed a “revolutionary idea”: when nurses play a central role, clinical micro-systems function most effectively. She and five colleagues published an article on the subject titled “Quality Improvement Learning Collaboratives” in the October-December 2005 issue of Quality Management in Health Care. Now she hopes to develop a “map of knowledge” that tracks how nurses share and use knowledge within clinical micro-systems as they are working within complex, adaptive systems that are dynamic—always changing in response to internal and external factors,” she says. She discovered a dearth of academic literature about these systems and describes her research process as “a circular journey in which I came to see connections between these systems and chaos theory.”

Vibrant geometric patterns, or fractals, expanded and contracted on a large screen behind her as Professor Ayers spoke about her sabbatical to the college community. “Fractals show the emerging, repetitive patterns that occur in nature and appear to be chaotic,” she explains. “Clinical micro-systems respond similarly to stimuli within and without and eventually they adapt so they can continue to thrive.” These stimuli include the rapid evolution of medical knowledge and new technologies, along with the pressure of a serious nursing shortage.

“What’s causing the nursing shortage?” asked Natural Sciences Professor Bill Thomas. “Though you’d never know

The Chaos and Complexity of Nursing Systems

Amid a worldwide nursing shortage, hospitals often hire highly skilled temporary “travel nurses” at up to four times the average rate of pay for nurses, yet the outcomes are often unsatisfactory. This startling finding suggests that even beyond their medical expertise, nurses’ ability to negotiate “clinical micro-systems” the frontline environments in which health care providers serve their patients—helps determine their effectiveness, according to Lea Ayers, associate professor of nursing.

During her yearlong sabbatical, Professor Ayers explored how nurses acquire, share and use knowledge within clinical micro-systems. Nurses comprise the largest number of health care professionals, and “they are working within complex, adaptive systems that are dynamic—always changing in response to internal and external factors,” she says. She discovered a dearth of academic literature about these systems and describes her research process as “a circular journey in which I came to see connections between these systems and chaos theory.”

An example of a fractal in nature.
Charitable Foundation Supports Students’ Watershed Study of Pleasant Lake

The Upper Valley Region of the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation has awarded the Community and Environmental Studies Program (CES) a $2,500 grant in support of its comprehensive study of the Pleasant Lake Watershed in New London. The foundation’s Wellborn Ecology Fund will assist the CES program in developing outreach materials to educate the community about the project.

Last fall, students and faculty advisors began working with the Pleasant Lake Protective Association to complete a comprehensive lake inventory. The inventory, which will be used by the association as a planning tool, will identify Pleasant Lake’s unique and outstanding features, recreational assets and environmental risk factors. CES students are conducting extensive field work and research as part of their required third-year project and gaining experience using geographic information systems and various data collection and analysis methods.

The foundation chose to fund the project because it supports environmental ecology and place-based education in the region, according to Kevin Peterson, the organization’s executive director. “Colby-Sawyer has a proven track record of working collaboratively with community organizations in ways that advance local ecological knowledge, the organization’s goals and the community in general,” he said.

The foundation grant will allow students to produce publications and other materials to educate the community and environmental organizations about their research results, according to John Callewaert, director of Colby-Sawyer’s Institute for Community and Environment. “The foundation’s support of our students’ research helps ensure that residents can become better educated about their natural resources in their community,” says Professor Callewaert. “They can use the inventory to gain an understanding of the community’s environmental assets and risks, and to plan accordingly to manage them well.”

The Pleasant Lake Protective Association hopes the comprehensive inventory will assist the organization in carrying out its mission to protect the watershed and cope with development pressure in the region, according to member Kittie Wilson. “This [inventory] will establish extremely important baseline information about our lake and our watershed…which will help guide our future planning as we work to preserve and protect our wonderful natural treasure.”

Ms. Wilson expressed appreciation for the Colby-Sawyer students’ efficiency and professionalism. “They are motivated to go above and beyond the minimum, which speaks to the excellent guidance and instruction of their professors,” she said. “They will forever leave their mark on our lake and our community.”

—Kimberly Swick Slover

of methyl mercury, a heavy metal that can be unhealthy for human consumption. The relationship between the two has to do with chemical changes of mercury under low oxygen conditions linked with areas of stagnant or slow flowing water.

Professor Baer and James Kovach ’06 have begun evaluating macro-invertebrate data for two of the seven streams they examined. The trends they’ve observed with the early data are much as Professor Baer expected: there is greater algae abundance, as well as many more invertebrates—both in abundance and species types—in streams with lower levels of DOC.

Professor Baer says the collaboration with various individuals and institutions demonstrates how ecological questions marry different disciplines within science. “I get to do research by collaborating with other institutions” Baer notes. “I’m incredibly fortunate.”

—Cathy DeShano
Hilary Cleveland was determined to put her students to work. Once the students had all shuffled in, wet and cold, with a couple of hardy souls in shorts and T-shirts, the professor began a whirlwind review of American history, 1877 to the present.

“What themes have you discovered that run through all of our history?” asked Professor Cleveland, a diminutive yet formidable presence standing before the class. Matt, sitting in back in his basketball uniform, called out “Racism!” to which she responded, “Good!” and began peppering him with questions about post-Civil War racism. When Matt declined to elaborate, she moved onto one student after another, tossing out queries and clues to jog their memories and filling the gaps with her impressive depth of knowledge.

The class identified racism in the Ku Klux Klan’s sabotage of the 14th amendment’s guarantee of equal protection for all races, in the Chinese Exclusion Act that barred Chinese workers from entering the U.S., and in the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II. They thought racism played a role in the pivotal Supreme Court’s “separate but equal” doctrine in Plessy v. Ferguson, and most recently, contributed to the poor response to the plight of African-Americans in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. Suddenly, Professor Cleveland turned to a student and asked pointedly, “Brei, do you think racism will ever stop?” The student didn’t hesitate: “It will never stop.”

In the course of an hour, Professor Cleveland moved the class through other themes in modern American history—technological innovation and the rise to global power—gently prodding and cajoling every student to take part in the discussion. In the process, she engaged the students in a quick review of an entire semester of material in advance of their final exam.

“The way I teach is to throw questions out to see what students know, and then fill in the gaps. I realized early on that I didn’t want to be up there lecturing,” Professor Cleveland explains.

By involving students and issues to the recent past and present, she seeks to help...
students digest the material more readily and understand history's relevance to their lives. This semester, for example, she discussed the important role of free speech in a democracy, drawing parallels between the Vietnam War era and the current conflict in Iraq. “I keep trying to pound it into them that it was students who led the protests,” she says, “and students who eventually helped to bring about political change.”

Andrew “Pils” Pilsbury ’07, an exercise and sport sciences major with a strong interest in history, enjoyed his first class with Professor Cleveland last semester. She engaged students by asking them to use sources beyond the text to research topics from every chapter and then present key points and concepts in class, according to Pils. She also asked students to subscribe to Newsweek magazine for the class to stay well informed about current events. “It’s interesting to learn from her since she was alive for most of the events that we talked about and she can relate to them in a personal sense,” Pils adds.

“I loved my American history course with her,” says nursing major Zoe Morton ’07. “I really feel like she involves everyone in her class because she wants to share her knowledge of the subject. She got people to speak out in class, ask questions and give their own opinions.”

Professor Cleveland’s effectiveness in the classroom stems in part from her own curiosity and passion for knowledge. “I love teaching because I love learning: learning from my research, learning from my colleagues and mostly learning from my students,” she says. “I love seeing young minds open up to new ideas, new information and new ways of thinking. I love being challenged by doubters, students with different points of view and dreamers with new visions. Mostly, I love teaching at Colby-Sawyer College and am eternally grateful for the supportive environment provided to me for past 50 years. I’m truly looking forward to the next 50!”

In the Beginning

Professor Cleveland grew up as Hilary Paterson in Andover, N.H., in a family of immigrant parents. With a Canadian mother and an English father, her household was often filled with international relatives and friends. Hilary developed a passion for political science and history and eventually attended Vassar College, which offered a new interdisciplinary major that combined her two areas of interest with economics. For graduate school she went to Switzerland, where she attended the University of Geneva’s Institute of International Relations.

“I wanted to go into diplomatic government service in international relations, and Geneva was the obvious place to go because the former League of Nations was located there,” she recalls. While there, she visited The Hague in the Netherlands to study at the international court. Her thesis focused on the continental shelf as a potential territorial boundary in international law. She returned to the United States in 1950, and soon after met James Colgate Cleveland, a New Hampshire lawyer and World War II veteran who was running for the state senate.

“Neither of us was too impressed at first,” she says with a laugh. They married later that year and moved into the farmhouse she continues to live in today on New London’s Main Street, which had been the Cleveland family’s summer home. Soon, Jim was called back to military service and she accompanied him to Germany, where he was stationed during the Korean War and where the couple had their first child.

The Clevelands returned to their New London home in a few years, and there the family grew from one to five children. Hilary wanted some help with the children, but knew she’d have to work to afford it. She approached Dr. James D. Squires at Colby Junior College about a teaching position.

“Dr. Squires was writing a history of New London and teaching six days a week, and he was very pressed. He had no full time job for me, but he did let me teach his Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday class in international relations part time,” she says. “I would attend his Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes, listen to his lectures, and then basically teach the same thing. He was very organized and always had three major points and three subheadings. It was a wonderful experience.”

The next year, in 1955, Hilary Cleveland joined the faculty full time. The students were all women who dressed formally in blazers and woolen skirts. “It wasn’t like today, where a student has to work to afford it. She approached Dr. James D. Squires at Colby Junior College about a teaching position.

Over the years, Professor Cleveland has covered a lot of ground in her courses. She’s taught a variety of courses in international relations and government, a course in the U.S. presidency and another on the breakup of the Soviet Union.
She’s also taught history—English, American, Far Eastern and Russian.

“My husband was elected to the U.S. Congress in 1962, and everyone assumed I knew everything about government,” she recalled. “I actually had to do a lot of learning over the years. That’s the most interesting part of teaching.”

**A Life in and about Politics**

While Hilary Cleveland did not pursue her original plan of diplomatic service, her adult life has, nevertheless, swirled around politics, government and public service. The spouse of a nine-term U.S. congressman, she has met every president since Dwight D. Eisenhower, danced with Lyndon B. Johnson and befriended George H.W. and Barbara Bush.

“It was interesting to be close to and on top of current issues. Obviously, being married to a member of Congress, I was privy to many of the debates that might not have been covered by the media,” she explains. I also traveled throughout the 2nd Congressional District of New Hampshire and made many new friends. I campaigned for Jim and often represented him at political events.”

Some of the highlights of those days included invitations to the White House and attendance at presidential inaugurations and party conventions, and all the political insights these occasions conferred. “I liked meeting new people and learning about the successes and failures of government policy,” she adds, “but I disliked the political attacks against Jim and other elected officials, and I disliked the fact that Jim was away from home five days a week.”

President Ronald Reagan appointed Hilary Cleveland to serve on the national Advisory Council on Continuing Education, and she became the finance chair for George Bush Sr.’s primary campaign in New Hampshire and later served under the first President Bush as commissioner of the International Joint Commission on the U.S. and Canada. She also campaigned for George W. Bush’s presidential bid in 2000, but has since become a vocal opponent of his administration.

Of her appointed positions, Professor Cleveland says she applied for the jobs, but she’s pragmatic about why she was given them. “I’m sure I was appointed because of my husband’s position as a congressman, my activities as a member of the Republican party (three times elected as a delegate to the party convention), and the fact that I was a woman and from the state of New Hampshire (first-in-the-nation primary),” she says. “I felt that I made my greatest contribution as one of three U.S. commissioners on the International Joint Commission on the U.S. and Canada. I had diplomatic status, had to be confirmed by the U.S. Senate and fulfilled my earlier dreams of serving in the international arena.”

In New Hampshire, Professor Cleveland has served as president and trustee of the New Hampshire Historical Society and, in New London, was a founding member of both the local League of Women Voters and Adventures in Learning, an educational program for adults. Professor Cleveland served as New London’s town moderator for 18 years, for which she moderated town meetings and ensured that elections proceeded in an orderly way.

“Government functions marvelously well in New London,” she says. “It’s very civil and people respect each others’ opinions and appreciate the work that our local selectmen and state and local representatives do.”

In recent years, Professor Cleveland attracted national media attention when she, always a staunch Republican in a largely conservative state, publicly criticized the current Bush adminis-

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**Flashback to 1955**

When Hilary Cleveland first came to teach at Colby Junior College in the spring of 1955, her courses included “The Growth of the United States” and “The European Foundations of Modern Civilization.” Winston Churchill had just resigned his post as prime minister of Britain, and the Warsaw Pact was signed. The Brooklyn Dodgers won the World Series, and James Dean died in a car accident, ending a brief but meteoric film career. People were beginning to read James Baldwin’s newly published *Notes of a Native Son*. Toward the end of Hilary’s first semester, Rosa Parks refused to sit at the back of a bus in Montgomery, Alabama, and the U.S. began sending aid to a small country that many Americans knew little about: Vietnam.

On campus, our first president, H. Leslie Sawyer, had just retired, and Eugene Austin began a seven-year presidency. Best Hall had been built and dedicated the previous year. Five-hundred-thirty-eight students were enrolled, and each paid a total of $1,800 per year in tuition, room and board fees. The liberal education program included requirements in English communication, physical education, and experiences in the five liberal arts divisions: Science and Mathematics; History and Economics; Expression and Appreciation; Literature and Language; and Personal and Social Adjustment.

—Academic Vice President Deborah Taylor
In Bush’s re-election bid, she threw her support behind one of his Democratic challengers, Howard Dean, a former Vermont governor. When Dean backed out of the race, she supported the Democratic nominee, John Kerry, and briefly took on a leadership role in the New Hampshire’s GOP Women for Kerry Steering Committee.

“I’m just enough of a Republican that I still believe in fiscal responsibility. This [Bush] administration is fiscally irresponsible,” she says. “I’m enough of a Democrat that I’ve been against this war in Iraq from the beginning. I see no end in sight. The American people are losing confidence in this administration, and the world is looking at the U.S. in a very critical way. There seems to be very widespread and deep-seated mistrust of our policies.”

Professor Cleveland recalls another time, not so long ago, during the Vietnam War, when the nation was similarly divided, its international reputation in shambles. “We did recover our reputation after Vietnam, but it took a long time,” she explains. Of the outcome in Iraq, she laments, “I couldn’t predict what might happen.”

In the next presidential election, she plans to stay engaged in the action. “I don’t imagine myself sitting on the sidelines,” she says simply.

In December, during Colby-Sawyer’s holiday party for faculty and staff, the college honored Professor Cleveland for her 50 years of distinguished service as a faculty member. As she approached the podium, her colleagues gave her a sustained standing ovation. Academic Vice President Deborah Taylor read a proclamation that recognized Professor Cleveland’s accomplishments and contributions—as a gifted and passionate teacher, committed public servant and thoroughly fine human being. She then read quotes from students and alumni about how this professor’s knowledge and passion had inspired and influenced their lives.

Although Professor Cleveland officially retired in 1991, and could choose to enjoy a comfortable and quiet retirement, instead she returns to teaching every fall. “Each year, she asks whether we are sure we still want her to teach for us,” said Taylor. “Each year, students insist that they love her classes and, most of all, her. So the answer now and always is, ‘Yes, Hilary, we still want you to teach for us.’ Thanks for spending half a century at Colby-Sawyer.”

What Her Students Say…

“Throughout all of my years of education, never have I had the privilege to learn from such a knowledgeable individual as Professor Cleveland. Her ability to engage students through her real life experiences and in-depth knowledge of everything from early American history to current events made me look forward to her class. Having the chance to learn from Professor Cleveland has been easily the best experience I have had while attending Colby-Sawyer College.”

—Brian Skoczenski ’06

“Hilary’s knowledge and passion in government and politics made me believe that I could make a career in the tumultuous world of American politics. To this day, I take to heart (her) teachings and count Hilary as one of the best professors at the college. The Colby-Sawyer community has benefited greatly from Hilary’s presence on campus.”

—Chris Quint ’98

“Hilary Cleveland has been a wonderful asset to Colby-Sawyer. Many of my fondest memories found me sitting captivated in the front row of one of her classes. I remember arriving on campus for the first time in September 1996 not knowing what to expect, as I was not much of a student during high school. One of my very first classes was Government 101 with Professor Cleveland. I was intrigued by her teaching style and firm command of the subject matter. She forced me to think outside the box and approach the topic from different avenues. I took as many classes as I could with Professor Cleveland. Hilary, thank you for your part in shaping this once disinterested student into who I am today. For that, you will forever be in my thoughts.”

—Justin Hersh ’00

“Mrs. Cleveland was a force of nature. With her bright blue eyes, sharp wit and infectious smile, she made history come alive for me when I was 18 years old in the early 1970s. She was, and continues to be, one of my favorite role models.”

—Sally Williams Cook ’74

“I graduated from Colby Jr. College in 1959 and am so thankful to be brought up to date on the life of this amazing woman. Always positive and full of energy, and with such a natural talent for teaching, and a rich knowledge of and passion for her beloved subject matter, she never made you feel uncomfortable, and always kept things simple. My hat is off to her.”

—Nan Nielsen Williams ’59
‘Lobster Pie of the Gods’

By David R. Morcom

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In 2003, in her third full year of business, Carolie “Cal” Hancock ’69 took her Pemaquid Point Lobster Pot Pies to the NASFT show in New York City, where she so impressed the judges that she brought home the golden chef for the “Best Meat, Pate or Seafood” category. “It was total elation when we won,” Cal recalls. “There were around 3,000 entries, and some of them were from rather famous chefs. To win in only our second year of exhibiting at the Fancy Food Show was truly unbelievable because it was unheard of for someone that new to win. The next day there were balloons and media all around our exhibit booth. It was total fun and excitement.”

Cal is the founder of the Hancock Gourmet Lobster Company, which focuses on the production, sales and distribution of a number of all-natural, gourmet lobster specialty products. She is a woman with boundless energy, a friendly vivacity, and dark hazel eyes that sparkle with intelligence. Her hearty laughter is never far from the surface, and she has a quick and ready sense of humor. She is good natured and unflappable, and because of this, Cal’s energy is directed solely on forward progress.

Cal founded her company in 2000 in Cundy’s Harbor, Maine’s oldest commercial lobstering village. Her production and fulfillment plant is in Topsham, Maine, just a few miles away, and it is so clean and neat, it could be used as a hospital operating room. Cal’s inspiration for her company comes from working with her grandmother, Hazel Ellis Hancock, in the family’s lobster restaurant in the 1960s in Ogunquit, Maine. “My grandmother ran the restaurant for 25 years,” Cal explains, “and she cared about her customers. She made sure they loved the food and were delighted with the service they received. I’m looking to extend her approach by providing terrific products to the specialty retail market, where value-added lobster is virtually non-existent.”

Cal received a B.S. in health information management from Colby-Sawyer College, which she recalls with great fondness. “I stay in touch with my roommates, and I remember being captain of the basketball team, President “Ev” Woodman, Mountain Day, which I would love to go back and do again, and a farm near my dorm, Burpee Hall, that had lots of cows. On some days
those cows emitted a smell that can be described politely as pungent,” she says with a laugh. Cal went on to Ohio State University, where she earned an M.S. in Allied Science. Prior to starting the Hancock Gourmet Lobster Co., she was president of WhiteWater Group, a business consulting practice in Minnesota and Maine, and before that she served in several executive management positions in other organizations and companies. She was away from Maine for 30 years, but always longed to return home. “As soon as I left, I couldn’t wait to get back,” she states with conviction. “I belong here.”

Cal’s guiding business strategy is to offer only high quality, value-added lobster specialties. She has developed products that are simple and comforting, as well as elegant and impressive. All of her products are freshly and naturally prepared in small batches to ensure the integrity of the traditional family-inspired recipes, and many of her products are named after a specific Maine coastal area. In addition to the Pemaquid Point Pot Pies, the products include Cundy’s Harbor Lobster Stew, Christmas Cove Lobster Cakes, Nubble Light Lobster Wellington, and Downeast Lobster Rolls with Whoopie Pies, to name a few. These products are available directly from the company, at upscale retail outlets in 20 states, through many fine catalog companies, and on Amazon.com, where the Hancock Gourmet Lobster Co. was one of the first in that Internet giant’s gourmet food store.

Some of Cal’s fondest childhood memories are of sunny summer days spent with her cousin off the Maine coast pulling up their own lobster traps. Her familiarity with the life of a Maine lobsterman is one of the reasons Cal insists that Hancock Gourmet Lobster Co. actively support the Maine lobstering industry, which has long been using methods to help sustain their valuable resource and protect the ocean environment. Lobster in Maine is harvested the old-fashioned way, with each lobsterman hauling 250–300 traps a day, one at a time. This practice is critical to preserving the lobster industry, and only Maine lobstermen measure each lobster and return to the sea those which are large, healthy breeders, as well as the immature young.

Cal and her permanent staff of six order their work lives by the four essential principles Cal uses to govern her business: quality, people, service and innovation. Regarding quality, Cal insists that only claw and knuckle meat be used for all her recipes because “that’s the most tender part of the lobster.” Regarding people, Cal says simply, “We appreciate how important each customer is, and we work hard to hire people who understand this as well. When it comes to service, we try to be proactive in finding better ways to share our products with new customers each week, and that requires constant attention to the smallest details. All of this, the quality, the service, and the people, is to support our growing and innovative line of lobster and specialty seafood products. We currently have 15 products with about 33 combination package choices, and we want to continue making more wonderful things out of lobster and exceed our customers’ expectations on all levels.”

The media reviews the Hancock Gourmet Lobster Co. has received make it clear that those expectations surely have been exceeded where the food critics are concerned. In the Chicago Sun Times, the verdict was: “Simple and elegant, this lobster dish is extraordinary...worth every penny...a must try for the serious seafood lover.” The Philadelphia Inquirer raved: “Awesome lobster pot pies...filled with tender meat and rich sherry-soused broth. Even more satisfying is Hancock’s lobster roll kit...almost as good as going to Maine.” The respected Rosengarten Report simply exalted: “Lobster Pie of the Gods!”

High quality lobster is high quality lobster, but what makes Cal’s pot pies taste like seafood ambrosia is the sherry-soused secret sauce – a tongue twister and taste bud pleaser. With just the right balance of sherry and family-kept secret ingredients, this sauce is both sweet and piquant in flawless measure. And, it is the perfect complement to succulent lobster meat.

Other accolades have come in a steady stream. There are two NASFT silver chefs to keep the gold chef company, and it was recently announced in a press release that the “Hancock Gourmet Lobster Co. is the winner in the Outstanding Fish and
The Hancock Gourmet Lobster Company offers a variety of products in attractive packaging designed to bring a taste of Maine to the world.

While the awards and critical plaudits are appreciated, it’s her customers who matter most to Cal. When she receives a letter that says “I sent my grandmother your lobster rolls for her birthday and she raved about them,” it means as much to Cal as anything she can imagine.

Cal’s immediate plans for the Hancock Gourmet Lobster Co. are to continue to grow the business and the product line, to sell more via the Internet, to explore the international marketplace, and to open a retail store somewhere near her home. She feels this will tap into the tourist trade and teach visitors who are unfamiliar with Maine’s most famous food product what it’s like to dine on the “lobster pie of the gods.”

To learn more about Cal’s company visit www.HancockGourmetLobster.com.

Cal Hancock’s Maine Lobster Dip

This is a lobster dip or spread that can be served either cold or warm.

Ingredients:
- 16 oz. cream cheese
- 2 cups cooked lobster meat
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
- 1 tablespoon horseradish
- 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 tsp. hot pepper sauce (add more to taste)
- 1/4 cup chopped blanched almonds
- 1/4 cup slivered almonds (with skins)

Instructions:
Using a food processor, lightly chop the blanched almonds. Using same processor, lightly chop onion.
Place onion in a large bowl and add horseradish, Worcestershire sauce and hot pepper sauce and mix together.
Add cream cheese and mix together.
Cut/chop lobster meat into small pieces (approximately 1/4–1/2 inch in diameter).
Fold in lobster meat and chopped almonds with the cream cheese mixture.
Place entire mixture in an ovenproof dish and top with the slivered almonds.

The dip may be served cold, as is, or may be served warm. To serve warm, place dip in a 375 degree oven for 20–25 minutes until it starts to bubble.
Remove from oven and let sit for 5–7 minutes.
It’s best served warm, not hot, with crackers or crusty bread.

This dip is also excellent for a bagel spread or bruschetta.
“I’VE BEEN HIT,” MIKE RODRIGUEZ TOLD HIS MOM. THEN THERE WAS A CRACKLING SOUND AND THE PHONE LINE WENT DEAD.

It was Nov. 9, 2004, and for the next week, Mike’s mom was left to worry about how badly her 19-year-old son was injured while fighting in Iraq. Shrapnel had sliced through the young marine’s right triceps, and while the injury wouldn’t prevent him from continuing on in combat, his mother didn’t know this.

“She was very worried,” Mike recalls. “I certainly wasn’t afforded many opportunities to use the phone. I think she was probably expecting more phone calls from me, since you always hear stories on ‘Oprah’ about people getting calls every day from their family members who are in Iraq.”

When he finally talked with his mother, Mike had new information to share: he had since sustained more serious injuries when his combat unit was ambushed during battle in Fallujah. He was flown from Iraq to a field hospital in Longstul, Germany, a day-and-a-half after the ambush. From there he was sent to Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Virginia. “Bethesda and Walter Reed Hospitals were overflowing with casualties, so Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Virginia was the only other option,” Mike explains.

This first-year Colby-Sawyer student, who is studying history, society and culture, has a calm, subdued manner as he shares his story. Displaying a fit, yet somewhat small frame, he hardly fills the profile of Hollywood’s hyper-masculine, zealous soldier. He shows little that would link him to days of carrying an M-16 over his shoulder while scouring the Iraqi desert for enemies.

The Rodriguez family has a tradition of military service. His mother, stepfather and a grandfather served in the Coast Guard, and another grandfather is a Navy man. His father has forged a career with the Coast Guard, training Central and South Americans how to combat local drug lords.

Growing up, Mike and his family moved often. He lived in Virginia until he was seven, then moved to the New London, N.H., area for about four years. From New London, he moved to Maryland for three years before returning with his mother to New Hampshire. He attended Kearsarge Regional High School for two-and-a-half years. When his mother decided to attend college to study pharmacology, she suggested Mike live with his father in Texas while she completed her coursework. Mike
was in Texas for six months before he and his father moved to New Jersey.

Because of the frequent moves, Mike's father reminded his son often not to let life get him down. "My father always said 'Adapt, overcome, improvise.' It's a military slogan," Mike says.

Though the military was an implicit part of life, Mike had never given serious consideration to joining the armed forces. He says the option was in the back of his mind, if he wasn't ready to attend college immediately after high school or didn't have other attractive options.

This changed when he visited an uncle in San Diego during his junior year in high school. His uncle, a master sergeant in the Marine Corps, took Mike to boot camp to observe the lifestyle and skills taught to enlisted men. "That's when I decided it was what I wanted to do," Mike says.

Mike enlisted in the Marines in 2003, and he was trained as an infantryman, which he says involved "handling guns and blowing up things." During his tour in the Middle East, he was an O3-11, the designation for an infantry rifleman. He carried an M-16 with a scope and laser sight and was responsible for sweeping and clearing areas that could be fraught with danger.

The terrain was demanding. Temperatures could reach 120°F or higher. When his company moved to the Iraq region between Baghdad and the Syrian border, the temperatures were about ten degrees cooler, but still plenty hot. "We were wearing flak jackets and long-sleeve camis," he says. "You just had to put one foot in front of the other and drink a lot of water."

Patrols felt like death marches. The 200 to 250 troops in his company were responsible for patrolling about five miles of land, but the hikes were never straight, and by the time Mike and his peers zigzagged the terrain, they'd have walked about 10 miles through marshland, rivers and canals in the searing temperatures. "We hiked deep into old riverbeds in search of explosives and weapons," Mike recounts.

Mike was in Iraq for close to five months when his company was sent into Fallujah. The city had become among the most dangerous in the country, and attempts by U.S. forces in April of that year to wipe out insurgents had failed. The Marine Corps was charged with leading the November mission. Mike knew his company's work would be dangerous.

"We had generals talking to us. You don't normally have generals talking to you. When they started comparing it to Vietnam, you're like, 'Wow, people are probably going to get hurt and die,'" he says.

During the night of Nov. 8, 2004, Mike's company engaged in a fire fight. The following morning there was more fighting. "Another company commander accidentally called artillery on top of our position, so I had a big piece of shrapnel cut across my arm," he says. Mike wanted to stay and fight with his company. "They needed people," he says. It was after that day of fighting he was able to use a satellite phone to contact his mom.

Days later, Mike and his company engaged in more fighting, and this time he sustained injuries so serious he was forced to retire from the Marine Corps. During an ambush, Mike had two bullets rip through him: one in his right arm and a second in his right calf. A pellet-sized piece of shrapnel also tore through his right hand. The shot to his arm caused nerve damage and a dislocated shoulder. His calf swelled and doctors had to cut into it every so often for two weeks to relieve the swelling. Many of the tendons in his hand were severed because of the shrapnel.

Mike was flown out of Iraq and landed in Portsmouth Naval Hospital in late November 2004. His hand was in a cast for more than six weeks. He lost all the sensation in two of his nerves by the time the cast came off. He couldn't move his fingers and says that he still hasn't regained complete use of his hand. During his seven months of rehabilitation, Mike underwent several surgeries and was frequently injected with Lidocaine to numb the pain. He knows he'll need another surgery for his shoulder, but he doesn't know when that will be.

Because of his injuries, Mike was awarded a Purple Heart. He also received a Navy Achievement Medal for work he performed at Portsmouth Naval Hospital. In addition, his unit received a Presidential Unit Citation Medal for their military operation in Fallujah.

As a retired serviceman, Mike receives a pension from the Marines. The military also pays for his tuition, books and college-related fees. "They trained me to be an infantryman, but there's no place for me to do that in the civilian world, especially considering I have a bad hand and really can't [shoot] all that well," he says. As part of a veteran's benefits, the Veterans Administration will train Mike in whatever career path he chooses. That path is education. Mike says he always knew he wanted to become a teacher. He enjoyed history, art and English in high school. He likes reading comic books and enjoys drawing, but decided it was history he wanted to teach. He was inspired by history teachers at Kearsarge Regional High School, as well as a teacher and wrestling coach in New Jersey.

"I want to get some sort of job satisfaction. I enjoyed being in the Marine Corps because I knew I was getting something out of it. People can go their whole lives being lawyers, doctors and businessmen and really not like it at all. I want to become a teacher more than any other profession," Mike says with the confidence of a young man who knows where he is headed.
When I tell people I chose to study abroad in the Czech Republic, the usual reaction is for them to ask, “Why there?” I explain that, in many ways, I was unsure of what I was getting myself into, but as a history major I was extremely interested in the history of the Cold War and its effects on Eastern Europe. With this in mind, I felt studying somewhere in that region was the best choice for me. 

After weighing the options, I decided on Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic, because it is somewhat centrally located in Europe and one of the region’s most beautiful cities.

My first three weeks there were spent tackling the language and getting acquainted with my new environment. Everything, from living in the city to attending classes at the very large Charles University, was new to me. Before long I had a grasp of the tram system and my ability to speak Czech was slowly improving. Our academic schedule was set up so classes ended on Thursdays, leaving us with long weekends to venture out and explore. Looking back, I can say some of the best experiences came from having the freedom to travel to many countries in close proximity. I had a host of excellent choices at my disposal. Would it be a weekend trip to Vienna, Austria, or an afternoon excursion to the Pilsner Urquell Brewery in Plzen, Czech Republic, the birthplace of light beer? Or, perhaps, on a Thursday night at 10:30 p.m., I’d hop a train to Budapest, Hungary, for the weekend.

One weekend trip in particular not only opened my eyes to the history of the region in a way many students only read about, but it also awakened feelings in me I never imagined possible. Because I am of Polish descent, one of the big draws to studying in the Czech Republic was that it bordered Poland, and I knew I would have a chance to visit that country. The organization running the program I was with, the American Institute for Foreign Studies, had included a weekend trip to Krakow, Poland. A few days before we left, I e-mailed my father and asked if he knew the town where my great grandparents had lived before moving to the United States. He e-mailed back with the name of the town, which was Cerekiew, and explained he knew only that it was located approximately an hour east of Krakow.

A friend and I left for Poland by train the night before the other students. We arrived in Krakow at 5:30 a.m. Little did I know this day would change my life. In Krakow we found a bus heading east to a small town about 30 minutes outside the city.

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The Trip that Changed My Life

by Brian Skoczenski ’06
Once there, we ventured to the city’s main square in search of a taxi driver who had heard of Cerekiew. Before long we found a driver who had heard of it, and we were on our way. I can remember thinking as we left the center of Krakow that we were headed to the middle of nowhere and may have just made an unfortunate decision.

Eventually, we found ourselves in Cerekiew, a tiny farm town with about 25 houses, a small store, a church and a cemetery, all on one road. I began going house to house with a paragraph I had had translated into Polish before I left Prague. It explained to the residents that I was trying to find my family. Soon enough we came to a two-story house with a detached barn. We were politely greeted by a young woman who looked at what I had written and shook her head side to side, telling me no. Figuring we had exhausted our options, we went to the one bus stop in town, which was nothing more than a small shack on the side of the road. Once there, we realized we would be spending the next two to three hours in 30 degree weather waiting for the next bus. After waiting for about ten minutes, we noticed an older gentleman walking toward us. We figured he was going to join us in waiting for the bus, but instead he walked up to me and asked, “Skoczenski?”

I was dumbfounded. “Yes,” I replied and began to take out every piece of identification I had on me. He stared at my passport for a few moments and tried, none too successfully, to explain his purpose to me in Polish. Finally, he motioned for us to follow him and led us back to the house where the young woman had turned us away. He introduced us to two young men who had taken English in grade school and who understood what I was saying. After talking for a few moments we began to realize that we were actually cousins. Their names were Michal and Bogustaw Skoczynski (my great-grandparents’ name had changed slightly when they were admitted to the United States). The older gentleman who had found us at the bus stop was my grandfather’s cousin, Bronistan Skoczynski. The young lady we had talked to earlier was another one of my cousins. Soon, many other relatives joined in welcoming us. My friend and I were then led to the living room where we were given some tea with rum while my cousins went into the closet to retrieve some photo albums.

On the first page they opened there was a picture of my father and uncles and aunts on a Christmas morning years in the past. My cousins explained that my great-grandmother had sent the pictures during the 1960s, but had lost communication with them soon after. We continued to talk the best we could with the little amount of English my cousins knew, and I tried to explain where we lived and how large the Skoczenski family was in the United States. They made us a meal of potatoes and kielbasa, a sort of casserole, which was extremely delicious. After a few hours, we figured we should be on our way and got a ride from my cousin back to the train station which would take us to Krakow.

On the ride back to Krakow, I lapsed into silence as I tried to sort out the emotions I had been experiencing for the last few hours. When we returned to Krakow and began the usual sightseeing, things felt different to me. It felt as though I had a greater connection to the city. The emotions of that day were made even more intense when the next day I traveled to the concentration camp at Auschwitz. My perspective of Poland under Nazi rule took on a whole new level of understanding. Deeper and more heartfelt. Without a doubt, it was a weekend that changed me and one I will never forget.
During my last month abroad I decided I was going to take advantage of any opportunities that came up, and my friends found something that completely raised the bar as to how far I was willing to go. They located a skydiving company about an hour outside of Prague, but the only information they could tell me about it was that “it is really cheap.”

They had gone ahead and signed us up for the next day. When I woke up that morning, I decided to send my parents an e-mail, which said simply, “Good morning, going skydiving today... hopefully I’ll call you later. Love, Brian.” According to reports from them later, they found this a little scary to read. My five friends and I drove to the desolate town where I would soon find out why this little excursion was “really cheap.” For starters the company’s name translated to “Impact” and the safety course lasted all of five minutes. It included only making sure all of us knew how to lift up our legs when we were tapped on the shoulder. After this, the sky divers with whom we would be jumping in tandem came over to get us into our jumping gear. Then the craziness level of this experience just about doubled. As we were suiting up, one of my friends asked one of the jumpers how long he had been doing this, and the jumper answered, “Yes.” This clued us into the fact that none of the men we would soon be strapped to thousands of feet above the earth in a free fall through the atmosphere spoke a word of English. I assessed the situation and came to the unarguable conclusion that, at this point, we had no safety course, no way of communicating with people we were entrusting with our lives, and, to top it off, the plane we would be taking into the wild blue yonder was a very, very old Soviet bi-plane. The only thought I had at that moment was maybe I should have written a longer e-mail to my parents.

As we took off and gained altitude, a relaxed feeling came over me. It lasted until the door opened. The next thing I remember is running out, doing a flip and seeing the most unbelievable view I have ever seen. Other than that, the ride back to mother earth is a blur. I did land safe and sound and do remember sitting and laughing for about five minutes, as it fully dawned on me what I had just done.

When I look back on my time abroad, I realize some of the best experiences I had were the times I was faced with tough situations and found myself able to work through them. I had gone door to door in a small farm town in Poland searching for relatives, had repeatedly gotten lost in countries with little or no knowledge of the language, and had worked my way through complex cultural differences, all the time learning what a wonderful and diverse world this is. Every experience helped me to grow, and, since returning, my confidence in my personal life and academic work has reached levels I never could have imagined. I feel proud that, for the first time in my life, I really took a chance and it paid off. Travel abroad is an opportunity many college students have, and, after my experience, it is hard for me to overstate the importance it can have in helping one to mature emotionally and intellectually. The four months I spent abroad helped point me in the direction I plan to take after graduation, when I will begin an intensive language program in Krakow, Poland, and go on to a master’s program the following year.

My time in Prague was the best time of my life, and I am eager to return. I experienced the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Sicily, Malta, Poland, England and Austria, and made many cultural discoveries. This experience has left me humbled and enthusiastic to spread the word of the benefits of study abroad. Now, when my travels in Eastern Europe come up and I’m asked, “Why there?” I have to take time to sort through the many answers from which I have to choose.
A Humane Home on the Range

by David R. Morcom

She’s 36 pounds of black and white blur and fur as she goes from zero to what seems like 60 miles per hour in three steps. She changes direction in a split second, whirling like a dervish from east to west and north to south as she tirelessly moves, without any physical contact, the uncooperative living load that is more than 1,500 times her own weight. Circling back and forth with the energy of a mini-cyclone, she delivers this immense biomass to exactly where it is needed. Who is this canine marvel? Why, she’s Jill the Wonder Dog.
Actually, she’s just plain Jill, but there’s nothing plain about this Border Collie’s work ethic or how valuable she is to Sarah Foster Chaney ’84 and her husband, John Chaney, in the running of their Against the Wind Ranch in Clarksburg, Maryland, about a half an hour north of Washington, D.C. While John gave Jill commands such as “come by” (move clockwise), “away to me” (move counterclockwise), or “look back” (if a cow was missed), we watched in awe as, in a tight bunch, she quickly and efficiently moved 38 very large Black Angus cows and ten calves to within feet of us so we could take pictures of them.

Her job complete, John told Jill, “That’ll do” and the little collie dropped to the ground to await her next task. In those two words, John told Jill there was not another thing that could have been asked of her in that instance. For a Border Collie, “that’ll do” equals perfection.

Sarah Chaney was a member of the equestrian team at Colby-Sawyer and loved horses, but after college, she ended up in the business world, where she did marketing for several companies in the Washington D.C. area. She rented an apartment at Against the Wind Ranch, where she met John Chaney, the cowboy who runs the spread. Although the location is Maryland and not Wyoming or Texas, John is as real and knowledgeable a cowboy as ever there was. Sarah and John fell in love and married, and Sarah found that she could successfully combine work with the things that made her happy. Eventually that included cattle, horses, healthy food, and the couple’s four-year old son, John Robert (“J.R.”) Chaney Jr. The happiness came together at Against the Wind Ranch where, as one newspaper article said of them, the Chaney’s raise “contented cows for contented customers.”

Because the Chaney’s cattle are raised on pasture and processed humanely, their ranch qualifies to use the “Certified Humane Raised and Handled” label. Unveiled in May 2003, the Certified Humane label assures consumers that a meat, poultry, egg or dairy product has been produced according to Humane Animal Farm Care’s (HFAC) precise standards. According to HFAC standards, “animals must receive a nutritious diet free of antibiotics or hormones and must be raised with shelter, resting areas and space sufficient to support natural behavior.”

Sarah and John run their business in two locations, Montgomery County, Maryland, where Against the Wind Ranch is located, and Highland County, Virginia, where they are building a house and plan to move in the near future. The Maryland location is currently used for winter calving, horse boarding and multi-discipline horsemanship. During the summer grazing season, the Chaney’s turn out their cattle on several hundred acres at the Virginia location, where they also make their own hay.

John Chaney has spent a lifetime studying the relationships between horses, cattle and humans. Sarah will tell you that he would be mortified to hear himself called a horse whisperer, but she confides that “he knows just as much about the way horses think as Robert Redford’s character did in that film, and he treats horses in the same firm, but gentle and understanding, manner as Redford’s character did.”

“I have always been an animal lover and caretaker, so it was a natural transition to expand to work providing a nurturing environment for animals traditionally treated as inventory and nothing more.”
“I started this business because I love working with horses and cattle,” says John. “I’m also very health conscious and particular about the beef I eat. Our cattle live a natural lifestyle with clean springs to drink from, shelter in the winter and shade in the summer. They eat only grass or hay. Of utmost importance with our cattle is our approach to processing and handling, which is done humanely and with respect for the animals. This work is a good marriage of all the things that matter to me.”

