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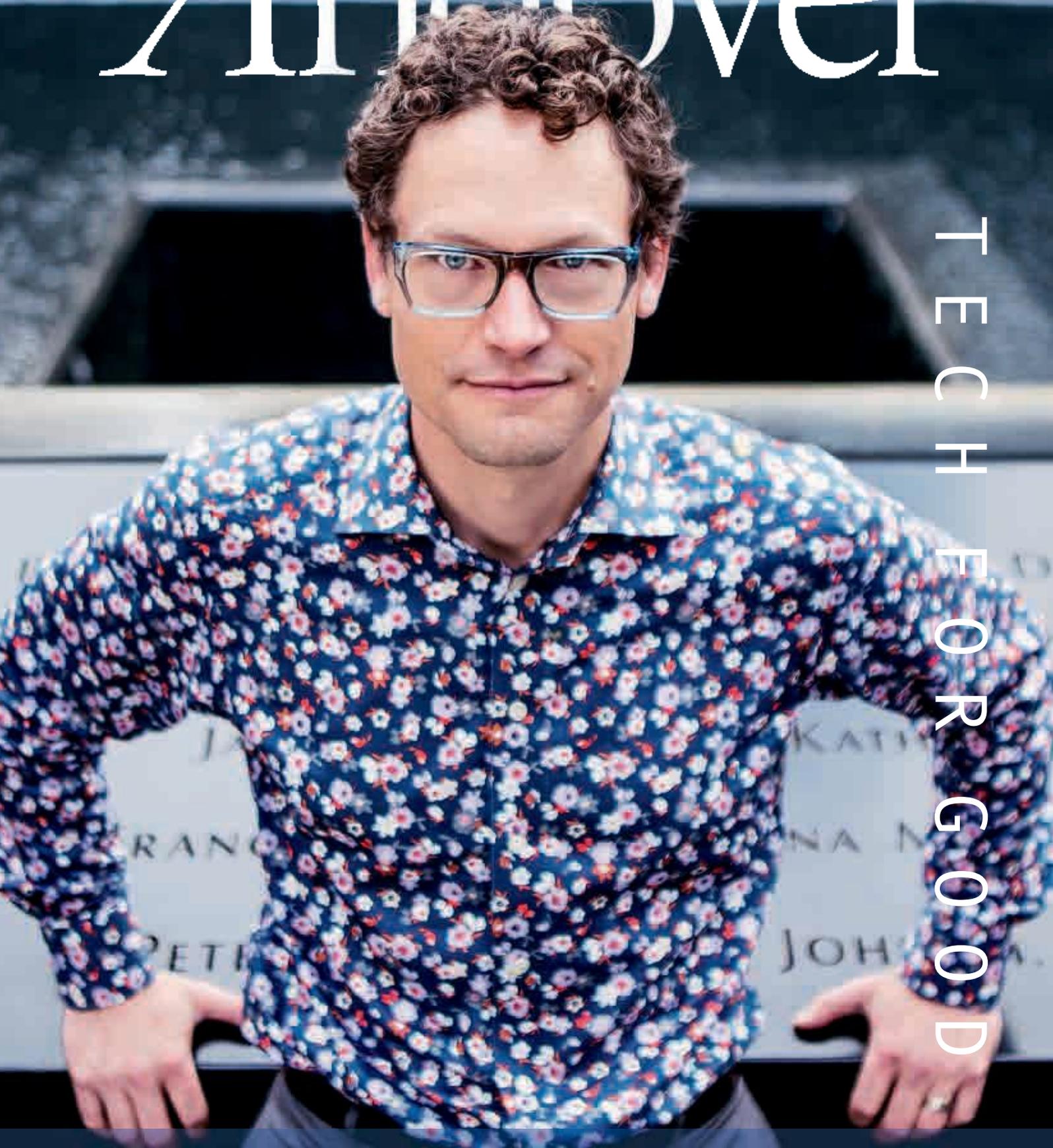
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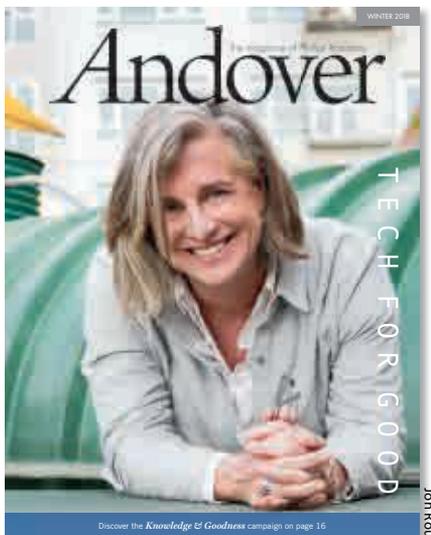
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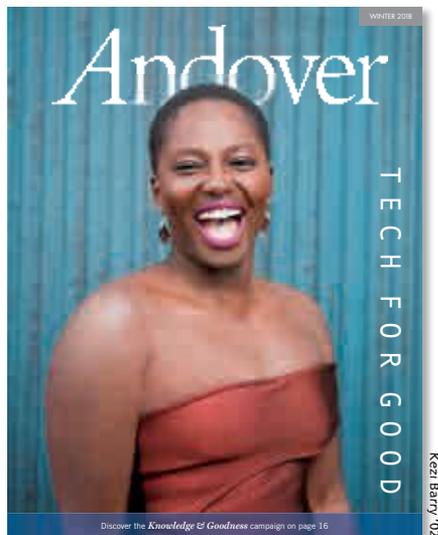
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Hadley Soutter Arnold '82



Atima Lui '08



Jake Barton '90

**W**hich one did you get?

When faced with three great options, why pick one? Pick them all!

That was ultimately our decision in choosing three fantastic cover images for the Winter 2018 *Andover* magazine. When we decided on the cover story “Tech for Good,” we knew we wanted to highlight alumni who use their tech savvy to help others, and to connect these stories to the theme of our new campaign, *Knowledge & Goodness*.

After compiling a list of potential candidates, we asked colleagues for suggestions and even queried class secretaries. Of course, we ended up with an enormous list of interesting and diverse alums. So how to choose?

The 10 alumni profiled—in our cover story and complementary feature—represent a variety of industries, from health care and finance to beauty and education. “Tech for Good” also showcases a trajectory of business models. Architect Hadley Soutter Arnold '82 has recently created a new green tech solution that she hopes will address the problem of limited drinking water in the future. Atima Lui's '08 recently-launched company uses tech to allow women of every skin tone to access beauty and fashion items, and established designer Jake Barton '90 pushes the boundaries of technology to tell meaningful stories.

As for choosing the cover, each of the three photo options (two taken by Kezi Barry '02 in NYC) were just too good, so we made an unusual decision: split our mail list three ways and publish three different covers with a common interior layout.

This cover story is by no means an end point. Our new website, [www.andover.edu/magazine](http://www.andover.edu/magazine), includes additional photos, content, and audio and video clips. If you have suggestions of other alumni whose work embodies “Tech for Good,” please share! As always, we welcome your comments and feedback.

Best,

Allyson Irish  
Editor, *Andover* magazine

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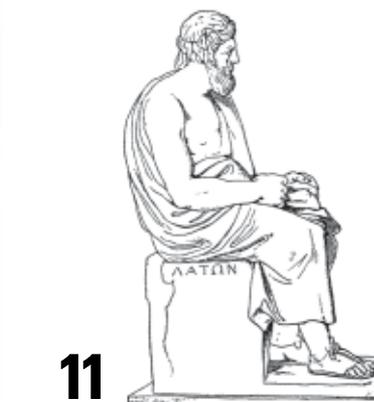
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I read with great sadness that Carl Krumpe, former instructor in Classics, passed away. I remember him very well and very fondly. Mr. Krumpe was my *Greek 1* instructor for the 1961–1962 academic year. To say the very least, or perhaps the very most, I started out as a thoroughly bewildered and struggling student. Not until the first three or four months had passed did I even have a clue as to what was going on. It was all Greek to me.

Mr. Krumpe was patient, caring, and encouraging. He gave freely of his time before and after class to help me along the way.

However, the measure of the man was much more than his wonderful Mr. Chips way of working with his students. In November 1961, I had to undergo major surgery at a Boston hospital. Mr. Krumpe not only sent me an encouraging get well card, he also visited me as I was recuperating. Aside from the support of my parents and the assistance of a cute 20-something nurse, Mr. Krumpe's care and concern were the best things that happened to me as I went through the surgery and the long recovery process.

Mr. Krumpe set an unforgettable example that lives with me to this day.

—Warren "Nick" Marble '65  
Westminster, Colo.

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Students perform in the winter musical *Ragtime* in December. Set in New York City at the turn of the 20th century, the show centers around themes of race and politics.





## From the Head of School

# KNOWLEDGE & GOODNESS: The Andover Campaign

On September 16, 2017, we launched *Knowledge & Goodness: The Andover Campaign* to elevate the student experience and strengthen our position as a leader in secondary education. Our \$400 million goal is ambitious, and it's invigorating to think of the difference we can make on so many fronts—for students receiving financial aid, for academic excellence, for our historic campus, and for the cocurricular endeavors that distinguish our school.

Hundreds came to campus that weekend, joining faculty, staff, and students to attend classes, enjoy a community picnic, and much more. And we've begun to introduce the campaign to our global community, touching down in New York, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. We look forward to seeing our Andover friends in Asia and London in the coming weeks.

This issue of *Andover* magazine introduces our campaign chairs: Joseph Bae '90; Peter Currie '74, P'03; and Amy Falls '82, P'19, '21. Trustees with more than 20 years of board service among them, Peter, Joe, and Amy are committed to the strategic goals that compel us to raise a record sum for Andover's future. Their guidance was instrumental as we determined our priorities, and their conversation on page 17 will give you a sense of why this fundraising initiative is so timely and crucial.

Among our most urgent priorities is to renovate the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library (see story, page 22). Consider that the library was last renovated in 1987, before the dawn of the Internet and a rapidly evolving digital world. Transforming this campus icon for 21st-century learning will have a profound impact on intellectual life and student engagement.

As we secure major gifts for projects such as the library renovation, I also want to emphasize the importance of gifts of all sizes. There is a place in this campaign for every person who believes in Andover.

The Andover Fund, our annual revenue source fueled by alumni and parents, comprises \$85 million of the \$400 million goal. Every dollar contributed to the Andover Fund counts toward the *Knowledge & Goodness* campaign. These donations are foundational; they strengthen all that is vital to the student experience. Now they will also strengthen our historic campaign effort.

As I reflect on the excitement for Andover's future, I continue to be inspired by the closing remarks Peter Currie offered at our campaign celebration last September: "Andover is an incredible institution and has earned its longevity with excellence and resilience in the pursuit of its mission. This place is performing in today's world, for today's students, facing today's issues, anticipating tomorrow's demands. Our responsibility, as beneficiaries of an Andover education, as stewards of this Academy and members of this community, is to keep it as strong as this—and this campaign is the essential next step."

Thank you for the many ways you help Andover to change so many lives for the better.

Sincerely,  
John G. Palfrey, P'21



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## The Oliver Wendell Holmes Library: The Story Continues

Known briefly as the Oliver Wendell Holmes Memorial Swimming Pool—when underground springs filled its excavation site—Andover's much-anticipated library was completed in 1929. Some 23,000 books from nearby Brechin Hall, as well as gifts of rare and valuable volumes, initially populated the spacious new facility.