Against the Wind Natural Beef is processed at small USDA-approved facilities, dry-aged for 14 to 21 days and flash frozen. Rather than sell it to retail stores, the Chaney’s market their beef in bulk directly to consumers through their Web site and word of mouth. Local buyers can purchase a whole, half or quarter steer, and out of town buyers usually opt for a 20-pound Natural Beef Sample Box.

Sarah handles the marketing for Against the Wind Ranch and runs the company Web site in addition to many other marketing projects she is involved with, including her own publishing company, Credit Education Group. As a result, she’s quite knowledgeable about all phases of the beef industry. “Cattle raised in a feed lot experience stress and fear,” she explains, “and that affects the taste of the meat. They are also given hormones, antibiotics and even animal protein. According to the Web site eatwild.com, switching to grass-fed products may reduce the risk of a number of diseases in humans, including diabetes, obesity, cardiovascular disease and cancer. The Web site also cautions that meat from animals not on a natural diet of pasture and grain has less nutritional value.”

Another interesting fact that Sarah quotes from the eatwild.com Web site is that “meat from grass-fed cattle is lower in calories and cholesterol and higher in the Omega 3 fats, which are the good fats. Since the typical person eats 66.5 pounds of beef a year, switching to grass-fed beef will save 17,733 calories a year without requiring any other change in eating habits.”

Sarah attended Colby-Sawyer at the behest of her mother, former May Queen Sally Beardslee Foster ‘55, and she found that her mother had picked a good fit for her. When asked to recall her time at Colby-Sawyer, Sarah offers that “It was unbelievable. I look back and I can’t imagine how privileged I was to go there and to live in that beautiful town of New London and make some of the best friends I ever had. My list of top friends is all people from my college days. No matter how long it’s been between contacts, when we pick up the phone or get together, it’s just like we’re right back there.

“I remember Professors Pat Anderson and Mike McMahon,” Sarah says. “I loved Professor Anderson’s dry humor, and Professor McMahon inspired me to write better than I had ever done before. It was under his tutelage that I made a real breakthrough in my ability to write.”

Sarah’s life now is much more riding than writing, but it suits her well. “I have always been an animal lover and caretaker, so it was a natural transition to expand to work providing a nurturing environment for animals traditionally treated as inventory and nothing more. I guess that marrying a cowboy had a little something to do with it. Plus, I love being outside, and since we do a lot of the work with the cattle on horseback, I get to have fun while doing the work I enjoy, and I get to spend time with my husband.”

Picture this. A cowboy, a cowgirl and a little boy ride their horses slowly across a verdant pasture in the softly rolling hills of Virginia. trailing behind them is their border Collie, keeping a close watch on everything. The sun sinks toward the horizon and a herd of Black Angus cattle lows softly as the cows settle in for the evening under the willow trees near a babbling brook. For John, Sarah, J.R., and Jill, that’ll do.

More information about Against the Wind Ranch can be found at www.againstthewindranch.com
Tune into the college’s radio station, WSCS, on Monday afternoons, and you’ll be treated to something unique in the New London region: Turkish pop and rap music. First-year student and Turkish native Numan Ozdaga hosts a one-hour radio show that offers sounds from his homeland.

Numan is one of 30 students who hosts music shows on WSCS, 90.9 on the FM dial in New London. Students are the life of the station, selecting programs, setting schedules and coming to the rescue when emergencies occur.

WSCS is a non-commercial, educational radio station that adheres to Federal Communication Commission guidelines. The station reaches radio listeners in New London and beyond: although its broadcast range is just five miles, WSCS streams shows on the World Wide Web. That’s great news for people such as Hiroto Tsuru, a DJ whose family members listen to his show in Japan.

There are nearly 50 people who host shows, including students, faculty, staff and community members. Though the bulk of programming features music, the station also airs such segments as a film-review show, a talk show that spotlights coaches and student-athletes, and poetry readings.

Associate Professor Hester Fuller advises the students who run the campus radio station, the Radio Club and the student executive board. When Professor Fuller joined the Colby-Sawyer faculty in 2003, she came with 20 years of experience working in commercial broadcasting, radio documentary journalism and audio production. She also had five years experience as a faculty advisor at another college radio station.

“I love working with these students,” Professor Fuller says. “They’re a great bunch this term, eager to learn and try stuff, with loads of energy and a great sense of fun and of what they like on the air.” But Professor Fuller is simply the woman behind the curtain. The running of the station belongs to the student body, and specifically to the WSCS Executive Board, a group of students, each of whom plays a different part in overseeing the station.

At the beginning of each semester, Professor Fuller invites anyone interested in holding a board position to attend a preliminary meeting. Each candidate explains what position they want to hold, why, and then answers some questions on how they would solve certain problems. Current board members vote for who they feel is best qualified. People elected to

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It’s not just students keeping the beat at WSCS. Faculty, staff and area residents live out their passion for music by hosting radio shows.

Jean Goldsborough, a technology specialist in the Information Resources Department, is in her fifth semester of hosting a blues show (its original format also included bluegrass music). She plays a mix of modern and traditional blues artists, including Deborah Coleman, Vermont bluesman Nobby Reed and Keb ‘Mo. Jean had no prior experience, but thought it sounded like a creative opportunity. The show has afforded her the chance to connect with some big names in the blues world. During shows, she’s able to interview such blues artists as Marcia Ball, David Maxwell and Janiva Magness. “The musicians love the interviews. It’s free publicity for them,” she says, adding that her listeners are able to learn about what makes the artists tick.

While Jean finds the experience empowering, she says she really enjoys hosting because she’s able to communicate with listeners. “There is the idea that people are listening to what you say and do,” she says. “Bottom line, though, is that it’s just plain fun to play music I love to hear and share.”

Mike Gregory and Melissa Meade share the sentiment. The husband-wife duo sees their hour-long show as a time to introduce listeners to new music. With a personal collection of a thousand CDs, the two have an abundance of sounds to choose from.

“Our music is all over the place,” says Mike, senior staff assistant in the Advancement Office. The show is for people who may have spent most of their lives listening to Top 40 hits but are looking for something different, he explains. A show may kick off with a French girl band’s cover of the Rolling Stones “Paint It Black,” segue into some hip-hop underground music from the San Francisco Bay area, move into 80s mosh-punk industrial vibe followed by 1960s cult-crooner Scott Walker, and cap off with a bossa nova version of a Joy Division song.

The two came to the station with radio experience. Melissa, an assistant professor in the Humanities Department, was a DJ while an undergraduate student at Purdue University. She returned to the airwaves during her graduate studies in Seattle at the University of Washington. Mike also worked at the Seattle station, KBCS.

“We had separate programs,” Melissa says. “It’s fun now to do the WSCS show together and to not be confined to any specific genre. We can play, generally, whatever we’re in the mood for. It’s a great release for me after thinking and reading and teaching all day,” she says.

Bob Beach had never hosted a show when he signed up for a one-hour slot. The Wilmot, N.H., resident was persuaded by a friend to take his 30-year affair with jazz to the WSCS airwaves. Although he’s had a few minor foibles manning the equipment, Bob believes he’s gotten “progressively better” with each show.

“There have been a few times when I didn’t mean to play music over the airwaves, and I did, but that’s nothing the listeners would realize was a mistake,” he says.

Listeners are likely to catch the traditional jazz sounds of saxophonist John Coltrane, the unique pianist Thelonious Monk, as well as more contemporary artists such as the pianist Brad Mehldau and famed trumpeter Wynton Marsalis. Miles Davis is one of Bob’s personal favorites. About 75 percent of what he plays comes from his own collection.

“There are many ways to get music now. It’s a neat thing, still, to have the option of listening to a radio station and to randomly pick out music and introduce people to stuff they may not have heard before,” Bob says. “The station also gives exposure to Colby-Sawyer to anyone who is driving through the area.”

WSCS Advisor Hester Fuller finds the faculty, staff and area residents a nice complement to the student shows. “They contribute different sensibilities. They often times have broader experiences than students, so they bring different sounds on the air,” says Fuller, an associate professor in the Humanities Department. She adds that many give air time to issues, in addition to providing musical entertainment. “They model a more professional approach for what we’re trying to do here.”

For the complete WSCS programming schedule, please visit http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/wscs/grid.html
new positions remain until the next semester, when a new batch of students gets the opportunity to fill a spot on the board.

Station newcomers have to do their time to gain respect and priority. Just ask program director, Kristin McDonald ‘08, whose job is to schedule DJ air time. “Those DJs who have been on the air longer get priority over those who are new,” Kristin says.

Students are attracted to the exciting world of radio for different reasons. For Kristin, working in the radio industry was a long-time passion finally realized. Since she was 13, Kristin has known she wanted to get into TV or radio. “Now I get to fulfill my dream,” she says. “By being program director as well as having a show, I get to see what goes on behind the scenes as well as to do what I enjoy.”

Often, students inspire their peers to get involved or take on more responsibility at the radio station. Jessica Dorgai ‘08, the current station manager, is among those who were coaxed into radio. “Last year’s station manager, Sean Joncas ‘05, was the person who got me interested in doing radio,” she says. “His support and excitement for the position he held and the radio station, in general, really got me interested.”

As station manager, Jessica oversees the entire production, doing everything from scheduling shows and programs to dealing with any DJ problems (such as inappropriate language on air). Her main task is to get everyone at the station organized for a weekly meeting and to go through what needs to be done for that week. Jessica didn’t just jump right into such an important role. “I was a music director last semester, and I found I wanted to do more. I kept coming up with new ideas on how we could make things more efficient,” says Jessica.

Music director Julie D’Onofrio ‘07 was asked by Will Peters ‘06, who served as music director from January 2004 to December 2005, to take on her current responsibilities. “It sounded interesting, and at the time I wanted to get more involved in the radio station,” she says. “I have the opportunity to hear the latest albums from many bands. Who wouldn’t want that job? It’s great.”

Fellow music director, Sean Ahern ’09, agrees. “It’s a pretty awesome job. We get to listen to music and talk to other people who love music too,” he says. “If there is one thing WSCS has shown me it’s that there are some really cool jobs out there.”

Julie and Sean epitomize the spirit of team effort, divvying up their responsibilities as music co-directors. Sean focuses more on rock music, calling up distributors to find out what new music they’ll send and when it can be played on the air. He also monitors language to make sure new albums are safe to be played on the air. “If there is cursing, I have to note it on the front of the album,” he says. Julie carries out similar tasks but for other types of music.

Chances are that, if you’re a frequent listener to WSCS or someone who only occasionally tunes in, it’s because of people like Jesse Lundberg ‘08, the station propagandist. As propagandist, Jesse promotes the station through posters and press releases. He recently designed a logo for the station’s 10-year anniversary, which they’re calling ‘Tin-'TEN'-abulation.’ Jesse, a graphic design major, applies his art education to his radio duties, which he hopes will serve him beyond Colby-Sawyer. “We (executive board members) have to make everything run smoothly at the station. This will transfer over well when trying to set priorities in the real world,” he says.

Jessica also looks forward to what the future may hold. “I’ve been offered work at a few record labels. I know the work I’ve done here at WSCS will give me a good foundation to bring with me to the work place.” She already feels prepared to deal with the ups and downs of the industry and thinks the hardest part of her job is finding time to accomplish everything. “There are some things that need to be done as soon as possible, and I have to make time in my day to get it done—like running up to the station late at night because someone is having a problem with the transmitter or the alarm system. When you get a call like that you just need to drop everything and go,” she says.

But so goes the nature of radio broadcasting. As Professor Fuller puts it, a college radio station is “Often fun, often frustrating, never predictable.” For better or for worse, listeners will always be able to count these dedicated student executives and WSCS DJs to bring you a wide variety of music from both today and yesterday.

If you would like to listen to 90.9, WSCS, on the Web, please visit http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/wscs/
On arriving at Franklin (to meet Tilton Seminary in debate) we found that we had a couple of hours before our train left for Tilton, so we decided to cross the city and visit the falls. We soon reached the public library where we left Mr. Dexter and Mr. Moore to procure some magazines that dealt with our (upcoming debate) question. We went further into the metropolis and sent home a few postals and did a little sight-seeing, after which we gathered, as agreed, in front of a hotel. Mr. Moore and Mr. Dexter were soon with us and, on a suggestion from that member who is always hungry, we went to a nearby restaurant and partook of a light repast.

On our way to the train station, we encountered several reporters; we told them what little we were urged to and boarded our train for Tilton. It was only a few miles and we were soon there. We found our way into their pretty chapel ready for the debate, which was to occur at 7:30 p.m. The platform was attractively arranged, and the two debating teams with Professor Smart and Mr. Moore gave the room a tone of wisdom.

The question was: Resolved: that further restrictions on immigration would prove detrimental to the American people. The affirmative was supported by Messrs. L.R. Cummings, A.F. Newell and R.C. Dexter (of Colby). The negative was supported by Messrs. Francis, Roger, and Dodd of Tilton.

The teams were well supported, all receiving a good hand. The judges, Rev. John Gowdy of China, Hon. G.B. Cox of Laconia, president of the Board of Trade, and Rev. C.H. Wheeler, then retired for decision. They had some discussion as to the merits of the arguments and were out over an hour. After they had been out for three-quarters of an hour, Mr. Plimpton became considerate enough of the impatient group (awaiting the decision) to have his little orchestra entertain us in that consoling way that music can. After half an hour longer the judges returned and brought back a decision of two to one in favor of the affirmative (Colby). After the usual congratulations, and some that weren’t usual, we returned to the hotel again, where several telephoned back to Colby and made those at home happy.

During the early 1900s, Colby Academy students debated with peers at regional institutions. Being a member of the debate team was not only a way to engage one’s mind but also a chance for social interaction. The school fielded a number of debate teams whose members competed against such schools as Tilton Seminary and Kimball Union. This picture shows members of the debate team who faced off with peers at Tilton Seminary. Following is an excerpt of a story about the Tilton-Colby debate that took place on March 16, 1908.
early seven months after Hurricane Katrina ravaged the Gulf Coast region, Community Service Club members, as well as several friends and Colby-Sawyer faculty and staff members, opted to spend their spring vacation aiding in the clean-up efforts. Tarren Bailey ’06, co-president of the club, helped organize the trip, thanks to her connections with Merrillyn Garcia, of the non-profit organization, Make a Difference, Inc. Bailey says she thought it was important group members do what they could to help those in the region, and she felt certain that Garcia could help create a memorable experience. The group stayed at First Methodist Church in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

They describe the region as shocking. It was seven months later, yet water still stood in people’s homes. Roofs were scattered far from homes they’d once covered. Some homes had been pulled to sea by Katrina, leaving behind bits and pieces of wood or concrete steps in neighborhoods that were once lined with houses.

Based in Bay St. Louis, Miss., club members spent long days doing what they could to help people restore their homes. The group of 21 broke into three smaller teams, each charged with different tasks. Some people spent most of their days roofing a home. Others split time between homes, such as that belonging to Emerson. In his early 60s, Emerson lived comfortably in a nice, large home. Once those charged with painting his home had finished, Emerson took the entire Colby-Sawyer group to dinner. Some worked with Ruthie, a woman in her mid 80s who lived in a smaller home. Ruthie told her workers that she believes she now has the only home in her area with clouds adorning her bedroom ceiling, thanks to painting completed by students and staff.

Everyone came together for one day to travel to the Ninth Ward in New Orleans, the hardest hit of all the areas. They spent most of the day gutting a duplex that had been occupied by an elderly couple in one half, with the couple’s relatives in the other portion. The couple didn’t survive the storm. The home was in worse shape than anyone in the group had imagined was possible.

There were lighter moments during the trip. Strangers sometimes stopped them to ask group members if they were volunteers who had come to help. When they learned the answer was ‘yes,’ the individuals might hug the Colby-Sawyer students and staff or say a prayer to thank them. Before leaving New Orleans, the group visited the French Quarter and wandered Bourbon Street. Some say life seemed almost normal in the area. They also spent some time walking the beach and taking in the wildlife.

The group members tell of their experiences in the following pages, of the people they met, the sites to which they were exposed, the stories they heard, and the work in which they engaged. All say there is still much work left to do. Several say they intend to return to help with that work.
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—Nicole Kenney '07
Photo by LuAnne Ryall

**NEW ORLEANS, NINTH WARD** I didn’t expect the area to be as bad as it was. It was seven months after the fact, and I thought things would be cleaned up.

It was so devastating, and I was really, really affected. You just can’t believe it’s your country that’s like this.

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**NEW ORLEANS, NINTH WARD** People told us Katrina hit the region twice. She swept over from the West, then built up strength and came back from the East. The hurricane lifted up these houses in a neighborhood and dumped them on top of each other.

—LuAnne Ryall
Photo by LuAnne Ryall

**NEW ORLEANS, FRENCH QUARTER** I didn’t know of the French quarter, so I really didn’t have any expectations. It seemed really odd how everything was running in that one section of the city. It was the only section not surrounded by devastation and destruction.

—Ileshia Carlsen '08 (shown above)
Photo by LuAnne Ryall

**VOLUNTEER**

Tarren Bailey ‘06 worked with a couple of friends to develop this logo for the Community Service Club’s working trip to the Gulf Coast region. The T-shirt included the names of those students, faculty, staff, friends and Make-a-Difference organizers who participated. (Kim White took the place of Jamie Steffen.)
Gulfport, Mississippi

We drove through one neighborhood that you would have thought was a campground. The roads were filled with dirt—you wouldn’t have known there was pavement. I thought it was open land and that debris had just landed there. It would be like looking at my house, with 20 feet between it and the next house, and now seeing nothing there. I think that for most of us, it took a lot to comprehend.

— Nicole Kenney ’07

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

I was part of a roofing crew. We got there and tore off all the shingles with shovels and a pitchfork. We didn’t anticipate as much rotting as we found, so we had to take all the scaffolding and aluminum off. We fixed all the rotted pieces. After we did that, we started putting up the new shingles.

The house belonged to a woman and her daughter. They were so thankful that we were there. Their story was amazing. The older woman is the house owner. Her husband had died a few years before. When the hurricane was coming, they boarded up every window except one. When the water started rising, the daughter looked at her mother and said, ‘We need to get out of here.’ Then, a plant that the woman’s husband had given her came along and broke a window. They swam out, then climbed up on the roof and waited for the water to go down.

— Janine DeSerres ’07

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

Ruthie (at right) is 84. She had paid a company $6,000 to fix her house. She still had mold in her walls when we arrived. They hadn’t hung up the gutters. We killed the mold in her bedroom with bleach. We painted the inside and outside of her house and her carport, hung up gutters, and helped her do some gardening. LuAnne and Teresa painted clouds on her bathroom ceiling.

— Ashlee Willis ’08

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

The most touching part of the trip was when Emerson sat at a table all by himself, without sampling any of the buffet he bought for all of us, and hand-wrote thank-you notes to each and every one of his “angels.” I had to bury my face in my iced tea to keep from crying my eyes out. That moment, watching him write those notes with such attention, such focus and such kindness, will stay forever tucked inside my heart. It is my reminder that “folks helping folks” is what living is all about.

— Linda Ost, visiting artist and instructor, Fine and Performing Arts Department

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

Merrilyn (below left) has had a huge impact. She makes it a huge part of her trips to get to know people, which has been a very important thing for me now as well. Seeing her with the students and faculty from Colby-Sawyer, I could see she touched so many of them in the short time we were at the Gulf Coast.

— Tarren Bailey ’06, Community Service Club co-president

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

I understand seagulls are scavengers and most people don’t think much of them, but it was a magical and spiritual moment when the snowy white birds flew over me and ate granola chews out of my hand and off my foot. Tenacity is the character of the birds and the folks who live down south.

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Photo by LuAnne Ryall
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

The messages that we saw written on the sides and fronts of houses in Mississippi were very different from the ones we saw in New Orleans. The ones in Mississippi mostly said things like 'Please demolish' or 'Do not demolish' or 'If it can be saved please call.' Other signs read 'looters will be shot.'

In New Orleans, the messages we saw written on houses read things such as 'Possible body inside' or '2 dead dogs inside' or 'One dog, one cat inside' or 'Possible dog under house.' These things were a lot stronger and scarier to see.

All the houses in Mississippi and New Orleans contained an X in a circle on the front. On each side of the X was a word or number, on the bottom of the X was the number of people who died in the house. This information was on display for everyone to see. It was so sad to see.

–Kate Lewis ’08
Photo by LuAnne Ryall

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

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–Haley Pittenger ’08
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Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

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–Teresa Gallagher (above, left), Sodexho Dining Services staff
Photo by LuAnne Ryall

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

It has been a long-time desire of mine to go on a trip like this, doing service. One of my jobs was to gut an old, mud-caked ceiling and insulation. I was able to meet the homeowner on my first job. He visited for about 45 minutes to an hour. I spoke with him for a good half-hour, and he shared that he was Southern Baptist. I asked if we could pray together, and he said absolutely. We prayed together, and he was sobbing. It was such deep intimacy for just meeting somebody. I tried to encourage him that the tears were OK.

–Kim White (shown above), Manager, Colby-Sawyer bookstore
Photo by Tarren Bailey

Gulfport, Mississippi

I was thinking that it would be terrible to come home after a hurricane and only find your stairs. Where do you start to rebuild your house? With no foundation, it’s even harder to start off.

–Becky Downs ’09
Photo by LuAnne Ryall

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

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–Allie Locke ’06
(on ladder), Community Service Club co-president
Photo by LuAnne Ryall

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Women’s Tennis (7-8)

With a young team featuring eight newcomers, the Colby-Sawyer women’s tennis squad continued its string of 11 consecutive winning seasons in league play, finishing with a 5–4 mark in the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC). The lone senior on the team, Tarren Bailey, earned the New England Women’s Intercollegiate Tennis Association’s Lindsay Morehouse Memorial Tennis Award, presented annually to the player who best displays the ideals of sportsmanship, friendliness, character, fair play and hard work.

Junior Alex Hardenbrook led the team with 18 total wins on the year, with 10 of those coming as the team’s top singles player, and she earned first-team All-CCC honors in singles and doubles with teammate Meghan Welch ’09. Welch and sophomore Haley Pittenger added eight singles wins apiece, as Pittenger and Bailey were named second-team All-CCC in doubles. Additionally, the Chargers earned the CCC’s Team Sportsmanship Award for the second consecutive season.

Men’s Soccer (6-9-3)

The Colby-Sawyer men’s soccer team featured a large number of new faces, as 15 newcomers graced the 2005 roster. The Chargers’ booters finished 5–4–2 in the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC), notching Colby-Sawyer’s 11th straight winning season in league play.

Four players earned all-conference recognition, led by sophomores Nic DeZenko and Chris Rafferty and senior David Fitzpatrick, each of whom was named to the conference’s second team. DeZenko and Rafferty finished first and second on the team in scoring, respectively, with DeZenko tallying 11 points and Rafferty nine. Fitzpatrick, meanwhile, anchored a young defense that allowed just 25 goals in 18 contests. Senior goalkeeper Adam Perron earned honorable mention all-conference after posting a 1.09 goals against average for the season. Perron concluded his career with 27 wins, placing him second all-time behind Mitch Stone’s career total of 30.

Women’s Soccer (9-8)

The 2005 season saw the Colby-Sawyer women’s soccer team post its first winning record since 2001, as the Chargers went 9–8 overall and 7-5 in the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC). The Chargers won seven of their last 11 games, but fell to Roger Williams in the quarterfinals of the CCC Tournament.
Swimming and Diving (14-4 Women, 6-8 Men)

The Colby-Sawyer swimming and diving teams had their best seasons in their short history, posting both their best conference finishes and their best dual-meet records. The women’s team went 14-4 and 13-1 against New England Intercollegiate Swimming and Diving Association (NEISDA) opponents, while the men’s team went 6-8 overall and 6-5 against NEISDA foes. At the conference championships, the women’s team finished fifth for the second time in school history and the men’s team earned its first top-10 finish, taking eighth place.

Junior Breien Milton scored a pair of conference championships in the 50 and 100 backstroke events at the NEISDA Championships, while the women’s 200 freestyle relay team of junior Callee Hawkins, senior Kara Bordeau, Milton and senior Signe Linville won the first conference relay championship in school history. For the men’s team, freshman Will McCarthy also won a pair of events, taking first in the 50 and 100 butterfly events. McCarthy set nine individual school records on the year and became the first Colby-Sawyer swimmer to compete at the Eastern College Athletic Conference Open Championships, finishing 16th in the 100 butterfly.

In addition to the team success, several individuals earned conference and regional accolades. Freshman Elise Kapp was named to the CCC’s First-Team after leading the Chargers in scoring with 20 points, while senior Kate Abbatangelo earned honorable mention All-Conference honors from her midfield spot. Abbatangelo was also named to the New England Women’s Intercollegiate Soccer Association’s (NEWISA) Third Team, becoming the first player in Colby-Sawyer history to earn ALL-NEWISA honors. Finally, junior Lesley Bolton became the fourth player in school history to be named Academic All-District I by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Women’s Volleyball (30-9)

The Colby-Sawyer women’s volleyball team claimed its third Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) Championship, advancing to the NCAA Tournament for the third time in school history. In the NCAA Tournament, played at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, the Chargers upset Smith College, 3–1, in the first round before falling to Tufts in the second round. The Chargers blew through the regular season, finishing 30–9, just the second time in school history Colby-Sawyer has recorded 30 wins in a season.

Junior Jessica Niebuhr was named the conference’s Player of the Year, while Head Coach Chad Braegelmann earned his second CCC Coach of the Year award. Seniors Anne Coulter and Kathy Couture joined Niebuhr in being named First-Team All-CCC, while senior Amy Tarte earned second-team All-Conference honors. Fellow senior Ashley Lorance was named Honorable Mention All-CCC. Niebuhr was also named honorable mention All-New England by the American Volleyball Coaches Association while Coulter, Couture, and Tarte were selected to play in the New England Women’s Volleyball Association Senior All-Star Classic.
Women’s Basketball (23-5)
Colby-Sawyer won its fifth Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) Championship in the last 10 years, advancing to the NCAA Tournament, where they lost in the first round. The Chargers won 17 straight games, the longest winning streak in school history, and recorded 20 wins in the regular season for just the third time. Colby-Sawyer also went unbeaten at home, posting a 13–0 mark at the David L. Coffin Field House.

Colby-Sawyer’s three seniors each earned recognition from the CCC coaches following the regular season, as Kristen Sorensen was named First-Team All-Conference and Anne Coulter earned Honorable Mention All-Conference honors. The third senior, Lisa Cole, was named the conference’s Defensive Player of the Year. Both Sorensen and Cole scored their 1,000th career points, becoming the seventh and eighth players in school history to achieve that milestone. The pair accomplished the feat a week apart, with Sorensen hitting her 1,000th point on Feb. 7 against Curry and Cole following on Feb. 14 against New England College.

Men’s Basketball (17-11)
The Chargers advanced to the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) Championship game, falling at Endicott after upsetting two higher seeds to get to that point. Colby-Sawyer was awarded a berth in the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III New England Championship, where the Chargers fell on a last-second shot at top-seeded Keene State. Still, Colby-Sawyer recorded double-digit wins in the conference for the 11th straight season, finishing 13–3 in CCC play.

Andrew St. Clair earned his third straight CCC Player of the Year award, while fellow senior Collin Bray earned Honorable Mention All-Conference honors. St. Clair also was named First-Team Academic All-America by the College Sports Information Directors of America. St. Clair earned Third Team Academic All-America honors last year, becoming the first two-time Academic All-American in school history. St. Clair also became the first player in Colby-Sawyer history to record 2,000 career points and 1,000 career rebounds, finishing with 2,043 points and 1,007 rebounds.

Alpine Ski Racing (Women 4th at nationals, men 12th at nationals)
Both the Colby-Sawyer men’s and women’s Alpine ski racing teams had solid seasons, with the highlight of the women’s season being a pair of fourth-place finishes at the USCSA National Championships in slalom and giant slalom. Sophomore Allyson Newell led the Chargers at nationals, taking 11th in both disciplines and finishing eighth in the combined. Fellow sophomore Kaitlin Hull earned second-team All-America honors in the giant slalom and combined events, while senior Sarah Felton took home second-team All-America honors in the slalom.

For the men, the high point of the season came with the team’s second-place finish during the MacConnell Division season, finishing just two points out of first place. Two stars emerged for the Chargers men during the year in junior Chance Longley and freshman Travis Plass. Longley had five top-10 finishes during the year in 10 events, while Plass finished in the top 10 seven times, including a pair of individual race victories.
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Nursing News

• Colby-Sawyer College hosts an annual lecture and discussion series called “Books Sandwiched In” on three successive Wednesdays each April. This spring, one session featured a discussion of the nation’s nursing shortage. “The Nursing Shortage: Implications for Health Care” was presented by Shari Goldberg, assistant professor in the Colby-Sawyer College Nursing Department. Professor Goldberg discussed the history of nursing and the current nursing shortage and its impact on the healthcare industry. She also provided an update on the college’s Department of Nursing.

• Colby-Sawyer nursing student Odalie Bernash has been part of a four-member team of students that has researched the root cause of medically adverse events. Bernash and her teammates, from Dartmouth College and the University of Connecticut, presented their research at Dartmouth Medical School on March 28.

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On Sunday, March 5, the New England College community held a special 100th birthday celebration for Louise Sprague Danforth in the H. Raymond Danforth Library. Louise Danforth was the “First Lady” of the college when her husband, the late H. Raymond Danforth, was president from 1958–1969.

The administration of her husband came at a formative time in the history of New England College. Under Dr. Danforth’s leadership, the college dramatically increased its enrollment and constructed five new buildings, including the library that bears his name. Dr. Danforth knew that the library would hold the key to one of the most important milestones for the college—gaining full accreditation of NEC’s academic programs.

Also associated with Dr. Danforth’s tenure at New England College was the emergence of a strong sense of community. Louise Danforth is credited, in large part, for shaping this enduring college attribute. During the party given in her honor, President Stephen E. Fritz told onlookers that Louise always embraced that sense of community, and that commitment will prove to be her enduring legacy at New England College.
great-grandsons, lives in CT and is expecting another child in Aug. I have a request in for a girl this time. Lili, who is getting her doctorate at the U of ME, has just returned from Greenland. She's studying global warming. I'm still taking Adventures in Learning classes. This term I've been taking Opera, Victorian England and The Celts; they are all great. So that's my story. Please keep in touch. The Intertown Record recently announced the name of Colby-Sawyer's new president, Thomas Galligan, dean and professor of law at the U of TN. He will assume the presidency Aug. 1.

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1936 Reunion

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Thanks to all of you wonderful classmates, here’s the news. Beulah Carrigan Crosby says she doesn’t have much to report. She has been at Canterbury in North Attleboro, MA, for 4 years. Beulah’s grandson graduated from Providence College last spring and her granddaughter entered Providence as a freshman this year. Her youngest granddaughter is a high school sophomore. Lois Wheatley Hopkins writes, “Life is still good, even if it’s alone.” Fortunately, she does enjoy the company of many good friends and neighbors. Lois is impressed by how much the college is growing. She remembers her time on the Hill as a wonderful experience, and she enjoys keeping up with the news from those classmates who write in for the column. Zoe Rollins Kraus writes, “I’m 89 years old and that is the only exciting thing to tell you lately concerning my life. I eat, go to the store, watch television, and sleep. Could anything be more exciting than that?” Nancy Martin LaBahn says it’s still the same old routine for her. She continues to winter in Little River, SC, and summers in upstate NY. She plays bridge twice a week and enjoys walks on the beach daily. Nancy sends her regards to all. At the age of 90, Trude Brauner Rose says that simply taking care of the house and yard is enough for her. Connie Mason Lane’s granddaughter, Emily, was married at the Castle in the Clouds on Sept. 27, and it was the highlight of Connie’s year. Connie’s grandson, Travis, is an AMGA certified rock climbing guide and is employed by Eastern Mountain Sports in North Conway, NH. In Nov. he guided a group in high altitude mountaineering to 2 dormant volcanoes in Mexico. Nancy Fuller Sargent says that her news is pretty much the same as last time, except for the fact that she will become a 1st-time great-grandmother in Oct. Nancy enjoys keeping in touch with Connie Mason Lane. She also keeps busy with her book club, Bible study, visits from children from the day care center, which she loves, exercise class, and visits from her friends. Judy Clarke Kitchen recently celebrated her 89th birthday with her daughter, Martha, and her husband. She says it doesn’t seem possible that we graduated from Colby 70 years ago! Judy became a great-grandmother for the first time in April, as her grandson, Christopher, and his wife, Lauren, were expecting a baby girl. Her grandson, Ryan, is a high school junior, and grandson Justin is in business school at the U of Chicago. After 11 years, Genevieve Shaw Todd continues to enjoy living in her senior citizen apartment complex. They enjoy the prepared meals that are available if they don’t want to cook in their own small kitchen. She also enjoys the classes that are offered, such as literature, art, ceramics, sewing, cooking, bowling, floral arrangement and current events. She says the facility also provides transportation to stores and medical centers. Genevieve is a member of the MA Commission for the Blind, as her ophthalmologist recommended her. Sadly, I received word that our classmate, Miriam Clemmer Wakealin, died Jan. 20. We extend our condolences to her family. As for me, Barbara Melendy Parker, I was grounded with a broken leg for 8 weeks until the end of April, and had to use a wheelchair. No, I didn’t fall, but I twisted my leg. I also suffer from arthritis. Guess I’m no spring chicken anymore! Thank you all for writing!

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Jean Huckins Hawkes is living on the south coast of OR in a very nice retirement house overlooking the Pacific Ocean. She enjoys being near her daughter, Ellen, and her family. Jean reports that she is well and keeps busy. Dorothy “Dot” Rodgers Dexter continues to play piano for her own enjoyment and occasionally for her church. She played at a festival last June. Dot still drives in familiar territory, and at the time she wrote, was dog-sitting her daughter’s dog while she and her husband are off skiing in France. They hoped to go to Torino for one day. Dot’s busy life contains lots of schedules like the rest of us. Jeanne Morrison Bennett wrote through her daughter that she is still in her own home, although she is almost completely blind from macular degeneration. Nevertheless, she leads a very active life and recently walked 2½ miles while her daughter, Meredith, ran at a local park. She reads a lot, thanks to books on tape (or CDs), and is active in her church and with her many friends. Lois Nutting Fitch and her husband, Clarence, are still in their home. They enjoy their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren so much that they often forget most everything else. Nancy writes, “We are so proud of Colby-Sawyer and its successes, having known it all these years.” They have been married 66 years and say it’s been a great life. Congratulations, Lois and “Fitchie!” Constance Carrigan Coughlin’s daughter, Dale Bourassa, wrote that her mother is in Hospice care in Freeport, ME, and turned 88 in Feb. She has 5 children, 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Dale wrote, “Mom fought a courageous battle with breast cancer and has been a wonderful role model for all of us. She skied until her 75th year and was married for 61 years to Gene Coughlin until his death last New Year’s Eve. Connie was the Rumford, ME, woman’s gold champion 4 times, taught tennis and also skiing to her children, grandchildren and even great-grandchildren. She was a photographer of nature and loved to spend winters at her beloved Hodge Podge Lodge in Eustis, ME.” We wish Connie the best and we’re glad to hear how happy she has lived. Barbara Thomas Graham has been recovering from a major operation last
fall, but luckily it wasn’t cancer so she’s glad it’s over. She visited Lois Alley Ferguson in Dec. and said she is having a difficult time getting around, but has a delightful companion. Lois’ husband, Crawford, passed away in Sept. and her daughter and husband are living with her now. She heard from Midge Thomas Reynolds at Christmastime and she sounds fine. Midge has given up golf, but still plays tennis! Barbie said she has arthritis in her fingers, but her handwriting is fine.

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A nice note at Christmastime from Elizabeth “Betty” Higgins Hassell tells us that their second year of living at John Knox Village has been a happy adjustment for them. Betty and Henry go to aerobic swim classes and enjoy daily walks for exercise. They both continue their creative hobbies. For Henry that’s furniture finishing, while Betty enjoys stenciling cards and doing other projects for residents. The Village bus takes them to malls and musical programs, as well as to their local church on Sunday, so they manage to keep as busy as they feel like being. Virginia “Ginny” Mahard Laming is still going strong. She and her daughter went on a Thanksgiving trip to see her granddaughter, who lives in Tobaccoville, NC. She is working as a pathologist at Wake Forest University while she works toward her Ph.D. in veterinary medicine. A nice note from Margaret “Margie” Carter Colony says she misses volunteer work, especially pastoral care at church, but she is very happy at Carlton Willard Village. They are taken to museums, symphonies, theaters, and all sorts of interesting places. They have learning and retirement courses taught by professors. Margie has pool therapy 3 times a week. She has 2 new hips and a “funny” back, so she uses a cane. She says she could use 2 new eyes and ears, but she counts her blessings every day and is glad she is still ambulatory. Janet Morton Coates sent a note to the Alumni Office indicating that she’d been married for 60 years and that she and her husband recently moved to a nice apartment in an independent living complex near their entire family. I, Frances “Frannie” Holbrook Armstrong, am in very good health, walk every day, and go to exercise classes. I’m also in a book club and a creative writing class, and still go to St. Elizabeth Home, where I worked for 25 years, to run the coffee/gift shop every Saturday morning. Ed is in good health, but has slowed down a bit. We still make it to ME for Easter and Thanksgiving, as we have 2 sons living there. Keep those cards and letters coming, and remember Joy. Luv ya!

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There are advantages to doing class notes. It is a good excuse to get in touch with classmates. Please keep the postcards coming. It is great to hear from you. Winifred Rand Welch is still living in Newton, NH, on Great Bay, where they see lots of wildlife. She has 5 granddaughters, 3 of them in college, and is looking forward to reunions with the family. Priscilla Lafamme Dudis is well and still keeping house. She enjoys gardening, playing bridge, reading and volunteering at the local library. Reid Francis Morris is in Kennebunkport, ME. His son and daughter-in-law put an extension on their house so Reid and his wife have privacy, but are near family. Another son is in Warren, NH, not far away. Janet Canham Williams is still on Ragged Mountain, still driving but slowing down (aren’t we all?). She hears from Jean Porter Broders, who is still in her home and driving short distances. Harriet Tillinghast Fuller lost her husband in April ’05. She said she is getting lots of support from family and friends and has been able to take a couple of relaxing trips on a river barge. Jeanne Schwob Homer, who lives in Boca Raton, FL, said that Hurricane Wilma created a great deal of havoc, left them without power and gas, and caused lots of damage. She recently took a 14-day trip to Spain and gets up to VT to spend time with her daughter. Margaret “Peg” Van Duser Hurlbut lives in Palm City, FL. She has survived 5 hurricanes, and she says they are scary. I bumped into Joan Russell Desmond ’41 at the Academy of Lifelong Learning, where we are both taking courses. She said her husband is in an assisted living facility here in Wilmington. John Kristensen alerted the Alumni Office that his wife, Calista Elliot Kristensen, died March 6, 2006. She is survived by John and their 5 children (John Jr., Calista, Paul, Kristiane and Angela). Calista was active in a number of local activities during her life in Guilford, VT, including as a volunteer at the Guilford
Thanks to the staff in the Alumni Office, who offered to send out those return postcards, there is quite a bit of news for your perusal this issue. Janice Wilkins keeps busy with various activities offered at Foxhills Village, including seminars by BU professors. She had a chat with Roy London Jr. when he visited friends at the Village. She notes that on the Foxhills Village staff there is a Colby-Sawyer graduate in the wellness center and another in the visiting nurse office. In Nov., Margaret “Peg” Cawley sponsored a concert at the Concord Music School in memory of Jean D. London. “The marvelous Lark String Quartet performed the program Jean and I had planned and it was truly a memorable occasion,” she said. Peg found her way into the darkroom at the Kimball-Jenkins Art School and that resulted in a showing of her black and white photographs. Deborah “Debbv” Burton Adler said they had an exciting Christmas trip that began in Southern CA at her daughter’s house, before going to HI for 4 days, and then returning back to CA. She spent the holidays with 2 daughters, a granddaughter, and a great-grandson. Two more “greats” were expected in April! She and Wally are still curling and he’s still on the tennis court. Nancy Schwarzenbach Hall has moved to John’s Island in SC to be near her daughter, Jan, who is building her a guest house. Her farm in PA was too quiet in ME, but she is part of a ladies’ weekly candlepin bowling team. Last Oct., Mary Lou Williams Haskell came for lunch, a twice-yearly “reunion.” Jeanne Hall Johnson now lives in a retirement home. She noted that her roommate, Eleanor “Ellie” Sanford Logie, died last Jan. You may recall that Ellie was an avid reader and bridge player. She is survived by her 3 children. Arlene Dawson Knapp lives in Chester, CT, and her 2 sons live nearby, so she sees much of their families. At the time she wrote, she was anticipating a visit with her daughter in FL. Mary “Marie” Westberg Francis had a big party to celebrate her husband, Sid’s, 90th birthday. She said that was quite a change from their usual quiet life. She still plays a lot of bridge and volunteers weekly at her county library, local hospital and a couple of jobs at their health center. Not too quiet, I’d say! Susan “Sue” Spier Parker and Charlie are enjoying a more relaxed life in Bellear, FL, with more time for reading. She did have an emergency hospital stay over Christmas, but all is well now. Marcia Brown Macintosh reports that her daughter continues as a manufacturers’ representative and her son continues to write and perform children’s music. She had lunch in NH just before Christmas with Virginia “Ginny” Newins Blondell ’42 and Marion “Hug” Huggins Brown ’42, both Med Techs. June Skinner Peacock writes that she and her husband were in Raleigh, NC, for the winter, next door to their daughter, and returned to their summer home in May. In Feb., they attended the Sarasota Opera Festival. Too late for the last news column, I had a note from Barbara “Bobby” Vaiden Weiland noting that Eleanor “Ellie” Rowell McPherson died last May after battling cancer for many years. When Ellie would go to Missoula, MT, to visit her daughter, she and Bobby would get together for a fun-filled visit. The Weilands have moved to San Diego to be near 2 of their sons. Christmas greetings were received from my “Big Big” Sister, Elizabeth “Betty” Higgins Hassell ’39. She and Henry lead a very busy life in their retirement village in FL. Also, Shirley “Sherry” Hemming Garwood sent a card noting that she had spent Nov. in the hospital and a nursing home. We hope you are back in good health! I’m sorry to report that Norma Beaucar died in Oct. She led a very active life in her hometown of Bristol, CT, and was an avid lifelong Red Sox fan, never missing a game. Another notice concerned the death in Sept. of Joan Rosenwald Scott, due to Alzheimer’s disease. Throughout her life, she was an “awesome” golfer and an active community leader. Our deepest sympathy is extended to their families, as well as to those of Ellie Sanford Logie and Ellie Rowell McPherson. In the Borden household, we have been coping with a couple of situations that we hope will be resolved in ’06—moving to a retirement facility and Connie’s health. By the time you read this column, it will probably be just before Reunion, and I do hope that some of us will be there to celebrate! Please See In Fond Memory

Send News!
Your class correspondent is waiting to hear from you.