"The library is the soul of an educational institution, around which and in which the other phases of its life should be centered," said then-*Phillips Bulletin* editor and future Andover headmaster Claude Moore

Fuess. Named for 1825 Andover graduate, doctor, and poet Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr., the

library was designed by famed architect Charles Platt as a key element of an early 1900s comprehensive campus renewal spearheaded by Thomas Cochran,

Class of 1890. Much-needed renovations to the OWHL will begin later this year. See page 22 for more.



## NEW LEADERSHIP AT ANDOVER

Andover recently welcomed four new leaders to the community.

Jessica Herbster '90 joined Andover in July as the school's first general counsel. Herbster previously worked for two decades with the Andover, Mass., law firm Schwartz Hannum, where she was a partner.

Her experience includes work with education-related clients, including school heads, trustees, business managers, human resources teams, and faculty. At Andover, in addition to providing daily counsel and policy review, Herbster develops and leads employee training in a broad range of areas. Herbster earned a BA degree from Bucknell University and a JD degree from Boston College.

Kirsten Landers Glantz joined Andover in August as chief investment officer. Charged with stewarding Andover's endowment portfolio and overseeing its New York City investment team, she is based in New York and works closely with trustees and members of the Academy's Investment Committee.

Most recently a director of absolute return strategies at General Motors Asset Management (GMAM), Glantz has 20 years of investment and markets experience. She earned an AB degree from Harvard College and an MBA degree from Stanford University.

Gil Caffray '71, P'20, of Greenwich, Conn., was elected this past fall to a six-year term as a charter trustee. A member of Andover's Investment



Herbster



Caffray



Glantz



Lord

Committee since 2013, Caffray also helped guide the school from 2008 to 2012 as part of *The Campaign for Andover* Steering Committee and the Financial Aid Task Force. Last spring, Caffray served on the search committee that selected Glantz as chief investment officer.

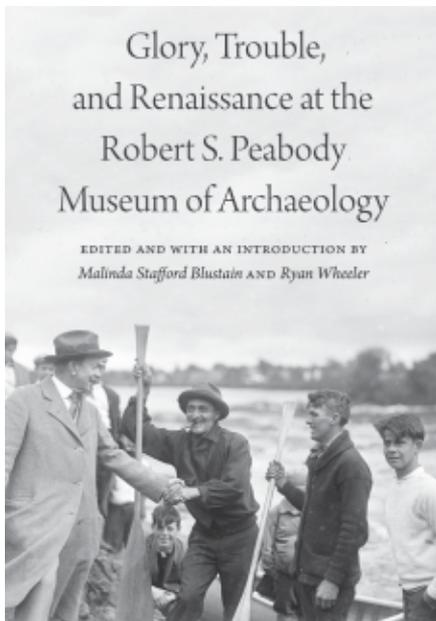
Currently chief investment officer at Tiger Management LLC, Caffray also worked at the firm

from 1993 to 2000 as head trader, senior managing director, and a member of the management committee. He left Tiger to cofound FrontPoint Partners LLC, where he was managing partner and co-portfolio manager of the FrontPoint Multi-Strategy Fund. Upon the acquisition of FrontPoint by Morgan Stanley Investment Management (MSIM) in 2006, Caffray became vice chair of MSIM. Caffray is a graduate of Princeton University.

Alison Smith Lord '85, P'19, joined the Board of Trustees July 1. As cochair of the Annual Giving Board (AGB), she will serve a two-year term as an alumni trustee.

Lord has served in a number of capacities to support Andover's fundraising, volunteer, and engagement efforts. In addition to her AGB leadership, she has been a head class agent, reunion chair, career mentor, and member of the Alumni Council Executive Committee.

Currently global head of talent at Google Creative Lab, Lord was a partner and executive recruiter for Tangerine from 2010 to 2013 and a general manager for human resources with Lowe New York from 1999 to 2008. A former trustee for St. Hilda's & St. Hugh's School in New York City, she is the founder of the Cameron and Hayden Lord Foundation. Lord earned a BA degree from Yale University.



## New Journal, New Book, New Name for the Peabody

At the urging of Director Ryan Wheeler and in-line with goals of its namesake, the Peabody's name was formally changed in November to The Robert S. Peabody Institute of Archaeology. Dropping the word "museum" from its name is significant in several ways, says Wheeler. It reinforces the primary focus of teaching and research, it clarifies the difference between other Peabody museums, and it addresses the misconception that the Peabody hosts public exhibitions.

"While we are happy to have people come for tours and events, our current mission is to provide archaeological and anthropological learning opportunities to the students of Phillips Academy," Wheeler says.

Other news from the Peabody includes:

- *The Journal of Archaeology and Education* (JAE), an open-access, peer-reviewed, online publication—and the first of its kind to promote archaeology and education—was launched this past year and is hosted at the University of Maine's Digital Commons. Conceived of by the Peabody Advisory Committee, the JAE is managed by a 20-member editorial board that includes faculty from colleges and experts from archaeology organizations and government agencies. "We've been really lucky to have archaeology built into the curriculum at Andover," Wheeler says. "One of the things we hope to do with this journal is to foster some community-building with other schools and teachers."
- A new book edited by Wheeler and former Peabody director Malinda Stafford Blustain will hit bookstands later this year. *Glory, Trouble, and Renaissance* chronicles the history of the Peabody and the cutting-edge research done there from the 1930s to the 1970s. The book is available via pre-order on Amazon.

## Andover Hacks for the Win



Mike Barker

Students are all smiles after PA places first in the Hack New England High Schools hackathon challenge. From left to right: Isabella Morona '19, Amanda Li '18, and Jocelyn Shen '18.

Picture a room where more than 200 students pound away on laptops, ideas fly like rapid fire, and creativity is contagious. Welcome to Hackathon.

In November, the second annual Hack New England High Schools (hackNEHS), run for high schoolers by high schoolers, drew teams from some 25 area public and private schools to the Microsoft Technology Center in Burlington, Mass. There, future developers and entrepreneurs brainstormed for 12 hours straight as they competed to produce innovative ideas, such as a map alert app that allows commuters to personalize their travel experience, a digital token system that enables paid peer editing, and a quick and easy way to get daily news headlines via an interactive world map.

**Free and open to all high schools, hackNEHS was started in 2016 by PA students.**

For the second year in a row, the winning team was from Phillips Academy. Darcy Meyer '18, Miles McCain '19, Alex Reichenbach '18, Ihor Barakaiev '20, and Nicholas Miklaucic '19 created a hack called RAQ (Research, Aggregation, and Quantification), that clusters keywords within news articles and then measures

the media's positive or negative coverage of a topic. The PA team said their technology would be helpful to anyone seeking a deeper analysis of news content.

"A hackathon is all about collaborative invention under fire," explains Mike Barker, director of Academy research, information, and library services. "No matter what level students are at, or their ability to code, HackNEHS offers a lesson in resourcefulness, resilience, and about working with a team."

Free and open to all high schools, hackNEHS was started in 2016 by PA students who wanted to create a gathering place for like-minded peers to dive deeper into coding and watch their tech ideas—programming, websites, apps, games, robots, and more—come to life.

At the end of the day, judges provide feedback and prizes, such as drones, smart watches, and grants to further develop ideas. Each member of this year's winning PA team took home an Oculus Rift virtual reality headset.

## ANDOVER.EDU Redo

Andover's redesigned website was launched this past fall, marking the first overhaul of andover.edu in nearly a decade.

Featuring dynamic photography and video along with a clean, modern design, the responsive site "allows the Academy to engage with prospective students and families in new and exciting ways," says Tracy Sweet, director of Academy communications. Two standout features are a master events calendar where users can see all Andover events—from athletic contests and performances to guest speakers and alumni events—in one place, and a "People of Andover" module, which highlights community members with stylized photos and pithy anecdotes.

Along with digital agency Brooklyn United, a campus advisory committee led the project through a yearlong process of discovery, design, and development. Most remarkably, the new site "went on a diet," shrinking from more than 1,700 pages to about 100. This consolidation was the result of a strategy based on audience research and implemented with the goal of keeping the site relevant to those who engage most frequently with Andover online.

"We now have a website that reflects the modern Andover experience and gives us the platform to recruit the next generation of Andover alumni," Sweet says.





### Fall at Phillips Academy

1. Seniors enjoyed the first day of classes and the annual Vista Walk wearing T-shirts designed by Samantha Bloom '18.

2-3. Hosted at Exeter this past year, the 139th Andover-Exeter athletics contest concluded with Andover wins in field hockey and football, and a tie in girls' soccer.

4. Honoring Dr. Maggie Jackson (third from left) with the 2017 McKeen Award are former award recipients Kathy Dalton and Tony Rotundo (both emeriti faculty), along with former associate head of school Rebecca Sykes, English Instructor Mary Fulton, and inaugural Brace Center Director Diane Moore.

5. Bright, sunny days and gorgeous fall foliage: What more could PA families ask for during Family Weekend, when family members attended classes and learned about various Andover programs and facilities.





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6. Andover formally announced its new Knowledge & Goodness campaign on September 16 with a gala event. Grammy Award winner Kevin Olusola '06 (pictured above) of Pentatonix gave a stunning performance.

7. Andover honored its military service members at a Veterans Day dinner November 9, where Army 1st Lt. Michelle Kalas '97, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Luis Gonzalez '97, and Air Force Lt. Col. Kenny Weiner '96 were happy to catch up with old friends.

8. Congratulations to teachers Erin Strong, Abbey Siegfried, Thayer Zaeder '83, Marisela Ramos, and David Fox who were honored at the fall trustee dinner and awarded teaching foundations and instructorships.

9. Students performed at the popular Grasshopper Night talent show, held each year during Family Weekend.

# THOUGHTS on TEACHING

**Paul Murphy '84** is all about kids. Legions of Phillips Academy students have been taught and coached by Murphy, whose 29-year PA career includes work as a math teacher, water polo and swim coach, house counselor, cluster dean, Summer Session director, and dean of students.

by Jill Clerkin

Whether biking around campus or stopping by Paresky Commons for a bite to eat, Murphy is a recognizable figure at PA, one that kids can connect with about their successes, struggles, and mistakes. Murphy's PA connections run deep; his dad is a 1961 grad, daughter Maddie graduated in 2016, and son Tyler is an upper. His wife, former director of Alumni Engagement Debby Murphy, is a 1986 alumna.

It might seem like a slam dunk that the likeable, outgoing alumnus would be hired as a PA teaching fellow after college, but Murphy credits the Academy's sports requirement for tipping the scales in his favor.

### How did you like being a day student?

PM: My friends were mostly day students too, so we all hung out in the library. I did all my studying there. It was great. Makes me sound like an old guy, but the sense of place is so real—visually and the smells. It hasn't changed much. The librarians were like my house counselors. I knew everything about them, and they knew everything about me. It was fun. I'd leave at 9:30 or so, walk four blocks home, and come back the next morning.

### What sports did you play at Andover?

PM: I played football one year and did some soccer, lacrosse, and crew. I wasn't terribly good at any of it. But I learned to be a competitive swimmer when I was here—definitely *not* something I would have done if PA hadn't required a sport every trimester.

Later, at Bates College, I became a strong competitive swimmer. When I applied to be a teaching fellow, I was replacing Loring Kinder for a year—a math instructor who was also a swim coach. I think what they actually needed was a swim coach who could teach math. I fit the bill and ended up coaching boys' varsity swimming my first year, then the girls' varsity team from 1991 to the present. I also coached water polo for 10 years.

### How does critical thinking come into play in the math classroom?

PM: Scholars today need to be able to use data and pictures to tell a story—and also be able to interrogate what they're seeing. They cannot simply accept everything that is thrown at them.

Pictures and numbers are being used to push people toward a particular way of thinking. For example, you can make a graph look like the number of immigrants has skyrocketed. But no—take a look at the y-axis. It might actually be saying it's only increased by 1 percent.

Since the election, there seems to have been a lot more scrutiny. Whether you call it fake news or not, media outlets have long been choosing what to put out there for the public: which photo to use of this or that candidate, how dramatic a graph looks. It's hugely persuasive.



### How do your own PA experiences influence your interactions with students?

PM: I can put myself in their shoes. Andover was not a breeze for me. It's a hard school. I know what it's like to do tons of homework, to struggle to do well on a test and get a 78. It's like, "What happened to me? I used to get straight A's!" I definitely have that sense of what the kids are going through. ♦

➤ To read the extended Q&A with Paul Murphy, visit [www.andover.edu/magazine](http://www.andover.edu/magazine).



Photos by Gill Talbot

# Exploring Themes of Citizenship

How do we define citizenship? By place of birth? By longevity or passing a test? What are the requirements of citizenship? Who determines citizenship and how?

Recognizing the richness and complexity of this term, PA chose citizenship as an academic theme for this year, asking faculty to incorporate topics into curricula and discussion themes. In the following pages, three instructors explore citizenship as it relates to their scholarship, interests, and personal lives.

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by Elizabeth Meyer

Plato believed that the ideal city was one governed by true philosophers who would be educated in the skills necessary to act as benevolent guardians of its citizens. He described that education in book VII of the *Republic*, beginning with guided play and culminating in what we might call “interdisciplinary studies,” the stage at which students were expected to bring together the isolated studies they had pursued as



## The Liberal Arts Produce the Best Citizens

children and recognize the connections between them and with the world around them. In this way, they are liberated from Plato’s allegorical cave, in which they could see only the superficial, represented by shadows cast by artificial depictions of reality. Plato explicitly identified education—and its lack—as the tenor of his allegory.

Because the ascent is steep and the first glimpse of light painfully glaring, the masses in Plato’s fictional city are not willing to leave the darkness of the cave. A select few must be compelled to emerge and acquire the vision that would equip them to rule—compassionately but absolutely—over the others.

Foundational to democracy, however, is

the belief that *all* citizens have a responsibility to promote the good of the commonwealth and must be educated in order to do so. Thomas Jefferson built upon these ideas when he founded the University of Virginia. When Jefferson called the curriculum “liberal,” he was referring not only to its generous scope and freedom from religious doctrine, but also connecting its purpose to government. Since only the free—not the enslaved—ever had the rights of citizenship, “liberal arts” (from the Latin *ars, artis*: “skill,” and *liberalis*: “appropriate for a free person”) became the term for curriculum that was considered essential for preparing young people to fulfill their civic responsibility.

The liberal arts produce the best citizens because by studying them we can achieve what American philosopher and educator Tamar Gendler called “escaping the accident of contingency.” In other words, the liberal arts allow us to transcend our embodiment within an infinitesimal margin of space and time. Languages, history, music, mathematics, and the sciences all give us vision beyond our own perspectives, which are limited by our personal experiences.

For a diverse group of people to work together for the common good, each individual must be able to see beyond his own frame of reference and to engage in deliberative discourse with others who have different convictions engendered by their own experiences.

A healthy community requires people who

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can appreciate that others may not hold the same opinions and values as they do and who recognize the danger of intolerance. Without this ability, we remain confined to our own perspectives, fooled by false shadows, susceptible to manipulation by those who divide community by inciting hatred and fear.

People who have emerged from the monochrome of Plato's cave see truth and beauty in the diversity of our world. Such enlightenment, achieved through education, produces citizens whose words and actions foster peace rather than conflict.

In Phillips Academy's 1778 Constitution, the Platonic curriculum is manifest in the list of subjects to be taught

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with the expectation that youth who are educated in the liberal arts would be best prepared to serve their country as citizens and leaders. They would approach difference with a spirit of inquiry, which leads to inclusion, and they

would recognize the complexity of perspective, which inspires balanced and mindful deliberation.

This is the legacy of PA and its value is timeless. That is not to say that we should uncritically admire Plato's interpretation of empathy or accept Jefferson's definition of inclusion. On the contrary, our challenge as a school and as citizens is to progressively reinterpret and reapply our traditional principles in a changing world.

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*Elizabeth Meyer, head of the Division of World Languages on the David M. Underwood Foundation, has been teaching Classics at Phillips Academy for 20 years. Her son, Benjamin, is a senior at PA.*

# Good Partnership Equals Good Citizenship

by Eric Roland

My role at the Tang Institute centers on our engagement with campus colleagues and the outside world. Our partnerships within and outside Andover invite new ideas, strengthen projects, and provide channels to test, refine, and share ideas more broadly. Learning from and sharing with others reflects good partnership practice, no doubt. These actions also parallel the path to good citizenship.

With any partnership exploration, we are guided by important moral and philosophical considerations rooted in Phillips Academy's *non sibi* ideology. Interrogating "What does it mean to partner with others?" and "What are our responsibilities beyond the Academy?" inform our approach to aligning externally. Good partnership also requires regular reflection on the question "Why?", which clarifies the rationale for collaboration. Similarly, an engaged citizenry explores such prompts—around responsibilities and motivations underlying cooperative activity—while encouraging a shared sense of purpose.

Such questions animated our collaboration with Khan Academy, with whom our campus colleagues created thousands of math problems for open use by students and teachers worldwide.

Good partnership, like good citizenship, also thrives on encounter. The effectiveness of building solutions through collective approaches and diverse voices has been well documented. In previous experience with international organizations, I witnessed the power of creative, generative interaction involving people from different sectors and geographies. The World Economic Forum's Young Global Leaders, for example, spurred innovation such as Deworm the World, an initiative that provides health solutions to 200 million children annually. Globally and locally, building connective tissue for people and ideas to interact represents a partnership and citizenship priority. Indeed, the sum is greater than the individual parts.

Of course, the collective flourishes only when each member counts. Giving voice to all serves as a vital prerequisite for thriving partnerships, communities, and societies. Honoring the dignity and experience of each partner or citizen goes a long way to ensure that impactful solutions or policies



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are formulated. Any partnership broker, like any citizen leader, must build open channels and robust platforms for all members to be heard. In recent years, campus col-

leagues and local Merrimack Valley educators at public and private schools have gathered to discuss such topics as strengthening students' metacognitive skill development. In these discussions, each participant listens to and builds upon the experience and insight of others. Each voice is valued.

The throughlines between meaningful partnership and model citizenship play out on a daily basis here at Andover, evidenced by Community Engagement, outreach programs, and departmental efforts, among others. Alongside colleagues who serve as citizen-stewards and community builders, we aim to probe how best to collaborate, build nodes that encourage encounter, and strengthen platforms for diverse voices to be heard—an undertaking that continually takes shape.

Advancing such work is important for the sake of further strengthening pedagogical practice. It is vital for another important reason as well: collaboration provides a compelling model for our students to understand what it means to fully engage in the world and become the good partners and good citizens we aspire for them to be.

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*Eric Roland serves as the Precourt Director of Partnerships at the Tang Institute.*

# La Migra Is Knocking

by Marisela Ramos

Knock, knock. Who's there? *La migra*. (Border patrol.)

We laughed at this joke as children, but only in that way that you do because you're nervous. Existentially nervous. Nervous in your bones, in your soul. Had *la migra* ever really knocked on our door it would have been devastating, as both of my parents were undocumented immigrants.

When I turned 11, Eva and Moises finally became permanent U.S. residents. It was an otherwise unremarkable year, 1987, except for Eva and Moises, who could finally laugh with a bit more ease after 22 years of an "undocumented" life in East Los Angeles, my mother sewing high-fashion dresses in downtown factories, my father building furniture, and both raising a family of three California-born children whom they constantly reminded were U.S. citizens by birth, by law, by right.

Citizenship mattered because it meant that I belonged to a great nation. Great because it was essentially good and just and, because of that, it was one of the few places on Earth where dreams live.

Almost 30 years later, in summer 2016, I traveled with my parents to visit my maternal grandmother in Mexico. She is 92 and my last living grandparent. On the way home at the customs checkpoint at the Los Angeles airport, *la migra* knocked at our door.

After reviewing each of their green cards and Mexican passports, the immigration officer took my parents' fingerprints and photographs, something that seemed routine enough, though I was not asked to do that. When it appeared we were done, the officer stepped from behind his desk and told me that my mom had to go with him. He then led her through large opaque doors set in a huge wall of opaque glass.

No reason had been given for taking



my mom. What lay beyond this border? I noticed the gun dangling from his hip holster. I wanted to ask, "Why are you taking her? Where are you taking

her? How long will she be? Do I need to call a lawyer?" I had not managed to open my mouth for fear that my questions would be met with retaliation, that my father and I would not be left "free" on the outside to act, to give witness that something was happening. The doors shut and my father and I were left standing there, alone.

In that very moment, my own status as a U.S. citizen seemed precarious in

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ways it never had before, not even pre-1987. *Knock, knock*. Not even all those times when I have returned from traveling abroad and jet lag is replaced by nervousness as I hand over my passport at the immigration counter and wonder if this will be the time my citizenship is questioned and I begin to rehearse in my head how to prove that I am truly American.

I reasoned that once they "check" her papers they will see that my mom is a person. A law-abiding, retired, Social Security-receiving, fastidious payer of bills, a regular at the local senior center and avid bingo player. I also reasoned that the opaque doors might never open again; she might never come out from behind the wall and no one might ever come out to let me know why. It might be hours before anything happens. At what point do I demand to know what is going on? To whom would I make this demand? Were they speaking to her in English? Did she try to talk to them in Spanish? Would they refuse to listen or translate? Would they badger her, get in her face, put her in a van, and

take her farther away? Had that already happened?

An hour after my mom had disappeared, she came through the doors. I rushed to her, asking, "What did they do to you?" She answered with annoyance, "Nothing. They didn't even ask me a single question. *Ni una pregunta*." A discrepancy in my mom's birthdate on her passport had needed clarification.

That same summer, then-candidate Donald Trump expressed his desire to build a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. This proposal is not new and it is not without real human cost. Mexican Americans have been unjustly "deported" in the past, such as during the Great Depression when as many as 600,000 Americans were forcibly removed to Mexico, and in 1954 during "Operation Wetback," referenced explicitly by Trump in a 2015 presidential debate, when hundreds of thousands more Americans were removed to a country that was not theirs.

Today, my citizenship feels fractured and fragile in a way that it never has before. Citizenship did not confer upon me the power to prevent *la migra* from taking my 64-year-old mother away behind the opaque glass wall. Worse yet, I cannot be sure that it would have protected me had I asked one too many questions. *La migra* had finally knocked at my door and the nervous laughter of uncertainty returned. *Who's there?* ♦

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*Marisela Ramos, an instructor in history and social science, was recently awarded the Donna and Beverly Jones Instructorship. In addition to teaching, she is a house counselor and the LGBTQ+ adult coordinator. She lives on campus with her spouse, Corrie Martin, instructor in English, and their 4-year-old daughter, Marina.*

# FIELD EXPERTS

They've been coaching—and winning—together at PA for nearly a quarter of a century, but the first time Martha Fenton '83 and Kate Dolan met on the field, they were rivals. **by Allyson Irish**



It was 1993, and Fenton was leading the Exeter girls' junior varsity lacrosse team; Dolan was coaching Big Blue. There was a thunderstorm. The game was delayed. Andover won. Little did they know that the following year, the two would be back on the field, this time coaching together.

Two decades later they are still at it, coaching girls' field hockey and lacrosse together—a formidable duo.