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Barbara “Bobbie” Boyd Bradley January 1–May 1: 601 Seaview Court, C-311 Marco Island, FL 34145-2939 (239) 394-2881 e-mail: mimibrad@aol.com May 2–December 31: 34 Cutting Cross Way Wayland, MA 01778 (508) 358-5088 e-mail: mimibrad@aol.com Hello to all from Wayland, MA. Yes, March in Wayland—not our usual winter, but I’ll explain later. At least it was a mild winter, for which I was very grateful. Thanks to all who responded to my plea for news. If you haven’t yet, send it along anyway and I can use it for the next bulletin. They seem to come quicker and quicker, and I have trouble getting it all together in time. A note from Betsy Short Cissel tells me that she is still recovering from a severe illness she had in Dec. She sounded discouraged and said she’s not a happy camper right now. We send our wishes for a healthy recovery, Betsy, and soon! A nice card came from Shirley Walter Ferguson, which is a first, I think. She has lived in CA for 47 years—13 years in southern CA and now the central coast area (Los Osos) for 33+ years. She enjoys views of the bay, the mountains and the area’s natural beauty. Sounds wonderful! She hears from Sally Bisset Douglas (San Francisco area) and Katie Gindele Schmidt (East Middlebury, VT). Urge them to follow your lead, Shirl, and write to me! Shirl is looking for news of her roommate, Peg Seymour Coonse. Unfortunately the college has “lost” her as well, and no address is available. If anyone can solve the mystery, both Shirl and CSC would be grateful! Shirl still plays tennis 3 times a week and volunteers at a community college, with literacy programs, etc. Good for you, Shirl, and thanks for writing! Ruthie Murray Carkeek reports that her husband, Steve, has made a remarkable recovery from his stroke a year ago, and is now talking, reading, and carrying on business. In early Dec., they took all the adult members of their family on a Caribbean cruise to celebrate. They also have a new great-granddaughter, who joined her 3 brothers in Oct. Since we had 3 boys and a girl in that order, I know the joy they all must feel to add a girl to the mix. Ruthie says in VA all the spring flowers are up, and some have passed by. One day it’s 70 and the next 40. Crazy winter! The poor flowers don’t know what season it is. At one point we had 3 robins in our courtyard and a blizzard the next day. Mary Williams Herrick writes from her home on Cape Cod, which she loves! She has a new

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great-grandchild and a 7-foot tall grandson, who plays basketball. She is still needlepointing, and her eyes are sharper than ever. Lucky! Becki Irving says that since she lives in New London, all her news is printed in the bulletin. She volunteers at the Tracy Library in town. She does their AV repairs and builds things they need. She also runs a repair business and does some carpentry. We could use you, Terry! She also travels to Europe every now and then. She reports, “tough life.”

Jane Rayner Groo was recently nominated for a Jefferson Award by the city of Newark, MD. She says she was hugging by the mayor, for whom she didn’t vote, nor would she ever! She recently celebrated her 83rd birthday with about 20 Girl Scout alumnae friends. Mary Allen Cadwell writes about the strange VT winter. Guess we could all do that this year. She also describes the joys of where she lives. They have a lovely little library in their village, well stocked thanks to the interlibrary loan system. Middlebury College is an easy drive away for concerts, lectures and sporting events. Lots to keep them busy. The renovations on the 2nd family house on their farm are being done in easy stages. Their families take turns using it, and it is fun for Terry and her husband to watch all the comings and goings.

Mary Reed Cody lives in San Carlos, CA. She plans to visit her daughter in Chilmark, MA, in early Aug., when the temperature in Todos Santos is unbearably hot, and she hopes to meet Nancy Bowman Rutherford and her husband, George, in Oak Bluffs, MA. Mary has a new grandson, born to her youngest daughter in Oct. What fun to have a wee one when you’re 83! Pearl Leigh Fuller tells of the “Celebration of Life” that she planned for her former husband. Although divorced, they were still good friends and visited and kept in touch all the time. The occasion was the first time that all of the family was able to be together at the same time, and they had a ball! They are pictured above. Nine of her grandchildren are in college, from CT to CA. Twenty of her family members have either been amateur or professional performers. At the moment, 7 of them are either in or preparing for performances. Genes? Pearl has been active professionally in plays, a movie, commercials, videos, still pictures, etc. for the last 20 years. Trivia? Pearl called me after seeing the movie, she said she had a nice telephonic visit with Virginia “Jinny” Leighty Severs in Jan., when we made a quick 5-day trip to Marco so Dave could see his doctor at The Cleveland Clinic, hoping to improve his back problem. Jinny has moved into a larger house in Naples now that her daughter, Stephanie, has joined her and another daughter, Bonnie. She loves being with her girls. Julie still lives in CA. Jinny’s health is not as good as she would like. She has difficulty walking and tires easily, but with the girls help, she’s doing alright. I hope to see her when we go back to Marco. As for the Bradleys, this hasn’t been our year. We finally, after 3½ years on the waiting list, have an apartment in North Hill, an extended care retirement home in Needham, MA. It’s tiny, but we can hardly wait to move in. No more major cooking for me sounds great, and we have lots of good friends there. We haven’t sold our Wayland condominium yet, so we own 2, which is a real financial burden and such a pain to keep perfect to be shown. Everyone told us it would sell overnight, but it didn’t! Then, just as we were about to fly south, our #2 son, who is 54 years old, had emergency open heart surgery for an aneurism on his aorta, a tear in his aorta, and a new valve in his heart. We count our blessings that we had a top doctor and he survived a very tricky 6 hour operation. In March he was given the go-ahead to move back to his apartment and to drive. Thus we were able to go to Marco Island in time to welcome our daughter and 2 of her 3 children for spring break. Hopefully our Wayland condo will sell while we’re away and we’ll be able to move into our new digs in early May. Shrinking into small space will not be easy, however. So many memories to throw away! My thanks to all who answered my plea for news. Keep it up! And to those of you who answered my plea for news. Please See In Fond Memory

1943
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If you're a classmate who puts our postal requesting news in a “to do later” pile, you’re not alone. Enid Belden Logan did just that with last spring's card. Her excuse—not much news. This is Enid's 44th year of volunteering at the hospital and as chairman of the altar guild! She, Sally King Cramer and Mary “Shy” Scheu Teach had their own mini-reunion in San Francisco in early Oct. for Shy's granddaughter's wedding. Around 30 or more of Shy's family managed to make the wedding, too. Sally wrote that it was great fun at a wonderful location by the Pacific Ocean at the oldest motel in San Francisco. At Christmastime, Sally was in Santa Monica for a week with son John's family. From there she went on to Broken Arrow in OK to visit her youngest daughter, Shelley, and her gang of 4. If you can catch Sally at home in Williamstown, MA, visitors are always welcome. As two octogenarians, Patricia “Pat” Stickel Crandall and her husband, Steve, began last year tapering off their work loads to enjoy some interesting travels. Steve reduced his MIT schedule to 3 days a week. Pat crowned her efforts as a tour guide by being a panelist at a discussion on Henry Lee Higginson, the founder of the Boston Symphony. Besides attending Steve's alumni reunion in FL, they had a fascinating archeological cruise in the Mediterranean, exploring 6 ports along the North African coast; attended a conference in Rio de Janeiro; and visited a friend in Sao Paulo. 2nd cruise was put on hold when in late Oct., Pat had a coronary artery bypass graft (triple bypass). In her note, she says she is steadily improving and looking forward to future travels. All is well with Elizabeth “Diddy” Godfrey Brown in Chelmsford, MA, although things are not the same since Charlie passed away 3 years ago. She's going to be a great-grandmother by the time
you read this. She's fortunate that daughter Leslie Brown '66, is close by, as is son Peter. Charlotte Shapiro Krentzel misses the wonderful days of Colby Junior College, which she feels were a great part of her life, as was her married life with Ted. She writes, “Thank goodness for children, grandchildren and 2 delightful great-grandchildren all in the near vicinity.” Her e-mail is csk401@msn.com. “Life is good. Time just slips by so fast. How did we get so old so fast?” wrote Priscilla “Pussy” Parker Craig, who in Feb. had a big party for their oldest daughter on her 60th birthday. Pussy and Dorman are enjoying FL. The grandchildren are all working now, with formal education in the past and graduating with honors. She, like so many others who wrote cards, hopes all is well with former classmates. Last June, Priscilla Coan Barnes and her husband, Jim, gave their 4 children peace of mind for the future when they moved into a lovely life care retirement community in Tahlequah, OK, the home of the Cherokee Nation. This is only an hour from their friends back in AR. They’re thankful for good health and opportunity to do volunteer work, when they’re not involved with planned activities. Their other big news is that their 7th great-grandchild is on the way! Priscilla Bullock Bubar’s ‘44 husband passed away in ‘03. She has sold the crop land and stumpage on the farm, but retains 100 acres and lives in her own home with her 3 great cats. Her life is full, with lots of good friends, exercising 3 times a week, a book class on Fridays, and volunteer work at the local Southern Aroostook Agricultural Museum, to which she gave a little one room school house that was on their property. Mondays she enjoys painting workshops. While Jean Bush Gabriel’s original class is ‘44, she always visits with the ‘43s, ‘44s and ‘45s in her 2nd home in New London, where she spends quite a bit of time. She is also on the President’s Alumni Advisory Council, which she finds very interesting. Her granddaughter, Jennifer, went to grad school at the university in Albuquerque, NM. Barbara Constantine Johnson has bought a condo in New London at 62 Hilltop Place. She’ll move in as soon as she sells the house in Quechee, which will hopefully be late May or early June. She’s still fighting cancer and hasn’t lost hope. When Doc and I saw her at the Dartmouth class of ‘45 60th reunion last June, she looked great. “As we grow older there’s so little to tell,” writes Shirley Hobbs Craven. Tom is 89 and a great deal of time involves doctor’s appointments. They go to Synergy 3 mornings for exercise, which helps keep them mobile. This past winter they were able to go down to the beach and enjoy the area, watching the boats, people and dogs as they walked by the shore. Carolyn Sigourney Holtz continues to draw and has a group that meets every Thurs. They spent their 50th anniversary on a small 70-passenger boat, cruising the Inland Passage from Juneau to Ketchikan. They saw a spotted whale, eagles, porpoise, seals and walrus. Later they enjoyed a visit from a grandson as he bicycled from British Columbia to Mexico. Jean Aronson Rea also took a cruise in Aug., but on the Danube and Rhine Rivers, where she saw many castles, cathedrals and cobblestones. Hartford Stage, Hospitality Committee at Windsor Historical Society and docent duties keep Doris Douglas Butler busy and happy. New plantings and new roof shingles have bought youth back to her 75-year-old home. Jane Hamlin Horton is now living in The Forum, a lovely retirement home in San Antonio, TX. Peter and Nancy also live in the same town. Daughter Sue and John are going overseas again, this time to Cutter. Ernie and his wife live in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Eleanor “Toni” Hutchins Snider writes they’ve been very busy lately and have a lot of paperwork, which keeps getting worse. She wonders what happened to retirement! “I have 4 fabulous large models of planes my husband flew while in the service. He plans to fly these from the ceiling of the family room, when he gets time to put them up.” In Dec. they bought a second computer so now each has one. What fun when you finally get them networking together. Our postal to Pauline McCuster Watt was returned from Falmouth, MA, stamped as not deliverable when addressed to 162 Sacoosset Rd. Can anyone help me with a correct address? Sad news. Last Dec., Phyllis Faulkner Wattles passed away. Her husband, Ed, predeceased her in ‘01. She is survived by their son, Ted, and his family, son Bruce, son George and daughter Laurie. Phyllis is remembered for her kind, gentle and witty spirit. It is mid-Feb. as I started typing and I just noticed that our thermometer reads minus 10 degrees F. Wonder what it will register when you begin reading our class news? Up to mid-Feb. it has been a very strange winter, with much more warmth than cold. One farmer was successfully tapping sugar maples…in early Feb.! We’ve noted a couple of 5th-wheel to the various square dance conventions we enjoy. Last June, because of Doc’s co-chairing his 60th Dartmouth reunion, there wasn’t enough time to drive to OR, so we flew out. When their class newsletter editor announced her retirement, guess what couple agreed to assume the responsibility? Sincere thanks to all who have returned the postal with their news. And if you are one who still has the postal, don’t throw it away—the postage is correct. Drop us a line for the fall/winter issue. Should you get far enough north to visit The Hill during your travels, stop by and visit the Alumni Office or some of your classmates who are fortunate enough to reside in that area. 

Please See In Fond Memory

1944

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Can you believe that 62 years have passed since graduating from Colby-Sawyer, and quite a few of us are still enjoying the spices of life! Many thanks to all of you who took the time to answer my request for updated news of your lives. I’m anxious to share all that I have gathered with the members of the class of 1944. Kathleen “Ki” Howden Shellington lives near the Cape, and this winter she and her husband, Jim, were very involved watching their grandson play ice hockey. They also have a son who plays on a men’s team. Springtime brings forth the gardening tools and the fun of having one’s own pool. En route to VT to visit their daughter, they always stop by New London to check on Colby-Sawyer. From CA, a note came from Janet Peters Gardiner, who has had back surgery. She is gaining strength and is so happy to have that procedure behind her. She had postponed this for 2 years, but finally went ahead and now is looking forward to being able to play some golf this summer. She spoke of the wonderful growth at Colby-Sawyer during the term of Anne Ponder. We all share that thought, and shall indeed miss her. Ruth Burnett MacAnespie is still living in the house that she shared with her husband, who is now deceased. Her daughter comes daily to fix her dinner and play a game of Scrabble. She is fortunate to have another daughter nearby, and probably her best friend is her dog, Ash. “Not a bad life for an ‘old lady,’” she says. “I’m lucky to have family nearby.” Dorothy “Dorf” Sears wrote a brief note, and I quote her reply. “No parents, no siblings, no children, no snow, 35 miles north of New London, ergo, no news!” As you
all know, Shirley Tunison Eustis is our class agent, and I have tidbits of news from her which I'd like to share. In Nov., she was in Croatia for 2 weeks. She says it's a lovely country, with cheerful people and great food. They also have done pretty well in the Olympics, she says. During ’06 she plans on going “hither and thither.” Her evaluation of Colby-Sawyer describes a continually thriving, handsome college with friendly, energetic students. She urges us to remember that our alumni gifts do enhance the lives and studies of the current students. She wishes Godspeed to all. A reply from Jean Marquier Molloy in AZ says that life is moving at a slower pace. Her husband, Neil, finds that using his walker is much too slow, so he's taken to driving the scooter in the grocery stores. She is participating in aerobics with her support group, and they also go to art galleries and historical events. She finds volunteering at the local hospital most inspiring, and she hopes that many of our classmates are still “going strong.” From most of the replies I've received, I'd say that many of us are still doing well. A note from Jessie Fyfe Armstrong told of her husband’s passing in ’85. She has 4 children (2 boys, 2 girls) and lost a son at age 42 to lung cancer. She has 8 grandchildren, 4 of each. One of her daughters, Judy Armstrong ’69, graduated from Colby-Sawyer, and is now a single mom with 2 children. Jessie plays lots of bridge, and used to be a golfer, but doesn't play any longer. She states that she is a “real mom and grandma,” and has lots of aches and pains, but is happy! At Christmastime a note came from Mary Helen Mitchell Williams, who had a large group for Christmas dinner. She said that after that activity, she was ready to return to less arduous activities, such as volunteer work, aerobics, bridge and a book club. Jane Cooper Fall is involved with the “Lights of Love” fund raiser for the hospital during the Christmas season. They raised over $7,000! She, as we all are, is still trying to clean out clutter and papers. She spent 4 months at her cottage at Bow Lake and now has returned home to Rochester, NH. She ends her card with, “You know how old we are?” I guess we all do, Jane, but we keep on going. Shirley Merz Bryant had the thrill of a lifetime last year when she saw the Rose Bowl Festivities, a celebration for her 80th birthday. This was done by her son and daughter. Her first postcard stated that she and Bob were on the same annual schedule—Lake George, NY, in the summer and FL in the winter. However, after many years of saying the same thing, there came a change. She lost her spouse and has stayed in FL for 2 years. She will be moving to Bermuda Village in NC, where she will be but 20 minutes from her daughter and about 4 hours from her son, who lives in Richmond. Her grandson will be playing football for UNC, so she will be able to attend the games. It will, indeed, be a fuller life for her, and in the summertime she will return to Lake George. From PA, came a reply from Catharine “Kay” English Kipe, who had the wonderful experience of seeing the Rose Bowl Parade this past year, and even though it rained on the parade, the memories are superb. She is looking forward to a trip to AK early this forthcoming Sept. She will see places that are not on the usual tourist route. Myrtle Furbush Mansfield is spending lots of time quilting and knitting tiny caps for preemies. Her return postcard was typed, and her quote about the typewriter goes like this: “Oh, for the good old Royals that I learned on at Colby—even an old electric IBM would be good!” She is a breast cancer and colon cancer survivor. God bless you, Myrtle. It seems as though many of us now are enjoying spending time with grandkids and this is certainly the thought of Polly Tringa Beckley, who visited a daughter in Naples, FL, along with 2 other daughters. They had such a blast together, laughing and cutting up, they developed a good case of laryngitis! Polly has moved just a few minutes away from her previous address and now can enjoy the glorious sunsets from her patio. Time never seems to be enough to enjoy time with the grandkids and spend time on the computer. Jean Bush Gabriel made a permanent move to New London, NH, although she still has her condo in Reading, MA. The welcome mat is always out at her New London home. Should any of you be passing through, please give her a call. In Nov., Mary Jane “M.J.” Niedner Fletcher Mason went to New London to visit Jean, and Jane MacCabe Kelly and her husband, Tom, came over for dinner and spent the night. M.J. said that the next day she called Janet Canham Williams ’40, whom Ann Tilton Carpenter and M.J. knew when they were summer campers at Camp Winnemont in the 30s and 40s. That’s going way, way back in our book of memories, isn’t it? M.J. also had lunch with Sylvia Jacobs Alden ’48, whose brother, Forrest Jacobs, was an usher at her wedding to Walter Fletcher. Forrest was also a classmate of Walt’s when they were in dental school at Tufts. M.J.’s grandson is a U.S. Marine, who served in Kuwait and Iraq. He’s been discharged and is now safe at home. Jane MacCabe Kelly had a wonderful trip with Tom to Vienna for 3 days in Sept. and then they went down the Danube by boat to Amsterdam. Jane, as I wrote before, keeps in touch with M.J., Jean Bush Gabriel, Barbara Green, and wrote that she had spoken with Elizabeth “Betsy” VanGorder Minkler, who is well and was off on a trip through the Panama Canal. Jane went to the Bahamas in March for a visit with friends. Their oldest granddaughter is in England for college and a grandson is a junior at the U of Richmond. She says, “Only 6 more to go!” We all are at the point of seeing our grandchildren continue their educations at the college level. Ah, wedding anniversaries! Barbara Janson Green and her husband, Al, had a delightful celebration of their 60th anniversary with their entire family in Feb. That’s a milestone, Barb. Congratulations! Ann Tilton Carpenter shared a lot of news on her annual Christmas card. This past July Tilly had a wonderful trip to OR with her son and family. They visited a married granddaughter in Beaverton, a niece in Gaston and friends along the way. A highlight was the exciting event that 2 younger granddaughters had, snowboarding at Mt. Hood when the temperatures at the lodge were in the 70s! In Aug., Til became a great-grandmother for the 1st time and the family named this little fella after his great-grandpa, Carpy (Til’s late husband), thus there is now Jack Thurston! Quite a few of our classmates are making changes in the style of living, and this is true of Alice “Toledo” Crowther Brooks, who, with her husband, is in a life care community, in Naples, FL, or as Toledo calls it, “Old Folks Country Club.” She still enjoys bridge and golf, and her husband, Bill, loves golf and his painting. They intend to visit Toledo and parts north in the summertime. All of the family is well, and the grandchildren are all grown up. Toledo sends her best to old friends from CJC. Another part-time resident of FL is Jean “Fergie” Ferguson Wilcox. She and her husband will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this coming Labor Day weekend in Eaton Center, NH, their summertime retreat. Congratulations, Fergie, for making those 60 years so special. Mary Root Mollica wrote from Bennington, VT, that she is in contact with Peg Rogers Andrews ’85 (member of the Advancement staff at the
college), trying to gather Colby-Sawyer alums for lunch in Williamstown, MA. Perhaps this will happen sometime this spring. I shall let you all know if and when. I may be able to go, inasmuch as we live in Shelburne, MA, not too far away. I was happy to receive a returned card from Shirley Lorraine McCullough, who resides in Oklahoma City. She is enjoying good health after battling ovarian cancer last year. She wrote extensively about her roommate, Barbara “Bobbie” Colwell Armstrong, who passed away this past Feb. She had been in a nursing home in Ossipee, NH, suffering from Parkinson’s dis-ease. Barbara had spent a week with Shirley in ’03, and that was certainly a special time for both of them. Another surprise letter came to me from Lois Jackson Ray, from Vero Beach, FL. She had lived in FL for 56 years and was really hard hit with the many hurricanes which came this past year, all within 3 months. Everything was ruined. Her son insisted that she leave the home after it had been flood- ed with sewer water. She moved 13 times in 8 months! Finally, she moved back into her home—no countertops, floor, window coverings, A/C, TV, electricity, telephone or mail. The good news is that in ’02 she “com- posed” a book, Better To Be Ready And Not Go Than Go And Not Be Ready. This book is now sold at Vero Beach Book Center and Wings of Joy for $35.00. Lois has been on local radio and TV being interviewed about this publication. The book lists everyone you know and everything you own and it gives your friends and family time to mourn properly. She sent me a copy and I found it a wonderful tool to have and to give to a family so that their dealing with a loved one’s pass-ing would be so simplified. A let- ter came to me from Louise “Wee” Jensen Todd’s son, Michael, who now lives in her home in New London, where Wee had resided for 50 years. She now resides in Woodlawn Nursing Home in Newport, NH, and has become involved with the painting class there. Many friends from New London stop by and visit, even for only a moment. The staff is polite and the food is good enough, but the one thing she missed at Christmastime was some of her Christmas cookies and carda-mom bread! Margaret Kentfield Burkey has some good news to share, stating that after nearly 3 years of doctor visits and medica-tions, she is beginning her 80th year in much better health. She is looking forward to many more years to serve God in the church and community. Her family consists of 1 married grandchild and 5 grandchildren in college, all growing up fast. A short note also came from Barbara Phillips Mello, who recently had cataracts removed and is waiting for her new glasses to be adjust-ed. In her area of New England, she stated that winter was like a see-saw—spring one day, winter the next. And now a peek into the doings of my family. Dick and I, Jeanne “Penny” Losey Boles, are spending our winters in Dunedin, FL, and a most exciting happening just occurred. Our daughter and youngest grandson (15) came down during winter vacation and we spent one day in Homosassa Springs, swimming with the manatees. This is a mar-velous opportunity to see first-hand an endangered species, and this facility is the only place in the US where folks can actually swim in the river with the quiet, fun-loving manatee! It was mem-orable. Dick and I are still very involved with volunteer work, and, of course, here in FL there is always golf and swimming and outdoor living to totally enjoy. Our grandchildren are growing fast, some in college and one on an exchange opportunity in France. Life whisked by all too rapidly and I appreciate those of you who replied to my plea for news to share with the class of ’44. There is sadness also to share, and that is the loss of several of our classmates. Ellen Banta Mann passed away in ’00. In Oct. ’05, Anne Wilkins Welsh died in Madison, CT. The most recent member of our class to leave this earth was Barbara “Bobbie” Colwell Armstrong. I leave you with this thought:

You can give flowers and they will last a year
Or give a tree and it will last for years
But to give of yourself—it lasts forever.

Much love, peace and warm memories.

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1945

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We have a new class poet! Joan “Smitty” Smith McVey writes from Westport, CT:

Ah yes, you’re right,
you’re right to say.

We’ve kept the Reaper (Grim) at bay.

‘Though wrinkled (some)
and (mostly) gray

We’re here and breathing,
day by day.

Diminished (most) in
health and head
And slow to move
(and soon to bed)

We thank our luck for,
as you said,

We’re still around—
(not gone, not dead!)

Thanks so much, Joan! And thanks to all you wonderful classmates who answered the postcard call, making my job so much more enjoyable and easy! Nancy Dean Maynard is await-ing 2 grandbabies as this is being written. So exciting! Shirley “Shal” Glidden Splaine is busy as ever with her toy museum and gardening projects. She reports that Janet “Jan” Davis Keegan and Jean “Jay” Stanley Puckhaber paid her a visit last summer. Shal also reports she phoned Barbara “Barb” Macaulay Watkins, who lives on the coast of MS. Barb reported some damage from the storms, but not major, thank goodness. Judith Allen Lawrence and Bob moved back to Deerfield, MA, in ’73. They have an old house there, complete with 2 children and 3 grandsons. Irene Bartholomew Brower and her husband, John, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this year. Congrats! Elizabeth Bryant Parker is busy in com-munity activities in Windsor, CT. She has survived heart surgeries and breast cancer, and has 4 grandchildren. Mary Lou Craf Fey Ackley writes about her wonderful career in the retail ladies wear business. She had her own shop in Duxbury, MA, and is now retired and enjoying an active volunteer life. Carolyn Eaton Carbonneau is enjoying life on the shore of Forest Lake in NH. Her 4 children are nearby and she has 5 grandchildren in her life. Emma Goldhorn enjoys life in Pikeville, TN, where she creates knit, crocheted and latch hook pieces, which she sells at exhibitions and fairs. Jean “Hendic” Henderson Read announces the arrival of Colton Henderson Sorce on Dec. 6, ’05. I am assuming this is a grandbaby! Joan Janpol Kurz lives on Long Island, but winters in FL. She retired from the real estate business, and she has 5 grand-children. Her husband has 11 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Dorothy “Dosie” Johnson Thomas is living in Oak Hill, VA, after 31 years of moving about the country with her Air Force hubby. She has 10 grandchildren, ages 5–36. She loves golf, weather permitting, otherwise its bridge! Dorothy Kolonia Tupper lives in
a garden type condo in Bowie, MD, near her sister. She is widowed and has 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. One granddaughter recently completed her degree in nursing and is working at the children’s hospital in Washington, DC. June Mitchell Douglas-White feels great, enjoys life on Cape Cod, and is involved with volunteer theater work. She sees Ruth Gunnarson Brandes, Joan Smith McIvor and Lil Quimby Easton annually. It is so great to keep in touch! Jean Morley Lovett did not change her name after her recent marriage. Good idea; I didn’t either! She will be at Colby-Sawyer in May to see her grandson, Collin Bray, graduate. That is sensational! Laurie Nickerson O’Connell has moved into a retirement community in St. Augustine, FL. Jay Stanley Puckhaber had a huge 80th birthday party, as did, I suspect, many others in our class. She sees her large family often and stays busy collecting many different antique items. Bet you have an interesting house, Jay! Ruth Wilgus Rockwell recalls wonderful memories of CJC, where she lived in Abbey Hall with Jane Alexander. She and Jack have been married almost 58 years and she still paints, although they have cut back on their travels. Martha Whitney Steers and her husband are so happy in their retirement community in Williamsburg, VA, where they have a fenced-in yard for their Australian terrier. Their garden has 56 rose bushes, cared for by her husband, Hank, who is also very active athletically. Jane Seccombe Rice and her husband, Jay, are enjoying life in a retirement community. She especially enjoys the “no cooking/no housekeeping” aspects of her new life. They planned to be in NY City in April. Gloria Wells McCreery writes from a retirement home in Needham, MA. She has several neighbors there from Wellesley, where she lived for 50 years. Her 4 daughters are all alumnae! She has 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Sounds like a class record for great-grandchildren! She spends time with family in Hilton Head Isle. Penny Brewster Austin sent Christmas greetings from FL, where she’s enjoying the “good life.” Our deepest sympathy to Pat Walker Munro and her husband, Jim, on the tragic loss of their 27-year-old grandson. Pat wrote from Naples, FL, that she has been ill since Sept., and at the time of the writing in March, she was in the hospital following heart surgery. We wish you a speedy recovery, Pat. As for me (Ruth Anderson Padgett), Gus and I are having a ball in our new marriage. We both sing in gospel choir, which is very active performing-wise. He is a trivia champ and I play tennis at least 3 times a week. Again, thank you, thank you, and thank you for responding to the postcard mail. I loved hearing from each and every one of you and am looking forward to the next edition and more news from you all.

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Colby-Sawyer Flashback: The year looks to be 1945, but if you can identify the women in this photo, please contact Tracey Austin in the Alumni Office at (603) 526-3886 or taustin@colby-sawyer.edu.
won’t be able to make our 60th reunion. Jean Hollmuller Dodson now lives in Somers, NY, which is close to White Plains. Her husband passed away, so she spends time visiting her daughter in CA now and then. She still enjoys volunteer work within the community and church. Catherine “Kitty” Otterman Peixotto and her husband, Roland, are selling their farm in Topsham, VT, and moving to Falmouth, ME, where they plan to build a ranch house. The move will bring them closer to their daughter. They've lived in VT for the past 36 years, so will have much to sort through! Though she would like to attend Reunion, it’s doubtful, as she is having an open house that weekend. Harriet “Willie” Close Skipton has moved from South Hadley, MA, to Granby, MA. Her daughter has a large, old farmhouse with 2 apartments. Husband Bruce and she live in one. Willie says it’s nice living on one floor. Willie still skis, and while Bruce can’t, he watches! Both are active with volunteer work in their community and look forward to the 60th! Barbara Morse Elcik sent a note to the Alumni Office reading, “Although we didn’t know each other at Colby, Dorothy “Dottie” George MacConnell ‘45 and I are both office volunteers at our church, St. Ann’s Episcopal, and we’ve become good friends.” I spoke with Elizabeth “Betsy” Joel Kempton and Lila Labovitz Fried, and they are planning on attending reunion, as well. That’s it for now. I am well and I look forward to seeing everyone at the 60th!

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1947

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Welcome mail arrived from Margaret “Peggy” Fish Langa, who over the years has shared her life with us. Surely you remember that she was once our class secretary, so she knows the importance of contributing news for this column. On the day before her last birthday, she became the proud grandmother of beautiful little Riley Charlotte Klaus of Portland, OR, the mother and dad being Jennifer (their daughter) and Jeff Klaus. Peggy and Paul had a terrific vacation in a fully-staffed villa in Puerto Vallarta with their whole “fam damily,” ranging in ages from 4 months to 78 years. What fun! Their kids said it was one of the best vacations ever. Their oldest granddaughter, daughter of Melissa Langa ‘74, is presently in France, studying French and doing some traveling before entering graduate school next fall. Annette Hill Rea, Marty Worth Oberrender and Jean Goubert Sisley are hoping to get together at some point this year. Marion Nickerson Paulson lost her husband, David, last Jan. They had been married 55 years. Marion traveled to ME twice last summer, as well as NH, to visit childhood friends. She is already planning to attend our 60th Reunion in '07! My (Marilyn Perry Sagar) exciting news is that Roger Seymour and I “tied the knot” in Dec. after a wonderful 10-year relationship. We moved into a smaller house in Aug. '05, only to have Roger wind up in the hospital for a triple bypass. This was a blow, as he had just recouped from a bout with cancer. Recovery was very slow until a 3-month cardio-therapy began in mid-Jan. at Savannah’s Memorial Hospital. What a difference it has made in 1 1/2 months. The program is 3 times a week. I often go with him, and I am allowed to use the treadmill if one is available.

That’s all the news at this writing. Hearing from more of you would really make my day.

1948

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Nancy Dexter Aldrich and Roger had a wild and crazy start to '05. In Feb., they hit black ice in their Chevy Tracker, rolled over twice, and lost their car. Roger escaped without injury, but Nancy hit the windshield, bled all over Roger, and ended up with a fractured sternum and 18 stitches on her scalp. Roger did all the cooking for 6 weeks and enjoyed it to the point he is now an accomplished cook. During Nancy’s recovery, Roger failed his eye exam for his license and ended up having corrective cataract surgery before he could renew it. It never rains but it pours. The family pancake restaurant opened Mother’s Day weekend and ran at capacity all season, in spite of cold rainy weather and gas shortages. Their “kids” do a great job and all ran smoothly with “Polly’s” having one of its best seasons. In the summer, they had 2 weeks sailing on the schooner Grace Bailey on the ME coast. Fair weather turned cold and drizzly, and their tiny cabin became claustrophobic until a gust of wind heeled the boat over so that the galley’s pots and pans were flying everywhere. The Aldrich’s donated their rain gear, went topside, and found the water was over the gullels and the canvas sails were stretched to the max. Most passengers were miserably seasick and stayed below, but Nancy and Roger said that if they could be guaranteed a week of more days like that, they would definitely go again. In the fall, they returned to ME for a stay in Wells, where Nancy sat on the rocks painting lighthouses and fog while Roger read. Natalie Taylor Dutton sent a note saying that she had thought a lot about Colby and what a great time in her life that was. She spends lots of time with friends and family. Nat now has 2 great-grandchildren. She wondered how we got to this stage of life so fast! She almost bought a house in Gainesville, FL, where we live, but opted to remain a New Englander. She can’t wait to read the next ’48 news column. Another NH gal, Sylvia Jacobs Alden, spent some time in FL during the winter, but her best holiday was time spent in Italy with her grandson, who was studying for his master’s degree in Italian. She spent most of the time in Florence, with 2 great side trips to Rome and Venice. Sylvia has a granddaughter currently enjoying her 2nd year of CSC’s nursing program. From VT, Barbara “Bobbie” Schulz Watts wrote that her grandson, Roger Brown, a Dartmouth graduate, was skiing in Europe on the US Ski Team. His brother, Douglas, is a freshman on the U. of St. Lawrence ski team in NY. Her granddaughter, Katherine Arno, skies for U. of VT, while her brothers, Conner 16, and Mac, 8, spend their time on snowboards. A tornado-like wind went through the wooded area of the Watts’ home in the late summer, causing hundreds of trees to topple. VT had to wait for a freeze so logging could begin. Her comment was, "Guess there’s just no place to hide!" Bobbie always thanks me for taking care of our news for so many years, but she and Sybil Adams Moffat do just as much. Those 2 classmates have taken care of annual giving and our reunion plans for many years. One of my senior year roommates, Nancy Hobkirk Pierson, a part-time VT resident, sent a cute Christmas note about being electronically challenged and quick to admit it. Hob says their house is wired for security, but she and Jim ignore it. They’re only certain how to use one TV, still shaky about playing movies, and haven’t a clue how to get photos from their camera to their computer and then print them. They have outdoor lights that work spasmodically, an upstairs phone that does not work, and have trouble teaching a new dog how to get through her invisible fence to go for a walk. However, they have enough basic level knowledge to allow them to function on a number of committees, plus the ability to search the Internet for info when they really need it. They feel compensated by their ability to climb stairs when they need to and feel...
it must agree with them, as they are in good health for their ages! Jim has an exercise class 3 mornings a week, plays golf twice a week, and plays paddle ball on occasion. Highlights of ’05 were a new Lab puppy in April, a new granddaughter in July, and a fabulous week in tropical Costa Rica during the cold weather. Hob enjoys tutoring and mentoring at a drug rehab for men several days each week and enjoys it more every day. Hob was looking forward to a trip to Paris with gal friends, and a grandson’s college graduation.

Ione “Deedie” Denny sent a note from Kittery, ME, where she’s been the last 1 1/2 years. Deedie says NY is still home, but she enjoys her jaunts to ME, as she’s near her “girls” and a favorite niece. Her “boys” and their families live on the Cape and nearby islands.

Madelon “Maddy” Pennicke Cattell was in Boston during Dec. and attended a Boston Pops Christmas concert. It was great, but it was her first outing alone since husband Newt died last year. Maddy sends her news by e-mail. All she knows about computers is how to send and get e-mail. She feels illiterate in this day and age, when most kindergartners can do more! I occasionally share cartoons with her. She says it brightens her day, as well as her children’s and grandchildren’s.

Sue Hight Denny’s Christmas note included kudos for my years of writing the ’48 news. I guess Eleanor Wells, who taught advanced comp. at CJC, would be delighted to know I’m at least writing. One of my dreams was to write for the New Yorker, but instead I got the Alumni Magazine. Sue was off to NYC for Christmas holidays with her producer son, Chris. She was most excited, as Chris had both theater and cabaret tickets waiting for her arrival in NYC. She was a bit apprehensive, as she had to spend the week in a strike-ridden NYC. ’05 was unkind to Sue and her family. She lost her cousin, Charity Phillips Woolfe ’49, who died in July, and her 38-year-old nephew, who died 10 days later. It was a tough summer for all. On a happier note, though, Sue was excited to make a quick trip to CA this April to visit her son, Steve, and her family. She enjoyed being with them when her grandson, Nicholas, turned 8. Sue said she often thinks about her early Monday and Wednesday morning (6 am to 8 am) ski classes at CJC. She asked if I remembered the cold cereal breakfasts in the frigid dining room before the class, just as the sun winked over the horizon.

Carol Weissenborn Smith wrote that she and Gil moved to Erickson Retirement Community in Tinton, NJ, in ’03. The community has 7 buildings, connected by bridges. Everything they need is on campus. Living is easy and they’re both enjoying the new life style. Weissy had to have her right knee replaced in Nov. and her left hip was replaced in Jan. In Feb. it was a right shoulder replacement. She’s hoping that now that she has 5 bionic joints, she is through with all that. The Smiths went to Bermuda over New Year’s and Weiss managed to play golf twice. She’s keeping her fingers crossed that she’ll be back playing with her 4 golf groups this summer. In March ’05, they traveled to Vienna for a river cruise which ended in Belgium. However, the rivers were too high to travel, Gil got sick, and they had to fly home from Frankfurt. I mentioned that Mase and I (Phyllis “Les” Harty Wells) still want to go to Africa. Weiss said going from Capetown to Cairo, with a side trip to Jordan, was a fun experience. They’d particularly like to do another safari. We haven’t made any specific plans for travel this year, but had a great trip to CA in Nov. Retired Navy friends invited us to visit their new retirement community in Fairfield, CA. The trip was a great excuse for a side trip to San Francisco, Sonoma and Napa wine country. It’s always fun to drive around San Francisco’s hilly streets and pretty waterfront, plus their ethnic restaurants aren’t too bad, either. We also had a quick trip to San Juan, PR, in late Feb. with U of FL’s Lady Gator Golf Team. Six of us boosters went to cheer on our golfers. It must have worked, as they won the tournament over the other 13 college teams. Old San Juan is a historic city of Colonial architecture, narrow cobblestone streets, interior patios, hanging balconies, plazas and old churches. It all makes this a picturesque and charming place to visit. The Spaniards built a series of forts in the Caribbean to protect the transportation of gold, silver and jewels on their route from America to Spain. El Morro (Fuerte San Felipe del Morro) sits atop a high promontory overlooking the entrance to San Juan Bay. It is the result of the efforts of many different Spanish engineers over a period of more than 200 years, and is one of the largest forts built by the Spaniards in the Caribbean. Although the foundations were laid in 1539, the 6-level fort was not considered completed until 1787. During World War II, the US government added an annex of its own design on top of the fort. The walls and fortifications are part of the heritage left by the Spaniards.

Juan became the capital. As soon as I send in this news, Mase and I will be spending the weekend scoring, etc, for UF’s Lady Gator Golf Team. This will be our 22nd year of working on this tournament. We’ve been doing the Lady Gator Golf monthly newsletter for almost 18 years. We keep trying to dump the news on someone else, but to no avail. I never have learned to say no. Pauline “Polly” Carver Watson is stunned that her 3 “kids” will be 55, 52, and 49 this spring. She has 3 grandchildren in college, one in prep school, and 2 still at home. She’s proud of them all. Polly still enjoys, golf, bridge, and eating out with friends. She spends 6 months in Swampsco, MA, 4 months in Naples, and the rest traveling. I’m hoping to get time to drop in for a chat while I’m in Marblehead, MA, for my 60th reunion from MHS in June. Mary “Oggie” Ogden Sutchiffe, her husband, Herb, and their family had a great trip to Cancun, Mexico, last summer. Oggie and Herb became grandparents again when their daughter, Penney, had a son in Oct. Penney still teaches snowboarding while carrying the new baby in a pouch. He’ll be snowboarding before the year is out. The Sutchiffes drove to Tuscon, AZ, in Jan. to participate in the Senior Olympics. They always win medals in their age group, but I haven’t heard what they won this year. Oggie still enjoys delivering “Meals on Wheels” and has joined the local choral society. They both enjoy the Durango senior dances, where they get to dress in costumes while the band plays “dippy” music. Last fall, Carol “Shoe” Shoemaker Marck and Chuck had their first visit to the new home of their daughter, Peggy Marck Vinnenberg ’76, in Concord, NH. While they were at Peggy’s, the Marcks lunched with Hilary Cleveland on a snowy day. For those of you who knew her, Hilary still teaches history at CSC and was featured in Colby-Sawyer Currents, the online newsletter of CSC. Soon after, NH and the entire East had some unseasonably warm weather. The Marcks left for CO in early March and were looking forward to some chat time with Emy Lou.
Some 40 years after she chronicled a remarkable effort to help two young sparrows learn to fly, Kathleen “KT” Valliere-Denis Ouilette has published the short story, Two Birds in a Box. The story about the sparrows has taken on more meaning in the past few years. KT has dedicated the book to Landon Ouilette, her great-grandson, who has successfully battled cancer for the past three years, since he was five years old.

The story is as simple as it is unbelievable, but it’s all true. In KT’s book, the Dees family “adopts” two little sparrows found abandoned in the garage of their home in Mountain Lakes, New Jersey, where KT actually lived. The tale describes the Dees’ efforts to return the birds to their own family and community of sparrows in the wild. This true story describes the Dees, who had the rare privilege of entering a community of sparrows, as well as the sharing of family responsibilities. Ultimately, the mom and dad and their three children help a mom and dad sparrow care for their two mischievous sparrow children until, like all grown children, the birds were ready to fly—having learned in a most unorthodox way! KT’s sons, Craig and Russell Denis, and her daughter, Lynn Denis-Rooney, share top billing as the book’s main characters in the true—but hard to believe—story.

KT said, “I wrote things, not as a diary, but just writing everything as it happened, and it’s all here. I typed it up and sent it to school with the kids, and the teachers loved it.” She contacted three publishers in New Jersey, but they told her the story was too incredible to publish as being true. “I knew it was true, and everybody I knew also knew it was true. I put the whole thing into my cedar chest, and said, ‘some day.'”

Years later, The Morning Sentinel (Waterville, Maine) reporter, Darla Pickett, wrote a story about a small and unusual publishing company in Solon, Maine. Reading about Polar Bear & Company helped KT resurrect the idea of publishing her story. The rest, as they say, is history, and KT is busy signing her eye-catching yellow, soft-bound book at bookstores throughout the region. KT is quick to praise the collaborative art work of Emily du Houx of Solon, who is a fine arts major at Amherst College and did the illustrations after seeing old family photos.

The touching dedication of Two Birds in a Box reads, “To my great-grandson, Landon, and all children who are recuperating at children’s hospitals, waiting for their day to fly.” Landon, who is pictured as a five-year-old, appears on the dedication page. “He’s our little miracle child,” KT says. A lifetime member of Kiwanis International, she plans to use proceeds from the book sale to benefit the Kiwanis Foundation’s Pediatric Trauma Institute projects.

KT’s life has been very full. After graduating from Skowhegan High School and Colby-Sawyer College, she performed as a guest soprano with symphony orchestras throughout New England. After her years in New Jersey, she returned to Maine in 1968, where she was remarried. KT and her husband, Lewis Ouilette, owned the Lakewood Theater for four years in the 1970s. Well known in Skowhegan for her tireless civic dedication, she led the effort to designate Skowhegan as a “Maine Street Community,” and is a longstanding board member of the area’s public-access television station. Now, KT is busier than ever with her book signings; she urges anyone who would like a copy of the book to request it from their local book store.

KT’s patience and belief in the message of her story have all paid dividends. “I like to think I am proof that if you wait long enough and believe long enough, you can do it.” It would seem that supporting a wonderful cause may also have contributed to yet another happy ending.

—GAYE LACASCE

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1950
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Nancy Hendrickson Latham
entertained Eleanor “Ellie” Morrison Goldthwait ’51 and
Carol Lynch Hermance and her husband, Dick, at her home on
Fire Island for a few days in Sept. They had a wonderful time
reliving their Colby days. Jean Finley Doughty’s grandson,
John Michael Doughty ’09, is currently attending Colby-Sawyer
and is a member of the class of ’09. Jean Wheeler Blackmur
and Arnold are Jupiter, FL, residents now. They travel north during
the summertime. Josephine “Jo” Carlson Clark enjoys living in
Concord, MA, and hopes to hear from classmates nearby.

Gloria Demers Collins and John have been married 55 years and
enjoy living in Alexandria, VA. Ethel McAuley Kyle lives in
Middletown, RI. She sends her greetings to all of the med techs.
in the class of ’50. Janet Phelon Lawton winters in Myrtle
Beach, SC, and summers in Wethersfield, CT. Elisabeth “Liz”
Harrison Morgan has lived in the college town of Princeton,
NJ, for many years. Maxine Morrison Hunter and Tom are
Lake Forest, IL, residents and enjoy the winters in Boca
Grande, FL. Kathleen “Katie” Valliere Ouellette resides in
Skowhegan, ME. Lyme disease entered her arm 16 years ago and
we hope she’ll update us about her “new body.” Patricia “Pat”
Jaffer Russell and her husband are busy settling in Southbury,
CT. Jane Grayson Slover and her husband are in Dallas, TX, and
retired. She is enjoying their children and grandchildren, as well
as traveling, various volunteer opportunities, reading, movies
and bridge. Ruth Shoney Trask and Bill call West Boylston, MA,
home. Leslie Moore Waldibillig and Craig live in Naples, FL, and
Columbus, OH. Every year they spend a month on Cape Cod.
With much sadness I report the death of Shirley “Leigh”
Smith Crawford. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Bruce
and the family.

Please See In Fond Memory

1951 Reunion
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Barbara Gesen Trulson had a
one-person show of her paintings
and has had 2 other shows with
local artists. We plan to meet in
the spring at the Devon Horse
Show, where I sell chances
on a car to benefit Bryn Mawr
Hospital. Ruth Gray Pratt, Mary
Louden Eckert and Joanie
White Snively and a friend
had lunch at the New London
Country Club in Dec. Mary’s
son-in-law is the dining room
manager. They all live in New
London and play bridge together.
I got a card from Janet Roberts
Romaine. They are in a retire-
ment home in NH. Mary Em
Bodman Kenner was invited by
the minister of citizenship and
immigration to receive a 2005
Province of Ontario award for 40-
plus years of community service,
for which she was nominated.
The ceremony and reception was
held in Nov. Mary Em has 3 chil-
dren, and in Nov., a third grand-
daughter was born. She lives near
Toronto, Ontario, Canada, and
continues to be active in the
junior league and pastoral min-
istry through the Anglican
Church. Mary Jane “Critch”
Critchett Lane reports that her 6
children, 11 grandchildren and 2
great-grandchildren are all well
and happy. Her husband, Charlie, keeps huge vegetable gardens and has begun to enjoy canning. He also raises flowers, and one of his flower gardens became the subject of a well-known Rockport artist’s painting, which was a lovely tribute to his hard work. Mary Jane still keeps busy working as a substitute teacher at the local elementary school. “Education has always been a passion of mine, and I guess that will never change,” she writes. Mary Jane keeps in touch with Joyce Houston Holmes, who has moved to a lovely place in NC. My roommate, Janice McLane Spear, writes that they are doing fine enjoying her 3 grandchildren, who live nearby. The oldest is 23. She lives in Ogallala, NE. When she wrote at Christmas, Anne Rantoul Conner was headed for CA to see #1 son Blair, and then #2 son Andrew on New Year’s in Denver, CO. Last summer Ruthie Gray Pratt, Mary Loudon Eckert, Anne Conner, Joanie White Snively and I had dinner at Ruthie’s summer cottage on Perkins Pond in Sunapee. We had a grand time. Don’t hesitate to contact me with your news. I try to write you, but don’t always get a chance. So write me?

Please See In Fond Memory

Colby-Sawyer Flashback. This Colby-Sawyer Mountian Day photo ran in the Spring/Summer 2005 issue, and thanks to the assistance of Dick Almquist, we’ve been able to identify the ladies in the photo. Dick called the Alumni Office when he saw the photo, as he immediately recognized his late wife, Beverly Bullock Almquist ’52, as the gal in the rear of the line. He also sent along the original Boston Sunday Globe newspaper clipping, dated November 26, 1950, from which this picture originated. The caption in the newspaper identified the other women as Susan “Jenny” Clapp Humphrey ’51(first in line) and Jean Hobbs Dearborn ’52 (center). We hope you all enjoyed this “Flashback” from your days at Colby-Sawyer.

1952

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Mary Jane Fritzinger Moeller’s husband, Walter, died of cancer Oct. 24, ’04. Besides Mary Jane, surviving family members include their 3 children—Fred, Bill and Jeanne—and 3 grandchildren. Mary Jane writes, “Walt always enjoyed his trips to Colby…especially when he surprised me!” Elizabeth Carlson Salomon, Nancy Angell Turnage and Marilyn “Woodsie” Woods Entwistle submitted the following: “We lost our old friend, Jean Roach Tozier, on Jan. 2 after a 5-year battle with Lupus. She leaves 3 daughters, 7 grandchildren and her husband of 52 years, Ralph. Some of you will remember Ralph, a Theta Chi (later Alpha Theta) at Dartmouth. If he wasn’t at CJC, Jean was probably in Hanover. They married in ’53 and lived all over the country, ending up in Jakarta before retiring to East Grand Lake in Orient, ME, just south of their hometown of Houlton. Some of our memories of Jean include, the non-smoker who would go to the butt anyway to play bridge and socialize; her light-hearted giggle; her funny irreverent comments; and the fun get-togethers we had over the years. Jean faced her illness with grace, courage and her usual good humor. We will remember her with great fondness and wish that we could still hear her witty remarks and laugh with her once again. There will be a memorial service at the family’s lakeside home in Orient, ME, on July 29 at 2:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Houlton Humane Society, PO Box 548, Houlton, ME 04730. If you have any thoughts or pictures you would like to share for a memory book their daughter, Meg, is assembling; she would love to hear from you at megmcdonald@optonline.net or Meg McDonald, 44 Maxwell Road, Garden City, NY 11530.”

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1953

Class Correspondent Needed

Jane Bacon is preparing for the 42nd year of operation of her private camp for children, Woodsmoke, in Lake Placid, NY. She said her ski season was short this year, due to the mild winter weather in the north and then a trip south to FL for an extended stay. Jane hopes all classmates are doing well and enjoying this times of their lives. Elizabeth La Gorce Kramer is alive and healthy and continuing her work in real estate sales. She is still a docent at the Smithsonian American Art Museum and she is looking forward, along with the rest of the public, to the reopening of the museum after 6 years of renovation. Her last overseas bicycle trip took place pedaling through the Loire Valley region of France. Elizabeth is also happy to report that all of her children and grandchildren are well. Her youngest daughter was executive producer of the film “Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit,” which won an Oscar for Best Animated Feature Film in ’05. Nancy Ober Batchelder and her husband, Earle, are still happily situated on Cape Cod, where they keep busy with golf, bridge and grandchildren. When she sent her note, Nancy was preparing for a Feb. trip to Italy. She enjoyed lunch with Joanne Fowle Hinds ’52 last summer. Our deepest condolences go out to Joan Hunter Miller, who lost her husband of 23 years, Hal, in Nov. to cancer. Joan lives in Manchester, VT, and keeps busy quilting for her grandchildren. She will be traveling to Italy in Sept. for a watercolor workshop. Helen Grove Haeter enjoyed a mid-Feb. vacation to see the ancient Mexican ruins with her sister, Ann Grove Bolt ’52. They thoroughly enjoyed their 2 weeks visiting various archeological sites. In April, Helen and Ann spent a week in Charleston, SC, with their other 2 sisters, one of whom also attended Colby Junior (Susan Grove Hyson ’58). Katharine Purrington reports that she is doing well and is traveling now while she has the stamina and will. She’s looking forward to her 2nd trip to Ireland.
with some friends this summer. They will be based in Dublin and will take various sightseeing tours. Audrey Davis Walker says her life is sort of routine. She continues to substitute at the school for dyslexic kids and she’s on the board of the organization that cares for her autistic daughter. Her highlight every summer is when her 9 1/2-year-old granddaughter. Her highlight every summer that cares for her autistic daughter continues to substitute at the school for dyslexic kids and she’s able, the spirit is willing to willing to take on all my clothes. I hung on ’til early light and dressed in a flash. I thought how lucky we were back at our dorms, having nice beds close to the floor, and blankets. Sally Browne Foster, who lives in Poland, OH, remembers skiing cross country from the back side of campus down the street where Dr. Sawyer lived, through the woods to the slope that provided only a rope tow. Sally added that although she finished up her college years at MI State, her CJC friendships meant the most to her. A sentiment we hear often, and we certainly agree. From NC, it was good to hear from Mary Jaxon Burson, still signing her name Jackie, as we know her. She said she does enjoy reading about all the changes taking place at Colby-Sawyer and the news of classmates. Last fall, she was able to entertain and have a reunion with her roommate (but neglected to name her) at her home in Hendersonville. They had a grand time looking through their yearbook and sharing memories of their time together. It had been 50 years since they had seen each other. NC is a lovely state, and several of our classmates have made it home. Jo-Anne Greene Cobban and her husband had an opportunity to visit areas that reminded them of the New England landscape that still remains in their memory. Lois Kaufmann Anderson sent us a note from Pinehurst, NC. She accepted an invitation last Nov. to join other Colby-Sawyer alumni and staff at a reception that was held at the Mint Museum of Craft and Design in Charlotte, NC. It was part of the college program to gather alumni and friends from around the state for an inspiring exposure to the visual arts. Lois invited her granddaughter, who will be an art major in college this coming fall. She said the staff was extremely gracious and the art professor, who was on sabbatical, conducted an interesting tour of the featured ceramicist. She passes on her thanks to Colby-Sawyer for that opportunity for herself and granddaughter, who had a wonderful evening together. Listening to the current update on the college and meeting with faculty members was very much appreciated. Another resident of Pinehurst, NC, is Barbara Rogers Berndt, who entertained a full house at Thanksgiving time. She said the house was bustling at the seams with 10 grandchildren and 7 adult children, including 3 spouses. They had good weather, good food and much fun—who could ask for anything more? Barbara found a good volunteer position, teaching kids to knit. Next comes downsizing, preparing to sell the current home, and packing for a move into a senior retirement area. Shirley Wax Baron is a FL resident, who is still enjoying life and good

Rickers Siani writes, “Wilma was the hurricane of fall ’05 for us, not as harrowing as the duo of Francis and Jeanne, but time-consuming with preparations before and clean-up after.” Tracy had a lovely holiday season with her family in Boston and NY. Jan., Feb. and March brought visits from many of their northern friends. When she sent her news in March, she was anticipating a trip to Italy. “We’ll have a 3-week visit with family and friends and will encompass a colorful and traditionally tasty Easter in Naples,” she said. Martha “Marty” Funk Miller had her annual visit with her roommate, Cathy Oberrender Von Glahn, in Siesta Key, FL, on her way to Naples, FL. Marty says Cathy looked great, and as always, they had fun getting together with Cathy and her husband, Tom.

1954

Jo-Anne Greene Cobban 9 Mayflower Dr. Keene, NH 03431 (603) 352-5064 Glencie Hobbs Harmon 88 North Lowell Rd. Windham, NH 03087 (603) 432-5726 Welcome to our column once again. Our postcard read we were looking for stories you had experienced with Mother Nature. From the news around the country, you may still be dealing with the affects of some degree of disturbances, as we are in New England. We could tell you about the torrential rains, the floods we had here and the wind and snow damage, but it would fill pages. As always, we deal with it, help our neighbors, and look for something else to talk about. Perhaps you feel the same. Marylou Beutel Henley did respond with the fact that the news coverage of hurricanes was very accurate. “Houston highways were a mess, with no evacuation plans.” After that she moved out of TX to Iowa City, IA, in mid-Oct., she found she missed the Midwest and there were no reasons to stay in TX. “I have a daughter living here, great, medical facilities (important at our age), and a slower pace of life. I really like it a lot!” We asked about a memory of the time while at CSC, and that’s a lighter subject we like to share. Jo-Anne Greene Cobban will begin with one of hers. “I was in the glee club and pleased with the challenge of learning excellent pieces of music selected by Miss Barbiers. She took us on the road,’ to sing on the Boston Symphony stage, and to Brunswick, ME, where we sang in concert with Bowdoin College. It was there my assigned escort, Jay, saw to it that I was where we were to be at the correct time, and showed me the room I was to share with other gals for the night. The large room had bunk beds, and I was informed that I was to have the top bunk. I know we were well fed, danced in the evening, sang together in a stone chapel, and had a good time, but what I remember the most was shivering throughout the night in the first bunk bed I had ever been in, too cold and afraid of trying to get down from the top bunk in the dark to put on all my clothes. I hung on ’til early light and dressed in a flash. I thought how lucky we were back at our dorms, having nice beds close to the floor, and blankets.” Sally Browne Foster, who lives in Poland, OH, remembers skiing cross country from the back side of campus down the street where Dr. Sawyer lived, through the woods to the slope that provided only a rope tow. Sally added that although she finished up her college years at MI State, her CJC friendships meant the most to her. A sentiment we hear often, and we
health with Bob in Key Biscayne. She enjoys tennis and golf and plays a lot of duplicate bridge. She gives her telephone number, mates, so if you’re going her way, she would enjoy a visit. Any takers? A word of two from our New England neighbors, where sometimes the card only reads “no news”—how can that be? Well, Jean Cragin Ingwersen says she could use a bit more energy like we had at CJC. She moved to Exeter, a charming prep school town, and not a long way to travel to get into the city, airport or the ocean. She has been making new friends and getting on committees. Jean, that’s news, but what organizations? We know you’ve had some past experience in committee work to be a welcomed member. She enjoys having Jane Shoemaker Storm ‘55 MT live only a mile away. Anne Batchelor De Grazia wrote on my holiday card that she and her husband, Joe, traveled to Switzerland to visit friends last summer. Returning home they packed for a fall trip to HI to visit their middle son, Tony, and family. In the wintertime, back in Augusta, GA, it was time to stay around home, relax and visit the 2 grandkids, Helena, age 8, and William, age 5. Anne is planning on a visit to NH come summer-time and we will look forward to a visit. Barbara Dennett Howard may have written her card before the blast of winter cold and snow came through MA in Feb. Before that many of us in NH wondered what had happened to winter, which consisted of a bit of snow now and then, which we were able to blow away and then be back out jogging around town. Barbara said her husband, Bob, had been able to get out and play golf quite often and that was one of the reasons they retired on Cape Cod, MA, but it wasn’t the case the year before. Hear that blizzards may soon have categories like hurricanes? Joan Batchelor Brown has been fortunate to have her 2 daughters and families live near enough in NH that she and her husband, Wen, have been able to watch their grandchildren’s growing years. Marie and Gary have Billy, age 14, a skier and snowboarder. He’s good at arts and crafts and into the art of cooking already. Brother Christopher, 7½, is also a sportsman, playing soccer and softball in summer and learning to skate in the winter. Helen and Ned’s oldest son is Alexander, age 19. He was on several school sports teams, including cross country running and sculling, and his interest in flying airplanes and the study of the stars and the study of the stars led to the Carl A. Spaatz Award for outstanding record in the Civil Air Patrol. He was accepted into the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs upon graduation from Brewster Academy in Wolfeboro, NH, in ’05. Brother Peter, 17½, loves music, sings in the choir and plays the alto sax, playing in the summer with a group of performers. He also enjoys sculling with his teammates at Brewster, as well as his Civil Air Patrol activities. Looks like he will be following his brother to the USAF Academy after graduation this spring. From Hartford, VT, a joyful note arrived from Carole Binney Haelncl ‘55, telling about the adoption of 2 girls by her son and his wife last Oct. The girls, ages 6 and 8, were picked up in Ethiopia and brought home. That was soon after a trip to Italy in Aug., where the 3 of them met Carol’s grandson as he ended his mission in Rome for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Arline Soderberg Ely admits to turning 72 in April. She works out on Nautilus, keeps up her skiing, eats a healthy diet, thinks positively, and hopes to make it to 85 without a serious illness. Way to go! Arline makes her specialized tours most tempting. She enclosed a Travel Magic Newsletter (nicely done) on tours in 2006-07 and she invites us to e-mail her at asetours91@comcast.net. At the bottom of her letter she wrote, “New Horizons—New Adventures—New Friends.” Makes a person want to follow her around. It is hard to know just where to print the sad news of the passing of classmates or their spouses. We send our condolences to Helen Johnson Sargent on the death of her husband, Scott, on Jan. 13. Helen had written us the last time about celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in Nov. ’05. We must also report the passing of Deborah Boyer Hyslop on Nov. 21, ’05, in Los Gatos, CA, after a long battle with brain cancer. Debby was a medical secretary student at CJC, and married her high school sweetheart, Newton E. Hyslop Jr., in ’57. They celebrated their 40th anniversary Sept. 7, ’05. Debby’s interest in music kept her in church choirs and she also served as a music librarian. She sang as a soloist, taught herself on acoustic guitar, and sang folk songs for friends and family. You may recall that she was a member of the Buzzin’ Dozen group at CJC. Much more was written about her interest and achievement in the obituary mailed to us. Besides her husband, she leaves a daughter, Marcia Rezza, and a son, Ross Hyslop, both of CA. Paula Biagi Migliaccio married Tony Migliaccio, Dartmouth ‘54, now a retired surgeon. They have 4 children and 12 grandchildren. Katie, 18, is a freshman at Colby-Sawyer. Paula loves painting, duplicate bridge and designing needlepoint. Tony is an accomplished fine furniture craftsman and photographer. They thoroughly enjoy their family. Nancy Sellers Mion ‘55 says they had no snow in Jan. in MD. She sees Harriet Johnson Toadvine and her husband, Steve, often, as well as Connie Bingham Boland ‘51 and her husband, Chris. She continues to be active in the Episcopal Church and the garden club, and she loves to play golf. I was very interested in what her volunteer work at the Vice President’s residence includes. She does office work, hostesses at parties, and addresses personal Christmas cards and party invitations. Our classmates who travel include Harriet Johnson Toadvine and husband Steve, who spent 2 weeks in Peru, including a week on the Amazon and the other week at Machu Picchu. She says Cuzco was absolutely fabulous. Natalie Langley Webster and Peter planned to go to Florence the end of March and to visit their daughter in England in May.

Helen Johnson Sargent and her husband, Scott, celebrated their 50th anniversary, but we were sad to learn of Scott’s sudden death in Jan. We extend our sympathy to you, Helen. Their 1st great-grandchild was born in Oct. Two grandchildren are going off to college in the fall. Helen keeps in close touch with Nancy Paige Parker and Carol Nelson Reid. Joan Dryden May and her husband, Mike, celebrated their 50th anniversary. Joan had knee replacement surgery last year and she is looking forward to playing golf again. They spent the Christmas holiday in Menham, NJ, with family. Two grandchildren, Sydney, 7, and Bailey, 5, are the joy of their lives. I agree; grandkids are the greatest! Joan and Mike went to Treasure Cay, Bahamas, in March for a
belated 50th anniversary celebration. Nancy Fish Perior writes that all is well. She keeps busy and wants to say hello to all. It’s good news to hear that you are well and busy, Nancy. Wish we could hear the same from more classmates. Jean Samuels Stephens sends an interesting note as she writes that we are lucky to have Phil Jordan as Interim President. He’s been a close friend of hers for over 50 years. Jean continues to teach drama at Lawrenceville in NJ.

Barbara Knight Prices ’55 husband, Jack, had his heart transplant 12 years ago. What a survivor, I say. Their sons and 2 grandsons were with them for a great time at Thanksgiving. She gave up vegetable gardening, as she grew tired of feeding the gophers. She remembers gaining 10 pounds fast at Colby Junior. She also enjoyed winter walks with friends. Barb writes that Colby-Sawyer has changed since we were there—for the better, of course.

Glennie Hobbs Harmon also remembers putting on weight, mainly due to the delicious pecan rolls! Dr. Sawyer was a dad to all of us, which meant a lot to her, as she was homesick the first 4 months. Her favorite instructor was Sally Kleindienst Fifield ’44 MT. Glennie enjoyed talking with her Shepard roommate, Myrtle Westhaver Flight, at our 50th reunion. She recently received a call from Joan Potter Nelson, and they enjoyed reminiscing about our friends in Shepard dorm. Glennie also keeps in touch with 4 friends from Abbey dorm. For her it was fun and not work in the Colgate post office. Her husband, Vic, recently celebrated his 80th birthday, so they enjoyed a cruise with 12 family members to Panama, Costa Rica and Belize. Libby Moss Phillips also had a family reunion in Gloucester, MA, last summer. Her husband, Wendell, received an Excellence in Architecture Award by the NH A.I.A. He converted a South Boston church and rectory into a total of 44 condominium units. This huge project took almost 4 years. Peg Lewis Moreland enjoyed a family reunion in Aug. ’05 in CT, despite the heat. She flew to Denver over Christmas and spent the 1st week with son Peter and the 2nd week with daughter Ann, so she was with her 6 grandchildren. Peter took her to Cape Cod last month to visit her older sister and husband. Margot Thompson had a great winter of snow and skiing, but there was no Colby reunion on the slopes of CO this year. Margot sees Noel Roe Wilson ’53 in Winter Park and Trish Dobbs Montgomery ’53 in Denver. Margot is planning a May vacation to Paris, where she’ll be taking a barge trip in the Provence area. While she did not make a trip to Colby-Sawyer this spring, Margot thoroughly enjoyed her day on campus in Sept. for the President’s Alumni Advisory Council. In the spring of ’05, Sidney Faithfull Van Zandt and her husband, Sandy, traveled to Cornwall, England, to finalize the sale of their yacht, Sequel, to a young Australian, whom they had met while cruising in Indonesia in ’94. The VanZandts built Sequel, which was designed by Sandy, and it had been their home for over 14 years. They sailed over 90,000 miles, including a circumnavigation from 1990–96 and 4 trans-Atlantics, the last one being in ’03 from Noank to Ireland. The VanZandts cruised with the new owners and their 4-month-old baby for a month, from England to Ireland and Scotland. They transited the Caledonian Canal and sailed across the North Sea to Norway. There they left Sequel with the new owners and continued on by ferry to Denmark and enjoyed land and sea travels to Amsterdam and Enkhuizen in Holland, then on to England, visiting friends along the way. “This closed out a very exciting period of our lives, but we are happy that boat is in extremely good hands and will continue on its adventuring ways,” wrote Sidney. She and Sandy recently purchased a Rhodes 18 for day sailing, the waters of Fisher’s Island Sound. Sidney continues her involvement in protecting open space and our water resources, and Sandy keeps busy in his shop doing metal and mixed media sculpture. We are always happy to receive our classmates’ news. Do keep the news coming!

Please See In Fond Memory

1955

Class Correspondent Needed

Editor’s Note: Special thanks to Diane Longmaid Kelly, who served as ’55 class correspondent from 2004–2006.

Diane Longmaid Kelly recently moved into senior housing in Norwalk, CT, not far from where she was living, and she’s glad she did. Due to that move, she’s decided it would be best to give up some of her “extra” activities, serving as class correspondent being one of them. Barbara Harmon Sawyer and her husband, Jeremy, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in March. Unfortunately, Sallie Lou Johnson Elliott from SC was unable to attend the festivities, but Joan Peterson Bishop was able to join them for the celebration. Nancy Sellers Mion reports that she and her husband, John, are doing well. Sadly, she lost her sister, Carol Sellers Baldock ’56, to cancer on March 17. Bobbie Jerald Coffin had a wonderful reunion with her freshman year roommate, Toby Shore Brown, and they thoroughly enjoyed seeing each other once again after 50 years. Bobbie and her husband are happily retired in Hancock, NH, where they do a fair amount of volunteer work and quite a bit of gardening. They enjoy having the opportunity to see their children and grandchildren quite often, as they all live in the Boston area. Bobbie recently returned from a trip to London and is already wondering when she’ll be able to return. Sally Beardslee Foster thoroughly enjoys gardening and says it has taken over her life. She is very involved with her community and 2 garden clubs with conservation and gardening issues. After a long dark winter in Pittsburgh, PA, Sally was happy to finally see some signs of spring by the end of March. She has 4 children and 5 grandchildren, whom she completely adores. She is grateful for the joys and blessings in her life. Sally has fond memories of her days at Colby Junior and the friends she made, some of whom she still sees. In March, Marcia Symmes Harmon spent 2 weeks in the Caribbean. The first week was spent visiting old friends on St. Croix. She flew to Antigua the second week, where she visited her youngest daughter, Lori Bryant, her husband, and their 4 children. Marcia had a wonderful time swimming and snorkeling with them. Marcia enjoys getting together with Nancy Pete Silverstein several times a year. They are planning a trip to Italy in Sept. to visit Marcia’s cousin and her husband. Her cousin lives in Florence and is a professor of art history for a consortium of Midwestern colleges. Jan Saylor Turney sends her greetings from Arroyo Grande, CA. She says it’s been many years since she’s corresponded with her Colby Junior classmates, so she provided the following condensed version of all that has transpired. “I am living in a lovely community on the central coast of CA, and I’m enjoying each day. I have an in-home business and enjoy 6 wonderful grandchildren. They include 5 young boys, correction, 5 young men and a lovely young lady, who are very grown up. The
youngest is 18 and the oldest is 23. My husband, John, is a retired mechanical engineer, and he is my 3rd husband. This gives you a bit of history!” Martha Dodge Altemus reports that she is well and keeping busy. She is on the board of the Dodge Family Association, which leads to a lot of genealogical research. She is also taking watercolor classes, having her kitchen updated, and spending plenty of time playing with her 4-year-old golden retriever. Eleanor Faulkner Jones wasn’t able to travel this past winter, as her husband, Dick, had 3 surgeries, trying to stay ahead of old age. On top of playing nursemaid to Dick, she’s also been doing a lot of volunteer work in the emergency department at Yale New Haven Hospital’s new satellite facility, Shoreline Medical Center. For 23 years Joan Cole Knost has worked in various capacities in the president’s office at Lake-Sumter Community College in Leesburg, FL. Currently she is the special assistant to the president and also serves as staff support for the district board of trustees. Joan writes, “Although we came to FL (the retirement state) some time ago, when we do retire, we would like to live somewhere in NC. Our daughter lives in Raleigh, and it would be good to be near her.” Last Sept., after 50 years, Rosemary Carhart Keenan saw 3 of her old pals from Burpee Dorm. They included Barbara Curtis Sturgeon, Nancy Fisher Kerr and Elaine Gilman, better known then as “Curt,” “Fish,” “Lainsy” and “Rosie.” They had connected through e-mail and began talking about how much fun it would be to have their own reunion, as none of them could make it back to campus for the class’ 50th celebration. They decided to meet in Buzzards Bay, MA, where Nancy lives. Curt flew in from Coronado, CA; Elaine came from West Wardsboro, VT; and Rosie traveled from Sherrill, NY. It was a memorable 5 days for all of them, and they are geared up for another trip. Gretchen Davis Hammer and her husband, Ken, are enjoying their new grandson, Evan Andrew Hammer, who was born in Jan. to their youngest son, Richard, and his wife, Stacey, in Rochester, NY. Retirement has not been dull for Gretchen. She keeps busy as chair of the board at Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital in St. Johnsbury, VT. Along with other hospitals in the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Alliance, they opened the Norris Cotton Cancer Center North in Sept. and were operating at capacity in just 3 short weeks. It’s a huge benefit for the people in that area, as they no longer have to drive all the way to Hanover, NH, for cancer treatment. The hospital also opened its business and conference center in Dec.

1956 Reunion

Nancy Hoyt Langbein 2 Appletree Drive Brunswick, ME 04011 (207) 729-3879 e-mail: wlang@blazenetme.net Thanks to everyone who sent Christmas cards, some with notes. Marsha Smoller Winer and Nate are looking forward to a 15-day trip to China, which includes a cruise on the Yangtze River. Marsha says they better take this trip now before they are too old to climb the Great Wall! Ed and I (Nancy L.) are really looking forward to seeing them at our 50th. Gail Craven Watson is hoping to come to Reunion. Gail was in ME this past summer to see her mom and to see friends on Chebeague Island. Gail was so glad she saw her mom, as she passed away in Oct. Our sympathy to you and your family. Gail. She is busy volunteering at the cancer treatment center and, if she passes the test, doing tax work at Ft. Bliss. On a sad note, Ernestine Bellamy Firth passed away in Jan. after a long battle with cancer. Our sympathy to Oley and family. I’ll end this short column with a quip my 92-year-old aunt passed on to me. She gets tired of saying “I’m fine” when people ask, so she defines this as:

F —Frustrated
I —Irritated
N—Nothing Works
E —Everything Hurts

Does this sound at all familiar? Until next time, when this column will be filled with news from our 50th Reunion.

1957

Jill Booth Macdonell 1303 8th Avenue Sacramento, CA 95818 (916) 446-3927 e-mail: jilliemac7@earthlink.net I’m writing this news on a sunny, warm mid-Feb. evening, probably a while before you receive it in the Alumni Magazine. Donna Younger MacKay lives in Lake Bluff, IL. She raised 2 sons; Andy, 45, with boys 10 and 12, lives in OH, and Jim, 43, lives with Donna and her husband, who is a graduate of Dartmouth. Mary Knox Tatnall spent most of her life on the Main Line of Philadelphia, and for the past 15 years part-time on Hilton Head Island, SC. Mary shared, “My younger daughter, Pegge, lives and teaches in Seattle and her sister, Edythe, owns and operates an equestrian center near Atlanta with her husband and 5-year-old daughter. Over the years I have spent considerable time in the field of volunteerism, serving on the boards of The Agnes Irwin School in Rosemont, PA, Bryn Mawr Hospital Women’s Board and Contact Careline for greater Philadelphia, as well as being deeply involved in my church as a member of the vestry and in the outreach program. I play a lot of tennis and recently have discovered croquet. Frank and I enjoy travel by rail all over the USA.” Harriet Hills Sullivan keeps busy with church-related activities and enjoys her grandchildren. She enjoys travel, especially cruising. Harriet plans to cruise to northern Europe roundtrip from Boston in July. Her hobbies include reading.
Homelessness. To many in today’s society, this term represents a nameless, faceless social condition. A segment of society often ignored, misunderstood and maligned. Jill Booth Macdonell ’57 of Sacramento, Calif., is passionate about changing society’s notion of what it means to be homeless. Through the lens of her camera, Jill uses photography to educate, inspire and motivate.

For Jill, it all began in the early 1990s after she had taken some photography classes at a local college. During this time, she was also serving on the board of Francis House, a resource and counseling center for the poor in Sacramento, where she volunteered as an alcohol and drug counselor and also provided resource counseling for the city’s poor.

Blending her photographic talent and her desire to help the needy, Jill decided to try her hand at photojournalism while doing her work with the poor. She began taking poster-size black and white photographs, documenting the lives of the homeless, and almost immediately the Francis House board members realized the power of her work and imagined how her talents could be used for consciousness-raising and fundraising. Thus, Feast for the Streets was born. Francis House’s annual and biggest fundraiser, Feast for the Streets features Jill’s photography exhibit, food from Sacramento’s finest chefs and restaurants, music and a live auction. Last year the event raised $25,000, and the goal is to double that figure this year. A permanent collection of Jill’s work is on display at Francis House.

A spiritual woman, Jill feels that helping the homeless is her God-given purpose in life. “This work is my ministry,” she says, “and I’ve been placed on our Earth for this reason. Helping the poor is one of the areas that gives my life great meaning.” The theme for Jill’s work comes through the words of Matthew 25-46: “I was hungry and you fed me…” Through her lens, homelessness is brought to light in a touching way. In Jill’s photos these faceless, nameless members of society known simply as the homeless become real people, thus humanizing them and revealing what it means to be poor. According to Greg Bunker, director of Francis House, “Jill’s pictures are profound, capturing the essence of our clientele like no other picture taker has ever done. Her work immediately became part of all our public relations, publications and events, and her work is a permanent and essential part of our collection at Francis House.”

For Jill, her purpose is not simply to take the photographs. For every picture she’s taken, she can tell you the name of her subject and the story behind how the person came to be living on the streets. She explains, “I go onto the streets of Sacramento and I go down by the river and to other areas where the homeless are often found. I get to know these people, I develop relationships with them, and I gain their trust. I care deeply about them and, as a result, it can be a challenge emotionally. Though I can never completely detach myself emotionally, when I head out with my camera, I know that my mission is to bring people face-to-face with the problem. My goal is for my work to evoke a response in their hearts and raise their consciousness. Hopefully, they then will consider how they might help.” Her caring nature is evident in her work. “I am always amazed by her knack for capturing the people we see, the work we do, and the human drama that unfolds on a daily basis at Francis House. Her demeanor at putting her subjects at ease, as well as her impeccable timing at capturing the right moment or quintessential expression is what makes her work so great,” says Greg Bunker. The priest at Jill’s church explains, “Jill’s photography displays a wonderful gift. When she works with the homeless, she somehow captures in their eyes both their desperate circumstances and the spark of life that keeps them going. She captures their spirit.”

Without a doubt, Jill recognizes the scope of the work to be done in order to fight the problem of homelessness, and she’s doing her part. Perhaps Greg Bunker said it best: “Jill serves as a great example of what a difference one individual can make in this world by pursuing her creative interests and being willing to show her talents for the greater good.”

—Tracey Austin

For more information, please contact Jill directly at (916) 446-3927 or jilliemac7@earthlink.net. To see an online exhibit of Jill’s work, please visit the Francis House Website at www.mousemagic.com/fh/index.html.

Jill Booth Macdonell ’57 and her daughter, Katie.
crafts and board games. Carol Morgan Southall has been retired for 2 years, after 20 years of directing Camp Onaway. She lives in ME and was widowed in '98. Carol is a grandmother of 3 1/2-year-old triplets and a 15-month-old boy. Marie Seibert Moyer told me on the phone that she and Paul live on acreage with a 50-tree orchard and a huge garden in rural San Luis Obispo, CA. They can and freeze all they grow and have lived 38 years in the same home, which is 3 miles from the ocean. They hike at least once a week and live a very satisfying life. Eva Faye Lorange Mitchell graduated from the U of PA in '60. She taught school and married in '64. They lived in IN mostly until their retirement in '94, and now they live in Flat Rock, NC. "We love those mountains," says Eva. Their children are John, who is married with 2 children, and lives in San Ramon, CA, and Karen, who is married with 2 children and lives in NJ. Eva's husband and both of their children are Purdue graduates. Bridge, golf, church, travel and volunteer work fill their time. Eva was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease 8 years ago. She is doing fairly well, although she tires easily. Janice Eaton Atkins writes, "Courtney and I live a happy, busy life. We enjoy traveling and spending time with our children and grandchildren." In Jan., they traveled to Ixtapan de la Sal, Mexico, to a spa for 8 days. They are active in their church, which is located in the country, near their weekend house. Suzanne Vander Veer writes, "Herb and I did China in '05 and an African safari in '06. I love my volunteer jobs, one of which is serving as the chair of graduate guides at the Philadelphia Museum of Art." Her daughter, Cherie, does the sets for Fox TV's "The OC," and son Scott runs Independent Whitewater in Salida, CO. Another son, Jamie, is a business man in VA and he has twin girls. "Come to our 50th; we will have a blast," she says. Gayle Sheldon Julianni is currently working part-time in a doctor's office. She has 2 sons. Sadly, her husband died in '97. She's active in church and community. Nancy Eagan Grant writes, "Jack and I are retired and spend time between Darien, CT, and Ft. Myers, FL. We enjoy spending time with our 4 children and 5 grandchildren."

Diane Shugrue Gallagher writes “2005 was the year to travel. I took one daughter to Tuscany, where we saw Palio in Siena and David in Florence. We finished the trip at Lake Como for my daughter's 40th! George Clooney had just left his home there—draf! I visited Turkey with another daughter. Istanbul and Blue Mosque at twilight were astonishing and Hagia Sophia was magnificent. From there it was Cesme on the Aegean for my godson's wedding and Japan for New Year's. My 69th birthday was spent in a hot spring by a rushing river. I had to scale down my behavior for quiet Japan. All in all, it was a most magical year. Cheers to all my fabulous classmates. Remember, 'Travel is fatal to bigotry, prejudice and narrow-mindedness.'—Mark Twain."