Fenton and Dolan are in good company along with a handful of other longtime women coaches, including Shirley Ritchie, Karen Kennedy, and Lisa Joel. They coach, they teach, they manage dormitories, they've held increasingly complex leadership positions. They are what Athletic Director Leon Modeste calls "iconic figures in the history of PA women's coaching." Simply stated, "They do everything well."

On a glorious late October afternoon, the pair are leading a field hockey practice in Phelps Stadium, the nearly completed Snyder Center rising in the background.

Dolan is coaching the goalies, putting them through drills, while Fenton is with the field players, their practice shirts emblazoned with the team's motto, "Don't Settle." Big Blue is doing well this year. Coming off back-to-back Class A New England Preparatory School Athletic Council championships,

the team is undefeated as they head into a weekend game against Deerfield Academy.

It's a perfect afternoon to be outside—a light wind, sunny skies, the trees in full autumn display. On days like this, it's great to be a coach, especially with your best friend.

"The same things matter to us: team dynamic, hustle, heart," says Fenton. "We both have that same emphasis. We are lucky that we do—it's what makes our partnership work. We complement each other."

Dolan and Fenton share a lot beyond coaching duties. Both are PA alumni parents, student advisors, and cluster deans, and both teach physical education. Fenton was PA's first female athletic director from 1999 to 2007; Dolan served as assistant AD from 2001 to 2006.

Both also excelled as collegiate athletes. As she had at Andover, Fenton played field hockey, ice hockey, and lacrosse at Bowdoin. Dolan played field hockey and was a member of the University of New Hampshire's 1986 Division I women's lacrosse championship team.

Their shared history, friendship, and love of sport has proved immensely valuable, not only in moments of success, but also during challenging times. The suicide of senior Dan Nakajima this

past fall tested the resilience of everyone on campus. For Dolan and Fenton, it also highlighted the importance of their relationship.

"That is when you see the strength of the team," Dolan says. "Those kids really pulled themselves together through it. That is when you realize that sports are really just a part of what you do and secondary to many other things. It was one of the toughest weeks I've ever coached through."

Fenton says she and Dolan often questioned themselves during that time. "It's hard to know what to do. Do we play? Do we just sit? We tried to read them. Each kid was really different. You have to learn how to respond to them as individuals in those moments, but also to let them know that there is strength in the team."

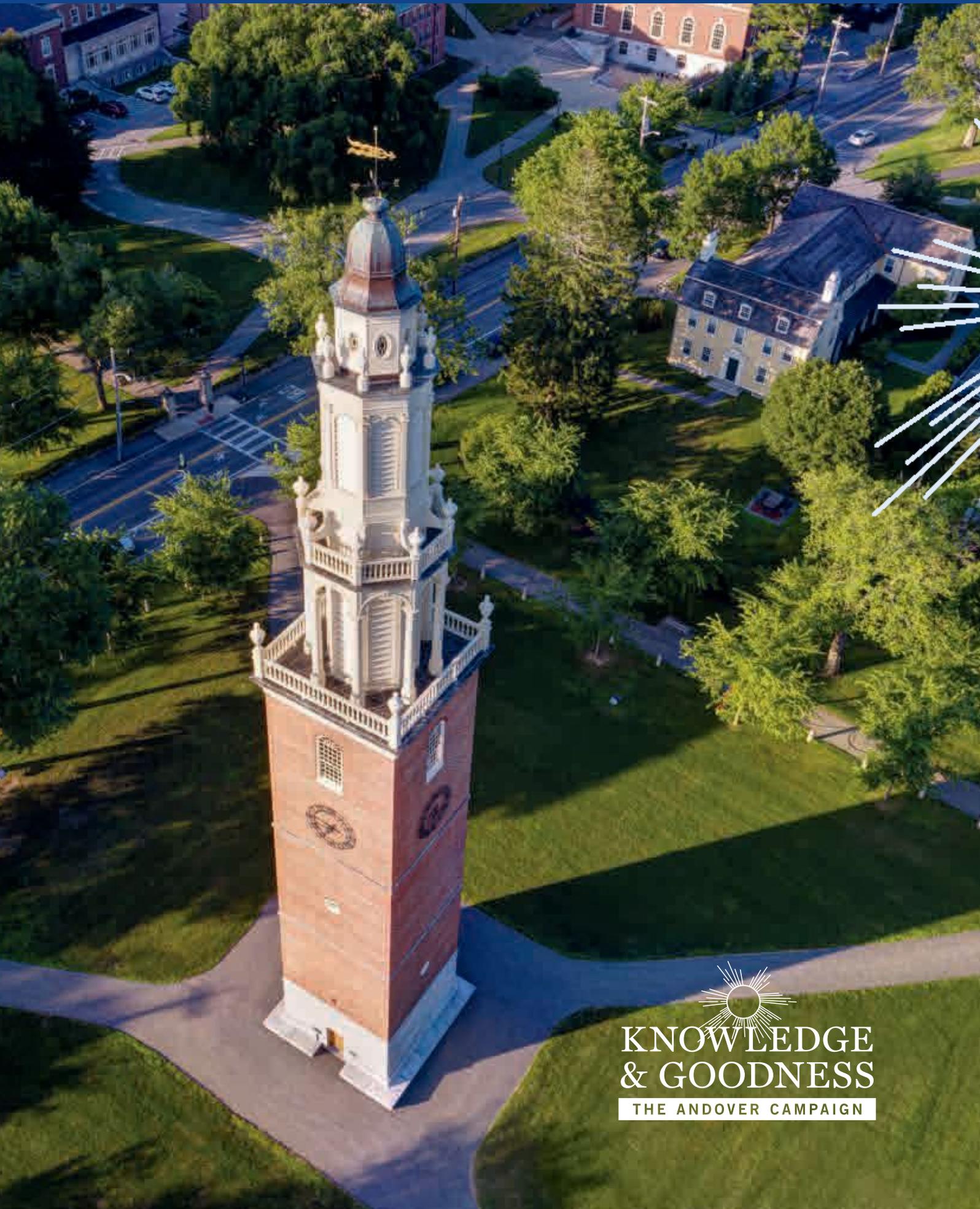
Leading by example. It's something that Modeste says Dolan and Fenton do extraordinarily well—not only on the field but perhaps more importantly, off it.

With the 2017 field hockey season a memory now, Fenton and Dolan are settling into their winter routines and, of course, preparing for next fall. If their 24 years together have taught them anything, it's that success can never be achieved without hard work. ♦



Photos by Gill Talbot

*Dolan and Fenton, center, surrounded by the 2017 girls' field hockey team, which finished the year 17-2. Though they made it to the NEPSAC championship game, they fell short of a third straight title, losing to Greenwich Academy.*



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THE ANDOVER CAMPAIGN

Andover's new \$400 million campaign seeks to inspire—and unite—alumni, parents, and friends worldwide.



# Embracing *Knowledge & Goodness*

by Matthew Bellico

Phillips Academy boldly launched *Knowledge & Goodness: The Andover Campaign* in September. This landmark endeavor is the most ambitious campaign in Academy history and the largest among all independent schools.

Through the campaign, Andover will raise \$400 million for priorities vital to its distinctive mission and vision for the future. Together, campaign donors have the power to elevate the student experience, enhance our beautiful campus, and connect our global community in new and exciting ways.

The Academy will invest in need-based financial aid, in innovations in teaching and learning, and

in state-of-the-art facilities that will expand the mind and restore the body. The campaign will touch every aspect of campus life and transform the face of education for tomorrow's learners and leaders.

Head of School John G. Palfrey, P'21, has called *Knowledge & Goodness* "nothing short of historic" and will lead this initiative with the campaign's three chairs: Joseph Y. Bae '90; Peter L.S. Currie '74, P'03; and Amy C. Falls '82, P'19, '21.

Below, the chairs share their thoughts about the campaign's fundraising priorities and widespread impact.

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## The campaign's title, *Knowledge & Goodness*, invokes the Academy's founding constitution. What is the significance behind the choice?

**JOSEPH BAE:** The terms knowledge and goodness are embedded in the core mission of Andover, which is to provide an education and experience that helps develop the next generation. We want Andover graduates to enter the workforce, their communities, and the world as leaders. And to me, that's what *Knowledge & Goodness* is about. It's not just a set of values in terms of morality, but it is really about how education and being part of this Andover family positions you as a leader going forward.

**AMY FALLS:** Andover was founded with the view that good citizenship is something that needs to be nurtured. I think values like knowledge and goodness are in some ways obvious. But in practice, they can be really hard. So we want

to channel the intelligence, passion, and public service of our students. Teaching young people how to tackle complex problems with meaning and purpose is very important.

The campaign is therefore crucial because as Andover tries to live up to its own aspirations, those aspirations become very resource intensive. We have to keep investing in the Academy to be able to deliver on our ideals. Need-blind admission and financial aid immediately come to mind.

## Why is need-based financial aid a vital campaign priority?

**PETER CURRIE:** Alumni, trustees, and parents view need-blind admission as a critical part of the definition of "youth from every quarter." We're all committed to it. But it's expensive. The question is: What can we do? We need to make sure that financial aid is more fully endowed at the Academy. Through

OUR CAMPAIGN CHAIRS



JOSEPH Y. BAE '90



PETER L.S. CURRIE '74, P'03



AMY C. FALLS '82, P'19, '21



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the campaign, we're hoping to raise \$110.5 million for this priority and endow 80 percent of our student aid program.

**JOSEPH BAE:** Financial aid is also the bedrock of what creates our diverse community on campus today. Our commitment to need-blind admission in 2008 was a seminal moment. For individuals who receive financial aid like I did, it's obviously a life-changing moment—when you have access to an exceptional place like Andover.

For the Academy, the benefits are enormous as well. We have the chance to find some of the most gifted, curious students from all corners of the United States and the world. That creates a very different experience today than perhaps 20 or 30 years ago, both in terms of the demographics of today's kids and the diversity of experiences that they bring to campus. With over half the kids at Andover now receiving financial aid, it is an enormous commitment that the institution has made to support this program.

**Can you share more about the building projects the campaign will make possible? Why are these projects a special focus of Knowledge & Goodness?**

**AMY FALLS:** Andover has always prioritized people: our talented students and world-class faculty. But there comes a time when you have to have adequate facilities so that they don't become a hindrance to what you're trying to accomplish. The building projects we've identified, particularly for the library, athletics, and music, are infrastructure enhancements that will enable us to better serve our students and faculty and the aspirations we have.

**PETER CURRIE:** The Oliver Wendell Holmes Library renovation is significant here—not only for the monetary investment we'll make as an Academy, but also for the impact we'll see as a result. The last renovation occurred before the Internet, and today we have a fantastic opportunity before us.

Libraries were, historically, a warehouse of volumes. And libraries competed based on how many volumes they had. But that's not the right way to think about a library anymore. There will always be books and there will always be quiet study spaces, but the library is actually more of a community hub. We want to create more communal and multiuse spaces and integrate classrooms for cross-disciplinary teaching. The Tang Institute will have a new home there, and Andover's Archives and Special Collections, including

the Knafel Map Collection, will be much more prominent. Similarly, the makerspace, or “Nest,” will double in size and incorporate a new robotics lab.

All these changes will facilitate the concept of “connected learning.” We’ll create a smarter structure that places agency in the hands of our students and faculty, giving them the tools to collaborate and explore advanced concepts together.

**How will other campus enhancements, such as the proposed music building, enrich the student experience?**

**JOSEPH BAE:** This is another project that has long been necessary. We have such a vibrant music and performance program at Andover, and today we are using many of the same facilities we had when I was a student in the 1980s. A large number of today’s students count the performing arts as a major part of their extracurricular activities, and there’s a growing need within our community for more practice rooms, better performance venues, and better teaching spaces. Our goal is to build a first-rate music facility that allows our students to fully optimize their passion for and interest in the arts.

The Andover community can also expect to see a new aquatics center rise on campus thanks to the *Knowledge & Goodness* campaign. As with the OWHL renovation and the new music building, the aquatics center fulfills a distinct need. We want to give our students the best education and experience possible, and we need to ensure that our facilities give them every opportunity to learn and to succeed.

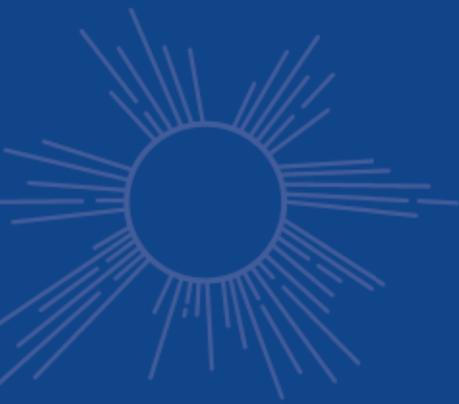
**What will the campaign mean for Andover’s commitment to academic excellence?**

**AMY FALLS:** We have more than 200 faculty members here at Andover. They are among the finest in the world, and they constantly engage our kids and challenge them in the learning process, whether that is in the classroom, in the lab, on stage, or on the playing field. And Andover, if it wants to retain that excellence, can’t be stagnant.

This applies to our investments in our teachers as much as any other area of the Academy, and it’s why the campaign seeks to strengthen faculty support. We will create new teaching foundations and faculty innovation funds. We will promote original



OUR FUNDRAISING GOALS	\$400 MILLION
Campus Buildings	\$118.5 million
Financial Aid	\$110.5 million
Andover Fund	\$85 million
Tang Institute	\$25 million
Learning in the World	\$16 million
Faculty and the Academic Enterprise	\$15 million
Equity and Inclusion	\$10 million
Health and Wellness	\$10 million
Museums	\$10 million



“We’ve made a tremendous amount of progress in engaging the Andover community of alumni, parents, and friends, and our students and faculty are experiencing the impact of this campaign firsthand.”

**JOSEPH Y. BAE '90**  
*Campaign Chair*



research and seek interdisciplinary perspectives. We’ll work to ensure Andover continues to lead in the broader educational landscape. These are investments made to deliver on the Academy’s 240-year-old promise, though in today’s very different world.

**PETER CURRIE:** The Addison Gallery of American Art, the Peabody Institute of Archaeology, and the Tang Institute are all integral to Andover’s vision of academic excellence as well. These are resources that no school can match. For example, with the Tang Institute we now essentially have a lab to think about different modes of pedagogy. And we have the tools to implement these ideas on campus and around the world through our partnerships, such as the one we’ve forged with Khan Academy.

Andover is on the rise, yet we can make an absolutely compelling case for need. The underlying work that’s being done at Andover, that this campaign will support, is essential. Every donation is being put to good use, and every investment is being well managed.

**How is the *Knowledge & Goodness* campaign already making an impact at the Academy?**

**JOSEPH BAE:** We’ve made a tremendous amount of progress in engaging the Andover community of alumni, parents, and friends, and our students and faculty are experiencing the impact of this campaign firsthand.

The new Snyder Center is a great example of this. Our state-of-the-art athletic complex was made possible by early campaign gifts, and it’s a wonderful and tangible expression of our campaign. The Snyder Center opened earlier this winter and features a 200-meter track, 12 squash courts, and multiuse space for tennis, basketball, and many other sports. It’s an excellent facility—and I hear the students simply love it. It’s great to see.

**PETER CURRIE:** The new Sykes Wellness Center was also funded through initial campaign support, and it’s been a terrific addition to campus, combining medical and psychological services in one central location. But it’s more than just the building—the programmatic elements around the Sykes Wellness Center are providing the life skills kids need.

You can't pick up a magazine or newspaper without reading some article on the stress that kids are undergoing. It's an unhappy situation, but the fact of the matter is that we need to teach kids coping skills, and we need to do that at Andover. And one of these lifelong skills, in addition to being independent and an independent thinker, is managing stress. The Sykes Wellness Center is doing an excellent job taking care of today's students, and that's all possible because of campaign support.

### How can everyone be part of *Knowledge & Goodness*?

**AMY FALLS:** This campaign is very much about breadth, and we will not achieve our goals unless a very large percentage of our community participates. This is why supporting the Andover Fund is a key priority in the campaign. Loyal giving—donating to the Academy each and every year—through the Andover Fund is a great way to become involved.

More than anything, we need the Andover community to come together and help the institution fulfill its promise. For many of us, the Academy is frozen in time. But it's constantly evolving, and I invite everyone to learn about and experience Andover today.

**JOSEPH BAE:** The Academy is indeed evolving. And our Alumni Council is continuing to tell this story and broaden engagement around the country and the world. We want alumni, parents, and friends to attend events in their region and have a substantive dialogue with us—and perhaps, for some, to reconnect with Andover for the first time in a long time.

**PETER CURRIE:** I think it's important to think of the work that needs to be done for today's students and for society. And maybe that gets us back to knowledge and goodness. Every time I pick up the Andover constitution or quote from it, I'm struck by the foresight of our founders. The Academy is still living these values. Andover continues to combine knowledge and goodness in the right ways today. ♦

► Discover *Knowledge & Goodness* at [www.andover.edu/campaign](http://www.andover.edu/campaign), and explore the reimagined OWHL on page 22.



## Reimagining the Library | Inside a Key Campaign Initiative

An enhanced OWHL will emerge on campus thanks to the *Knowledge & Goodness* campaign, and the Andover experience will be forever transformed.

With the landmark renovation of the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library, the Academy will move from a structure designed simply to store content to one thoughtfully reimagined to empower ideas and agency.

It's a seismic shift, and while the exterior footprint of the library will remain static, the interior will be remodeled from floor to ceiling. "We want to create an environment where students and faculty can explore advanced concepts and collaborate as they set them in motion," says Michael J. Barker, director of Academy research, information, and library services. "We will forge a library where shared, adaptable spaces enhance the connected learning process, and we will

leverage some of the Academy's greatest resources to further our commitment to academic excellence."

Through the redesign, Andover's Archives and Special Collections—including the Knafel Map Collection—will enjoy a prominent new home on the first floor of the OWHL, and the Tang Institute will occupy a special suite on the second floor.

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**The Garver Room will remain a quiet study area. Other heritage spaces will be carefully repurposed while retaining their original character. The Dole Room, for instance, will become a flexible classroom while the Freeman Room will be adapted for debates, poetry slams, and other interactive gatherings.**

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Such moves will better enable faculty to introduce primary sources and other rare artifacts into classroom discussions and will inspire greater collaboration on the research projects that flow from the Tang's thought laboratory. Toward that end, classroom space in the OWHL will increase, and 11 new study spaces will be integrated throughout the library.

On the lower level, the "Nest" will double in size. Founded in 2015, this lively makerspace fosters collaborative learning and houses a laser cutter, 3-D printers, virtual reality equipment, and other resources. Approximately 50 courses, from computer science to history, currently hold sessions in the Nest. The renovation will allow more instructors to leverage this locale, which will also contain new and specialized space for Andover's burgeoning robotics initiatives.

"Our students and faculty deserve the very best resources possible, and the



reimagined OWHL will give them every opportunity to partner together and learn in an integrated, mindful way,” says Head of School John G. Palfrey, P’21, author of *BiblioTech: Why Libraries Matter More Than Ever in the Age of Google*. “We are creating a new and exciting ecosystem on campus.”

The OWHL hasn’t been renovated since 1987—before the Internet and a digitally connected world—and *Knowledge & Goodness* campaign investments in this area are a critical priority. Once construction funding is achieved, the renovation will last 15 months, spread over two summers and one full academic year. ♦

All interested in investing in this timely campaign project may visit [www.andover.edu/OHWLsupport](http://www.andover.edu/OHWLsupport) or contact Nicole Cherubini, director of development, at 978-749-4288 or [ncherubini@andover.edu](mailto:ncherubini@andover.edu).



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### OWHL: The Next Chapter

- ▶ 150 additional student seats
- ▶ An increase from 1 to 12 group study spaces
- ▶ 2X the makerspace size
- ▶ Centralized Archives and Special Collections, featuring the Knafel Map Collection
- ▶ Integrated Tang Institute
- ▶ Preserved heritage spaces, including the Garver, Dole, and Freeman rooms
- ▶ Reconfigured stacks
- ▶ Updated building systems with climate control

1. The new OWHL lobby and help desk

2. The Tang Institute suite

3. The expanded makerspace and OWHL café



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Head of School John G. Palfrey, P'21, Genevieve Young '48, George Bundy Smith Jr. '83 (son of the late George Bundy Smith '55, P'83), Dorothy L. Cheney '68, and Wallace "Macky" Alston III '83

# 2017 Andover Alumni Award of Distinction

by Allyson Irish

Though they chose different paths in their lives and careers, each recipient of the 2017 Andover Alumni Award of Distinction shares a strong connection related to their Phillips and Abbot academy experiences.

“If indeed the end truly depends upon the beginning, then it seems not an exaggeration to believe that this great school and all its historical settings did play a role in shaping the lives of these remarkable alumni,” said award committee chair Susan Donahue '73, P'05, '08, who spoke at this past year’s event, held in November at an All-School Meeting.

Now in its sixth year, the AAAD recognizes alumni who have “served with distinction and exhibited leadership in their fields of endeavor.”

 To view the 2017 program booklet and a video of the All-School Meeting assembly, visit [www.andover.edu/aaad](http://www.andover.edu/aaad).

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Andover Alumni Award of Distinction committee chair*



Wallace M. Alston III '83



Dorothy L. Cheney '68



\*George Bundy Smith '55, P'83



Genevieve Young '48

<p>Filmmaker, social justice activist, educator</p>	<p>Biologist, research pioneer, educator</p>	<p>Judge, Freedom Rider, civil rights activist</p>	<p>Editor, literacy advocate, editor</p>
<p>Gotham Open Palm Award for Outstanding Directorial Debut, Sundance Film Festival Freedom of Expression Award</p>	<p>Distinguished Primatologist Award from the American Society of Primatologists, Distinguished Animal Behaviorist Award from the Animal Behavior Society</p>	<p>Honorary Doctor of Law degree from Fordham Law School, Claude Moore Fuess Award</p>	<p>Distinguished Achievement Award from Wellesley College, Matrix Award from Women in Communications</p>
<p>Alston met with students in a class about existentialism taught by Philosophy and Religious Studies Chair Andy Housiaux.</p>	<p>Cheney spoke with students in a biology class taught by Andrea Bailey and visited the Abbot Archives Collection.</p>	<p>Son George Bundy Smith Jr. '83, television news anchor, attended a journalism class taught by Nina Scott and met with student athletes.</p>	<p>Young met with students in an Asian American literature and film class taught by Corrie Martin and visited the Abbot Archives Collection.</p>
<p>“I want to thank this place for giving me friends who have sustained me every step of the way. The folk with whom I sat in these pews when I was your age have held me every step of the way, and I can’t imagine who I would be without you all.”</p>	<p>Cheney recalled some of the “capricious and arbitrary rules” that were required of Abbot students at the time. On weeknights, students could listen to music only from 9 to 9:15 p.m., they had to eat at least one cookie at mandatory snack time, and under no circumstances were they allowed to speak to boys.</p>	<p>The only black student in his class, Smith Sr. told many stories about how the Andover community—especially the Luxes and the McKees—made him feel welcome. “My dad believed that education was an opportunity to be grabbed and held tightly. Andover was the foundation for his success later in life,” said Smith '83.</p>	<p>Young discovered her lifetime career in the Chickering Room of the Abbot Academy library. The small room was her refuge, a place where she spent many hours reading novels and nonfiction. It was there that Young “first sensed the rich variety of stories that could be told. It’s where I decided that was where my future lay.”</p>
<p>“Who you are—who you really are—is the gift you were born to give to this world. And what you do with this one wild and precious life matters.”</p>	<p>Cheney encouraged students to recognize the privilege they have in attending Andover and to use the confidence gained here to try something new. “Too often, we hesitate to take advantage of our good fortune because we feel constrained by the expectations that we think other people have of us.”</p>	<p>“I know that if he were here today, my dad would tell all of you students to study hard and take advantage of all that Andover has to offer. He would tell you to give 100 percent, 100 percent of the time. He would also tell you to treat people with compassion and respect, especially those who are disadvantaged.”</p>	<p>“I wish you as much pleasure in your future jobs as I had in mine.”</p>

\*George Bundy Smith '55, P'83 passed away in August 2017. His son, George Bundy Smith Jr. '83, attended the AAAD ceremony in November and accepted the award on his father's behalf.