Debbie Kent Springer and Charlie, with all of their kids and grandkids, spent Christmas at their new vacation home on the OR coast. Joy Skaarup Evans enjoyed a wonderful 18-day trip to England and Scotland in Sept. They spent 14 days with friends who live in southwest England, which they toured, as well as the central areas and London. In Scotland they saw much of Edinburgh, Loch Lomond and St. Andrews. Joy said it was beautiful! I, Jill, drove to LAX for a few days in Jan. for a wonderful visit with my friend, Cindy Grindrod Van der Wyk '58. I am enjoying my first grandchildren, Evan, 2, and Elizabeth, 9 months old, as of this writing. Please let me know what you like and what you'd like more of in your newsletter. My contact information is listed above.

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Class Correspondent Needed

Editor’s Note: Special thanks to Patty Canby Collignon, who has served as the 1960 class correspondent since 1989.

At last, winter has set in. It is the end of Feb., with the temperature at 0 degrees and not much snow — actually none on the ground in Boothbay. I received an e-mail from Judy Johnson Gibbs. She and her husband love ME, do a lot of fishing in Casco Bay and also travel. They went on a photographic safari to Africa, toured Ireland, fished Belize on the Turneefe Atoll, and traveled across our country. Their CO son and daughter-in-law adopted a daughter from China. Their other son and daughter-in-law, who live in Georgetown, MA, had a little girl in Oct. Judy and Jerry celebrated their 44th anniversary. Jerry works as the fishing editor for Outdoor Life Magazine and Judy works part-time for an orthodontist. They both are very active, loving family, friends, photography, cooking, reading, gardening, skiing, fishing, etc. Hope you will keep in touch. I had another e-mail response from Marianne Harvey Olsen. She and Fred live between Greenwich, CT, and Groton, VT. They have been retired for 11 years. Fred was born in Montpelier, VT, and spent a lot of time at Lake Groton. Marianne still sees Nancy Draper, her Colby-Sawyer piano teacher, every 2 to 3 years in New London. She hears from Harriet Butler Boyden, her roommate, once a year. During the winter, Marianne and Fred like to cross-country ski and snowmobile, when there is snow. Otherwise, she enjoys her 2 grandsons, ages 3 and 5. She also volunteers at church and enjoys visiting the elderly. Thanks for the update. Cynthia Coolidge Naylor has worked for 45 years at the Houghton Library, which is the rare book and manuscript library at Harvard. She stills likes to read, walk and travel, mostly in New England. Cindi likes to adapt recipes, which is fun. Sue Barto Monks and Bill spent Christmas in CO with their son, who lives in Broomfield. Their daughter joined them and the family of 8 went to Winter Park to ski. Sue and Bill were to go to London for a 10-day theatre trip and then planned to go to England and France with friends in the beginning of April. I spent Thanksgiving and Christmas in CO with my son and daughter-in-law and her family. I visited friends in Philadelphia for the Flower Show, and then I went to Paris at the end of March to visit my daughter, who moved there permanently in mid-March. I have 2 Elderhostel programs planned for the summer and fall. I am still busy with the YMCA, the church, palliative care for the hospital and am back playing tennis. This is my last column, as I have to branch out to other activities, so I am hoping that someone in our class will pick up where I leave off. Please remember to register your e-mail address on the online alumni directory at www.netdirectories.com/~csc. Best to all for another great year.

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I had the most wonderful surprise last fall on a cold and rainy Saturday afternoon! The doorbell rang and there was Elizabeth “Tizzie” Grove Schweizer and her husband, Fred! We had a great visit. The Schweizers were in the area to attend a wedding. Tizzie and Fred reside in Ithaca, NY. She looks so good after having lost 40 pounds at Weight Watchers. I read an interesting article in the Concord Monitor (Concord, NH) about Judy Muyskens, Colby-Sawyer College’s vice president for advancement. She is spending a...
year living in the Abbey Hall with 62 students. Judy is living like a college student again, complete with a bulletin board on her door and a dining room meal plan! This is an experiment, which so far is working out very well. The students love her! I was pleased to receive a nice letter, plus some photo enclosures, from Penney Hoskins Carruth. What a lovely looking family! Penney, who has been selling real estate in Aspen for 30 years, and her husband, Dennis, have 5 children. Thos is an anesthesiologist in Vail. Kara, along with husband Carol, owns a nursery in Mt. Vernon, WA. Allison is teaching at the U of San Francisco. Ryan is a soccer coach near San Diego. And, last but not least, Ashley is a recent Dartmouth graduate who plans to teach. After 30 years as a silver-smith/jeweler and a librarian, Sue Romer Ladouceur retired in 2003. She now enjoys sculpting. She is also enjoying travels with her husband, Pete. Their daughters—one with a Ph.D. and the other with an M.Ph. from Yale—are both working in the HIV/AIDS field. The annual Alumni Holiday Open House was held on Dec. 6 in Wheeler Hall in Ware Campus Center. It was in the location of our library when we were at Colby Junior. It is always a fun event and one that we local alums look forward to. We enjoyed meeting Interim President Dr. Phil Jordan and his lovely wife, Sheila. The Jordans live in ME but are temporarily residing at the President’s House, across from campus. This year there was a collection for the “Toys for Tots” program. It was a nice way to begin the holiday season.

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1962

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Sherry Smith Hayes, Jill Schofield Wainwright, and I (Gail Graham) had breakfast together in late Feb. We all agreed that we look pretty good for 3 old broads! Please send me some news that’s fit to print.

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1963

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I’m wintering in Naples, FL, from Nov. through April. The weather has been gorgeous this year. My husband, Cliff, and I have part-time jobs. He works as a bus driver for an upscale community in nearby Bonita Springs, taking residents to and from their private beach. I’m working as a real estate assistant and will get my FL real estate license next month. I already have my VT real estate license and will start work in Manchester upon my return in May. In addition, we’ve opened up another bed and breakfast. This one is much smaller than the one we used to own. Check out our Website at www.meadowoodvt.com. We figured out that complete retirement is not our style. We plan to be active for many more years.

Edith Tupper Bishop
reports that she’s still living in beautiful Sebastopol, CA. Her 31-year-old daughter, Tim (Brown ’96), is now a citizen of New Zealand. Her granddaughter, Anne (San Francisco State ’05), is 26 years old, lives in San Francisco and teaches Pilates. “No grandchildren yet,” says Edith. On a sad note, the Colby-Sawyer Alumni Office sent me notice that Kathleen Burke Wheeler has passed away this past Jan. She lived in Auburn, ME, and is survived by her husband, Donald, and 2 married sons. I’m hoping we can have a newsy article for our class notes in the fall issue of the Alumni Magazine. Please go to www.netdirectories.com/~csc to post your current information. You can also e-mail me directly at sonny@meadowoodvt.com; I’d love to hear from you. Or, better yet, visit us; we’d love to see you!

Please See In Fond Memory

1964

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Hi classmates. The class notes in this issue are mainly from my mass mailing via www.netdirectories.com/~csc. If your e-mail is recorded there and/or the Alumni Office (alumni@colby-sawyer.edu), I will receive your news and it will be included in the next issue of the Alumni Magazine. Thanks, ahead of time, for your input. It is with deep sadness that I report that Nancy Maclaurin Decaneas died at her home on Nov.1 after a brief illness, with her husband, Anthony, and her 2 sons, Nickolas and William, at her side. Our deepest sympathy goes to her family. Carol Adams is now a “snowbird,” spending winters in Santa Fe, NM, and summers in the Catskill Mts. in NY. Last year was a 3 wedding year for Carol and her husband, Richard. Of their 6 children, 2 are not married, their youngest still in college at UMass—Amherst. Mimi Rand Jost continues to work at Phillips-Exeter Academy in NH. She and husband Chuck plan to retire together next year. They have 3 grandchildren, with one more due in mid-June. Their daughter, Sarah, and her husband, Ed, have 2 daughters, 7-year-old Molly and 4-year-old Katie. Mimi’s other daughter, Molly, and her husband, Todd, have a son, 2-year-old Charlie. “We were thrilled when Charlie arrived—a boy in the family at last.” They are still working on the house, which they have been building themselves since ’99. It has been a fun project and they love living in Strafford, NH, with all the wildlife. Retirement plans include clearing more land and building a barn for sheep, goats and chickens. Judy Curtis Zscheile writes from Apts, CA, that she and her husband, Dick, have a 21/-year-old grandson who lives in St. Paul, MN. Their son is getting a doctorate in theology and will be ordained in June in the Episcopal Church. His wife is presently an Episcopal rector. Their daughter is single and works for a non-profit organization in Portland, OR. Judy’s mother passed away in Jan. at a very active age of 92. Judy enjoys her 1 day per week job working for an outpatient eye surgery center. Dick has been retired from IBM for a while. They love to travel, hike and camp in their converted van (RoadTrek). I received another note from Susan Patricelli-Regan. She has tried to touch base with her roommate, Elizabeth “Lee” Reisner Murray, but only spoke with her daughter, after learning that Lee’s husband had passed away recently. Susan has just put together an exhibition of her mother’s paintings, which she has done over her career. A portion of the proceeds will go to the Cancer Research Center at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford, CT, where Susan is a cooperator, in memory of her uncle. Susan’s family was born in Australia, where her uncle was dedicated to research in a cure for cancer.

Lucy White Dean has returned to the Sudbury (MA) Savoyards as costume designer for “Mikado.” Brings back memories of working backstage with Tomie and all! Nancy Woordring Hansen and her husband, Roger, went to the CSC Alumni Ski Day at Mt. Sunapee in Feb. She wrote, “The weather was horrific, with rain, high winds, thunder and lightning, but the CSC ski team was racing in a multi-college meet, and the alumni who were there were treated to breakfast and lunch by the CSC staff. Lots of good multi-generational visiting, but not good skiing!” Nancy and Roger’s lives are settling into retirement mode. On top of their home in Spofford, NH, they recently bought Nancy’s family home in Craigville, MA, on Cape Cod. Their children and grandchildren share both places with

Send News!

Your class correspondent is waiting to hear from you.
How to Get More Done
Without Driving Yourself Crazy

This tagline from Pamela Dodd’s recent book strikes a chord with everyone who sees it. Pam and her son, Doug Sundheim, co-wrote The 25 Best Time Management Tools and Techniques, and it is being marketed on Amazon.com; Pam reports that it is “selling like hotcakes!” It’s no wonder—the book compresses the very best time management tips into one very easy-to-read guide and reviews dozens of similar self-help books.

From the back cover of the book, which was published by Peak Performance Press, Inc., in Ann Arbor, Mich., it’s easy to identify with the book’s highlights:

• Where your time really goes (not where you think it goes)
• 5 easy ways to get out from under all your stuff
• How to immediately build strong self-discipline
• Why procrastination isn’t always bad
• The 10 biggest time wasters and what to do about them.

Who among us couldn’t benefit from a quick read?

In addition to being an author, Pam has a wealth of experience in many areas of business. Following her graduation from Colby-Sawyer, she earned a B.A. in personnel administration from the University of Pennsylvania, an M.S.W. from Marywood University, and a Ph.D. in organizational psychology from the University of Michigan. She is the author of other books and articles, and for the past 20 years has focused on the dynamics of work groups and personal and organizational effectiveness. Pam and Doug are also partners in Clarity Consulting Group Inc., which was formed in 2000; they have offices in New York City and Orlando, Fla. Pam says, “We founded Clarity Consulting to combine our talents and passion for helping people be more effective at work.” Clarity Consulting’s Web site (www.clarityconsulting.com) is brimming with affirming and motivational insights and testimonials, which underscore Pam’s and Doug’s commitment to helping people be “peak performers every day.” Providing all types of personnel consulting services—executive coaching, presentations, corporate workshops on productivity and high performance communications—their clients have included companies (some of the Fortune 500 variety) from all over the country.

When Pam speaks of her son and partner, Doug, her pride in him is evident. His credentials and business acumen are such that you would expect him to be much older. The book credits explain that Doug is an “entrepreneur at heart,” who “started a 100-person catering service before he was 21.” He has since gained 12 years of experience as a sales and business development manager, primarily in telecommunications and Internet coaching, and he is currently pursuing a master’s degree in organizational learning and leadership at Columbia University.

Pam’s and her husband’s busy lives include five grandchildren under the age of five. She writes that since they’re in the midst and she’s in Orlando, she doesn’t see them as often as she’d like “at least until they’re old enough to go to Disney. Then we’ll be a popular destination.” She also has just launched a new Web site to sell astrology charts for children; it’s called babylbirthchart.com. She writes, “While everyone else my age seems headed for retirement, I’m getting busier and busier with Internet marketing. It’s a fun game!” Fortunately for Pam, her time management skills must be superb, and it sounds as though her life is a wonderful balance of fun, family and very rewarding work.

—GAYE LACASCE

1965

Class Correspondent Needed

Dorothy “Darcy” Holland reports that her eldercare management company is going extremely well and keeping her busy. She says every client situation is different, which makes her work interesting and provides a continual source for increased research and knowledge. Darcy’s father, for whom she was primary care manager for 15 years, died at the end of Aug. Darcy is now managing her oldest sister’s care for esophageal cancer. She writes, “It’s not been an easy time, but the lighter side of life includes such things as spending a week singing with the Berkshire Choral Festival in England and performing at Canterbury Cathedral. That was like nothing I have ever experienced! I’ve also enjoyed trips to Sicily and the Netherlands. Their oldest granddaughter will graduate from Wheaton in May. Roger and Nancy will take her to Italy for her graduation present.

Rebecca Young Robinson was recently in FL, getting her mother a new hip. “Isn’t that what our generation is doing these days?” I have seen Becky at the CSC Golf Classic. I, Lee Norris Gray, am sitting on the lanai in Bonita Springs, FL, writing this column. It’s so much nicer than looking out the window at all the snow in NH. Rick and I drove down here this year and are staying for 6 weeks, preparing for retirement in the near future. Our son, David, and his wife, Katie, are expecting baby #2 in mid-June. That will make 6 Gray grandchildren, 4 boys and 1 girl. We are hoping for another girl, but I’m not making any bets after raising 3 sons myself. I continue with my volunteer work—correspondent for CSC, treasurer for St. Andrews By-The-Sea Episcopal Chapel, Sec. for the Women’s Golf Assoc. at Wentworth CC, as well as playing tennis, golf, book club and making counted cross stitch Christmas stockings for the grandchildren.

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Pamela Dodd ’65

How to Get More Done
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The 25 Best Time Management Tools & Techniques

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Pamela Dodd & Doug Sundheim

Pamela Dodd ’65 with her sons Scott Sundheim (l) and Doug Sundheim.
Bermuda for a mother/daughter respite. The toughest decision we have to make is what to order off the menu! Darcy didn’t get any skiing in this winter, but continues to enjoy hiking, biking and kayaking during the warmer months. Linda Lambert Palmer is happy to report that her daughter, Jenny Richards, gave birth to a baby boy, John Calvin, on Feb. 3, ’06, which was his due date! Linda and her husband, Larry, along with great-grandmother Jean Hill Lambert ’40, made the trip to Homer, IL, from NJ to visit Jenny, her husband, Jeff, and the baby for 2 weeks. Linda says that since Larry is still working, they have to take short trips to get their baby fix. Their next trip is planned for June.

Debbie Detwiller Smith’s youngest daughter, Hilary, and her husband, Anders Bialek, are in Singapore while Anders is pursuing his MBA from INSEAD. Debbie and her husband, Ashley, went to visit them and then enjoyed a trip to Thailand. “Unbelievably beautiful country and people,” says Debbie. Since retiring, Ann Gorman Schenck has been involved with a number of volunteer projects and also serves on a couple of arts boards in Wilmington, DE. Barbara Frank Guilford reports from Miami, FL, that they survived 3 hurricanes last summer. They hope to avoid the hurricane season this year. She continues to work as a realtor for Coldwell Banker, and she plays tennis every chance she gets. Her husband, Mort, continues to practice law and enjoys playing golf. They enjoy their 10 grandchildren, 5 boys and 5 girls, ranging in age from 4 to 13. Suzi Sincerbeaux Brian reports that her big news is that her eldest daughter, Christine, who lives in Denver, CO, will be married this month, being a selectwoman for the Portsmouth Democrats this month, being a selectwoman in Portsmouth for Ward 5 for 4 years, just retiring from a 6-year term on the affiliate board of NARAL Pro-Choice NH, and presently working on our upcoming fundraiser, ‘Choice Chocolate,’ in Portsmouth. I’m on 2 historic preservation boards in town, trying to preserve a few old buildings and slow the recent explosive growth that popularity and money have brought to this wonderful seaside town where I was born.” Chris Murray McKee and her husband, Tom, retired to New London, NH, following his long career in the Foreign Service. While Tom found a new career renovating their house, Chris started working in real estate at Coldwell Banker Milestone. During the winter she teaches skiing at Mt. Sunapee to handicapped skiers. She is also very involved with the Lake Sunapee Protective Association and the New London Conservation Commission. Recently, Chris has thoroughly enjoyed her involvement with the President’s Alumni Advisory Council at Colby-Sawyer. Chris and Tom have 2 children. Son Ethan works with troubled youth in Boulder, CO, and daughter Rachel is finishing her midwife degree in Manchester, NH.

Martha Mullendore Storey continues to work at her small family business, Berkshire Direct, Inc., with her husband, John, and their son, Matt. They do direct marketing for national and local clients, focusing on the lawn and garden industry, as well as non-profit organizations. They spend a good deal of time in the Adirondacks on Lake Champlain, where they have a wonderful old home. They have 10 grandchildren, who visit often. Debbie Detwiller Smith enjoys frequent walks with Sarah Briggs Boyd. During a recent walk, they discussed their amazement at having been out of CJC for 41 years! “That means we are 2 times the age we were when we graduated, which is scary,” says Debbie. One of Debbie’s daughters has made her a grandmother to Finlay MacDonald, a 4-year-old redhead, and his 1½-year-old sister, Tatum. Debbie’s other daughter and her husband are taking a year off so he can study for his MBA at INSEAD, an international business school. Their campuses are in Singapore for 6 months, and they will end up in Fontainebleau this summer. Debbie and her husband have been fortunate enough to travel, and enjoyed a trip to Singapore to visit their daughter, along with a side trip to Thailand. Debbie continues to work part-time for a rare book dealer. She also volunteers for the Department of Social Services Foster Care Review Board, the garden club and her local church. She also has a studio, where she tries to paint at least 1 day per week, and she’s been showing her work locally.

1966 Reunion

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Editor’s Note: Special thanks to Susan Weeks, who has agreed to serve as the class of 1966 correspondent.

Greetings from Lebanon, NH! This is my first shot at doing a column as class correspondent, so please bear with me. First, a little background on my present status. My husband, Peter, and I have lived in the Upper Valley for the last 15 years. After working as the dean’s assistant at the Tuck School at Dartmouth for 12 years, I opted for a complete career change and since 2004 have been the academic assistant in the department of neonatology at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. Peter is with the Corps of Engineers and travels frequently around the country. He has even been to Iraq once. I, on the other hand, prefer to stay at home and garden, walk with my dogs, golf and work on small

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Alumni Magazine was quite extensive, and it looks like this column might be as interesting! Sue Ittner Rock and her 2-year Colby roommate, Diane Stentaford Davison ’66, met for lunch in Lancaster, PA, in Feb. Although they have been in touch with each other, they had not actually seen each other in 22 years! Sue reports that they had a great time catching up and that “it didn’t seem like it had been that long ago.” They shared family photos and stories and, after catching up for hours, they decided to make this get-together a regular event. Sounds like a plan! Anne Baynes Hall retired in Nov. of ’03, and then was asked in Oct. ’04 to return to work at Verizon doing the same thing she had been doing, but as a contractor. In between those times, Anne coasted through the holiday season, filled her days as her church’s part-time secretary, and then began working on organizing her late mother’s house. Anne went back to Verizon and began writing some much-needed methods and standards for people like her, who came up in the ranks. She says she “retired from Verizon, formerly Bell Atlantic, formerly NYNEX and originally started with New England Telephone!” Technically, when she went back she was employed by VOLT, which contracted out to Verizon. At any rate, she worked with Verizon until Dec. ’05. Since then she’s been dividing her time between her mother’s house, her own home, and volunteering at her church and, of course, at Colby-Sawyer. She’s not sure how she ever had time to work before! She was also honored a few weeks ago at her church’s annual meeting and appreciation night by being named MVP of the church. What a nice thing for the church to bestow upon you, Anne. I know from personal experience how much time Anne has put in at Colby-Sawyer. Undoubtedly, her untiring efforts have been just as strong in her church! Thanks for the update, Anne. I also received some info via my class correspondent colleague, Kelly McWilliams Dvareckas ’68. She had heard from Beverly Shipman Gibson ’68 about Allyn “Lyn” Mortimer, and passed it along, since Lyn is actually from the class of ’67. Seems Lyn Mortimer was Beverly Shipman’s roommate during her 2nd year at Colby Junior and Beverly saw that we were looking for Lyn as one of our “lost” classmates. Beverly wrote to her class correspondent (Kelly) that she and Lyn had been corresponding for the past 12 years or so, after having lost touch with each other. Beverly asked Lyn if she wanted to be “found,” and Lyn indicated she would be happy to receive news from Colby-Sawyer. So, Lyn Mortimer is officially “found.” Seems she and her husband had moved to a MO farm from Washington, DC. I e-mailed her myself and she responded by saying she’s a Ph.D. graduate student at the U of MO-Columbia and hopes to graduate in Aug. ’06. Her dissertation research is on MO farm women and their vegetable gardens during the Great Depression. In ’05, she was awarded the Douglas Dockery Thomas Fellowship in Garden History and Design from the Garden Club of America to help support her research. “That was pretty exciting,” she relates. She’ll let us know when she gets her degree. It should be in time for our next issue! Thank you so much, Beverly, for passing that information along. And thank you, Kelly, for sending that tidbit my way. And thank you, Lyn, for your own personal update! Okay, moving right along. Nancy Belt Wilson had been thinking of Colby-Sawyer earlier this month, after listening to a podcast by Tony Marx (President of Amherst), who was talking about liberal arts education and its impact on society at large. Nancy said it made her think of chapel services. She asked, “Was it Wednesday mornings?” I honestly don’t remember. Somehow, I thought they were twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. But, Wednesdays sounds more like it. Nancy also said she thought of Colby-Sawyer when she read a lengthy article in the March issue of Vanity Fair by Michael Callahan called “Peyton Place’s Real Victim.” (Of course, we all knew that Peyton Place was based on little ol’ Potter Place.) Nancy said, “Remember when the book was considered a racy novel when it came out in the ’50s?” She indicates that a movie about the author’s life (Grace Metalious) is in the works, with Sandra Bullock slated to play Grace! All of this courtesy of Nancy, who lives in Japan! Sue Schauman Paull is still living in Duxbury, MA, and is the varsity field hockey and lacrosse coach at the high school. Sue started the girls’ lacrosse program there in ’95 and says it’s been going “gang busters” ever since, with well over 70 girls in the high school program, and 6 youth teams for grades 5 and up. Sue also started a non-medical elder care assistance business that services the seniors in her town. All 3 of her children graduated from the U of VA. Rob has his own venture capital company in NYC; Lindsay now works for Genzyme and has applied to graduate school in genetic counseling; and the youngest, Pete, is at the UMass Medical School. Sue plays a lot of paddle tennis in the winter and golfs in the spring and summer. Beth Holloran Bourguignon says the winter in New England was fairly mild, without much snow, although she was able to ski a few times.

1967

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Okay, it’s that time of year again, when I relay to all of you the most up-to-date happenings of our classmates. Our column in the last issue of the Colby-Sawyer

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Beth says she went to a Colby-Sawyer swim meet at Regis College in Weston, MA, mainly to see a family friend, Carolyn Day ‘99, who is on the swim team. Beth is still the assistant director of the Needham Children’s Center, a child care center with about 140 children, ages 3 months to 12 years. Beth’s been there for 25 years. She says she’s now welcoming the children of children she once cared for when they were 3! Does give one pause to reflect! Beth reports her children are well and employed (Hallelujah for employment!) and husband Ty is well. She again issues an invite to anyone in the Needham area or the Long Island, ME, area during the summer, to please give her a call. She would love to hear from any CSC alums! Probably the most amount of news I received was from Sandra Lee Blake, who says she hasn’t sent news in 30 years! All 3 of her children are successfully out of college and happily married. Daughter Erika and her husband are teachers living in VA, and they have given Sandra her first 2 grandchildren, Jacob, who is 9, and Faith, who is 5. Her older son, Christian, and his wife live in Raleigh, NC, and her younger son, Matthew, and his wife are living in Austin, TX. Sandra goes on to say that her professional career has been varied. Shortly after moving to VA she became a buyer for the Mitre Corp. She left that position to work for ITT Industries after being in the government contracting arena for nearly 16 years. She celebrated this event with 2 dive trips, one to Turks and Caicos last summer and the other to the Galapagos Islands in Jan. Also, she said she and her husband are completing the refitting of their bluewater cruising sailboat, something that has taken them the better part of 6 years to complete. They plan to move aboard full time in the very near future, and hope to sail the waters beyond the familiar Chesapeake Bay to those of the Penobscot Bay in ME, and possibly the Caribbean in Nov. They have learned that with a boat, the best plan is to not have a plan and stick to it. Because of retirement, Sandra and Coleman also were able to attend a family reunion in Conway, NH, last Aug., which enabled them to then travel to New London. Sandra says they walked the town and had lunch at Peter Christian’s, in the Edgewood Inn, where she and her family stayed oh-so-many-years ago when she was first at CJC as a freshman! So, maybe someone else can update us further on the whereabouts of Pat Waters Richard and/or Kitty Talbot Cote. Any takers? Thanks, Sandra, for all of that wonderful news! Moving on, I also heard from Jane Bromberg Moqeeet, who changed her name years ago to Shenna Jane Moqeeet. She indicated we can just use S. Jane Bromberg Moqeeet. She lives in CA and is in her third year as mayor of the small, but quickly growing, city of Calimesa. (Is that the correct city? That’s her city where mail goes, so we’re presuming it’s also the city wherein she is mayor!) As mayor, Shenna Jane has been on council for 7 years and has a seat on the Southern CA Association of Governments Transportation Commission, as well as on its Water Policy Task Force, the Western Riverside County Association of Governments, and on the Riverside County Multi Species Habitat Committee. Whew! That’s a lot of governmental committees to handle! She reports that “times are difficult in one of the largest populated states in the nation and one of the fastest growing regions in Southern CA.” She further states that she never would have dreamed she would be where she is today. Along with other mayors, she did get to meet and have her picture taken with Governor Schwarzenegger! On a more personal note, Shenna Jane reports that she lives on 7/8 of an acre, with 3 dogs and lots of plants. She says her older daughter, Rasy, works for LA County in the business waste recycling division and that her younger daughter, Taealana, died in Nov. ‘04 of an undiagnosed heart infection at the age of 29. We’re sorry for your loss, Shenna Jane, but appreciate your letting us know...
of all of your exciting news! Shenna Jane says she would love to hear from other class members via e-mail at her address, theroadoflife@netscape.net.

Ruth Hendrick Wentzel and her husband, Ken, live in Topsham, ME, near Brunswick. While Ruth continues with her job of 16+ years in a law firm in Portland as the school law practice group administrator and the marketing manager of the firm, Ken keeps the home fires burning, as he is now retired. (Don’t you love it, Ruth? My husband is also the “chief domestic god” at our abode!) Ruth’s daughters, Jennifer and Eliza, are both grown with families of their own. Ruth says because Jen lives only 10 minutes away, she gets to play with grandsons Henry, 6, and Cal, 3, on a regular basis. She says Eliza lives in Portland, OR, so they don’t get to see grandson Abe, 20 months, very often. She also said Eliza was soon to deliver her 2nd son. That was in Jan., so I’m guessing Ruth took several weeks off and went to OR to be the doting mother/grandmother! She says that travel at this point is so there’s nothing “exotic” to report. Ruth sees so it’s up to you to e-mail me with all your news!

Ginger Mueller Rundlof has been living in Savannah, GA, for the past 3 years, but is now going to be moving to The Woodlands, TX, outside of Houston. By the time this goes to press, she should be all moved in! She has loved being in the lovely city of Savannah, but wants to be nearer her 2 boys, who live in Houston. Since her house won’t be ready to move into immediately, she’s going to take some time to visit with her daughters in NY City and Park City, UT, first. She’s been working as a nurse in OB/GYN and hopes to get similar work once she’s relocated. Best of luck to you, Ginger. Hope all goes well with the move. Be sure to notify Colby-Sawyer of your new address. Tauydie Poor Drummond reports that they have basically closed their B&B and are only taking in returning guests at this point. She also says that after her year-long fight with breast cancer, it is presently at bay, and that that’s “really the best you can expect.” Let’s continue to pray, Tauydie, that you keep it at bay! She says she’s still riding for about 30 minutes every couple of days and is trying to figure out what to do next. She’s not been one to just idle, and now that the B&B is basically closed, she needs to figure out where to go next! She says she’s been working on a real fixer-upper on 2.3 acres near their children and 4 grandchildren in Divide, CO, and that it’ll be their retirement home when the time comes. Husband Kent has a new job that he really loves, so we’re guessing retirement is still a while away. Between the time that the fixer-upper is finished and their retirement, they will rent the place out. Tauydie also reports that they have 70 acres (out of their 120) for sale, and if anyone is interested in a “glorious piece of WY, with a panoramic view,” please get in touch via e-mail: adrummond@juno.com. Good luck with that venture, Tauydie! I heard from Frolic Taylor, who indicated that she’d recently given a phone interview to someone named Cathy from Colby-Sawyer. She said the phone interview was not doing wash that day—even if it’s needed—because wash day is on Monday! We still try to run up to Raleigh, NC, at least once a month in order to see our grand-daughter, who is now 9 months old. Wow! Time does fly! Our daughter, Natalie, is rounding out her freshman year at Winthrop U in Rock Hill, SC. I think the most bizarre thing to happen to me in awhile is that one day while out on the playground with the students I glanced down at a little girl from one of the other kindergarten classes and did a double take at her sweatshirt. It was a Colby-Sawyer sweatshirt! I couldn’t believe my eyes! I mean, I am way down here in the South—not too many people from around here went to college in the north, much less even know where NH is located! I asked this little girl if she knew who had gone to that college; she, naturally, was kind of vague about it. At 5 and 6, they just really don’t have a clue about things like that. Turns out her mother used to teach at Colby-Sawyer. Well, I guess that’s all the news that’s fit to print for this issue. Keep those e-mails coming, ladies!

1968

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Hello! New England weather was extremely fickle this winter. At one point, the temperatures...
reached the 50s. As I write this column, March has just arrived and is living up to its lionly reputation. I just returned from visiting my sister, who was staying at the Ritz-Carlton in Boston. We walked in the snowy Public Garden. I hadn’t spent time there since chaperoning kindergarten field trips for my 2 kids when we rode the swan boats. It seems like yesterday, but Casey is now 22 and Jill is 20. One tourist attraction that hadn’t arrived back then is the bronzed mallard family made famous in Robert McCloskey’s Make Way for Ducklings book. I couldn’t resist asking a passer-by to snap this shot of my sister and me with our quacky friends (see photo above). My 3rd grade students know the story, and they will love the addition of the picture to our classroom copy of the book. Here’s news from our classmates. Beverly Shipman Gibson started my year off with a story about her finding former roommate, Allyn Mortimer MT ’67, in the New York Times. Beverly writes, “I read an article about a couple moving to their family’s farm in MO from busy Washington, DC. I vaguely remembered her husband’s last name and the circumstances sounded like the couple might be Lyn and her husband, Dale. I located her through her husband, who teaches engineering at the U of MO.” It turns out that Allyn was in the class of ’67, one year ahead of us. (See Sis Hagen Kinney’s ’67 class notes for more details.) Great sleuthing on Beverly’s part! Speaking of sleuths, Pamela Hersey MT ’69 aka PR Hersey, writes, “Company Men, the last in the Takedown trilogy, is in final form and will be out in print in about 8 weeks. It will be sold in local bookstores (Portland, ME’s Longfellow Books and Books, Etc. in Falmouth) and on Amazon.com. This novel is thought to be the best of the trilogy, as it pulls everything together and spends most of its time on location in and around Portland, Peaks Island, and Casco Bay, ME. Insurance people, romance fans, action lovers, and murder mystery buffs will find this trilogy hard to put down.” Pam is finalizing plans to meet with her Colby roommate, Pamela S. Herd Mackellar ’69 MT, from our med. tech. days, Priscilla Powers Prescott and Nancy Charlton-Venezia. They had hoped to gather on Peaks Island in April. I love a good mystery, Pam; I’m going to pick up the trilogy to read during my downtime. Susan Austin Kraeger is working as executive director of the Women’s Trust of Pokuase Village. It is a small non-profit organization dedicated to helping women and girls in Pokuase Village, in Ghana, Africa. It sounds like very admirable and rewarding work, Susan. Kathryn Jones Nixon was back at Colby-Sawyer in Oct. for an information day for current and past college trustees. “I was lucky enough to attend a science class and actually garner some interesting information in a field I successfully ignored during my undergraduate and graduate studies. The farewell dinner for Anne Ponder was quite emotional and a fitting celebration of the remarkable legacy she has left to Colby-Sawyer. I stayed with Pat Thornton ’56 and JoAnn Franke Overfield ’68 MT. JoAnn’s daughter, Erica, is a first-year student at Colby-Sawyer. Since ’97 I have been the director of Rundel Library Foundation, which raises private funds for the Rochester (NY) Public Library System. I enjoy working with donors to determine how they best want to support this important community institution. My husband, Ted (Dartmouth ’68), is in his eighth year as a junior high school French teacher. The biggest changes in my life are the addition of a fourth grandchild (born to my son, Erik, and his wife, Mary Ellen) and the relocation of my mom from CT to Rochester. My daughter, Jessica, lives in Bucks County, PA, and works as a physician’s assistant in an internal medicine practice.” Kathy and her family are pictured below. I mistook Kathy for her daughter-in-law; she looks great! I will leave some thoughts for you from an e-mail that Margery Tichnor Bialeck, our classmate and current principal of Nathan Hale Elementary School in Manchester, CT, shared with me. They’re a great reminder to me why I chose teaching as a profession for my 3rd career: The dinner guests were sitting around the table discussing life. One man, a CEO, decided to explain the problem with education. He argued, “What’s a kid going to learn from someone who decided his best option in life was to become a...
teacher?” He reminded the other dinner guests what they say about teachers, “Those who can, do. Those who can’t, teach.” He asked Susan, a teacher sitting at the table, “Be honest. What do you make?” Susan, who had a reputation for honesty and frankness replied, “You want to know what I make? I make kids work harder than they ever thought they could. I make a C+ student feel like the winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor. I make kids wonder. I make them question. I make them criticize. I make them apologize and mean it. I make them write. I make them read, read, read. I make them show all their work in math and perfect their final drafts in English. I make them understand that if you have the brains, and follow your heart, and if someone ever tries to judge you by what you make, you must pay no attention because they just didn’t learn.” Susan paused and then continued. “You want to know what I make? I make a difference. What do you make?” Teachers make every other profession possible! If you didn’t learn that before you got to CJC or during your brief time there, perhaps you learned it later in life. I don’t think that I got it until just now. I have been looking for something to revitalize me, and these words, “Teachers make every other profession possible,” have definitely helped. Think about the professors that you had at Colby-Sawyer. How did they influence your life, your goals, your dreams, and your career and life choices? Write and share those feelings for the next edition of this magazine.

1971

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Editor’s Note: Welcome to Bonnie Pratt Filiault, who will serve as the 1971 class correspondent.

Hi everyone! Well, it’s been a long time since I’ve written a news column, so please bear with me. I didn’t hear from as many of you as I had hoped, but I did hear from some of my favorite classmates, and I’d like to let you know what they have been up to. I also noticed from the address list that many of you still live in NH and VT, so you must have time during those long winters to jot down some thoughts about your life in the mountains! The rest of us would love to hear from you. Meanwhile, Annie Alger Hayward has hung her own shingles and opened Hayward Real Estate, specializing in 1031 Exchanges. She got her law degree years ago and is very knowledgeable in this area, so please contact her if you want to see property without paying Uncle Sam. She is located in the financial district of Boston. Since I am in real estate in Osterville, MA, on Cape Cod, we are trying to do a little business together. Jean Wild Bannister is freelancing as a vascular technologist on Cape Cod. Her daughter is a freshman at Union College, and while Jean has an empty nest, she planned to tour Vietnam for the month of April. Laurel Denison and her husband, John, had been residents of Portsmouth, NH, but now live in Enfield, NH. She works for the chairman of medicine at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Hanover, NH. She visited Katy Leach Connors last summer and was her handyman during Katy’s son’s wedding festivities. She also is a justice of the Peace, in case anyone needs her assistance “tying the knot.” I stopped to visit her briefly during a trip back from St. Michael’s College in Colchester, VT, where my son is a freshman. My daughter is also in Burlington, at UVM, and will be a senior in the fall.

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Barbara Siferd Sunshine has been installed as chair of Legal Aid Society of South FL, Inc. and Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South FL, Inc. Legal Aid provides services in both Broward and Collier Counties. She also serves as secretary/treasurer of the Broward County Bar Association, which has 2,500 members. She has been an attorney in Ft. Lauderdale for 22 years, currently specializing in real property, probate, guardianships, and estate planning. Barbara’s daughter, Samantha Sunshine, works as a community outreach counselor for The Los Angeles Free Clinic. Samantha graduated from Pitzer College, in Claremont, CA, in ’02.

1970

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Hi and happy spring! Good news, which I was very excited to read, came from Mary Pat Desmond Cox of Fayetteville, NY. Her daughter, Megan (Princeton ’04), was married May 29 with the Colby-Sawyer “crew” in attendance. Former roommate, Jane Kernan Sayed of Superior Township, MI and Nancy Connolly Johnson of Newton, MA, and from Abbey Dorm. Yeah Abbey Dorm! She speaks of such a great lasting friendship which is one of the many great reasons for attending Colby-Sawyer. The tradition continues with her 2 sisters-in-law, Katrina Cox ’69 and Susan Baker Cox ’75. She also has another daughter, Katharine, who is a freshman at VA Tech. So glad to hear from you Mary Pat. Deborah Merrill Velli sent a note stating she would love to hear from classmates Judy Heubeck Cadena and Nancy Teach. As we get older, good news does come with some sad news. After a very courageous battle with cancer, Deborah Walker Auger died at the age of 55 in Bedford, NH. After graduating from Colby-Sawyer, she married William Auger of Manchester, NH, and moved to Malone, NY. Her love of family brought her back to NH, where she worked at St. Anselm College. Besides her husband, 2 brothers, 6 sisters and grandchildren, she leaves her son, Todd, and family and her 2 daughters, Natalie and Stephanie Auger ’98, of Bedford. Our thoughts, memories and prayers, as alumnae, our extended warm-ty to her family. From the class of 1970, congratulations to the newly-appointed 8th president of Colby Sawyer, Thomas Galligan Jr! As I write this, the winter hockey season is soon ending with my son, Jarrod’s, Bantam Team in 1st place in the state at the Tier III level, thus, a big tournament this weekend in Conway, NH, against the top 6 teams. Hopefully his team, the Back Bay Indians from Wolfeboro, NH, will win the trophy! I’ll keep you posted in my next newsletter but until then I am looking forward to more news from our classmates.

Please See In Fond Memory

Friends for Life. This group of Colby-Sawyer friends gathered at the wedding of Mary Pat Desmond Cox’s daughter last May. Pictured are (l to r) Katrina M. Cox ’69 (aunt of bride), Susan Baker Cox ’75 (aunt of bride), Mary Pat Desmond Cox ’70 (mother of bride), Nancy Connolly Johnson ’70 and Jane Kernan Sayed ’71 MT. Mary Pat says she has a photograph of the same group at her own wedding in 1979!
Sara Warner Blackburn has been living in Wilmington, VT, for the past 5 years and works as an elementary school reading specialist. Her sons are 23 and 25 and live and work in Los Angeles and NY. She and her husband, Ted, spend the summers in the FL Keys. Jennie Kroll Hollister has been married for 32 years to the same man, and has 2 daughters: Grace, 25, will be married in June and Zoe, 22, is just getting her feel in the working world. Mira Fish Coleman left Cape Cod and is living in Farmington, ME. She opened a beaded jewelry studio, which she says came as a result of being inspired by Annie Pouch, who also has a beading business in Hopkinton, MA. I also heard from Betty Ann Carman Copley-Harris, who is president of the Copley Harris Company in Danvers, MA, which is a nonprofit company. She wonders how the rest of our gang from Burpee are doing. Maybe we can all find out at Reunion in June. I attended one reunion in '96, and we really had a wonderful time reminiscing. So let's see who can make it in June. And remember, if anyone is trying to locate an old pal, I have the contact list!