# FOR THE WIN

## A History of Andover's Athletic Facilities

by Victoria A. Harnish

If you listen carefully, you may be able to hear, ever so faintly, the roar of fans from decades past. They are cheering on young athletes from swimming to volleyball to basketball. Thousands of students have trained and competed in Borden Gymnasium and Case Memorial Cage through the years, and thousands more will compete in the new Snyder Center, which opened this winter.

"We called Borden Gymnasium and Case Memorial Cage home for generations, but they no longer accommodate our students or our programs," says Leon Modeste, athletic director. "Our students are dedicated to every aspect of wellness, practice, competition, and sportsmanship, and they need space that matches the commitment and excellence we expect from them."

**T**hough central to Andover for more than a century, Borden Gymnasium was actually not the first gymnasium on campus. Built in 1865, Bulfinch Hall (also known as the Brick Academy) housed boxing, bowling, and gymnastics for nearly 30 years. But by the late 1880s, it had fallen into extreme disrepair.

Upset by the shoddy facilities, students decided to take matters into their own hands. "We Must Have a New Gymnasium," read the headline of a *Phillipian* editorial in the January 30, 1889 issue. "[...] after due consideration, the editors of *The Phillipian* have decided to solicit money from all who are interested in the school, either as past graduates or as the friends of the present students, with the intention of building such a gymnasium as may be adapted to the needs of the school."

Despite the students' campaign, conditions worsened at Bulfinch as the months went on. The heat was unreliable and the walls were chipping. Student tensions began to rise. In 1896, a suspicious fire gutted the building, and a new gym became a necessity.

Realizing the students' fundraising campaign would not secure the full sum needed, trustees turned to Principal Cecil F.P. Bancroft and his well-heeled connections. Matthew C.D. Borden, an entrepreneur and renowned philanthropist from Fall River, Mass., came forward with a \$20,000 gift toward construction which, combined with the students' efforts, topped the necessary \$30,000.

Designed by Peabody & Stearns of Boston, Borden Gymnasium was eagerly anticipated by the students. Each week, *The Phillipian* published construction updates. Finally, on March 22, 1902, the building officially opened with a basketball game against Boston University. More than 250 people watched the game, which Andover handily won 40–11. It was the last game of the 1902 basketball season and the team's seventh consecutive victory.

Though Borden Gymnasium was a significant upgrade from Bulfinch, it still lacked an indoor pool. In 1909, students mounted another successful fundraising campaign and secured nearly \$30,000 for the upgrade. On December 2, 1911, the indoor pool opened.



Andover Archives

In 1923, Case Memorial Cage was built. Benefactors George Bowen Case Sr., Class of 1890, and his wife committed \$80,000 to the Academy in memory of their son, George Bowen Case Jr. '22, who had died following an appendectomy. "Mrs. Case and I have a yearning to build a memorial to George at Andover, the place he loved so much [...]," wrote the elder Case in a letter to Principal Alfred E. Stearns, a classmate of his at Andover.

The large glass-covered, brick structure included a baseball diamond, a 12-foot-wide running track on the ground level, a suspended track, and jumping, hurdling, and shot-putting areas.

"The Cage," as it came to be known, was used for everything from track meets to school dances to Commencement in inclement weather; it quickly became integral to campus life. "A lot of blood, sweat, and tears have been shed there," said football coach and English teacher Lou Bernieri

during the last track meet in the building held this past fall.

Students were well served by Borden Gymnasium and Case Memorial Cage for decades. In 1950, architects Eggers and Higgins completed a redesign and expansion that included new bleachers, squash courts, a bigger pool, and the addition of a separate diving pool.

Named Memorial Gymnasium, the new facility opened in 1952 and honored Andover alumni who had been killed in World War II. The *New York Times*, the *Tribune Herald*, and several other newspapers lauded the new gym as the "best in America."

Borden was renovated once more in 1979 with construction of the Abbot Wing to adapt the facility for the newly coeducational athletic programs. Upgrades included new locker rooms; an all-purpose room for dance, wrestling, gymnastics, and handball; and installation of a walking bridge to join the Borden and Memorial gyms to the Cage. ♦

At left, a gymnastics class in Borden Gymnasium circa 1904. Below, the Case Memorial Cage dedication in June 1923.



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## A NEW ERA OF PA ATHLETICS

The opening of the new Snyder Center this winter marks the beginning of a series of renovations and upgrades to bring PA's athletic facilities into a new era.

Recognizing that the evolving needs of fitness, recreational, and interscholastic programs were not being met by Andover's aging buildings, the 2014 Strategic Plan directed the campus master planning process including a focus on athletic facilities renovation. Working with the firm Perkins+Will, Andover developed an Athletic Facilities Master Plan to create flexible, future-oriented space.

The new Snyder Center features a 200-meter track, 12 international squash courts, and multipurpose spaces to host a variety of fitness activities. The surface of the track infield provides practice space for outdoor sports that can be used in the event of inclement weather. It can also be converted to four full-size tennis courts or four intramural basketball courts.

So, what will become of the existing facilities: Borden Gym, the Smith Center, and the Cage? Director of Facilities Larry Muench says the Cage and the Smith Center will continue to be used for various campus functions until the Academy raises funds for the next stage of renewal, which will include a new pool and a fitness/gym complex. The iconic Borden Gym will eventually undergo an extensive restoration for a yet-to-be-determined non-athletic use. "We want to bring it back to its former beauty," Muench says.



### Angela Duckworth

Angela Duckworth, professor of psychology at the University of Pennsylvania, author of the *New York Times* bestseller *Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance*, and founder and CEO of Character Lab, a nonprofit that seeks to advance the science and practice of character develop-

ment, visited campus in September. Duckworth talked about the role and importance of character and how, with motivation and skill, young people can develop various character strengths. Her visit was hosted by the Office of the Head of School and the Tang Institute at Andover with generous support from the Marla Glanzer and Lawrence H. Curtis Family Fund.



### Angus Deming '44

Captain Angus Deming was the keynote speaker at the Academy's 8th Annual Veterans Day Program and Dinner in November. Deming, who went into active duty almost immediately after graduating from Phillips Academy, won the Silver Star Medal for his service as Rifle

Platoon Commander during an assault on enemy grounds in the Korean War. During his speech, Deming poignantly recounted his time spent as a Marine reservist in Korea with a mix of both humorous and haunting tales. He noted that of the 11 Andover graduates who served in the Korean War, only three survived. "I arrived in Korea in February [1951] and left in December still in one piece. I was lucky," he ruminated. Deming's visit was sponsored by the Office of Alumni Engagement.



### Denice Frohman

Spoken-word poet Denice Frohman performed at the Academy in October. Frohman is champion of the 2013 Women of the World Poetry Slam, a 2014 CantoMundo Fellow, winner of the 2013 Hispanic Choice Award, and a recipient of the 2012 Leeway Transformation Award. In 2016,

she performed at the White House. During a Q&A session held after her performance of roughly 20 pieces of poetry, Frohman explained that, "To me, poetry is this sort of attempt to say the unsayable. It's an attempt to speak to our living condition." Her visit was sponsored by the Office of Community and Multicultural Development, Alianza Latina, and English Instructor/Andover Bread Loaf Director Lou Bernieri. It was funded in part by the Frederick W. Beinecke Fund for Teaching.



### John Marks '61, P'95

With a visit sponsored by the Tang Institute, John Marks hosted several on-campus discussions about social entrepreneurship, media production for social change, and peacebuilding in November. Marks also presented the lecture "Peacebuilding and Conflict Resolution." An

award-winning author, former U.S. Foreign Service member, and the founder of Search for Common Ground, a peacebuilding NGO with offices in 36 countries, Marks was awarded an honorary PhD degree from the UN's University of Peace.



### Jisung Park '04

Jisung Park, a post-doctoral fellow at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and founder and codirector of the nonprofit Sense & Sustainability, visited campus in October to share his perspective on climate policy and economic policy making in the Trump era. Drawing from his

research on the economic effects of climate change and his interactions with the World Bank and United Nations Development Programme, Park highlighted the possible impact of current and anticipated policies. His visit was sponsored by Eco-Action and the Office of the Head of School.



### Caroline Heldman

Chair of the politics department at Occidental College and political commentator for MSNBC, Fox Business News, RT America, and Al Jazeera English, Caroline Heldman specializes in the American presidency and systems of power, as well as media, gender, and race. In October,

she presented "Are We Ready for a Woman in the White House?"—a talk exploring the historic and current challenges to electing a female president in the United States. Heldman's presentation blended contemporary data with historical accounts of female presidential contenders, with special emphasis on the 2016 election. Heldman's visit was supported in part by a generous grant from the Abbot Academy Fund, which continues Abbot's tradition of boldness, innovation, and caring.



### Clint Smith

Writer, teacher, and poet, Clint Smith visited campus to speak during the Youth from Every Quarter All-School Meeting in December. Smith has been profiled in the *Washington Post*, NPR's *Here & Now*, *Vox*, the *Huffington Post*, the *Root*, NBC News, and the *Boston Globe*. His two

TED Talks, "The Danger of Silence" and "How to Raise a Black Son in America," have collectively received more than 5 million views. His first full-length collection of poetry, *Counting Descent*, was published in 2016 and shortly afterward was chosen as the "One Book One New Orleans" 2017 selection. Smith's visit was sponsored by the Office of Community and Multicultural Development.



### James Zogby

Dr. James J. Zogby, founder and president of the Arab American Institute (AAI), visited campus in September to present the lecture "What We Don't Know (But Need to Know) About the Arab World Today." Since 1985, Zogby and the AAI have led Arab American efforts to secure political

empowerment in the United States. Zogby has written a weekly column on U.S. politics for the major newspapers of the Arab world, and his highly acclaimed book *Arab Voices* was published in 2010. His visit was sponsored by the Middle Eastern & North African Student Association and the Office of the Head of School.

—Elizabeth O'Brien

**W**e live in an era of a new type of thinking—part human, part machine—with instant access to the world’s connected information. What better way to harness the best of both worlds than with meaningful science?