1972
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Wow, I am impressed! I put out a plea for news through the college's online directory and zingo! I got a number of responses in 48 hours. Thanks so much to those who responded to my plea for help. Tobi Olson Nason lives on the OR coast and writes a column for the small local paper, and also works in a clothing store part-time. She also has a private practice as a counselor in Manzanita. Her 2 children are in their teens. For fun, Tobi takes ballet and tap classes, as well as African drumming one night a week. Margaret “Blair” Fox sent me a quick note. After 20 years, she has left Wall Street and is doing a variety of things, from modeling, to being a “finder’s agent,” to doing something with screenplays. She was off for a quick break to London and Dublin. Lindsey Stewart reports that she is in touch with Megan Young Zwerner, who has recently relocated to Charleston, SC. Megan’s children are all college-aged. Lindsey’s daughter is a junior in college, so Lindsey and her husband, as empty nesters, are moving from downtown Chicago to Gainesville, FL. They had spent the last 27 years in Chicago. After battling Hepatitis C for the past 2 years, Lindsey is considered recovered. She also informed me that, sadly, her freshman year roommate, Anne Bell, died of lung cancer last April. Lee Sherman Wainwright writes from MI that at this point in their lives, all it seems she and her husband do is work 100 hours a week, sleep and then repeat 100 hours of work. I know that feeling, Lee. She is the director for a small, non-profit agency, “On My Own of Michigan,” working with adults with developmental disabilities. They provide support services so their clients can live as independently as possible. Both of their children are on their own. Lee would love to hear from Laura Sanburn Van Lier Ribbink and Faye Hooker Keller. Another e-mail came from Brandie Lee Frank Baumann, catching me up on the last 30 years. After marriage and raising 2 boys, one of whom is a sous chef near Denver, and the other a Navy Seal stationed in Germany. Brandie has been working for a non-profit library network for the past 15 years. She and her husband do some traveling as they can, and work on their house and ski a lot. Joan Messenger Tolles is having a busy year. Both of the daughters are getting married, one in May and one in July. Her son is graduating from high school in May, and the daughter who is getting married in May, graduated from college in Dec. On top of that, Joan herself will receive her M.Ed. degree in June, having gone back to school after her husband died. Joan loves her job as director of The Day Academy in Springboro, OH. Ruth Ann Riley Shuler writes now from Helena, MT, having moved there with her family recently, after living in NM for many years. Ruthann is substitute teaching, waiting for a full time job to open, and her husband, a lawyer, will be practicing there. Their son, Matthew, now 14, is into wrestling this year. Right now his ambition is to become a priest in the Episcopal Church. Last, but not least, I heard from Barbara Hartson Trucker, who is living in Las Vegas. Barb is retired from nursing and keeps herself out of trouble with a ladies’ bowling league, embroidery and volunteering with the band and color guard parents at the local high school. Barb’s older son is a junior at Ohio U in Athens, OH. Barb commented on seeing a license plate on a car recently that said “Maffy.” It made her think of Deborah Matthews Hurt, whose nickname was “Maff.” Well, Deb, let’s hear from you! Thanks again to all who sent their news for this column; I couldn’t have done it without you!

1973
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The entire class of ‘73 would like to welcome Thomas Galligan Jr. to the campus as Colby-Sawyer College’s eighth president. To read more, please go to http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/news/galligan.html. Memo to Mr. Galligan: Bring warm clothing! If you find yourself near the airport in Atlanta, try going a few miles down the road to a small village named Hapeville. There you will find the French Lunch Café, owned by Eileen Baxter Randman. It has been open for 15 years, and in ‘04, Eileen decided to open a bed and breakfast, Maison LaVigne. Eileen pursued culinary education in France over the past few years, so you know the food has to be great. Her daughter, Rachel, is now 21, and studying at GA Tech. You can reach Eileen at atableoffriends@maisonlavigne.com. Better yet, go there in person! Does anyone have Kristin Coleman Ruocco’s info for Eileen? Pamela White Nuffort is A picture is worth a thousand words.

Send us yours.

living in Delphium, near St. Paul, MN. She has been married to Bob Nuffort (Dartmouth) for 30 years. Their 2 children are Lauren, who is a senior at St. Lawrence U, and Matt, finishing his freshman year at the U of Denver. Most of you remember Pam is an RN, and she also volunteers facilitating grief classes. She is active in the St. Paul Garden Club, Befriender Ministry and a book club. She also finds time for skiing, tennis and golf. It is so nice to be blessed with good health, many friends and a loving family. Pam can be reached at pwn53@yahoo.com. Rebecca Rice is dancing and is a choreographer. She performed in NYC in March and in Boston in May. Rebecca has landed on dance critics “Best of Boston Top 10” lists, and has been a sought-after and highly respected dance teacher and performer. With a solid base in classical ballet and experience in many modern styles, Rebecca combines them to create a unique blend of modernism and musicality. Rebecca was fortunate to be exposed to modern dance at a young age, as her grandmother and aunt were on the cutting edge and leading dancers of their time. Rebecca, we know how old you are, so do how you have all this stamina day after day? The following is excerpted from the 2 Boston newspapers: “Rebecca Rice devotes her energies to developing dance work from an organic center unencumbered by cliché and inspired with her love of energy and texture, creative movement and the complexities of new classical music. The result is a unique choreographic style that critics have called powerful...playful...inventive...stunning and with beauty and craftsmanship.” Look at
very rewarding. You can reach Tish Forman at e-mail Rebecca at rdance@earthlink.net. It is so nice to hear the sun is shining on Margee Russell-Farnum Cullinan again. After being a widow for 8 years (husband Bill Farnum, Dartmouth ’73), Margee remarried and is happily living in Peoria, IL and Scottsdale, AZ. Her son, Marshall, age 31, lives in Boston, and is working on his master's at Harvard, as well as doing a little TV and radio advertising. Her daughter, Molly, is married and working at the San Diego Institute of Art. Margee sounds like she is very busy with her new extended family. Congratulations on being a newlyweds in your 50s! Margee, please send me your e-mail address.

Tish Price Petersen has been living in Spartanburg, SC, for the past 4 years. Her husband, Paul, is a Presbyterian minister and they have 2 married daughters. Emily is 24, and Lauren is 22, and they both live in Chicago. Tish is working for “Quiet Places,” a home party company that sells products which help women develop quiet places in their homes, hearts and minds, leading them to a relationship, or a closer relationship, with Christ. You can reach Tish at Pjanes536@aol.com. Pam Guthman Kissok lives in Solana Beach, CA. Pam recently married a former professional golfer. And Pam doesn’t golf! He’s from Northern Ireland, so they visit the UK about 3 times a year, and spend time with his 3 children and 6 grandchildren. After Pam’s mom passed about 4 years ago, Pam closed the antique business and gallery, gave up writing and her P.R. business, stopped publishing the art and antiques magazine, and sold the family home, all in the Westport/ Southport CT area. This is the best part: Pam “listened” for about 4 months. During that “listening time,” she trained for an Ironman, as well as helped a woman who was on Hospice. It was during this time she met her husband. Her career now is ‘listening time,” she trained for an Ironman, as well as helped a woman who was on Hospice. It was during this time she met her husband. Her career now is helping others solve problems through prayer-based solutions as a Christian Science practitioner, which is something she has cherished her whole life, and finds very rewarding. You can reach Pam at pgkissock@adelphia.net.

Lori Livingston lives in Birmingham, AL. She and her husband have 2 beautiful daughters, ages 7 and 9, and a large extended Thai family. Lori founded an Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation in memory of her mom, who passed 14 years ago. She spends a lot of time with her family, the foundation, their horses and barn, the dogs and all their wonderful friends. Summers are spent in Steamboat Springs in CO. You can reach Lori at surinwest@yahoo.com.

Cathy Moore Pomeroys is still on the city council and is teaching reading. She also keeps busy with her 3 high-school aged children. She says she and Ted both have full schedules between their own activities and their children’s.

Shelley Baird Mathías is living in Lyndonville, VT. She is recently divorced and says she’s finding life very interesting and exciting. She teaches at Lake Region Union High School and is also enrolled in a doctoral program in education policy and leadership at the University of VT. Shelley recently returned from playing in the women’s senior C level USA Hockey regionals. She took up the sport 5 years ago, plays goalie, and absolutely loves it! Shelley’s youngest child graduated from Lyndon Institute this spring and her older 3 children are all off on their own. Son John is experiencing life in NYC; Megan is working in banking in Reno, NV; and Chris is a 2nd year law student at VT Law School. I love hearing from all of you. Stay well.

1974

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Lots of news! I was thrilled to hear from fellow Shepard dormmate Suzie Cook Kinsella recently. After 28 years at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in various fundraising positions, 2 years ago she became director for development for New England Baptist Hospital, which specializes in orthopedics. Suzie, her husband, John, and their 10-year-old daughter, Lindsey, live in Medfield, MA. She keeps in touch with close CSC friends Maureen Shea, Dale Carder Van Wart and Patty Crowell. I heard from Susan Brown Holtham that she and Bill now have 7 grandchildren (her step-grandchildren). They are all 4 years old and younger—all boys—and quite a handful. Sue and Bill are still working for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Bill has 37 years with the federal government, and may retire next year. Sue has 31 and hopes to call it quits in about 4 years. She is a deputy program manager for environmental documentation for Army base closure and realignment. Clare “Missy” Steers Wilich has stayed connected to Colby-Sawyer. She is currently serving on the President’s Alumni Advisory Council, which facilitates alumni involvement in the college. She says it’s been fun to be back on campus, seeing how many good things have happened at our alma mater. Missy lives in New Castle, NH, with her 2 grown children and daughter Haley, who is a high school sophomore. We hear from Ann Hlanders Eaton that she married Brad Eaton in Aug. ’03. They built a new home in Bethlehem, NH. Brad has started an electrical business and Ann has been teaching skiing at Cannon Mountain, where she loves getting paid to ski. Ann keeps in touch with Debbie Lawrence Forman, Holly Hurd DiMauro, Sue Smart Ferguson, Pam Moe Bonnevile, and hears from Ellen Attridge Dickhaut every Christmas. Eleanor Cummings Bove and Jerry are in their 3rd year of living in Birmingham, England, and, based on Jerry’s work, it looks like they will be there for 3 more years. Eleanor is president of the American Women’s Club and is loving every minute of the expatriate experience. Both of her daughters are middle/high school teachers, following in Eleanor’s footsteps. Kathryn Roberts McMullen reports that life is busy in Naples, FL, with husband Frank and their soon-to-be 10-year-old son, Miles. He’s into flag football, basketball, soccer and golf. Kathryn is a 15-year veteran at the Ritz-Carlton, Naples, currently as the spa sales manager, which she loves. In her spare time, Kathryn trains for marathons, half-marathons and the Falmouth (MA) Road Race. She loves her place in the back of the pack, among those who don’t even try to win! Kathryn and family continue to split their year and summer on Cape Cod at the Cape Cod National Golf Club in Brewster/Orleans, where Frank is the chef. She points out, “I must say I am getting wiser as I get older, taking more time to smell the aromatherapy along the way! Would love to hear from other Burpee Dorm alumni!” Sally Williams Cook’s new book for 7-10 year olds about how baseball was played 100 years ago is coming out in the spring of ’07 from Simon & Schuster. Award-winning
They all lived in Abbey Dorm and Laurie Ferguson. That's all for now. Keep those letters coming!

1975

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Editor’s Note: Special thanks to Laurie Ferguson, who served as the 1975 class correspondent from 1979–2006! And a warm welcome to Nancy Eaton Welch, who is the new class correspondent.

After her 1st year at Colby-Sawyer, Nancy Eaton Welch transferred to Middlebury College, where she met her husband. They have been married 29 years. They lived and worked in Essex Junction, VT, for 19 years, then moved to New London, NH. They have 2 daughters, 24-year-old Elizabeth and 21-year-old Emily, both of whom graduated from Proctor Academy. Elizabeth graduated from UNH in 2004 and is now living and working in Charleston, SC. Emily attended college for a year before deciding to take time off to do a NOLS Program in the Pacific Northwest. She is currently living at home, and is working and taking dance classes at Colby-Sawyer. She plans to attend college full time in the fall. Nancy is the associate director of financial aid at Dartmouth College. She looks forward to her work with classmates and the Colby-Sawyer Alumni Office in her new role as class correspondent. She would love to know the whereabouts of Susan Hatch Barton ’74, Heidi Hammond and Kathy Stavros. They all lived in Abbey Dorm and had a blast. When she sent along her news in March, Marlene Mustard Graf said she found herself preparing more and more tax returns for friends and family. As a result, she was eagerly anticipating a spring vacation to Maui with her husband, Walt, and one of her 6 grandchildren. Carlene Dahill Bush reports that her daughter spent the spring semester in Madrid and Carlene had the opportunity to visit her there in March. Her daughter is an education major at the U of VT, and will begin her senior year in the fall. Carlene’s son will graduate from St. Thomas More School in Oakdale, CT, in May. Susan Baker Cox has been living in Chesapeake, VA, since the summer of 1997. Her son graduated from James Madison University in May 2005, and her daughter, who is a communications major, will enter her senior year at Virginia Tech. in the fall. Susan’s husband, Jim, is a Navy captain and recently completed his 27th year of Naval service. Since they were married, they have moved about 12 times and have lived on both coasts. Now that the kids are out of the house, Susan has been working in order to help keep up with the tuition bills. “I am the assistant to the principal at a middle school. It is great fun, and let me tell you, 950 middle schoolers can be quite a challenge, not to mention the parents and teachers! But I love my job,” she says. Susan hears from Sally Hart Greiner, Carlene Dahill Bush and Jenny Reggio Greenspan every now and then, and their group manages to get together every couple of years. Tory Tyler-Millar has been teaching art at Portland High School in Portland, ME, for 24 years. She is a member of the Maine Art Education Association and is co-chair of the statewide K-12 Youth Art Month Exhibit at the Portland Museum of Art. Tory and her husband, Mark, have 2 daughters. Heidi attends Union College in Schenectady, NY, and recently completed her junior term abroad at York St. John University in York, England. Younger daughter Marianna is completing her junior year at Cape Elizabeth High School is beginning her college search. Last summer Tory and Mark attended the weddings of their 2 godchildren, who are the son and daughter of Barbara Battis Nowakowski ’74 and her husband, Stan (NEC ’75). Tory reports that they were both spectacular events, and her daughter was thrilled to serve as a bridesmaid in Sarah Nowakowski’s wedding. Bradley Nevins Olufs and his husband, Dave, are expecting their first grandchild in June. “Will my blonde hair unexpectedly turn blue now?” she asks. Unfortunately, Bradley says she’s lost touch with many of her classmates. Jill McLaughlin Godfrey is planning a mini-reunion in ME this summer with Nancy McIntyre Zemline, Marsha Meyer Hall and Sandy Comstock Repetta. They have 9 children between them, all of whom will be attending the mini-reunion, along with their husbands. Jill’s oldest daughter, Blair, graduated from St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia in May. Her twins, Scott and Devon, will graduate from high school this spring, and as of this writing in March, they had yet to decide upon which college they wanted to attend. Jill’s youngest child, Megan, is a high school sophomore. Last April Betsey Tryon Levering, Stina Nutter MacDougall, Diane Cotton Siemsen and Linda Johnson ’76 took a trip to Sedona, AZ, and the Grand Canyon. Diane lives in CA, and Stina, Betsey and Linda, all of whom live in MA, had not seen her in 10 years! “We had a wonderful week together, catching up on our current lives, reminiscing about life at Colby, and enjoying the culture and scenery of a beautiful part of AZ. The trip entailed hiking, vortex jeep touring, shopping, photography, artwork, relaxation and lots of laughs.” says Stina. Helen “Hells” Poummit Curhan, who is still living in Santa Barbara, celebrated her 50th birthday in Nov. with a great surprise party and a wild trip to New Zealand. Her oldest son, Drew, is a student at Tufts University, and high school junior Zac, enjoys swimming and waterpolo. Helen loves being a nutritionist and enjoys biking. She wishes everyone the best. Holly Hawkes Pascoe serves as assistant dean of student life at Eastern Arizona College in Thatcher, AZ. The spring was very busy for her with numerous deadlines for student handbooks, yearbooks, etc. In her limited spare time, she has enjoyed serving as an art docent for 6th graders in 3 local schools. She’s also active in Rotary International and will be speaking at an upcoming district conference on the topics of marketing and public relations. Last summer Holly enjoyed a mini-reunion with Cathy Mooney Konopnicki and Joan Carruth Prudhomme on the shores of Newfound Lake in Bristol, NH. “Although Cathy and I live in the same town in AZ, our busy schedules don’t allow us many opportunities to get together. It was a treat to see each other in New England, and to see Joan, who drove up from RI,” says Holly. Holly’s son is a senior at AZ State University, and she finds his tales of college life quite interesting, both as a parent and a student affairs professional.

Pamela Brett Carpenter’s daughter, Sarah, is a sophomore at UMass and spent her spring break in San Francisco, volunteering with Habitat for Humanity. Pamela’s son, Sam, is a high school senior and is trying to decide between the University of VT and Ithaca. Pamela enjoyed a mini Abbey reunion last Oct. at the home of Carol Blondell in York, ME. Betsy Pittman, Lynn Hollis, Lynn Hjelmstad, Jacqui Loewy and Laurie Coughlan were also in attendance. They enjoyed beautiful weather, great food and lots of time to catch up. Arden Avedisian was very disappointed with the class of ’75 at Reunion last year. “What happened to us?” she wrote. “It was just me, Charlotte Lipton Kelman and Chris LoBello!” Arden is still in Fort Lauderdale, where she keeps busy substitute teaching.

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experience and successfully culminated in Feb. with the board electing Thomas C. Galligan, Jr. as the 8th president. I encourage everyone to attend college-sponsored events in your area to meet Tom over the next year. I know that you will be as impressed as we were!” Anne's daughter, Windy, a junior at Bates, recently became engaged to Dustin Jansen, a senior at Bates. They are planning a June 2007 wedding. Anne's son, Rod, resigned from the insurance industry. He's living in Manchester, NH, and is pursuing a degree in criminal justice from Hesser College. Rick, Anne's husband, is a regional president of TD Banknorth Insurance Group and is thoroughly enjoying the new firm and his new responsibilities.

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Meet the Parkers. (l to r) Charlie, Sarah, Amory and Anna Parker, children of Barbara Zenker Parker ’76.

Harvey Newell ’75. Wendy would love updates from all of her Colby friends. Kathy Rose sent along a note reporting that she is living in South Burlington, VT, and is doing well. She works with her mother in a store in Waitsfield, VT. They buy from Foreside. Susan “Jan” Sharp Fenner sent a note to the Alumni Office indicating that her family adopted a Hurricane Katrina family this year. The Fenners live in Atlanta, GA. Barbara Zenker Parker and her husband, Ollie, are still living on their farm in Hamilton, MA. Their children are Sarah (18), Amory (16), Anna (15) and Charlie (12). Barbara remains at home focusing on the family for now, but she is considering getting back into nursing as the children are growing up.

1976 Reunion

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In Jan., Janet Spurr was overwhelmed by her good friends, including Dana Swezey ’75, who traveled to Miami Beach, FL, for Janet’s 50th birthday party. Later in March she enjoyed another celebration in Marblehead, MA. Janet writes, “Cabby Herr, Karen Dykes Lucas, Dana Swezey and Amy Parker Rossi ’77 helped put it together. They turned Marblehead into the beach tropics, and I’ll never forget it! I hope everyone has as much fun on their birthday this year.” Heather Marshall Lyons and her husband, Bob, recently sold their home in RI and moved to Palm Beach Gardens, FL. Their oldest daughter, Kate, will graduate from Emory University in Atlanta in May. Their youngest daughter, Alicia, is a sophomore at Rollins College in Winter Park, FL. Heather and Bob will be at their New England home in Nantucket in May. She hopes to see many friends and classmates at Reunion in June. Wendy Wickstrom Conley has been married for 20 years and has 2 teenage daughters. She lives outside of Rochester, NY, and works with special ed. children in an elementary school. Wendy says, “I have great memories of CSC and all of my friends in Colby dorm. I am still in touch with Candi Shrum Cullum and Sara

1977

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Editor’s Note: Special thanks to Wendi Braun for serving as the 1977 class correspondent.

Hello to all fellow ’77 grads! This is my first time writing as class correspondent, so bear with me. I want to start off by thanking Patricia Ryan Eline for her work as class correspondent these past years. She has done a great job and I appreciate her contribution in keeping us connected. Let’s start off with her news. Patricia has been busy with raising James (age 9) and Morgan (age 19). She volunteers quite a bit in town, at the school, and on the PTO, teaching CCD, and coaching youth soccer in the spring and fall. Her husband, Jim, is a captain on a private motor yacht, so he travels quite a bit but he is based in Jamestown, RI, all summer. Patricia writes, “A nice perk is going to the Bahamas every April for a vacation on the boat! I’d like to say hi to my Colby dormmates.” Cynthia Sparagna has lived in Los Angeles for the past 15 years. She’s an estate agent with Ewing & Associates Sotheby’s International Realty in Calabasas, CA, and she resides in Woodland Hills, CA. Kathy

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Sometimes life can take the most unexpected twists and turns. Just ask Suzanne Voth Gorman ’77 of Malvern, Pa. That’s certainly the truth in her case. No one, including herself, ever would have imagined that years after leaving Colby-Sawyer College she’d be a singer/songwriter, breaking ground in the adult contemporary market.

As a student at Colby-Sawyer in the mid-1970s, Suzanne wasn’t completely sure what she wanted to be when she grew up. She was very interested in the medical field and took courses to prepare to work as a secretary in a hospital setting. At one point, she thought she would go back to school for nursing after she received her associate’s degree from Colby-Sawyer. Those plans dissipated when she got her first job out of college, working in the material world of clothing, and she quickly found herself successfully managing clothing stores. Not enjoying the never-ending hours, Suzanne quit and got back into the medical field, working for a doctor at Bryn Mawr Hospital in Pennsylvania and returning to school to study pre-med. During this time, Suzanne was married and adopted her son, Chaz, and soon after, she realized that her life was not taking her in the direction of a career in the medical field. As a result, Susan became a stay-at-home mom and began to focus on her family and on her other passion: horses. She had grown up with a love of horses and had been riding since the age of seven. Once she was able to focus more attention on her riding, she became very successful and soon had hopes of the Olympics and the Grand Prix. Those dreams were shattered when Suzanne developed a stenosis in her neck in 1998. After undergoing corrective surgery, a spinal staph infection set in, leaving Suzanne bedridden in the hospital for eight weeks and physically impaired, with loss of feeling on her left side, for two years. She used music as a form of therapy for her left hand and began playing the guitar. “From there my path was being laid out for me, and I did not even see it, but I felt it. The funny thing is, I always had music in me. I wrote my first song at age seven and was singing in my brother’s band at the age of 12,” explains Suzanne.

Music was soon encompassing a big portion of Suzanne’s life. She began to sing with a pianist in Philadelphia and was performing whenever and wherever she could. It wasn’t long before executives in the music industry were taking notice. Her first big break came with an offer to sing with the Glen Campbell Band, opening for James Taylor. “I took that opportunity under my wing and flew with it,” Suzanne explains. “I had one rehearsal and there I was on stage in front of 2,500 people. I had a smile on my face that could have stretched across the U.S., directly into Nashville. At that moment, I knew that music was for me.”

Another chance encounter soon had Suzanne traveling to Nashville to meet with Nancy Peacock, a publisher and songwriter, whose work is well-respected and has been recorded by a number of artists, including Jennifer Webb, April Taylor and Kevin Maines. Nancy introduced Suzanne to the art of co-writing and allowed her to perform a few covers on a demo. This experience sealed the deal for Suzanne, and soon she was traveling to Nashville on a routine basis to learn the tricks of the trade and to meet with wonderful mentors, with whom she was co-writing. Before long she had a strong repertoire of songs under her belt and was beginning to get noticed. “Sanctuary,” which she co-wrote with Nancy Peacock and Joe Binder, was performed by a top ten finalist on “Nashville Star,” and her song “Breathless,” was featured on the popular television show “Dawson’s Creek.”

Last June, Suzanne was signed by Range Records, who sent her to Reba McEntire’s Starstruck Studios to record her first album, “Open Book.” Range Records President Joe Mattis struck a deal with Sony and her album will be released in May. Her first single from the album, “Heartbreaker,” hit the radio airwaves in April. “I can only say I’m blessed from the Mother Earth to the Heavens,” she says. “I pinch myself daily just knowing I’ve come this far. We grow with every experience, and I have had many, and this is certainly one of the best. It’s such a feeling of accomplishment to know that your song will be played on air throughout the U.S., and that your record will be sold worldwide.”

Suzanne also used her musical talent, not just for entertainment purposes, but also as a basis for the formation of the Christians’ Nite Live Foundation. Christian was a little boy whose parents Suzanne had known for a very long time. He was born with a serious illness, and managing his medical needs was draining the life out of them and the money from their pockets. Their first fundraising event, at which Suzanne performed, raised $60,000. Since then, they’ve teamed up with the Variety Club of Philadelphia, giving the foundation their non-profit status. Suzanne explains, “For me, it’s giving back with my music and doing something totally for others. When I share my music, I always feel like I’m at the right place at the right time. I love people, and I want to give back in equal measure what I have received.”

Suzanne is a living testament to never stop dreaming. Sometimes your dreams can take you to the places you’d least expect.

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**Brown Teece**’s eldest daughter, Erica, 23, moved to Chicago in Nov. and is working at an immigration law firm. Her son, Alex, 20, is in his sophomore year at Ithaca College in NY, studying business and playing on the lacrosse team. Samantha, 16, is a junior in high school and lives for sports. She has just begun the college search. Kathy keeps busy doing volunteer work, helping to care for her aging mother, keeping law and order on the home front, and living life to the fullest. She says, “Hello to all! Life continues to be full, but good.” **Susan Graham Winslow** is married to Scott Winslow and has 3 kids. One is attending College of the Holy Cross, one is in high school, and one is in junior high. They live on a small horse farm, East Meadow Farm, in Boxford, MA. Susan volunteers in therapeutic horseback riding and is a writer for the *Equine Journal*. She just had a story published in *Chicken Soup for the Horse Lover’s Soul II*. She writes, “I hope everyone from the class of ’77 is well and happy.”

**Leslie Powers Gurski** is living in St. Petersburg/Clearwater, FL, for 9 years. She is an RN working in Bay Pines VA Hospital emergency room. She is still skiing, roller blading and biking, but her new love is Harley riding! Both she and her husband own Harleys and just love to ride. **Janice Boudreau** is enjoying her 10th year of self-employment as a wedding photographer in the Berkshires and VT. She writes, “It has been fun to record such a happy day in the lives of clients.” Janice and her husband, Paul Turnbull, recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a trip to Italy. Paul was recently appointed director and curator of Hallmark Museum of Contemporary Photography in Turners Falls, MA. **Dorothy “Dede” Wilson McQuillan** is still living in Medfield, MA. She writes, “I have temporarily lost touch with many CSC friends due to busy lives! I’m not worried, as I know we’ll all get together at some point!” Dede’s oldest daughter is a freshman at Loyola College in Baltimore and loves it. Her son is still waiting to hear from a few colleges for next year and wants to stay in the Boston area. Her 2 daughters are in middle school so she does not have an empty nest yet! She hopes to see some old Colby friends sometime. **Toni Houghton** is still living and working on Cape Cod with her significant other, Bob Hallot. She enjoys the beach and garden in the warm months and skiing in the winter. She was looking forward to the Alumni Ski Day at Mt. Sunapee. Did anyone see her? **Elizabeth “Betsy” Mullen Wakely** is living in Atlanta, GA, with her husband and 3 boys. Her 2 older boys are in college at VA Tech. Their youngest is in the 8th grade. She works with 3rd grade children at the local elementary school and tries to keep in touch with her Colby-Sawyer friends. I got an e-mail from **Andrea Clifton Harper** and was delighted to hear from her. Andy writes, “I moved to AZ several weeks after graduation, and have been here ever since. I worked for a local utility company for 23 years, until I got married in April ’03. My husband, Gary Harper, is a native Phoenician, a rare commodity. We survive the very warm (but dry!) summers by spending time at our cabin in northern AZ, near Flagstaff. I do a lot of volunteering in the community. For the last 6 years, I’ve been tutoring 2nd grade students at a low-income elementary school in Phoenix. I work with them to improve their English, reading and comprehension skills.” Andy lived in Best Dorm and is in contact with **Sally Funk Barratt ’78** and Charlotte Pattison Mann each Christmas. Sally lives in VT, though she and her husband, Peter, are looking for a new place to live. Charlotte lives in Manchester by the Sea, MA, with her husband, Lane, and their 2 daughters, Chelsea and Charlie. **Jennifer Harwood Petersen** is busy with 2 teenage girls and working in the family business. She keeps in touch with **Heidi Platt Gruskowski ’78** and **Meredith Andrews Benjamin ’77** and sees them often. Her nephew, Robert Harwood ’08, is a student at CSC now. Has anyone seen or heard from **Leslie “Ozone” Goodman or Nancy Black Mallett ’79**? How about **Martha Everett or Hope Stavros ’78**? **Emily Wagner** has been divorced since ’99 and is asales director for Classic Fare Catering (a division of Aramark. She resides in Cincinnati, OH, with her 2 children, Lisa, 16, and Phillip, 12. She sends “hugs to all Shepard dorm girls!” **JoAnne Dodge Kane** has 3 boys. Billy is 21 and lives in North Conway, NH, and has his EMT license. He is looking to fight forest fires out west in the spring. Nicholas is 18 and is a freshman at So. ME Community College in Portland, ME. Her youngest son, Tommy, is 8. She is the assistant to the athletic director at the local private school, Fryeburg Academy. Her husband, Bill, is director of education at SOLO, a private school in Conway, NH, specializing in outdoor emergency medicine and outdoor leadership. She writes, “Just Bill, Joanne, and Tommy at home now. It feels very odd! Hope everyone is well, and I look forward to hearing news from other Colgaters!” Did you know that the New London Inn underwent a renovation in ’05? It was bought by new owners and updated with a new dining room and lodging. From the local reviews, it is a 3 star restaurant now. Has anyone eaten there since the renovation? **Penny Gordon Saffler** has been married for 21 years to Eric. They have 2 children—Zoe, age 11, and Rachel, age 15. Penny is an interior designer working part-time for an architect near her home. She opened a small art boutique called The Loft @ Safflers specializing in portraits, hand painted glassware and furniture. Penny saw **Roxanne MacDonald Curley** last year. Also in the past year, she and her husband built a new house in Whitman, MA. **Anne Sullivan Tobin** lives in Boxford, MA, and owns a human resources consulting business geared to helping small companies with their HR needs. Her son is 19 and a sophomore at Elon U. in NC, and her daughter is 16 and a junior in high school. Anne has been married to her husband, Bill, for 24 years. “How can I possibly be that old! Hello to all my buddies from Shepard Dorm. I think of you guys often!” **Mimi Swinyer Richards** still lives in NH and has been working at Mt. Ascutney Hospital in Windsor, VT, for 28 years as technical laboratory supervisor. Her husband, Karl, and her daughter, Heather, also work there. Her daughter is 28, works as a personnel assistant, and is pursuing her bachelor’s degree in HR. Her son, Shawn, is 25 and in his 3rd year of electrician school. He is the proud father of Mimi’s grandson, Aiden, now 9 months old. **June Bascom** is still living in Montpelier, the capital ‘town’ of VT. 2005 brought 3 significant events to her life. First she celebrated 20 years of working for the State of VT, the past one spent navigating a major reorganization of the Agency of Human Services to identify services to Vermonters with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities and older people. Second, she graduated from the VT Leadership Institute.
— a year long leadership development program that seeks to stimulate citizen enthusiasm for and participation in public service. And last but not least, 2005 marked decade living with her dear partner, Michael. Lastly, she had a home renovation-free for a year. Ellen Merchant Kahler has not recently moved and still lives in Sharon, MA. Susan Sommer Ballou earned her master’s of education degree in May ’05 from Rivier College in Nashua, NH. She took on a new career in Aug. as assistant principal at Milford Middle School in Milford, NH. In Nov. she moved into a new home in Lyndeborough, NH. She says it’s nice to be in the country again. Her daughter, Shannon Lange, is finishing her junior year at CSC. She loves it. Susan writes, “Boy, do the years fly by!” Tracy Maynard Silver has been married 25 years to a Dartmouth grad (’77) and they have 3 girls. One is in college at Tulane U. Tracy writes, “After years of various volunteer jobs at school and in town, I am trying to ‘inch’ my way back into the job force—we will see.” She attended the Colby-Sawyer reunion last May with Becky Zagorski Silver ’76, Sue Pfeiffer ’76, Karen Gallagher Grant ’78, Sue Carroll Hassett, Lisa Maroney Bareis ’77, Peggy McMMillan Fuller ’76. Tracy was asking for Wendy Ostrander Masters. Does anyone know her whereabouts? Dorothea “DJ” Jesser has lived in Taftsville, VT, for the past 10 years with her husband, Dan, and their 2 children, 17-year-old Danielle and 15-year-old Benn. She is contract ed through the VT Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program. She also works as a therapist and teaches skiing. DJ writes, “Any students interested in doing an internship with horses and special needs are welcome to contact me!” In closing, I (Wendi Braun) want to share with you my recent visit to New London. As a chaperone on my daughter’s 5th grade camping trip to NH last spring, we climbed Mt. Kearsarge. What a hoot that was, and it certainly brought back memories of our Mountain Days. (Anyone remember getting a ride on my motorcycle at the base?) All the children and adults made it to the top, despite the extremely hot day (80 degrees). And bugs! Augh! I had forgotten about those bugs. While camping in a nearby town, I did manage to sneak off one day and take a stroll around campus. I remembered it as a small campus, but it really has grown. Beautiful new buildings are now behind the Burpee Dorm, including the Ivey Science Center, the library, the Hogan Sports Center and other new buildings. And there are now dorms on the hill behind the old library/cafe teria. I was pleased to see the college has kept up with the times. And with all the changes still it keeps its charm. I snuck into Best Dorm and visited the basement, where I lived for one year. Not a thing had changed there: same white walls and green shower stalls! Not having anticipated the size of the enlarged campus, I was tired, but satisfied to reminisce and come to terms with my CSC experience and the passage of time. Which reminds me: take a moment to read the earlier class notes starting with 1930 to get a perspective on life. Carpe diem. Be sure to send me an e-mail of your vacation plans, favorite memories of CSC, or old / new photos. Your classmates what to hear from you!

1978

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celebrating her 6-year anniversary with IBM, and was granted the opportunity to go on sabbatical last summer. She and her husband just purchased a home on Lake Winnipesaukee and spent 5 weeks in “heaven” in the NH mountains, hiking, swimming, boating, skiing and playing tennis with her 12-year-old daughter (her husband unfortunately could not get the time off). “It was so incredibly life changing. It was the first time I enjoyed being a mother fully and didn’t have the worries and anxiety of juggling home life and work demands”. Kimberly said it gave her the opportunity to see what a stay-at-home mom’s life is like. Unfortunately, sabbaticals do end, so Kimberly is back to work, but finds time to ski and snowboard during the winter to try to help her deal with the winter blues. They drive right past the intersection of Route 89 and 93 on their way to their vacation home, which always makes her think of her days at Colby-Sawyer. Debra Hartzell Cahill wrote from her office in Istanbul, Turkey, where she has been for 3 weeks. She will be heading back home to Delray Beach, FL, after a quick stop to see a customer in Kiev and writes that she is “very much looking forward to sun and sand.” Libby Whiting Brock will be celebrating her 23rd wedding anniversary this June. Congrats, Libby! Her 19-year-old son attends the local community college while trying to decide what he really wants to do (hey, I’m still trying to figure that one out)! Her 17-year-old daughter, Isabel, will graduate from high school in June and has been taking classes at the community college through a program called Running Start, where students can earn their AA and high school diploma at the same time. She started the program this year, and will have one year of college under her belt when she attends Seattle Pacific U for marine biology in the fall. She plans on living in Seattle but “as anyone who’s had a 17-year-old daughter knows, plans change constantly!” Libby’s husband is with the U.S. Marshal Service and has mandatory retirement in 7 years, so they are looking to retire on the WA or OR coast. Libby continues to work part-time in billing at Guardian Life Insurance Company, where she has been for the past 12 years. She does a little bit of everything, from end of day reconciliation to finding lost money and preparing weekly and monthly reports for the department manager. Thanks so much for sending us news, Libby. It’s great to hear from you.
Victoria Gallucci continues to be active in the theater, both onstage and off, and recently starred in an off-off Broadway play. She is currently directing a new play for the 12 Miles West Theater Company in Bloomfield, NJ, while also working as a fundraiser and events planner for non-profit organizations. When the mood strikes her, Victoria can be found singing backup in her boyfriend’s band. Victoria resides with her dachshund, Penny Lane, in Glen Ridge, NJ. Victoria recently started her own public relations firm. She specializes in representing musicians. In the winter of ’04, Victoria reunited with Austin Dorn mates Jane Venie Earls ’79, Diane Guilbault DeBiasi ’79 and Linda Simon Miller. They had an amazing dinner in NYC, then returned to Victoria’s house for a slumber party, complete with lots of laughter ‘til the party, complete with lots of fun. Sue Webster ’78 keeps busy with her kindergarten-aged daughter, Heather, who is a lot of fun. Sue has also been working with stained glass for about 10 years and was recently juried into the League of NH Craftsmen. Some of her work is in the Concord store, and she encourages friends and classmates to stop in and take a look. She also has some pieces in a gallery in Manchester, NH. Their Website is www.eastcolony.com. On top of all of that, Sue holds a part-time job as a graphic designer with Hewlett-Packard. She does keep in touch with some of her friends from the class of ’76, including her longtime friend, Stephanie Burke Hendrickson.

That’s all the news for now. I want to thank you for your continued support. I have had quite a few of you thanking me for my willingness to coordinate the class news. Of course, it is much easier and more enjoyable when I get news from you! You’re what makes this column happen! If it helps in keeping us all in touch with one another, then I’m happy so those cards and e-mails are coming. Have a great spring/summer and hope to see you sometime here in beautiful New London.

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Pascale Brisquet-Quevruex says hello to all of her friends from the class of ’79, especially Leslie Brown, whose family helped her while she was in the United States, and Debbie Inman Turcotte ’81, with whom Pascale enjoyed speaking French. Pascale and her husband, Yves, have 2 daughters—20-year-old Alice and 15-year-old Hélène—who are the joy of their lives. She says she is fine, keeps busy with work, and enjoying riding and jogging. She writes, “Do not believe every-thing you hear on TV or read in the newspapers, because French people do love you, no matter what!” Paula J. Magnanni is the founder and managing principal of Strategic Healthcare Solutions (SHS), a New England-based healthcare consulting firm. Paula serves as a strategic healthcare consultant with over 15 years of progressive leadership experience helping healthcare organizations, private corporations, and non-profit organizations evaluate and respond to emerging healthcare IT market trends and government policy initiatives. She holds a bachelor of science degree in medical laboratory science from Northeastern University, and is board-certified by the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. Paula has served as the chapter president (2002-2003) for the New England Chapter of the Healthcare Information & Management Systems Society (HIMSS). Since becoming a member in 1999, she has brought relentless, enthusiastic, commitment, and dedication to the New England chapter, where she was recently nominated for HIMSS Chapter Leader of the Year Award, and recognized by her peers of the NEHIMSS board as the recipient of the “2005 NEHIMSS Board Recognition award.” In addition to her active role on the board, she is currently serving on the HIMSS Chapters & Programs Task Force Committee, a member of the Awards and Nominations committee, Regional Liaison for the Northeast Chapters, and co-founder and mentor for NEW! 2005 RFID SIG, Special Interest Group.

1980

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Hello to the great class of 1980. We did receive a couple of updates from our classmates, and I hope the rest of you will send a note for the next issue. Mary Ellen Blatchford Walker and her husband, Dale, recently celebrated their 25th anniversary. Congratulations! Unfortunately Dale left for Iraq on their anniversary, April 4. They will celebrate upon his return. They have 2 daughters in college. Erin is a junior at UVM, studying civil engineering, and Kara is a freshman at Colby-Sawyer. Mary Ellen enjoys getting to the campus often to watch her play soccer or compete with the swim team. Go CSC! Maureen Dunn Weaver writes from Stamford, CT. She has a son, Dan, a junior at Stanford High, who plays football. They are starting to look at colleges, with a preference for the
Maritime Academies. She also has a step-daughter in Seminole, FL, who is a teacher, and shows Jack Russell terriers. Maureen is finishing her undergraduate degree this spring at the University of CT, and has had her own consulting business since 1990. I, Lee Hartwell Jackson, am still enjoying sunny FL, and will see our 4th daughter off to college in the fall. We had an amazing trip to Fiji for our 25th anniversary over the Valentine’s Day holiday. I hope to hear what everyone else has been up to.

**1981**

Class Correspondent Needed

Marlene Haglund-Hatch recently found herself looking through her old Colby-Sawyer yearbooks and wrote, “What fun we had in the good old days. It’s too bad we didn’t know then what we know now!” Marlene has transitioned into gerontology health information as manager for the past 2 years. She coordinates educational programs for staff, one of which was recently nominated for national recognition. She is also active as a development volunteer for the local historical preservation society. She recently developed their Web site and Easter egg hunt. On top of all of that, she is raising her 8-year-old daughter, Alexandra. Marlene went through a divorce within the past 2 years, but says she is finding happiness in many new fulfilling opportunities. Marlene says she has lost touch with many of her Colby-Sawyer friends, and would love to hear from any of you. She can be reached via e-mail at Hatchml@aol.com.

Sue Herrick-Huntington recently moved to the country and lives in Putnam Station, NY, near Ticonderoga with her husband, Ernie, and their Corgi, Cora. They purchased a 100-year-old house overlooking a pond that flows into Lake Champlain. It is a wild refuge area with bald eagles and all sorts of wildlife. Sue is the director of medical data services at Glens Falls Hospital, working hard on automation projects. She hopes to sell her paintings and braided rugs some day. Ernie is starting up a handcrafted furniture and forestry consulting business.