The alumni profiled in the following pages have done just that. By pioneering innovations in design, education, business, and health care, all have introduced technologies that can vastly improve the quality of life by tackling some of the toughest social and global challenges.

by Rita Savard

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# taking the rains

Hadley Soutter Arnold '82

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e take water for granted. And why shouldn't we? We turn on the tap and out it comes. But in the parched American West, where punishing drought, raging wildfires, and other effects of climate change are draining major water supplies, one thing is clear: The way we access water needs to change.

Hadley Soutter Arnold '82 has created a solution, and its name is Hazel—for the wood used in traditional divining rods. A digital mapping tool, Hazel integrates aquifer, pollution, and land-use data to help designers and engineers develop healthy local water supplies from harvested rainwater. "If we can capture rain strategically, even infrequent rain," explains Arnold, "we can meet the needs of millions in Los



Angeles through low-cost, low-tech tweaks to city surfaces."

LA is a city on the edge of a desert. Its roughly 4 million people depend on water imported from the Sierra Nevada and Rocky Mountains—also the water lifeline for millions of other Californians as well as the state's agricultural industry. A dearth of mountain snow in recent years, a direct result of climate change, prompted sweeping water use restrictions in 2015. Yet the city still relies on the purchase of dwindling snowpack to quench its thirst while billions of gallons of free local stormwater gets flushed into the

Pacific Ocean every time it rains.

Enter Hazel. Using geospatial data, Hazel exposes a landscape's hidden hydrology. By peering into LA, for example, users can see precisely, street by street, lot by lot, where stormwater can be captured, stored, and treated to offset the city's dependence on piped-in water.

"When we use Hazel to look deeper into LA, we see tens of thousands of strategic opportunities to build water supply," Arnold says. "Hazel uncovers that potential and puts it into our hands."

With this kind of water-smart tech, property owners, developers,

designers, and planners can make rapid, informed decisions for creating greener, more water-sustainable buildings, towns, and cities.

Cofounder of the LA-based Arid Lands Institute—a research and development center dedicated to building new tools for water-smart planning and design—Arnold grew up in Rhode Island, where her family encouraged independent thinking and a love of the arts, community, and the outdoors. Arnold says Andover built on that foundation with its culture of creative questioning. In 1981, she helped usher in a new era at Andover when she became the first female elected class president.

“We wrestled with hard questions at Andover,” says Arnold, whose daughter, Josie ’19, also chose Andover to challenge herself. “That habit of finding your voice through continual questioning: it’s the Ground Zero for all creative leadership.”

Arnold met her husband, Peter, also an architect, in graduate school. He is the other half of Arid Lands Institute. Daunted by the water supply challenges facing Los Angeles, the couple began looking for fresh approaches to solve the problem. Not all solutions are technical. The Arnolds also look to history and traditional communities like New Mexico’s *acequias*—small-scale water cooperatives—to study alternative models of sharing scarce desert water and designing public spaces in drylands.

In LA, most rainwater ends up in storm channels that funnel into the ocean. The way Arnold sees it, every gallon of “free” rainwater equates to a

gallon of drinking water that has to be purchased at a much higher cost. So how would the future look if Hazel’s smart tech was used to turn buildings, towns, and cities into virtual sponges using trees, drought-resistant plants, underground aquifers, rooftop cisterns, water-themed public artwork, and much more, all aimed at conserving and reimagining water?

In 2014, 120 teams of architects from around the world signed up for a design challenge to show the possibilities. The challenge was put forth by global architectural and design firm Perkins+Will, a company led by Arnold’s friend and PA classmate Phil Harrison ’82. The results were eye-opening.

A hypothetical new home for Arid Lands Institute on the banks of the Los Angeles River was illustrated in myriad ways, purposefully designed to collect every drop of water. While the challenge provided only a glimpse of what could be, it proved that smart-use water design could not only make communities more sustainable, but also more connected, meaningful, and inspiring.

“The Perkins+Will design experiment spurred us to continue to work on developing the tool, which we now recognize has applications well beyond LA,” Arnold says.

But Hazel can only be useful if implemented, and most towns and cities, Arnold says, are slow to change. Those eager to consider new green-tech solutions are often hindered by political boundaries and limited budgets. That’s why Arid Lands Institute is focusing on relationships with designers and engineers, hoping these professionals will bring Hazel

to water-stressed urban centers worldwide. The goal is to bring Hazel to market this year.

“Designers and engineers have an immense opportunity to work with a changing hydrologic cycle and bring water back to the center of community design,” Arnold says. “We’re happy to support them. Because if we don’t have water, we don’t have a home.”

→ Watch the video of how Hazel can inspire water-smart communities at [www.andover.edu/magazine](http://www.andover.edu/magazine).



Hadley Soutter Arnold ’82 reviews maps of LA, where Hazel’s smart-tech has identified the best locations for stormwater to be captured, stored, and treated.



# a nude awakening

Atima Lui '08

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Every revolution starts somewhere. Atima Lui's began in the mirror.

"As a dark-skinned girl growing up in Topeka, Kansas, I never quite felt like I fit in," says Lui '08. Women of color have long struggled with a glaring inequity in the beauty industry. For what seems like forever, beige was considered the universal nude—until now.

NUDEST, the company founded by Lui in 2016, has introduced a new skin-color-matching technology

that allows women of every skin tone to access their own "true nude" in hosiery, footwear, clothing, and cosmetics.

Lui's nude revolution—which sparked a buzz on social media under the hashtags #notmynude and #redefinenude and was featured in *Forbes*, *Cosmopolitan*, and on *CBS News*—is helping redefine the image of beauty.

"The one-size-fits-all notion of beige as the standard nude dates back

to a history of white supremacy in beauty, where light skin is considered more beautiful," Lui says. "The reality is that items labeled 'nude' don't match 84 percent of the world's population."

As a child, Lui remembers wearing nude nylons that always made her legs look ashy. "Growing up in a place where no one else looked like me, the beauty standard I was consuming was one that had an Anglo-Saxon heritage; there was really no

alternative,” Lui says. “But whether I tried to chemically straighten my hair or wear makeup that I saw my fairer-skinned friends wearing, it never worked for me.”

Lui’s father, a Sudanese immigrant, and her mother, the descendent of sharecroppers from Alabama, taught Lui her most important life lesson early on: Education is something that no one can ever take away from you. When he was 8 years old, her father went to a boarding school in Uganda. The once-in-a-lifetime opportunity was the stepping-stone that enabled him to come to the United States to continue his education. As a result, he always said his kids would go to boarding school. When it was time for Lui to enter high school, one school, she says, stood out.

At Andover she developed a strong interest in business and, for the first time, found herself learning alongside international students. “It truly opened my perspective on the world,” she says. “I love that about Andover. The community sees and embraces the need for diversity.”

While attending Harvard Business School, Lui landed an internship at Apple, which eventually led to a full-time job offer in marketing. But Lui instead headed to New York City to pursue an idea that was near and dear to her heart—an idea that she discovered could help millions of women who were left out of the consumer market for flesh-tone items.

When perusing the websites of 10 major retailers, Lui noted a huge but unsurprising gap: very few options—or none at all—were provided for women of color. So in the summer of 2016 she launched a basic website that allowed visitors to filter products

by six different skin tones. It received some press on *HuffPost* and soon hundreds of requests for user accounts poured in. The next move was clear.

“The need was overwhelming,” Lui recalls. “All along, I wanted to work on something that made a difference in people’s lives. I knew this was it. I had to work on this full-time.”

She recruited her brother, Nyalia, a computer science engineer, to develop the Nudemeter technology. Using a proprietary algorithm, the tech helps women of all skin tones—from the fairest porcelain to the deepest mahogany—find their unique color match by simply uploading a photo.

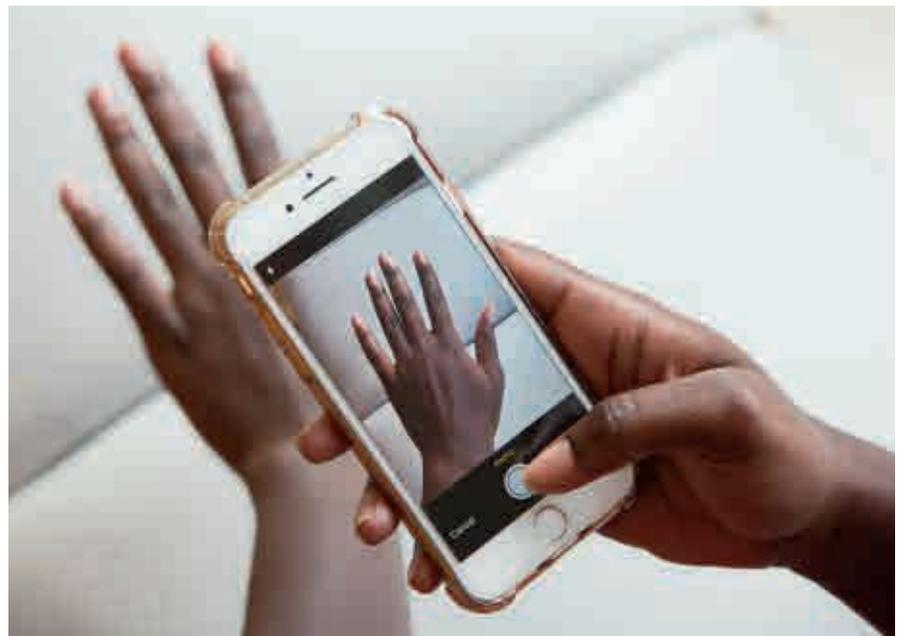
Once users receive their color match, NUDEST.co then curates a selection of products from lingerie and shapewear to footwear, hosiery, and more from retail partners that

offer products in a wide variety of skin tones.

Beyond sharing its unique technology, NUDEST is also marketing products by using models with a wide range of skin tones. Representation, says Lui, is a powerful tool. Her mission at NUDEST is not just to fill a significant retail need, but more importantly, to help women feel good in their own skin.

“If I had been able as a child to open up magazines and find more images of women in the fashion and beauty industry who looked like me—and could have learned what they did to look and feel their best—that would have made a big difference in my perspective on beauty and helped my self-confidence.”

→ Listen to Atima Lui '08 talk more about the inspiration behind NUDEST at [www.andover.edu/magazine](http://www.andover.edu/magazine).



Using the Nudemeter is simple: Take a photo of your hand in natural light, upload it, and answer a few skin tone questions. Once you know your nude, NUDEST.co curates a selection of lingerie, accessories, and more to match.

# back... to the future

Jake Barton '90



Time is moving backward in Jake Barton's fast-paced Manhattan office—back to London's Roman era in 240 AD, back to the site of a slave warehouse in Montgomery, Ala., circa 1877, and back to the Franklin School in Washington, D.C., where Alexander Graham Bell transmitted his first photophone message in 1880.

By diving deep into stories of the past and merging them with present-day technology, Barton's Local Projects, an architecture and media design firm, is building meaningful

connections between history and new generations.

Barton launched Local Projects in 2002. Four years later, his budding startup with a total of three employees was tapped to codesign the 9/11 Memorial Museum, a very personal and challenging project for the native New Yorker. But then again, the human story is always at the heart of Barton's high-tech world.

On September 11, 2001, Barton and his wife, Jenny, were back in New York City, having returned from their

honeymoon just two days prior.

"At first, I heard it on the radio," says Barton, who didn't own a TV at the time. "We went to a laundromat around the corner that had a television and watched the tower fall. I wanted to be closer to understand what was going on, so I convinced my wife to ride our bikes downtown. She wouldn't go farther than Soho, but it was very intense. As we got farther south, we saw more and more people covered in white ash. You could see the death cloud that was still settling

on the horizon. That day's trauma really affected everything."