Mary Kyle Dyer-Martin recently entered a new health practice in East Greenbush, NY. It is a large family practice, which is affiliated with Seton Health in Troy, NY, and has spent the past year building her patient panel. Her husband, Bernie, is working as a civil engineer with the Chazen Company in Troy. They have a lovely home with beautiful views of the Berkshires and the Catskills. “I have been the class agent for the past several years, and I hope that everyone contributes whatever they are able to benefit CSC,” she says. Dyan deNapoli sent her news from Northern India, where she was traveling with her partner, Marc, as he was traversing the globe on a business trip for his job in the hi-tech industry. They spent 2 weeks vacationing in New Zealand, which Dyan says is truly the most beautiful place on the planet, 2 weeks in Australia, and planned to make a stop in England on the way home from India. Dyan writes, “After working as a senior penguin aquarist at the New England Aquarium in Boston for 9 years, I decided I needed a break near the end of 2004. After a year off, I was inspired to start my own business doing something I love to do—teaching people about penguins. My new venture is called The Penguin Lady. That’s what everyone called me when I worked at the NEAq, so it seemed like a natural name for the business. I travel to schools, colleges, libraries, dive clubs and senior centers around New England giving power point presentations about penguin behavior, biology and conservation. I also hope to encourage and inspire both kids and adults to pursue their dreams, whatever they may be.” Part of Dyan’s trip with Marc was also work-related for her, as she had several opportunities to work with penguins in the field again. She worked with 3 researchers in New Zealand and Australia, and then she gave a presentation at the Melbourne Zoo. The presentation was about an oil spill in South Africa that oiled 20,000 penguins. Dyan was a manager for the 1st 3 weeks of that rescue effort, which took about 3 months and had a 91% success rate. Dyan and Marc live on a lovely pond in Georgetown, MA. If anyone is in the area, please contact her at dyan@thepenguinlady.com.

**1982**

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In Nov., I had my computer hard drive crash on me, thus losing all of my CSC address lists, photos, documents, info, etc. I’m very embarrassed to say I did not back up my files. I need to ask you all a favor and send me an e-mail with your current e-mail address so I can update my records. I need to rebuild my computer life. My advice to you is back up your files on CDs so you don’t have to go through what I have had to do. It’s not fun. Now on with the news. Life is flying by, but we manage to slow it down at times to enjoy it. Christmas vacation this year for us was spent in the Italian Alps near Mount Blanc and Cervino. We travelled with 22 friends and rented out an entire floor of the hotel in a small mountain
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Several years ago,” says Kim. She is a sophomore in high school and is busy with tennis, soccer, skiing, friends, playing his guitar and attending concerts. Can’t believe this time next year we will be on the college visiting circuit! My Sarah (14), an 8th grader, is artistic, enjoys playing tennis and lacrosse. Friends, clothes and hair play a huge role in her life. Greta (9), 4th grade, is the youngest, but wiser than her years in a good way. Greta, too, plays tennis, lacrosse and out skis her mother. My husband, Paul, has found his niche in the commercial real estate world in NYC. Paul has many hobbies, which include boxing and skiing, and he is presently working to improve his tennis game so to be able to win a point against his future opponent, Mike (17), a junior, has been a licensed driver since last spring! He remains active in high school activities and has his sights on the college application process already. Megan, a freshman, is busy with high school activities.” That’s all I have to report. Please send me your news; I want to hear from some more of you. Take a minute to drop me a line; your old friends from CSC will be happy you did.

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Greetings to the class of 1983! I hope everyone is enjoying the spring/summer weather. I received a nice note from Eileen O’Leary, who is now living in Boston with Des, her partner of 18 years, and her beautiful 5-year-old daughter, Roisin. Eileen is busy managing a lab at Brigham and Women’s hospital and getting Roisin ready for school in Sept. Eileen travels frequently to Ireland and to Sunapee. Cathy Carroll Hodgdon is also doing very well. She’s been married to her high school sweetheart, Dana Hodgdon, for 20 years. They have a 19-year-old daughter who is a sophomore at UNE in Portland, ME. Her daughter is majoring in nursing. Cathy lives in beautiful Boothbay Harbor, ME, where she’s been involved with the local school system for the past 16 years. She works in special education and she really loves the people with whom she works. Cathy would like to get in touch with many of her fellow classmates, including her 1983 Reunion

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After living in Phoenix for 8 years and San Francisco for 2, Melanie Angebranntd Schroepfer is settled in Charlotte, NC, with her
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**1991**

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Marc Wysocki ‘94 and Tammy Hoyt Wysocki continue to work at the Berkshire School in Sheffield, MA. Tammy enjoys her work with preschool children at the campus daycare center. Their son, Keenan, is 20-months old, and Tammy reports that he loves trucks and buses. Dawn Lebreck Bruneau and her husband of 10 years, Randy, live in Bradford, MA, with their 2 children, 7-year-old Shea and 4-year-old Taylor. They own and run Performance Lifestyles, Inc., a physical therapy and sports medicine clinic in Burlington, MA. Dawn also coaches the UMass-Lowell equestrian team. **Heather Cutting Chard** writes from Birmingham, AL, that she keeps busy as a full time mom and zookeeper at her home. Her son, Jackson, will turn 5 in May. He’ll soon be finishing preschool at Early Arts, a fun school that focuses on the arts, which he has attended since the age of 2. He has Spanish classes and school, and is picking up the language quite well. Jackson will start Kindergarten in Sept. Heather says, “We are really excited about him starting Kindergarten, as he really is ready, but I’m so sad my baby boy is growing up so fast! Here in the south they have ‘sip and sob,’ tea parties for moms on the first day of school. I expect to be doing a lot of sobbing!” This summer Jackson will be involved with his soccer team, zoo camp and swimming lessons. Heather’s 2-year-old daughter, Rachel, will be entering Early Arts’ summer program and then will start the regular school year there in Sept. Heather’s husband is very busy with his job, which unfortunately means he’s on the road quite a bit.

Heather Cutting Chard ’91 with her children, Jackson and Rachel.

**1990**

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Hello classmates! Not much news to report. Hope everyone enjoys the spring and summer. Janice Johnson Madden moved again. Janice, her husband Peter, and their 3 children left GA in Jan. and moved to Gladstone, MI, on the Upper Peninsula. Luckily, it was a mild winter. The children adjusted nicely; they really loved the winter sports, especially ice skating and tubing. Peter is still with Plum Creek Timber Company. He is a senior resource manager of the MI operations. Please contact me with new information about you. Your classmates would love to hear from you.

**1992**

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Hello classmates. I hope you all are enjoying the spring/summer. It should be in full swing by the time you read this. Over the Christmas holiday I attended many holiday parties, but most importantly, I organized a mini CSC reunion, comprised entirely of former equestrian team members! Our party of 12 met for dinner and drinks in White River Junction, VT, at a cute little Italian restaurant, Como Va. The food was great and everyone had a wonderful time catching up. In attendance were Stacy Harnden Keenan and her husband, Scott; Angie Piccini Fowler ‘93 and her husband Mike; Laura Shaw Cameron and her husband, Tim; Stephanie Stratton Schell ‘93 and her husband, Tom; Electra Mead Blair and her husband, Dennis; and my husband, Justin, and I (Kelly Lynch Collins). Since then, Laura reported that she and Tim went to Belize in early Feb. for their annual diving trip and had a wonderful time. Then she was off to Rome, in April with her sister-in-law. As for me, CA is treating me well and my job in marketing at an antivirus software company keeps me very busy. I am looking forward to vacationing in Aruba later this year with my husband and some of my childhood friends from NH. Keep the updates coming! Jen and I look forward to hearing from you. Hi everyone, from Jenn Barrett Sawyer. It was an odd winter on Cape Cod—snow, warmth, ice! I see Melissa Allen ’95 every now and again in Hyannis. She is well and saving to buy a home. On the baby front, Alycia Colavito Parks is expecting twins this spring! Big brother Tyler is awaiting a sister and a brother. And Robyn True had baby Eve Lola Rose True Cheswright in Jan, across the pond (UK) 7 weeks early. Everyone is doing great and hopefully we’ll get to meet her this summer! I found Jeni Pond Newman ’91 on the online alumni directory! She is in CA with 4 boys and is doing very well.
nurse wings to relocate to San Antonio as the nurse manager of the Trainee Health Clinic at Lackland Air Force Base. I am now responsible for providing health care to Joint Service Trainees and new Air Force recruits during their basic training cycle.

Leslee Cammett Murphy concurs; she has had a very busy year. She and her husband bought a new home in North Attleboro, MA, and welcomed their new son, Connor James. Leslee writes, “He is an absolute joy!” Leslee is in search of the dream job that will allow her more time at home and balance in her professional career. She keeps in regular contact with Beth Bryant Camp ’92 and Kathleen Shaw Pippen.

Marcy Bronzino Bettencourt wrote a beautiful letter indicating that she and her husband Eric are busy with 3 children under the age of 3 (see photo of Hope, Joey and Caroline.) She visits often with Melissa Tucci and Jen D’Orazio Hollingsworth ’94. Kristine “Kris” Crawford Starrett married her soulmate, Mark, in a beautiful garden, waterside ceremony. They bought a log cabin home in Rindge, NH, where she is a special education teacher K-5. Their first son, Jack Raymond, was born Nov. 5. Kris writes that Jack is an absolutely delightful and charming little boy, truly a blessing in their home. Lara Bitler Chartier shared via e-mail that she is now living in Wells, VT, with her children and her symbiotic life partner, Steve. They were recently married in a Buddhist ceremony on a 600-foot cliff. She writes, “It was just he and I, and a J.P. My husband, Steve, teaches kindergarten here in town. We have a super life with lots of fun, and many adventures. Professionally, life is terrific! I am working on my master’s degree in science education. I am also a teacher leader for the State of VT Department of Education. That means I offer professional development workshops for science teachers in the state. This is a job I truly love. I am on the cutting-edge of topics in science education, and can offer my colleagues the newest information available. I was a speaker at the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) in Burlington, VT, in March. My daughters, Madison and Delaney, ages 10 and 8, respectively, are doing well and are growing like weeds. I still keep in touch with Stephanie Stratton Schell and her husband, David, and Sara Hodgkins Morin ’95. Carolyn Norris writes, “Things are quiet here in Fairfield County, CT. I’m still commuting into NYC 3 days a week (hello, bunny slippers on Mondays and Fridays!) and loving every minute of it. My husband, Damien, and I are looking to buy a condo in Danbury, CT, in the spring. She recently reconnected with Susan “Bo” Trainer Russell and Chris Gasparro ’94, who is as funny as ever. Congratulations and good wishes are in order for Carolyn, as her dissertation proposal hearing has been accepted. She is planning a spring trip back to Romania to complete research and volunteer in the failure-to-thrive clinic. Todd Miller is recovering from a dancing injury. No he probably won’t beat out 98 Degrees singer, Drew, for the dance globe trophy this year now with his bum knee. But he learned new activities on the ortho ward at Beth Israel. No snowboarding or downhill for well. She and her hubby took a delayed honeymoon to New Zealand. She might venture back east this summer. Get ready for summer and please send along news of what you have going on in your corner of the world!

1993

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It’s been a busy year for many of us from the class of ’93. There were many marriages, graduations, moves, promotions and births. That includes me, Dawn Hinckley. I graduated with honors from the U of Phoenix with a master’s degree in nursing. I have earned the rank of major and hung up my senior flight suit. Dawn graduated with honors from the U of Phoenix with a master’s degree in nursing. She has earned the rank of major and hung up her senior flight suit.

Dawn Hinckley ’93 (far left) with members of her flight crew.
Todd this season but he is hoping to build strength for next year. He is busy working in the Longwood Medical Area. Please use the CSC alumni directory to stay in touch with me as the class correspondent and our little home on the hill. It is a valuable networking tool and free to use.

1994

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Hello class of ’94! We hope everyone is doing well! Thankfully this winter was not as harsh as last winter. I, Tracy Sutherland Fitch got a taste of the warm weather during my Feb. school vacation, as my husband and I traveled to Puerto Rico. It was 84 with a pleasant breeze everyday! I am still teaching 3rd grade at the Lincoln Elementary School in Winchester and tutoring privately. I am looking forward to participating in the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer this May in Boston. I plan to walk with 6 other teachers from my school. Rene Whiteley-Warren is very busy with her 3 children. I am fortunate to see my CSC roommate Maureen Walsh often, since she is also living in Boston. Maureen recently took a new position at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center as an RN in the emergency department. She also travels to VT a couple times a month to work at the Stratton Mountain Clinic. Whenever Maureen has free time, she hits the slopes! I recently heard from Jennifer Provins Treacy ’95 and we caught up on what she’s been doing the last few years. She met her husband, Steve, a few years ago while living in Boston. They built a house in Brookline, NH. Soon after their move, Jennifer left her job as an advertising director and had two children, Caitlin and Braden who just turned 1. Erin Kenneally King and Michael King are the busy, but proud parents of twins Sean Michael and Bridget Grace, born Jan. 10. Matt Reed wrote, “Corey and I took the kids up to Montreal a few months ago. We had a great time there. I’m still working for the Lawrence Eagle Tribune.” Jen Ellis Vachon left her job as online editor at “NH Chronicle” at WMUR-9 last Sept. to spend more time with her husband, Chris, stepson Jack, and their 16-month-old daughter, Elise. She is doing some freelance work for New Hampshire Public Television and also acting as the media consultant for Letsown.com. When not working at NHPTV, Jen and Carla Gordon Russell ’90 get together for play-dates with their girls. Jen frequently talks to Jen D’Orazio Hollingsworth and is hoping to get their kids together for a visit. Jen Ellis Vachon recently had a surprise birthday party for her husband at one of Chris “Koz” Kozlowski ’95 restaurants, the Orchard Street Chop Shop. Heidi Skinner ’95 was there to help celebrate. Tobi Harrington Murch is still living in NYC and loving it. Her daughter, Harley, is over a year old and is constantly learning and changing! Tobi enjoys making frequent trips to Boston to visit family and friends. Tricia Bartlett Kramer married Stephen Kramer on

Malik/Sharp Wedding
Lisa Malik ’96 married Phil Sharp on October 29, 2005, in Barbados with their daughter, Emma, by their side.

Ellis Vachon

Malik/Sharp Wedding

Emma, Lisa and Phil Sharp at Sandy Lane Resort in Barbados.

(L to r) Susan Olsen ’95, Robyn Ryan ’95, Stephanie Smith Hanna ’95, Lisa Malik Sharp ’95, Carrie Berggren Dunn ’96 and Maura Higgins Semmes ’95.

Braden and Caitlin, children of Jennifer Provins Treacy ’94.
Oct. 1, ’05. Many Colby-Sawyer friends were in attendance. Tricia and Stephen reside in Manchester, VT. She is working at Stratton Mountain as the retail group manager/buyer. Tricia and her husband also own Kramer Services Plumbing and Heating.

Marc Wysocki is in his 5th year at the Berkshire School in Sheffield, MA, working with many different athletic teams. Keenan, Tammy and Marc’s 18-month-old, definitely keeps them on their toes. Keenan goes to the daycare on campus where Marc’s wife, Tammy Hoyt Wysocki ’91, works with preschool children.

Tracey Long Fitzpatrick wrote, “Hello from the Pacific Northwest! Just wanted to send a quick note to those who’ve been wondering where I am and what I’m up to. I’ve been living in OR for the last 7 years, where I am a 911 dispatcher and my (2nd) husband also owns a company in the world. Here I will be starting up a new audit function for the financial consolidation reporting unit, along with assuming the role of global coordinator for Sarbanes-Oxley testing for all of internal audit. I’m very pleased with my new function, as it allows me to work closely with senior management of the organization and is a great stepping stone as I progress in my career. When not working, I am still very much enjoying life in Manhattan, and have recently reacquainted with some fellow CSC grads! One evening, on a bus during rush hour, I had the distinct pleasure of running into my sophomore year roommate Tobi Harrington Murch ’94, who is now a proud parent of her 1-year-old daughter, Harley. Very small world! Toby is very happy working at a non-profit organization in Manhattan. I’ve also been in touch with a neighbor of mine here in the city, Melissa Morgan ’98, who is really enjoying her work in Astoria, Queens, as a social worker in an outpatient mental health clinic. Melissa would love to be in touch with her classmates, so feel free to e-mail Melissa at Mlmtarget@aol.com. Jeanne Corcoran Wiggin and her husband, Matt, recently purchased their first home in West Hartford, CT. “We have a ton of work to do this spring, but we love it,” she writes. In addition, Jeanne left her full-time position at Cronin & Company in Feb. to start up her own marketing/public relations firm, Wiggin Communications. She is currently helping Cronin launch a new Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection program, “No Child Left Inside,” and conducting scholarship programs in CT and Boston for NY-based Friendship Dairies. “So if you have any public relations or marketing needs, please e-mail me at wigginscomm@...”
comcast.net," she writes. In Feb., Jeanne met up with Stephanie Smith Hanna and her husband, Dan, in Randolph, NH, to do some skiing. It was a bit frigid, but they had a great time catching up about the old days. She is also looking forward to May when she will be joining other CSC alums in Atlanta to visit with Jessica Dacey Van Oist.

Wendy Mansson Olsen and her husband, Kirk, are thrilled to announce the birth of their twin sons, Gunnar and Brooks, born Sept. 22. Andrew Ferguson has been hired to work on a data conversion project with the executive office of elder affairs in Boston. Michelle Brown Kinney received her master's degree in nursing and has worked for several years as a family nurse practitioner in Bangor, ME, while her husband, David, attended graduate school. In '03 they bought a home in Lincolnville, ME, where David is the town administrator. Michelle then worked as a part-time nursing instructor for the University of ME system until the birth of their daughter, Isabella Therese, on Oct. 8, '04. Michelle writes that Isabella is such a joy, and she feels very fortunate to be able to stay home to raise her, watching her grow and learn every day. Michelle hopes to return part-time to her career in the near future, and asks that if you are ever in the area to please look her up! Anne Michaels Yates has left Dartmouth College after 6 years, and is now a surgical PA at the VA Hospital in White River Junction, VT. She works for the plastic, vascular and general surgery departments, and is really enjoying her new position. Anne and her husband, Jim, live in Brownsville VT, and reside in a house that Jim built himself! Anne and Jim have 2 daughters, Samantha (4) and Sophie (2). From Park City, UT, Heidi Stevens Freeman writes that her husband, Justin, competed in the Olympics in Torino, Italy, in Feb. He qualified for the U.S. Cross Country Olympic team, a goal he has been working on since he finished college. Justin and his brother, who also qualified, are originally from Andover, NH. Heidi and her husband were absolutely thrilled! She went to Italy to watch his races. He finished 53rd out of 100 racers in the 15 km classic race. They were also able to check out some of the other Olympic sporting events. She is excited to return to Europe, if only for a vacation. Justin and Heidi will be heading back East in June after having spent 3 years in UT. Justin was recently offered a high school math teaching position at the New Hampton School. They are excited to return to the area to be closer to their families. Chris Andriski is the assistant principal at Newmarket Jr./Sr. High School in Newmarket, NH. Chris writes that he sees Sara Bryant a lot, as she is one of the food representatives that works with the school. Chris hangs around with Jim Bullock and Nat Cole '97. They try to get to Chris Kozlowski's restaurants in Dover, NH. Chris has a 2-year-old daughter named Riley who is "such a joy!" He is finishing up his CAGS degree in educational leadership from Plymouth State U and should be done by Aug. Other than that, Chris is staying busy playing hoops and trying to stay young.

Chris "Koz" Kozlowski writes that both of his restaurants are going strong in Dover. Koz is now looking to build an additional boutique wine store onto the Chop Shop in the next few months. He says that Jen Ellis Vachon '94 and Heidi Skinner were both in the Chop Shop recently for a private party and Jim Bullock can't stay away. The Crescent City Bistro is soon to be featured in a rum article in an upcoming issue of Wines & Spirits Magazine. Crescent City is also featuring a kids menu now. Koz's wife, Christen Wallingford Kozlowski '96, is doing well and is still plugging away at real estate. Koz also saw Todd Belvin '97 for the 1st time in many years at the Chop Shop for dinner this winter. If anyone is driving by Dover, stop in and say hello! Debbie Casner Shapiro and her husband moved from Wilmot, NH, to Newbury, NH, this year. She managed to acquire another dog, and now they have 4. Debbie is still teaching 2nd grade in Sunapee. Andrea Reetz Burton, who transferred her sophomore year, writes that she got married in July '03 to a man she has known her whole life, having attended the same junior and senior high! Andrea completed a nursing program in '99 and has been working in the respiratory acute care unit at MA General since '02. Andrea lives in Billerica, MA, and had her 1st child, Annalie Willa Burton, born Nov. 27. Andrea recently reconnected with her Colby Dorm roommate and has really enjoyed e-mailing her. Andrea writes that she lost track of everyone years ago and would love to hear from anyone especially another old roommate, Amy K. O'Brien.

Things in ME are going very well for Matt "Matty" Richards. Matt and his wife, Maureen, expected their 2nd child in April. Matt's job is going very well at SMCC, and is almost finished with his 3rd year there. Kerrigan "Keri" Stone moved to Scottsdale, AZ, last July. She is currently teaching 2nd grade. Keri received her master's in literacy last May and will be going for her doctorate at ASU next fall. Gretchen Erikson Kunzler is still working at Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Gretchen and her husband, Tim, love the house they built in Deering, NH, in Nov.'04. Gretchen also wrote that she was looking forward to a get-together with some alumni at the end of Feb., including Krista Nolan Nardone, Jill Kleimon Votano and Stephanie Hoffman Parker. Loretta Manning Johnson still lives in GA, but has moved to Conyers, a suburb of Atlanta. March '06 will mark the 8-year anniversary at her job, which she has held since graduating from her master's program. Having obtained her professional counselor's license, Loretta provides family therapy to 'at-risk' families. She has taken on clinical supervisor positions at work. She is very excited to now be the coordinator for the women's drug treatment program! Loretta got married to a "Georgia Boy" (GA native) at their wedding held in GA on Sept. 25, '04. Linda Woodward Prince and her husband, Bruce, attended the wedding. It was a great day with lots of visitors from the north. Loretta and her husband purchased a nice ranch style house on an acre lot with an inground pool, perfect for the hot Atlanta summers! Loretta and her husband are enjoying their life as newlyweds, including working together on some home improvements and adopting a dog from some family friends. Things are going very well for Matt Godbout in Indianapolis, IN, where he is working for the Colts as a corporate sales manager. It was a tough ending to a good season—they were all hoping to go to Detroit for the Super Bowl, but there is always next season. The city is building a new stadium where the Colts will start play in '08, so needless to say it has been very busy from a sales standpoint. Matt and Denise's little girl, Gabrielle, turned 3 in April, and most importantly, they are very excited for the arrival of the latest addition to the family.
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Greetings classmates! It’s hard to believe that it has been 10 years since we left the college on the hill. We hope everyone is planning on attending Reunion in June? We know we are. It would be great to see you all and talk face to face instead of via e-mail or postcard. We want to thank all of our classmates who responded to our plea for news; it was great to hear from you. We hope we will hear from even more classmates next time around. As for me, Jen Rowell Pedersen, life has been busy in Nottingham, NH. Most of my winter was spent preparing for Mark’s and my new arrival. We don’t know exactly when, but hopefully we will become parents this year. We decided to adopt this Sept. It is something we both have always wanted to do and we finally decided to go for it. We are planning on adopting a domestic newborn for our 1st child and then see what happens after that.

I also have left Calef’s Country Store for a new career. Not too sure what it is yet, but by the next magazine hopefully I will have some news. I am hoping it will be a stay at home mom, but we will see! As for me, Kristin Snieder Mulready, Josh and I are still enjoying life and our 2 beautiful boys. Moving on to our classmates. Diane Marsden Morley and her husband, Ryan Morley ’99, had their 1st baby in Jan—a girl named Allison Meredith. They all are planning to come to Reunion in June. Stefanie Lord Baumblett and her husband are expecting their 2nd girl in Aug. Their daughter, Sara, will be 22 months by then so they both will be very busy! They are also hoping to come to Reunion. Amy Goldstein Carey and her husband, Brian, are expecting their 1st child at the end of May. They bought a house in Natick, MA, and Amy is still keeping busy in pharmaceutical sales. Sarah Vallieres Racine says all is going well in North Adams, MA. Sarah and her husband, John, are keeping busy with their 2 boys and are getting ready to welcome baby #3 this fall. Melissa Miller Marcoux and her husband, John, welcomed their 2nd child, Elliott Alexander Marcoux, this past Oct. Congratulations to you all! Jeff Hall and Angelica Mikols Hall ’97 are enjoying raising their 8-month-old son, Jakob. They are living in South Portland, ME, and are trying to keep up on all their house projects. I am sure many of us can relate! They are looking forward to the warm days of summer and taking the family hiking and camping. Eric Lacombe is still living in ME. He is enjoying life with Gretchen, his wonderful wife of 7 years, and their amazing 2-year-old boy, Aiden. Eric is VP of product development/software testing for a small division of Bank of NH. He also writes that he keeps in regular touch with Jeff Hall, Mike O’Gara and Tom Bonello ’97. Karen Adams Foster ’97 is currently living in NJ with her husband and 2-year old daughter, Hayley Rose. She is still working for a finance company (CIT) in the HR field although by the time this magazine comes out she will be taking on a new...
challenge and moving to marketing. She will be staying with the same company, but moving to NYC. Karen frequently speaks with Amy Goldstein Carey and Amy Cheney; they both are doing well and living in MA. She is hoping to get up to Reunion this year to catch up with all her buddies! Chris Boire and Jim McGilvery write that they have had the opportunity to work with one another this past year. AND1 Entertainment (through Jim) hired Boire Design (Chris’s company) to design a partnership Website to entice businesses to sponsor the AND1 Mix Tape Tour. The site is www.and1tourpartners.com. Jim also added that they have had several potential partners click through the site with many compliments. “Chris is a talented designer and I am glad we were able to work together.” I must agree the website is very well done and I now know a lot more about AND1 Entertainment; looks like a fun place to work, Jim. That does it for this issue! Thanks again to all of our classmates who returned our e-mails and postcards. For those with whom we can’t get in touch, please keep in mind that if you sign up for the alumni directory, you will receive a mass e-mail from us each time the notes are due. Just type www.netdirectories.net/~csc into your computer and fill in your info. It is a great way to stay informed. We would love to have a longer entry next time around. Hope to see you all in June!

1997

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Hello again, class of 1997! It is hard to believe we have a 10-year reunion coming up next year! Where has the time gone? Lots of news to report! Congratulations to my sister-in-law (Regan). She is expecting a baby girl in June. As you can tell, I (Amy Sichler Baringer) am excited to have another niece! My family and I are settling into our new house in Saratoga and we’re anxiously awaiting summer, when we hope to take a much needed vacation! Our son, Luke, just turned 3 and will be starting preschool in the fall. After going through the preschool admissions process, I have determined that getting him into college will be a piece of cake! As Amy said, I (Regan Loati Baringer) am expecting a new baby girl in June and we are very excited! Our little girl, Camryn, is very happy to be a big sister. I am also in the process of major renovations to my home, so it’s very busy here! It’s great to hear from all of our fellow classmates! Kyle Houghton ’98 sends a big hello from Australia! He has been accepted to the year-long teaching exchange program. He and his wife, Melissa, arrived in Adelaide, South Australia, on Jan. 17, after traveling around New Zealand for almost 3 weeks. They have hiked to glaciers, been cave tubing and saw glowworms, and dug a “hot tub” on the beach that filled with geothermally heated water! The adventure had hardly started when they got to Adelaide just in time for the worst heat wave in 60 years, six straight days over 104 degrees! Only 192 more school days to go until the term breaks, looking to hit the Red Center and the Great Barrier Reef. They said they are open to visitors should any CSC alumni be interested! They are not the only CSC alumni traveling the globe. Catherine Yarbro Walgren and her husband, Scott, and are moving from Norfolk, VA, this summer and heading to Monterey, CA, where Scott will either study at the Naval Post Graduate School or start learning a foreign language overseas. They are hoping for either a university in Italy, France, or Belgium through the Olmstead Scholarship, designed for military line officers. Catherine is still practicing medicine as a physician assistant in the emergency department and loving it. Their son, Charlie, is almost 17-months old now and keeps them busy! Donna Studley is back in Plymouth, MA, with her boyfriend, Aaron. She is working part time as an independent consultant for a company called Arbonne International, and full time doing customer service work for ARAMARK. In addition, she is preparing to do the Avon Breast Cancer 3-day walk in Boston this Aug. If anyone is going to be walking, let Donna know, for a mini reunion and a good cause. Also enjoying the fun and sun is Fawna Lee Gallant Hattrup, who says, “I love living in FL, and I’ve been here now for 7 years. I am still living in Orlando and love my job, even though it can be quite stressful. I run the Aquatics Division for the City of Orlando and we have 11 aquatic facilities. I bought a condo in College Park last year and love it, as its only 3 miles from work and downtown Orlando. I miss the beach, but it’s only 45 minutes away. However, I think if the right opportunity came up, I would move to the coast again (either side, both extremely beautiful)! I get to see the Red Sox all of the time here, since they play down here for spring training and play the Tampa Bay Devil Rays during the regular season. For my birthday last year my boyfriend bought tickets on the 3rd base line, 2 rows in. I could see right into the dugout and felt like I was right next to them during
New England, House Cremin ’94 up! and it was a great time to catch said the concert was awesome see The Rolling Stones! House in Boston for Ryan’s birthday to blast. They recently got together with other CSC grads skiing as much as possible with Amy Carroll ’98. She just bought her 1st house and enjoys painting and decorating it. She and her 2 dogs are loving the beautiful and warm weather. Chris Tulloch says he’s given up “runway modeling” and is now in Park City working for JP Morgan Chase as an investment representative. When he is not working, he is skiing as much as possible with other CSC grads Justin Hersh ’00 and Brian Heon ’98. Here in New England, Christopher House, Ryan Fay and Neil Cremin ’94 are also having a blast. They recently got together in Boston for Ryan’s birthday to see The Rolling Stones! House said the concert was awesome and it was a great time to catch up! Chikara Funada is the chief editor of F1 Sokuho, a Formula One racing magazine. Aaron Sherman writes, “Things are busy here in RI. I am still teaching 3rd grade in Newport, and I have also become a lab classroom that opens to train other teachers in the state. I received some great wedding pictures from CJ Santavica ’98. He and his wife, Sandy, eloped in Bermuda. I also had a surprise visit with Andrew O’Brien ’98 and his wife, Sonja Anderson O’Brien, at Sonya’s little brother’s wedding. Andy (Sonya’s brother) is a good friend of mine and was my student teacher 5 years ago. Hope things are well!” Lori Monroe Yates is in Littleton, NH, working at The Home Depot, pursuing business ventures and loving it. She had a great winter, but looked forward to spring, as some of the winds reminded her of attempting to cross the quad with gusts up to 100 mph! Recently, she connected with Sarah Holmes ’95, spending a weekend or two with the newly engaged CSC alumna. She’s also connected briefly with Chip Steward, who is working at Bretton Woods as the marketing director. She’d love to connect with alumni! Also looking to connect with local alums is Erica Wells Leighton. Erica, Mark, Davis and Nathan are now residing in the Exeter, NH, area and have been busy settling back into New England life. Julie Sullivan ’98, if you are out there, give Erica a call or e-mail. Life in NH is also busy for Amie Pariseau Ellis and Rick Ellis ’95. Both Rick and Amy happily accepted promotions in Dec. Rick is enjoying his 10th year at CSC and has become the director of admissions and financial aid. Amy is now the marketing events coordinator at her company. They will be in their house in Warner a year in March and are enjoying time with their “girls,” Eby (dog) and China! Colleen Cross Carlson and her family are also having a new house in Southborough, MA. Colleen is teaching 5th grade language/literacy and social studies at Kennedy Middle School in Natick, MA. She has been in touch with a couple old pals from CSC, Chrissy Stevens Bone ’96 and Tanja Carlsson Mauzy ’96. Colleen’s boys are doing well and getting big. Biron will be 3 in May, and Cooper just turned 1! She says, “Motherhood is the most wonderful adventure I have yet to journey!” Congratulations to new parents Betsy and Erik Daly! Baby girl Harper Olivia Daly, 7lb 6oz, arrived in early Feb. She is beautiful! Erik is the assistant athletic director at the College of St. Joseph in Rutland, VT. If you’re in the area, e-mail him! David “Dino” Martinelli has been married for 5 years and has a 2-year-old son named Dylan. David is the director of sales for Loansnap.com, a New England-based mortgage company, and he’s recently been offered a small piece of ownership with the company. It is fun to hear from all of our classmates! Keep the updates coming and send photos too!

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Greetings and salutations, class of ’98! So, how many of you have spring fever? I know I do! I am ready for some sun and fun and ready for this gray cold weather to go away. The last couple of updates have been lacking in the number of classmates we are hearing from. This alumni update is, for some folks, the only venue we have to hear about the exciting lives of our fellow classmates. Please take the time to send Jamie or me your e-mail address so we can keep in contact with you. Jamie Gilbert says hello to everyone and encourages you all to e-mail her to say hello. My (Chris Quint) wife and I are expecting our 1st child in June, so we are furiously working to get our old house ready with many new updates. As I have said before, I will accept any help from anyone on this remodeling project. I got a chance to travel to New London in Jan. to celebrate Nate Camp’s (l to r) Eric Harlow ’99, Brian Heon ’98, Justin Hersh ’00, Beca Blay ’99, Jeremiah Boobar ’98 and Chris Tulloch ’97.

Donna Studley and her boyfriend, Aaron.

Colleen Cross Carlson and her children, Biron and Cooper.

Aloha! Danielle Rychalsky ’98 (l) and Amy Carroll ’98 in Kauai, Hawaii.
Mark Macenas '98

“I’m living my dream.” That’s the way Mark Macenas describes his life. His Colby-Sawyer experiences, his friends, and his wife, Hilary, have all played a part in helping him to achieve that rarefied status.

Mark followed his brother, Erik ‘94, to Colby-Sawyer. “I loved it the first time I went to visit him,” Mark remembers. Mark enjoyed living in Page Hall and London House, and fondly remembers “walking back from the cafeteria after dinner with friends across the quad to spend the rest of my evening in the studio slinging paint or throwing pottery on the wheel in the basement. And who can forget the blueberry mansion capibaro days?”

Studio art was Mark’s major. He credits Professors Martha Andrea, John Bott and Jon Keenan as not only inspiring his work, but also for helping him become the person he is today. “These fine individuals all played a part in the path I have chosen to walk today. I still sit and ask myself what they would say when critiquing my work, even now, after eight years of separation.”

Following his graduation from Colby-Sawyer, a career in art seemed natural. Mark taught at the New Hampshire Institute of Art for a semester. He then created legal exhibits for a company that specialized in graphic design for attorneys, first in Florida and then in N.C. When Mark met the “love of his life,” Hilary, and they married in 2003, Mark’s life took a turn, as he describes it, “for the better.”

Mark decided to follow a completely different career path, but it was one he’d been considering for years. “Most young men dream about fire trucks and being a firefighter. I finally decided to follow through with that childhood fantasy.” His Colby-Sawyer degree still provided him the right foundation. “In the fire department, you have to have a college degree to be a captain of an engine or ladder company. I tried out for the fire academy in Durham, North Carolina I spent four of the longest months of my life in the academy and graduated in August of 2001, just weeks before the September 11th attacks. I’ve been in the fire service now for five years. My life has now changed forever. I love what I do and would not trade it for anything in the world.”

A typical day for Mark is a full 24-hour shift at the firehouse. When he’s not there, he works part-time as an EMT on an ambulance in Raleigh.

Art remains a passion for Mark, despite his busy work life. He has had several showings in the Raleigh, North Carolina, vicinity, and is an active board member of the Franklin County Arts Council. When asked how he balances his art with his other responsibilities, Mark has an unexpected reply. “My art has begun to both balance and unbalance me. I no longer really have control of it. When I envision something, I sketch it, and when I get home, I hit the studio as often as time allows.”

Mark and Hilary Macenas (who works for the largest newspaper — The News & Observer — in the Raleigh/Durham triangle area) own a home in the country, in the small town of Youngsville, which is due east of Durham. Loving their jobs, enjoying their home and the area, Mark and Hilary seem busy and fulfilled. Mark credits Colby-Sawyer with paving the way for his current happy state. “College for me was the start of what happened when ‘real life’ began.” In Mark’s case, his message bears repeating...he’s living his dream. We should all be so lucky.

—GAYE LACASCE

Mark is finding joy in his artwork, seen at left.

Hilary and Mark Macenas
30th birthday. **Rob Gagnon** and **Marty Binette** were also able to make the trip and enjoyed the festivities at the Lake Sunapee Country Club. Brian “Pepe” Heon had a great ski season in Park City, UT, with over 300 inches of the white stuff on the slopes. After the ski season, Brian is hitting the road for about 8 weeks, traveling to CT, FL and Lake Powell. Brian let me know that **Eric Harlow ’99** moved to Park City last fall, where he is working and traveling with the US Ski Team. **Beth Ferreira Webster** and Kevin Webster report that they are enjoying their little terror, Brayden, and their little terror, **Nate Kelley** and **Steve Townsend** were recently in ME to visit Brian Dyer and me. We all got a chance to catch up with Brian and **Mindy Rumery Dyer**’s daughter, Olivia. Brian recently called me to say that Olivia will have a new brother or sister in Nov. ’06. **CJ Santaviceca** was married in Oct. and is living and working on Cape Cod. Andrea “Pish” Pueschel Reilly and her husband, Dan, will be quitting their jobs this summer and taking a much needed 10-week cross country trip. After the trip they will be settling in Western MA, where Andrea will be looking for a job as a nurse informaticist and looking to buy their first home. **Danielle Rychalsky** has been living in Waikiki Beach on the island of Oahu as a traveling nurse since March ’05. **Amy Carroll** spent the months of July and part of Aug. ’05 visiting her. Some of their favorite stops included Oahu’s North Shore, Kauai’s Na Pali coast and Waima River, and Maui’s Road to Hana (4x4) and Seven Pools—Bamboo Forest. Surfing, camping, hiking, kayaking and sailing were part of their many excursions throughout the beautiful islands. Have a great spring and summer everyone! Keep in touch.

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Hello everyone! we hope this finds you well. We’ve started to use the alumni directory to stay in touch. Check out the site www.netdirectories.com/~csc and keep your most up-to-date information available so we can keep you in the loop. I, **Suzanne Blake Gerety**, am a mom of a busy toddler. My son, Ryan, is 15 months old. This past Oct., I went on a 10-day road-trip with my husband, Ed, and son throughout NM. We drove over 2,000 miles in 10 days and visited every corner of the state. It was fun and quite an adventure!
Stewart in GA. He reports that it’s good to be back in the US again. He may be out of the Army by summertime and he may move to Boston, DC, Denver, or San Francisco. Ron recently took a vacation to CA and drove US-1, did some mountain biking, and hung out in the city of San Francisco. **Ryan Morley** and his wife, **Diane Marsden Morley** ’96, welcomed their 1st child this year, a daughter, Allison Meredith. They are living in Peabody, MA. Ryan works at Melrose-Wakefield Hospital as a CT technologist and per-diem athletic trainer. He went to New York City with **Craig Rennie**, **Kyle Battis**, Lahn Penna, Rob Kasprzak ’98, and Rob’s fiancée to visit **Kevin Flynn** ’00, who lives with his wife in Manhattan. **Shane Hoover** works for Digital Credit Union in Marlborough, MA. He is into his 5th year in the banking industry. He has taken on a new assignment within his department, financing mobility loans for disabled and handicapped individuals. He completes the financing for conversion vans and handicap equipment. Shane’s son, Simon, is almost 2 years old. Shane and his fiancée, Sarah, are planning their wedding. CSC alums who will be included in the wedding are **Frank “Rizzo” Abel ’97 and Seth Hurley ’00. Congratulations, Shane! Brian Wilder was married in ’04 and he and his wife, Jill, expect a baby boy this June. Brian has been working for Fidelity Investments since graduating in ’99. He is a senior financial planning consultant in the Framingham Investor Center. He recently sold one home in Waltham, MA, and bought another one this past summer. **Cara Falconi** is working as a child/family therapist in an outpatient mental health agency and school outreach program. She bought her first home in Winchester, MA, a year ago. Cara is proud to announce that she adopted a son, Ian, on Nov. 14. Since then, she’s been keeping busy trying to find the right balance being a mom, work and having a social life. Cara enjoys getting together with the Ribbon Girls, as they all now live in the same general vicinity. She’s also recently taken up rock climbing and is training for a summer triathlon. **Heather Gardiner Shupenko** and her husband, Craig, purchased a home in the historical section of Salem, MA, right before Christmas. They love being homeowners. Heather is still working as a nurse’s aid in pediatrics at MA General Hospital while completing her nursing degree. Heather’s been spending lots of time on Cape Cod, as her father was diagnosed with Stage 4 pancreatic cancer the day before Thanksgiving. He seems to be responding well to treatment, so their fingers are crossed that the prognosis will be better than originally anticipated. **Mike Morrison** is working as the executive director for Coastal Physical Therapy in Rockland, ME. He was married in Sept. He and his wife have 2 golden retrievers. **Rose Keefe** is now living in Chattanooga, TN. Rose applied for her TN teaching certification. They have pre-K in the public schools and are in desperate need of teachers for that age group. She reports that **Helen Picard Viens** is doing great. Helen is teaching and busy with her son, Jacob. Rose plans on taking a trip to NH this summer to see Helen and other friends in the area. **Dave Bourassa** and his wife are still living in CO. Dave works at Regis University. He planned to lead a 10-day backpacking trip to Kauai, HI, in March for a group of students. This would be his 3rd year going on the trip. He does a lot of skiing and climbing in his free time. **Beth Freeman** is working at PC Connection and stays in touch with CSC friends **Jennifer Mitchell Buckler** and **Jen James Ensign**. Beth visited Jennifer in Nov. for her grandmother’s 90th birthday party. She reports that Jennifer’s 2 sons, Ryan and Nicholas, are beautiful babies! **Kimberly Kogut** got engaged to Adam, her fiancé, on her birthday in Dec. They moved into an apartment in Laconia, NH. They are planning a June ’07 wedding. Kim continues to work at the Loan Fund in Concord. **Devin Healy** is working towards his master’s degree in education. His son, who is 4, is going to private school next year. Devin’s wife, Sherri, is an ATC and just graduated massage therapy school. After leaving Colby-Sawyer, Jennifer Bradley pursued a master’s in teaching Spanish at Rivier College in Nashua, NH, and she is currently teaching Spanish at Nashua High North. She joined a team of 13 other faculty members to support Special Olympics NH by participating in the Penguin Plunge at Hampton Beach. She writes that they were lucky to have great weather that day and they raised a lot of money for a great cause! Jennifer also tutors, and serves as the children’s activities coordinator at the Nashua Country Club. **Alison Pogue Culver** married Lawson Culver in Cordova, TN, on March 11. They honeymooned in the Great Smokies, and happily live in MS, a couple of blocks south of the TN border. Alison teaches English, primarily to high school students, and Lawson works in quality assurance at the First Tennessee Bank in Memphis. **Hilary Sherman Hawkins** is still working in the emergency department at DHMC. Her husband was on active duty last year and spent some time in Iraq. They are enjoying the fact that we are all back together now. **Jen James Ensign** is still working in the Windy Hill School toddler program at Colby-Sawyer and loving it. Jen was the director of the first ever summer program at Windy Hill last year, and she will direct the program again this summer. Jen is still working on her master’s degree in care and education in early childhood settings through Wheelock College. **Mike Bernard** writes, “Things are good here in L.A., but it’s tough to keep my Porsche clean with all the smog. I think my butler put too much wax on last time. I fired him. Brad and Angelina have been very cool to hang with and I’m thinking of adopting myself, but I have to run it by Jen first (it’s still a sore subject). “I am dabbling in acting as well; look for me co-starring with Tom in The DiVinci Code soon.” **Meg Donnelly Hydock** is still working with Pfizer in the neuro-science division in Portsmouth, NH, and loves it. **Amy Callahan ’02 and Sara Hammond ’01 came over to have dinner and meet the new edition to their family, a German shepherd puppy named Jackson. Meg and her husband, Luke, went on vacation to Honduras in March. **Greg Hooven** and his wife bought a house in Nashua, NH, in Nov., so they’ve been busy getting settled. Greg has been traveling for work; he is the person responsible for marketing their product, which is software that is primarily used in the government. He plays soccer with **John Durocher ’98 and a few other CSC alums in Litchfield, NH. **Laura Densch Heath** loves being a mom. Her son, Connor, is now 14 months old and keeping her very busy. Laura works part time in the pediatric intensive care unit at DHMC. Laura stays in touch with **Liz Dudley Page**, who is doing well, too. Laura, her husband, Courtney, and Connor are still living in Springfield, NH. **Jessica Lamoureux** works in Beaver Creek, CO, as a massage therapist for a spa. She also runs her own massage and Doula business. She writes, “I love being a Doula so much that I have decided to go back to school. I am hopefully entering a nursing program this fall, and going to work my way up to being a certified nurse midwife. When I am not working or studying, I am playing a lot. I ski, snowshoe, hike soak at local hot springs, and occasionally go fishing with my boyfriend of 3 years, Adam.”
Hi everyone! I hope that you all enjoyed a great winter. Things are pretty much the same for me. Still living in the North End of Boston and teaching 3rd grade in Andover, MA. Please feel free to get in touch with me. I would love to increase the number of people from whom we get information. If you have any way to contact others, pass along the information! I had the chance to spend a lot of time with Kate Lovell while we were training for another Boston Marathon. Kate continues to work at Emerson College and is living in South Boston with Hayley Cozens. She is also hoping to be involved in a dramatic production this spring.

We spent a night in NH at Zanna Campbell’s house recently, along with Jessica Dannecker, and had a surprise visit from Ben Crowell ’01. Congratulations to Zanna, who became engaged to her fiancé, Nic, in Feb. They are planning an Aug. 12 wedding, and Katie Sykes Follis and I will be bridesmaids. Zanna still works at an educational funding company in NH and is spending much of her time in graduate school at Plymouth State. She and Nic bought a condo in Pembroke, NH, and it is adorable!

Jessica Dannecker just got back from a trip to China, where her company, Vette Corp, has their factories. She has been with the company for a year and is learning a lot and having fun. Katie Sykes Follis and Matt Follis ’99 were married this past Sept. Jess, Kate, Zanna, Jennifer Caron-Smith ’01, and I traveled to MI for the wedding, along with Marty Binette ’98 and Missy Eckman Binette ’99; Beth Bryant Camp ’92 and Nate Camp ’98; Brian Wilder ’99 and his wife, Jill; and Pat Quinn ’98. The wedding was beautiful and was held at Katie’s family’s horse farm. It was a picture perfect night, which included horses, fun, and many CSC alumni.

Sarah Labrie ’01 is back in nursing school and plans on graduating in May ’07. She was recently engaged and is in the process of planning her wedding for June ’07. Drew and Halley Westdale Lydecker still live in Chicago and will probably never leave. They love it there! They were married on June 11 in Halley’s hometown of Grand Rapids, MI. She writes, “It was an amazing day, which included a lot of our CSC friends. I work as a massage and bodywork therapist in a hospital-based center for complementary medicine and Drew works for a company called CDW as a voice and data specialist. We both really love our jobs and feel very fortunate for where we are in our careers.” She saw Gail Barber Sykes ’88, fellow alumna and mother of Katie Sykes, at a CSC event at the Art Institute. Cheryl Carr is currently working in Springfield, MA, with the Baystate Regional Cancer Program’s Clinical Trials Office. She and Michelle Dailey ’99 were married in May ’04 and have been spending most of their time renovating their house. Zac Pinard writes, “All is well. I went back to school to get my MBA from Georgetown. I spent 4 years at Fidelity Investments, but now I live just outside of Washington, DC. Fitz came down to visit a couple of weeks ago.” Chelsea Bisbee Correia is still happily married to Jason Correia ’97, going on 2 years now, living in Bedford, NH. She is in her 5th year of teaching 4th grade in Bedford, and they are pregnant with their 1st child, due Aug. 8. Emily Canton Kelly is living and working in Littleton, NH, in obstetrics. She received her international board certified lactation consultant certification last summer. She and her husband, Ryan, are expecting their 2nd baby in June. Their daughter, Leah, is 3. She reports that Cara Tremblay has been in San Diego working as a travel nurse in obstetrics and loves it! She plans on coming back East this summer to spend time with her family.

Becky Parsons Bottino and her husband, Chris, welcomed a baby girl, Lauren Elizabeth Bottino, born Dec. 22. She was 2 1/2 weeks early, but everyone is doing fine. Hi everyone, this is Tara Schirm
daughter, Gianna Rose.

Tara Schirm Campanella '00 and her featured in the 'Needful Things' writes, "My greeting cards were Maryellen Skulski Mitrano degree. Here is the latest news: am halfway done with my BU's online master's program and believe she is getting close to 2; she is the light of my life. I can't enough to attend some CSC events! Our daughter, Gianna Rose, is 18-months-old now and events! Our daughter, Gianna is settling into his South West Rocks. I spent my birthday on a vineyard tour, Christmas with his family, Boxing Day at the horse races and New Year’ Eve on a cruise in Sydney under the biggest fireworks I have ever seen. I boardered, surfed ("I caught my first tube") and even got a tan—I know that part’s hard to believe. It was the perfect way to start a new year. Now I am back hard at work and holding my breath until I get to travel again. I hope everyone else is starting out 2006 on a good note!" Jenn has been on some great trips; I am jealous! Tony DeTore is settling into his 1st year as a newlywed. He wrote, "Courtney Wright DeTore '01 and I just bought a house in Townsend, MA, and we are enjoying every second of it. I'm working as an art director for a pharmaceutical advertising agency in Boston, and my freelance stuff is starting to pick up as well. Courtney will be splitting time between Lawrence General and a per diem position at Nashoba Valley Regional Hospital in the next couple months." Thanks for keeping in touch, Tony! Last but not least was one of my favorite names to see in the 78 degree "winter" here in NC. I am getting ready to transfer to Newport, RI, this summer when my husband, Jon, returns from Iraq. I can't wait to get back to New England and be close enough to attend some CSC events! Our daughter, Gianna Rose, is 18-months-old now and she is the light of my life. I can't believe she is getting close to 2; time goes by way too fast! Currently I am very busy with BU's online master's program and am halfway done with my degree. Here is the latest news: Maryellen Skulski Mitrano writes, "My greeting cards were featured in the 'Needful Things' page of Rue Morgue Magazine, Oct. '05 issue, www.rue-morgue.com. It's a horror magazine that is sold world-wide. Currently I'm Frenchie, the Kit Kat Girl, in a production of Cabaret in Wakefield, MA." Sounds like Maryellen is putting her spicy personality to good use! Rachel Bratter-Gronblom had a baby boy, Cyrus Joseph Gronblom, on Nov. 10. He weighed 7 lbs 5oz and was 19" long. Rachel says Cyrus is "the apple of our eye." Rachel recently changed jobs and now works as a manager for Profile Mortgage. Everything is going great for her and her new family and they are enjoying their new home. My old roommate from freshman year, Jaime Skillern Hebert, has relocated to a warmer winter location like me. She writes, "We are settled here in Alma, AR. 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Jenni Crockett and her husband, Heath, are expecting a baby boy in May. Nobel Chipley Farrow and her husband, Chad, are also expecting. Their 1st baby will be born in July. Nobel writes “We’re so excited; it made the holidays fun to be able to share the good news with family and friends. After a year of being in our new home and getting it nearly ‘just right,’ now we have to start planning a nursery. I’ll finally be able to do a children’s room mural in my own house instead of others.” Jennifer Caron Small also wanted to send wishes to mommies-to-be, Maranda, Kim and Michelle Opuszynski Schwenger. Jennifer was thrilled to hear the good news. She recently moved into her new home in Portland, ME, and reports that things are going very well for her! Katrina Ryan is still working at the RBC Center in Raleigh, NC. She shares, “It’s been exciting with the Hurricanes doing so well, especially after enduring the NHL lockout for the ’04-’05 season. By the time the Alumni Magazine comes out, playoffs will be over, but I am hopeful we make it and do well!” Heather Cole Thomayer is still working full-time at West Mountain Animal Hospital, but also works part time at a flower shop and selling horse trailers. She writes, “We are still working on our house. Updating takes forever! It’ll be done and then we’ll sell and start the chaos all over again. I keep in touch with Julie Tyrrell Olsen and keep up with the goings-on of Becky Ferland McKinnon.” Karrie Whitmore has great news! Her boyfriend, Michael, proposed to her on Valentine’s Day while they were in HI on vacation! Karrie says, “It was so romantic and almost too good to be true! We’ve been together for 4 years now and we are planning on a spring or summer ’07 wedding!” Grace Gravelle spent the winter months in FL, learning how to waterski, and working at a local health food store and as an in-home caregiver for the elderly. She intends to return to work as a lifeguard at the Omega Institute for Holistic Studies in NY for the ’06 season, starting in May. Grace writes, “I’ve learned to take life one moment at a time, and I’m so thankful for all my blessings including family, friendship, and travel.” Amanda Rucci is finishing up her master’s in special education. She will be graduating in May and is excited to figure out what is next in life. She is planning to move to Southern NH and find a job. Brian Kerkhoven is working as a legislative assistant for Congressman Walsh in Washington, DC. Jennie Cocchiaro LaBranche and her family are currently in the process of ending their time overseas. They are sadly leaving Seoul and headed out west to AZ. Her husband is getting promoted to captain, and will be continuing to advance his career at the Military Intelligence Center in AZ. Jennie and her family will be visiting friends and family for the spring before heading out west. While they’re in NH, Lily will celebrate her 1st birthday. Jennie is enjoying motherhood so much, ordering diaper purses, and expanding their family soon. Kristen Ozana Doyle writes, “My husband, Brian, and I bought a house in Pembroke, NH, in Nov. We completely renovated the whole house with the help of my family of carpenters. I’m currently in my 5th year at Raymond High School and I’ve decided to go back to school to get a master’s in history. I am eagerly awaiting the return of Jennie Cocchiaro and her baby from South Korea. She and I and her baby can’t wait to visit Sarah Lloyd in CT and see her newly renovated house.” Danica Letarte moved to Arlington, MA, last summer with her fiancé, Mark. She is getting married in May and having Susanne Day Teachout as her matron of honor. Maranda Egerdahl Crockett will not be able to make it, because she is pregnant with her 1st child and due 2 days later, but she will be an honorary bridesmaid. Danica is learning how to knit and also investing a lot in the stock market. She writes, “Mark and I took training this past Dec. by a company called Peak Potentials, where you learn how to save and create passive income for your future. It has already helped us in many ways toward reaching our goals. I hope to share some of what I’ve learned with other people. Unfortunately I won’t be able to attend Reunion this spring...
because I’ll be on my honey-moon, but hope everyone has a great time!” Abbie Bruett is living in Marblehead, MA, working for Project Adventure, Inc, a experiential adventure-programming company that builds climbing walls and ropes courses, sells climbing gear, an array of publications, props, etc for adventure programming and workshops for schools, behavior management centers, youth at risk programs, etc. She sees Dawn D’Andraia quite often. She is living in Arlington, MA, as is Lacy Faulkner, who’s recently engaged and is busy planning her Sept. wedding. Abbie is also coaching high school girls’ ice hockey for Marblehead this winter with some friends. Abbie encourages everyone to check out PA's Website at www.pa.org. Jorden Blucher is working for the American Diabetes Association as the marketing manager for the Tour de Cure. In his spare time he volunteers on ski patrol at Smuggler’s Notch and an area rescue squad. Jordan and his fiancée hoped to move to Salt Lake City, UT, this spring, where she will do her residency. The couple will be married this fall in MI. Sara Hammond is now in her final year of law school and is looking forward to the end. She is still working at the same law firm; however, her office is moving from Allston to nearby Brighton. That is all I have received for updates this time around. Again I am looking forward to seeing you all soon at Reunion! It will be a blast. Take care everyone; keep sending your updates my way!

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Hi everyone! I hope this spring update finds you all happy and healthy! As for me, Cheryl Lecesse, I am still working for Community Newspaper Company in Concord, MA, and was promoted in Nov. to editor of the Lincoln Journal. I am still living in Woburn, MA, with my boyfriend, Randy, which continues to be a lot of fun. I remain close with Christine Symmes Lucius, who lives in Boxford, MA, with her husband, Rich. Christine is now head athletic trainer at Georgetown High School, and is also working as a personal trainer at the Manchester Athletic Club in Manchester, MA. I’ve also kept in touch with Kevin Maccioli and his new wife, Kelly Raiano Maccioli ’03, who are still living in Malden, MA. Amy Birner Plourde and Vicki Burgess Fahey were members of their wedding party. Amy is now working at Stoneyfield Farm in Londonderry, NH, where she is a graphic designer in the marketing department. Stoneyfield Farm is the largest organic yogurt company in the United States and also is a leading force in NH with their beliefs on recycling and making the environment a better place for our children. She’s been working on various projects including designing the upcoming yogurt lids. She and her husband, Andrew, are living in Derry, NH, in their new home, which they finished last May. In addition to Kelly, Kevin and Vicki, Amy says she also keeps in touch with Kourtney Boutin McLean. Vicki Burgess Fahey is still enjoying her job at Cradle & Crayon in Hanover, NH. She and her husband, Brian, bought a house last May and renovated their spare room to turn it into a nursery! Vicki was due in April, and waited to find out whether they would be blessed with a boy or a girl. Congratulations, Vicki! Vicki also keeps in touch with Kelsey Barberi LaPerle, who passes on her best wishes to everyone! Her daughter, Alicen, turned 1 year old March 15! Kelsey writes, “Time has just flown by this past year and being a mom has been more fun that I ever could have imagined.” Construction on Kelsey and her fiancé’s, house has begun, and the family hopes to move in sometime in the spring or early summer. Kelsey also reports she has gotten in touch with Lenka Jakabinova, and was excited to hear that she and Zach Wieluns are engaged. It seems the wedding bug has bitten many of you! Ian Fraunfelder just purchased a home in Keene, NH, and got engaged to Melissa Pinkham in Aug. ’05. The two are getting married Sept. 2. Courtney Norris Francisco was married Feb.18, to Jim Francisco, whom she met through her sister, Barbie Norris Downer ’01, about 2 years ago. Courtney is working in real estate and living in Traverse City, MI, only a few miles from Barbie and her husband Jud, and their beautiful baby daughter, Ayla.

Belle, who was born in Aug. Katie Lynch is engaged to Erik Rockeford ’01, who proposed on Oct. 28. They are planning a June ‘07 wedding. And I’m extremely happy to report my class update partner, Nikki Fowler, is preparing for a wedding! Her high school sweetheart, Ben Martin, proposed on Valentine’s Day, and she—of course—said yes! They are planning a Feb. ’07 wedding in the Bahamas. Nikki and Ben really enjoy living in the Albany area, and they get to see friends on a much more regular basis. Kristin Danforth became engaged last fall to Jason Surowiec, who is the brother of Kristin Surowiec ’03. They are planning a summer ’06 wedding in New London and are thrilled! Kristin says a lot of Colby-Sawyer alumni are part of wedding, including Sarah Reagan, Megan Costello, Renee Liberty ’00 and Kristin Surowiec ’03. Hilary Cogen sends greetings from Concord, NH, where she was recently named news director of WKXL radio and has been busy covering news in NH. Congratulations, Hilary! This July she will be a bridesmaid in Debbie Panza’s wedding, and she is also looking forward to attending the wedding of Liz Steward and Chris Bryer ’01 in Aug. Randi Everett reports she has completed her thesis and research project on the contributions of technology in high school English/language arts, and graduated with her master’s
degree in adolescent education in Dec. “Now I’m permanently certified to teach in NY state and am still enjoying my job very much,” she writes. Randi said she also loves getting together with her “CSC girls” as often as possible!

Heather Billings is living in Watertown, MA, with Karen Kotopoulis, and is working at Dimock Early Intervention Center in Roxbury. She’s taking a class at Lesley, and is busy attending trainings. Katie Reeder reports she is moving to an apartment in Hampton, NH, with Addie and Beth, Lucia Savage’s old roommates, since Lucia and Katie’s brother, Ben Reeder ’99, are moving in together in Concord. Katie is working as a social worker for Seacoast Mental Health in Exeter, NH. “It’s great to be back in NH and I have been having a blast with all my old, and some new, friends,” she writes. Addy Danaher has been busy this winter skiing as much as possible, and even took a ski trip to UT with friends. While out west they skied Solitude, Brighten and Snowbird. “The skiing out there is amazing...definitely my favorite out west so far,” she writes. Addy is still living in Mystic, CT, and continues to love working at Pfizer in the corporate health and fitness center as a health fitness specialist and assistant project manager. Kirsty McCue is doing well, and is still working hard at Kingswood High School as the athletic trainer there. But she’s finding time to play too—Kirsty and her boyfriend, Matt, spent Feb. vacation in Aruba. Matt Hagerty is living in Washington, DC, and is still working on Capitol Hill, although he plans to move back to Concord in May to begin work on Rep. Bass’ campaign. This past fall, he traveled to AZ with Ramsey Hoehn, Brett Gaede and Hillary Cross. Ramsey Hoehn wishes you all well and says he’s having a great time living back in Burlington, VT. “Work is going very well and it’s great to stay in touch with so many great people from CSC,” he writes. While in VT, Ramsey has been able to keep in touch with Sarah Reagan, and he has run into Micah Lashear ’03 at Stowe, Nick Salter ’03 and Ben Crowell ’03. Brett Gaede is living in Jupiter Island, FL, where he works as a tennis pro at the Jupiter Island Club. He moved to FL at the end of Sept., and will be there until the beginning of May. “I survived Hurricane Wilma and now know that I never want to be in another hurricane ever again,” he writes. After leaving FL, he is heading to Europe with older brother Chuck Gaede ’00 to visit their younger brother. He is excited to travel around Europe for 3 weeks. Once back home, he is heading back to the Nantucket Yacht Club for his fifth season as the 1st assistant tennis pro. Brett reports he also sees Tony Giovino from time to time. Amy Callahan is living in Melrose, MA, with Sara Hammond ’01 and is working in downtown Boston as a structured products analyst at State Street Bank. “I love being so close to the city and all it has to offer,” she writes. Amy also spent time with fellow alumni at the CSC alumni basketball day, where she got to see Liz Joseph ’03, Brendan Carney, Jenny Buck, Ethan Betts ’03, Adam Tuttle and several others. She also saw Meg Donnelly Hydock ’99 for a dinner party at her “farm” in NH. Sarah Carney is living in CT teaching art at a middle high school, and coaching boys’ and girls’ varsity cross country. She plans to start graduate school this summer at Central CT State U. Lisa Farina and Casey Mitchell are still living in Chicago and loving it! Jen Foss is still living in Ashland, MA, with her girlfriend, Jess Kelleher ’03, and their 2 kitties. “We’re very happy with Ashland and it’s nice to be near my family,” she writes. This past Oct., Jen obtained a job as a special education teacher assistant in the Ashland public schools. In a school for 4th-through 6th-graders, Jess spends time with a student who has cerebral palsy, and she also assists teachers in classrooms. She hopes to have her own classroom next year in the school system, at the kindergarten, 1st or 2nd grade level. She is also enrolled in the master’s program at Framingham State College to get her degree in early childhood education, and continues to work part time at the Mulberry Child Care Center, where she spent about 3 years teaching kindergarten, toddlers and working in other classrooms. Andrea Chula is still living in CO and is working as a teacher in a toddler room at a nearby college. She also continues to work at Winter Park on Sundays. Eric Emery ’04 proposed to her in March during a trip to the Bahamas. Eric is still with Enterprise and is working towards a promotion. The couple skis as much as possible, and they are enjoying the city life of Denver. Beth Burnham is still in the Peace Corps, serving as an education volunteer in Guyana, South America. She lives on an island in South America and teaches literacy to primary school kids. She has been there for 8 months, and has 19 to go. Beth says adjusting to life there has been difficult; she has learned to live with limited electricity and depends purely on rainfall for drinking and bathing water. But she was able to take a much-needed holiday to St. Lucia and French Martinique, which she says was relaxing and beautiful. Bob Behn wishes everyone well.
and reports has finally completed his MBA. He is still working at Helicopter Support, Inc. in CT as a program contract proposal analyst. After a couple years in St. Louis, Mark Miller and Lindsey Wright Miller ’03 are living in Las Vegas, NV. Mark is flying MD80’s for Allegiant Air and Lindsey is going to school for massage therapy. Both are looking forward to visiting CSC alumni at the wedding of Matt Strand ’03 and Michelle Labrie ’03 in early May. Matt Sweeney is starting his 2nd semester at Simmons, working on earning a master’s degree in social work. He is also still working full time at North Suffolk. Lily Mills is still living in FL, teaching 7th and 8th grade reading. She drove to CT to be with family for the holidays and enjoyed seeing some snow. Work is keeping her busy, and she is attending classes to add on endorsements to her certification. “The weather here is perfect and I am happily living life with my boyfriend in our new house,” she writes. I am very happy to report that so many of you are doing well! It’s nice to see many of our classmates stay connected, and I hope that continues to be the case. At the same time, Nikki and I would love to hear from more of you! Drop us a line or e-mail and let us know how you’re doing. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer, and keep in touch!

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Hello again everyone! Well, as is true for all of you I am sure, the past 6 months have gone by faster than a ping pong match between Matt Ferguson and me! I have heard from some new classmates, which is nice, but there are still many people out there who need to start e-mailing me. Lisa Noyes has sent along her update, so here it is. Hello to everyone! I hope that everyone enjoyed the crazy winter weather and looks forward to spring and summer. As for me, Lisa Noyes, I had quite a fall. On Oct. 28, ’05, I got engaged to my boyfriend, Adam. We are planning a July 7, ’07 wedding in Hampton, NH. I Karissa Pignone is engaged and is planning a June ’07 wedding in the States, and then another celebration in Germany, where her fiancé Connor is from. Another summer ‘07 wedding is Sarah Valero, who is planning her big day for July 14. Good luck, girls, on all of your planning! Jon Dufort has taken a new job with Wyotech. He works as an admissions representative. He also spent part of the winter traveling to NC and OH to visit his family. Alexis Miranda has also taken a new job doing product development at Meditech, a medical software company, and she says that she loves it so far!
Colby-Sawyer Alumni Magazine has had quite a time and their son, Pearson Snow Stiles. Dave Stiles ’03 with his wife, Jaimee, dance were spoke during the ceremony as usher. Amy and Thomas both bridesmaids and Thomas Remmers ’02 were both bridesmaids and Maccioli information, Jess! got married. Thanks for all of the tions to to send her congratula- tions to her down. She wanted to let her down. She needed to send her congratulations to Rebecca Harned, who got married. Thanks for all of the information, Jess! Kelly Raiano Maccioli had a lot of news to share, too. She married Kevin Maccioli ’02 on Sept. 17 at the Hyatt Harborside on Boston Harbor. Vicki Burgess Fahey ’02 and Amy Birner Plourde ’02 were both bridesmaids and Thomas Remmers ’02 was an usher. Amy and Thomas both spoke during the ceremony as well. Other CSC friends in attendance were Jen Lubinski, Joel Tuite, Cheryl Lecesse ’02, Danielle Hilton ’05 and John Clay ’04. Kelly and Kevin spent 9 days traveling through Italy, including Rome, Venice and Florence, for their honeymoon. They are currently living in Malden, MA, but are starting to house hunt in southern NH. Kelly is working in Cambridge while Kevin is still writing for the newspaper. I guess that is all for now; if anyone has any news that they would like to share for the next issue, please be sure to pass it along! Thanks a ton, Lisa! Congrats to everyone who is getting and has already been married. I will start my section off with some great news from Dave Stiles, who is now a father. He and his wife, Jaimee, are the proud parents of Pearson Snow Stiles, who was born on Jan. 30 (6lbs 8oz)! Dave is a happy man and loves being a pap. Adam Schlesinger recently moved out west to Sante Fe, NM. Adam is now working for Progressive as a claims rep and is spending most of his just getting used to the west coast. He will be making a trip back to Boston in Sept. for Kristen Horn’s wedding. Anne DeCosta Bousquet was married on Feb 14 to Justin Bousquet, a graduate of NEC. Anne is working for MPG Newspapers as an advertising assistant. Congrats, Anne. Bailey Thompson is living in Montauk, NY, managing her mother’s day spa and loving every minute of it. In Jan., Bailey and her mother also began building a sort of bed and breakfast/day spa/pool/restaurant in Morocco, and if everything goes as planned, it should be ready to go by next year! Bailey plans to work there for 6 months and be back in the states for the remainder of the year. Tough life, eh! Kate O’Connor writes, “I still work at Boston Art and love it. I am now the operations manager, which is cool. When I am not at work I spend my free time with Conor Anderson ’02, hanging out and snowboarding. I also stay busy making music videos with Meghan Andersen and Sarah Cailler. A few of our greatest hits include Chaka Kahn and Pat Benatar. I am having fun living with the girls in Inman Square (Sarah Cailler, Margaret Lambert and Meghan Andersen). At the moment we are snowed in and cooking breakfast, Green House style...pancakes, yum (for Kate it’s all about the flavors)! Sarah enjoyed her Jamaican vacation with her sister in March. She is still working hard training people at the Beacon Hill Athletic Club. When she is not whirling strangers into shape for a living she is whirling her girlfriends into shape instead. She is getting us ready to be the back up dancers in her first hip-hop dance video! Meghan Andersen is working as a graphic artist at Charles River Apparel. She spends her free time with her fantastic boyfriend (he’s the one making the pancakes)! Margaret Lambert is doing well. I would like to congratulate her on her recent promotion into the HR department at an energy conservation company outside of the city. Wendy Theall is finishing up muscular therapy school in June. She then plans on taking a cross-country road trip adventure with Sarah. Well, that is all I have for now, my pancakes are getting cold!” Thanks, Kate, couldn’t have written it any better! Sarah Cailler also wrote to me, pretty much the same stuff you just read, but a funny addi- tion is that in preparation to her trip to Jamaica she burned herself real good at a tanning booth; I always told you gals those things are trouble! Sarah and Wendy are also both going to trade in their Honda Civics for an SUV for their cross-country road trip and they want people to get in touch with them so they can stop at many different places to see old faces! Thelma and Louise, any- one? Rob Ryder is still living in Dover, NH, and he hasn’t burned down his house or missed any payments...yet. Other than that he states that he is just working for the corporate giants, the ones that make the world go round! Robby has been able to get together with Ethan Betts, Garret Chambers, Matt Cartmill, and some others, although he does miss the old days when we were all in school. Robby chatted with Jed Norris a while back and Jed is doing well, but mostly apologizes for being so hard to get in touch with. Robby also wrote me a hilarious story, but I will hold onto it until our reunion; it’s pretty funny and I don’t think it’s quite right to put in the article! Kristen Horn will be getting married on Sept. 23. Keri McGee and Tracy Ernst will both be in the wedding. She is still working at Safety Insurance in Boston, and besides planning the wedding...not much new is going on. Logan Shedd is a busy man these days. He has made the move to NYC and is running a restaurant. It sounds like he is putting in some intense hours, but when you’re doing what you love, it doesn’t matter too much. Beatty Schlueter spent the winter as the program director at Suicide Six ski resort in VT. I spent many
days this winter with Beatty and one crazy fun night bowling in Lake Placid, NY. Let me tell you, that girl can bowl a mean ball, and she also liked to dance around in the lanes after all her strikes! Needless to say, she almost got kicked out. Beatty is very excited for the off season, when she will finally be able to take a day or 2 off. Probably the most excited that I got during this process was having Lauren Miller write to me! Finally she shows me some love and writes back! Contrary to popular belief, Lauren did not fall off the face of the earth, nor fled back to MN, nor ran away and got married, like some of her gals think at times. In fact, this whole time she has been in Boston! Lauren is still working with Nat Kibble, who is still tall with wicked long toes, and Conor Anderson ’02. Lauren writes, “I have sold my soul to corporate America and work with big fat 401(k) plans. Not so exciting, not so much writing, and nothing to do with my education. It’s not so bad though, at least I am learning something. I hope. I live with my boyfriend, Mike, right behind the Prudential Center. Life isn’t too exciting, but I am becoming domesticated. Martha Stewart is my idol. Seriously. I want to be her. I cook. I clean. And, I learned to knit. Don’t worry though; I’m still the same girl I always was. Just grew up a lot.” Lauren also wrote some very funny stuff, but as a perk of my job, I get to read the funny non-publishable stuff! Great to hear from you, kiddo! As for my boys, they are all mostly the same. Matt Ferguson and Kate Rocheford ’04 moved to the Dover area so Kate could be closer to grad school. Matt still works a ton, trains slalom on weekends with the 13 year olds he coaches at Mt. Sunapee. In his spare time he likes to get beat by Drew Drummond ’02 and me in ping-pong. Matt recently had his greatest life accomplishment by beating Drew in the annual Red Parka Pub race at Attitash! Can you say cloud nine? Micah Lashar and Jennifer Griffiths are still living in Stowe and doing great. I have actually been lucky enough to spend a ton of time with the both of them this winter. Jennifer is doing quite well with her graphic design work and has a growing freelance work base on top of her full time job. Micah continues to coach at Mt. Mansfield Academy in Stowe, VT, and his athletes had an amazing winter, all attributed to Micah’s stellar coaching techniques! Nick Salter is still working with Tecnica/Volkl/Marker as a sales rep and spends most of his time on the road like me. Nick and Ben Crowell’s newest endeavor, mostly Ben, is a project called “HATS.” Ben has an epic collection of hats that he has accrued over the years. With his tripod and camera set in place, he has made all of us guys put the hats on and make many funny faces. It may seem stupid, but when he rips off about 50 pics a session you get some amazing shots. Ben’s plan is to take the best pictures and make a huge poster out off all the small headshots. The guy is full of ideas, and believe me, after seeing some of the shots, this poster will be off the charts funny! Scott Bailey is still in Portland, ME, with Sarah Welch. He is a franchise branch manager for Dunkin Donuts and loves his job. Scott recently graced us with his presence at CSC’s annual USCSA Alpine Ski Race at Mt. Sunapee. It was so good to see him, along with the many alumni still around these parts. The night was filled with great drinks and many fond memories! Corey Felton is living the dream. He spent the winter in Jackson Hole, WY, again… and is getting closer to his goal of being the best skier in the world. Corey spends his days throwing crazy back flips off of his 10-foot hand made jumps in his backyard. I talk with Corey on a regular basis and he is doing great. Jackson Hole got pounded with snow this winter, and Corey has spent months playing in it. Like I said, living the dream. I am sure that when Corey finally decides to come back East he will have a newer, bigger truck! As for me, I have had a crazy year. I work with Fischer Skis and still live in New London. I spent the winter driving from one ski mountain to another for my job. I am eagerly anticipating the couple weeks off that I will get in April when I plan on taking a trip to Mt. Alyeska in AK to visit my good friend, Andrew Gannon. The craziest news about me is that this past Nov. I had laser corrective eye surgery, and it is amazing! This kid sees perfect and will not have to wear glasses for a long time to come! I wish you all the best and please keep on writing to me, as I enjoy reading what everybody has been up to. Good luck with everything, and be sure to get out and let some steam off every now and then.

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Hey, class of 2004! I hope everyone is doing well since the last issue of the magazine! Keep signing up for the online alumni directory; it’s a great way to be kept up to date on college events!

**Jesse Osmun** is currently doing missionary work in Kenya. He works with children affected by the HIV/AIDS virus. He says that the disease has left staggering numbers of children orphaned and that it is predicted that by 2010 there will be 1.2 million children orphaned due to HIV/AIDS. Jesse is living and working for 3 months on the outskirts of Nairobi, which is Kenya’s capital. He is staying at a Jesuit orphanage called Nyumbani. He works with 96 orphans ranging in age from babies to 2 men in their early 20s! Jesse says that almost all are HIV positive and are without any relatives. Jesse’s main responsibilities are in social work, which has been his profession since ’04. He spends the days doing social work and then at night he works more closely with the children on things such as their homework. Jesse says that the work can be emotionally taxing at times, but the experience has been incredible thus far. Jesse plans to teach grammar and composition at a private school in the northern part of the country once he has completed his missionary work. He hasn’t kept up with any of his old classmates, but would love to hear from people. He can be reached at Osmun79@yahoo.com.

**Kate Rocheford** is now living in

Happy Birthday To You, Tinal! (L to r) Maggie Warner ’04, Tina Burnell ’04, Mary Lougee ’04, Kim O’Connell ’04, Mike Ricker ’04, Jon Evans ’04, Mike Sullivan ’04 and Kelly Bateman ’05 enjoyed the festivities at Tina Burnell’s surprise birthday party.

Wedding Bells Will Be Ringing.

Mary Lougee and her fiancé, Nate Lambert.
Dover, NH, attending graduate school at UNH. She is still living with Matt Ferguson ’03. They both miss all of their friends in New London and hope to visit them soon. Liz Graham is starting her 2nd year of employment at Lamb & Desautels, a law firm in Burlington, VT. She also completed her first law class at Champlain College. Liz says that law may be something she wishes to pursue in her future! Things have been going very well for Stu Lander. He is working at Whaleback Mountain as their photographer. He also does some graphic design for them as well. He says it’s a good time and he sees it developing into some other opportunities. Other than that, he is still living in the New London area. Stephanie Hicks finished up her 2nd season as field hockey coach and she recently moved to CT with her boyfriend, Anthony. While she says that a job in the communication field still eludes her, she has found 2 part-time jobs. During the day, Steph works at Mystic Aquarium as a reservationist and during the evening, she works at Margarita’s. Steph is working on financing going back to school to become a teacher, though she doesn’t see it happening in the near future. Steph is enjoying the CT coast and is hoping to win millions at Foxwoods or Mohegan Sun! Good luck with that! Sarah Crete has been taking every opportunity to travel to NJ to visit Amanda Githens and to go shopping in NYC! She loves to get together with friends in Boston, NYC and Concord. Sarah is finishing up her MBA at SNHU and hopes to be done by the summer. Bethany Drapeau is still working as a research assistant at Dartmouth in vascular surgical research. She was engaged in Oct. ’05 and is planning her wedding for Oct. 6, ’07. Congrats, Bethany! Bethany lives in Goshen, NH, with her fiancé, her cat and her pet snake! Bethany says that graduate school is on the horizon after the wedding. Stacey Fraser is still living in Somerville, MA, and enjoys having her own place while still seeing friends from both high school and college. Stacey is still working at the Summit Educational Group in Watertown, MA, tutoring high school students for the SAT’s while also helping to run operations, provide tutor services as well as the supplemental educational services division. Busy, busy. She is very excited to be a new auntie to her nephew, William Tyler Felix. He was born 5 1/2 weeks premature on Feb. 11, but is doing well and growing stronger by the day! Congrats, Auntie Stacey! Stacey writes that she went out for dinner in Cambridge in Jan. with Melissa Leitch, Erin Sawler and Becca Groene. She also went to the young alum pub night at the Bell in Hand Tavern, where she saw Jason Feitelberg, Allison Hepler ’05, Tim Morin ’04, and Chris Reed and Tracey Austin from the college’s Advancement Office. Rebecca Brault continues her work as a lead teacher at the Magic Dragon Pre-school in Duxbury, MA. She was busy traveling this past year to places such as the Bahamas, San Diego and FL with some other CSC alumni. Rebecca is planning on going to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, with her boyfriend, Michael Pearce, whom she met through alumna Hanni Maria Lincoln ’05. Rebecca also plans to travel to Europe this summer. She keeps in touch with her close friends from CSC as much as time allows and that she keeps busy spending...
time with her new niece, Lily! **Courtney Stevens** is still working as a residential counselor and is also applying to graduate schools for a Master’s in international relations, which will allow her to complete some of her course work through the Peace Corps! Good luck, Courtney! **Maggie Warner** spent last Christmas in Paris! How wonderful! She is still living near the beach in Wells, ME, and is planning to stick it out for another year of teaching.

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We hope that everyone is doing well. Be sure to keep in touch with updates and other news as time goes on. As for me, Monica

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Michaud, I have been busy with work and dance. I am also taking classes for my special education certification, which will allow me to have a master's in that field. I have recently seen Kelsey Nadeau and Jen Wood. I have also been up to CSC a few times to visit Travis Jalbert ’06, Joe Albiston ’06, Rachel Murphy ’07 and Katie Carlson ’08. Matt Danahy has kept himself busy with traveling. Right after graduation, he went with Suzie Kaegi ’07 to Switzerland, Germany and Italy. Upon returning to the States in early Aug., he went to visit Brad Bennett ’02 in Seattle with fellow alums Heather Billings ’02, Hilary Cogen ’02 and Deb Panza ’02. Matt has also spent time skiing and visiting with Meghan Gately, Tony Giroux, Euginia Manseau, and Matt Athorn in Vail, CO. He has also traveled to the Bahamas and Ireland with his family. Matt is now a full-time employee at Ecolab as a territory manager in CT. Rebecca Bailey Wright was married Oct. 22, ’05. She and her husband bought a house and moved to Rock Hill, SC. Rebecca and her husband are both working and are happy in the sunny south. Joshua Pritchard is living in San Diego and enjoying life to the fullest. He is a sales representative for Yellow Brook, and although his job as a salesman can be challenging, he is learning more about himself everyday. Kelsey Nadeau is busy planning her June wedding and recently bought a house with her fiancé in Acton, ME. She sees Kim O’Connell ’04 every couple of weeks and remains in contact with Monica Michaud. Kelsey also had a lot of fun at the alumni event at the Manchester Monarchs hockey game. John Perkins is living in Burlington, VT, and is the membership director at Sports and Fitness Edge of South Burlington. Melissa Berry Pollman was married Dec. 20 to Garrett Pollman in a small ceremony at his parents’ house in Belmont, NH. She was working at Frisbie Hospital in Rochester, NH, but went to England in March to look for jobs. Once she has found a job and she and her husband have found a house on base, she will be moving to Huntingdon, England. Ellen Kirsch will be taking her NATABOC exam in April. For the time being, she is still working at the Age of Video, but is hopeful that she will be able to take over track coaching duties for the CT Special Olympics Summer Games. Good luck, Ellen! In Oct., Kelsey Donahue moved to San Diego and got a job as a graphic designer for a baby toy company called Infantino, and she absolutely loves it. For President’s Day weekend, after getting stuck in Chicago for a night, Tara Pannell, Stephanie Gehlbach, Dana Bickford, Erika Tsipouras and Acacia Batschelet made it out to CA for a weekend full of laughs and memories.

Rachel Bratter-Gronblom’s ’00 new son, Cyrus.

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