Barton began grad school and started Local Projects soon after.

Obsessed with the idea of collaborative storytelling, "where groups of people would share their stories and tell a larger, more diverse, and more inclusive narrative," and understanding the Internet would be the medium to connect everyone together, Barton quickly carved out a name for Local Projects when the company helped develop StoryCorps in 2003. The idea was relatively simple: set up a soundproof booth inside New York's Grand Central Station and encourage passersby to record a narrative of personal history. Their unique stories were then archived by the Library of Congress. The nonprofit project has since become a popular NPR radio broadcast, has won multiple Peabody awards, and represents the single largest collection of human voices ever gathered.

For the 9/11 Memorial Museum, Barton proposed a similar strategy—take the personal stories of people affected and use them to educate and engage.

Over the course of eight years, Barton and his small team worked on the original master plan and all the design, and then produced the media. The result is an emotional journey that connects visitors through voices and visuals of those who died, as well as survivors who witnessed the events.

One of the museum's most challenging exhibits to design was the mammoth "Timescape," which is curated by an algorithm that tracks and combs through millions of daily

news articles and pulls key terms related to 9/11. The headlines, projected onto a 100-foot-wide granite wall, chart the global impact of 9/11 in real time.

Two Andover alumni who died in the attack, Todd Isaac '90 and Stacey Sanders '94, are included in the museum's narrative.

"The museum today still feels like a chamber of memories where people can share their stories and listen to other people's stories," Barton says. "It still invites a sense of community-building within those stories of witness and response."

Each unique project that Barton and his creative team tackles has a similar mission: building exhibits designed to endure the test of time. That's why, he stresses, they have to affect people emotionally.

That end goal is evidenced in the sound of laughter welling up through the halls of New York's Cooper-Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum—one of Barton's personal favorites. Here, each visitor is given a special pen and invited to actually draw on the walls, creating live wallpaper.

"It seems to unleash constant joy, and that makes me super happy," Barton says.

Whether their work invokes play or serious contemplation, at Local Projects, narrative is a time machine and memory is the fuel. The company's interactive exhibits and digital storytelling experiences are changing the way museums engage with the public across the United States and all over the world.

Today, Barton's company employs 70 people. Time travel agrees with

them. Stepping off the elevator to Local Projects' eighth-floor offices, visitors are greeted with one word in bold black type: Yes.

"Design, innovation, and invention are all about saying yes to new ideas, unexpected connections, and intuitive convictions," Barton says. "We're always looking to build something that lasts for generations, and the key to that is actually not to rely on technology. If you install something that tells a good story, that changes people's thoughts on a topic and engages them in a deeper, meaningful way—that's what endures."

➔ Watch the slideshow and read more about Local Projects' latest and upcoming museum work at [www.andover.edu/magazine](http://www.andover.edu/magazine).



Jake Barton '90 and his creative team at Local Projects blend technology, art, and storytelling to change the way we experience museums.

## Generations of Change

**W**hat is tech for good? For these seven alumni, it's all about people. They've introduced and nurtured groundbreaking technology and merged it with social and emotional well-being to put the soul back in tech. In turn, they are impacting lives and inspiring others to join them as they work to make our world a better place.



owen tripp '97

### ACCESS TO THE BEST HEALTH CARE IN AMERICA

**ABOUT** When faced with a serious medical issue, most patients prefer quality over convenience. But how do you find the right doctor or specialist amidst a sea of uncertainty? Applying his deep experience with Internet search technologies, data mining, and analytical marketing, Owen Tripp has cofounded a company that incorporates a data-driven approach for providing employers with health care solutions. Grand Rounds has been referred to in patient testimony as “like having the Mayo Clinic in your hip pocket,” and it is giving employees and their families an all-access pass to the best health care in America.

**TECH** Using a computer model based on both public and proprietary data—including administrative claims data from insurers, practice affiliations, board certifications, disciplinary actions, and academic publications—Grand Rounds meticulously combs through data to match members with highly ranked physicians and top specialists who consult on diagnosis and treatment. Shockingly, this consultation results in a change in the members' diagnosis or treatment plan more than 65 percent of the time.

**THE GOOD FACTOR** Tripp, who used the service himself when a tumor was found in his ear, believes that patients will achieve better health care outcomes through the intersection of technology, medical expertise, and extraordinary patient care. To date, Grand Rounds has connected more than three million patients with the best in U.S. health care.



thomas lee '83

### VISIONARY SOLUTIONS FOR INFANT BLINDNESS

**ABOUT** Time is crucial for babies born with Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP), a devastating degenerative eye disease. The condition, most commonly seen in premature babies, must be treated within 48 hours or else the child will experience severe vision loss or blindness. In the Vision Center at Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA), Dr. Thomas Lee is pioneering technology to

diagnose and treat eye disease in premature babies.

**TECH** Imaging technology makes it possible to accurately screen for signs of severe ROP by sending pictures of a baby's eyes to an image-reading center for evaluation. Lee pioneered the use of Spectral Domain Optical Coherence Tomography (SD-OCT) to identify retinal detachments at the earliest possible stage. The telemedicine program Lee adopted at CHLA links to several remote California and Nevada hospitals, allowing Lee and his team to diagnose and quickly treat patients in need of urgent care. The technology is also making life-changing eye surgeries possible for infants 7,000 miles away in Armenia, where Lee has trained surgeons, observed procedures, and communicated with doctors in real time—all remotely.

**THE GOOD FACTOR** By providing the technology and expertise and bridging the distance as a factor in health care, Lee has helped drastically reduce the number of newborns in the Greater Los Angeles area who have had to be medically transported away from their families. And for infants requiring immediate critical care, the pilot program at CHLA has helped reduce the rate of infant blindness. In 2017, Lee received the Microsoft Health Innovation Award for his telemedicine work with the Armenian EyeCare Project.



charlene chen '99

### SIMPLIFYING FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS IN AFRICA

**ABOUT** How do you empower millions of people and businesses in the developing world? Charlene Chen, chief operating officer of the digital foreign exchange payment platform BitPesa, has a solution: enable them to receive and transfer assets without crushing fees. While living in Ghana, Chen saw an overwhelming need for

development in remittances, especially since money sent by relatives abroad often represents a significant source of income for many Africans and because financial transaction fees to, from, and within Africa are at least twice as expensive as the global average. In 2013, Chen was tapped to join BitPesa with the goal of reducing overinflated remittance costs.

**TECH** By using Bitcoin, a digital currency that uses peer-to-peer technology to facilitate instant payments and eliminates the need for banks or money transfer institutions as third parties, BitPesa allows anyone with a cell phone or access to a computer to send and receive payments anywhere in the world—securely and instantly—without unreasonable fees. Users can exchange Bitcoin for African currency that is sent directly to a recipient's mobile account. People then use their phones to make purchases, send money to other mobile accounts, or cash out into paper currency.

**THE GOOD FACTOR** Today, BitPesa is the largest Bitcoin payments company in Africa. Though Bitcoin is not without its detractors, Chen says the greater value of the digital currency is that it gives people greater control over their own money. By eliminating the need for correspondent banking, BitPesa has made cross-border payments in Africa more accessible and affordable.



nnaemeka "mekka" egwuekwe '91

### COMPUTER SKILLS FOR LIFE

**ABOUT** In Memphis, Tenn., the digital divide is stark, with an alarming number of minority children lacking access to computers, the Internet, and—eventually—jobs in high tech. Meka Egwuekwe, a developer who has spent more than two decades building software systems for governments and Fortune 500 companies, saw the lack of educational opportunities for his own young daughters and decided to do something about it.

**TECH** Founded in 2015, CodeCrew helps change the odds and the perception of hope for the city's poor and underrepresented kids. CodeCrew's after-school and summer programs provide girls and minorities with valuable access and exposure to computer science to pique their interest in technology, engineering, and math. With the help of instructors, students learn how to build mobile apps, web pages, video games, robots, drones, and more. CodeCrew also serves as a resource for parents, educators, and other organizations looking to address the digital skills gap.

**THE GOOD FACTOR** Since its inception, CodeCrew has helped more than 1,000 youth access key economic opportunities. Today, CodeCrew offers multiple summer camps and after-school programs, three in-school elective programs, and a number of special events. The rewards for investing in his community and helping children decode a path out of poverty have no limits, says Egwuekwe.



saasha celestial-one '94

### HYPERLOCAL FOOD SHARING

**ABOUT** Besides providing her with an unconventional surname, the "hippy entrepreneur parents" of Saasha Celestial-One also gave her a deep appreciation for the planet and its natural resources. So when she realized that more than one-third of all food produced globally goes to waste, Celestial-One was determined to do something about it. Joining forces with close friend and Stanford Business School classmate Tessa Cook, she launched OLIO in January 2016 in the UK to leverage technology to reduce food waste and feed more people.

**TECH** Affectionately dubbed "Tinder for food sharing" by the press, OLIO allows users to download its free app, create an account, and upload a photo and description of the food they wish to give away—anything from fresh produce to homemade cakes.

**THE GOOD FACTOR** Since its inception, OLIO has attracted some 350,000 global users who have shared more than 400,000 portions of food. The app, which is saving thousands of food items from trash bins each week, was introduced in the U.S. and around the world last year, with supermarkets and restaurants also joining the cause. "This gives me hope that our vision of millions of hyperlocal food-sharing networks around the world is a possibility, and that collectively we can ensure everyone has enough to eat without destroying the planet in the process."



jess livingston '89

### BUILDING GENDER EQUITY IN TECH

**ABOUT** For Jessica Livingston, building the future comes down to investing in an idea. That's why she's helping to close the gender gap in tech startups. A founding partner at the seed stage investing firm Y Combinator, Livingston has helped create a new funding model for early-stage startups and is changing the tech industry's notorious reputation as a boys' club. Besides playing a role in the success of companies such as Airbnb, Y Combinator's annual Female Founders Conference mentors women who want to run their own startups.

**TECH** Twice a year, the company invests a small amount of money in about 50 startups. These startups then move to Silicon Valley for three months, during which time Y Combinator works intensively with them to help shape and refine their pitch to investors. Each cycle culminates in Demo Day, when the startups pitch themselves to a carefully selected audience.

**THE GOOD FACTOR** Since 2014, Y Combinator has funded more than 1,500 startups worth more than \$70 billion in total. The company provides a platform for successful women to share their stories and advice with those just getting started. By investing in women in tech and helping to market their talents and ideas, Y Combinator is creating more seats at the table for women in Silicon Valley and inspiring a culture of gender diversity in tech funding and innovation.



don ganem '68

### MODERN DAY MICROBE HUNTER

**ABOUT** Incorporating tech innovation is advancing medical research and practices by leaps and bounds. For Don Ganem and his talented colleagues, that means significant breakthroughs. As vice president and global head of infectious diseases at the Novartis Institutes for Biomedical Research in Emeryville, Calif., Ganem focused his early work on the replicative cycle of viruses in the hepatitis B virus family (HBV). At the height of the AIDS crisis, his laboratory was at the center of discovering the viral etiology of Kaposi's sarcoma, a cancer that became one of the hallmark manifestations of HIV/AIDS. The first to grow the virus, his group also was one of the first to build a blood test for the infection, which was used in 5,000 patient diagnoses.

**TECH** These days, Ganem and his team are using microarray technology to find clues about and cures for infectious diseases. Their ViroChip, a microarray that contains DNA from every known virus, was used to help identify the SARS virus, two other new respiratory viruses, and several veterinary pathogens.

**THE GOOD FACTOR** Ganem's lab is now developing novel antivirals for a variety of important infections, including hepatitis B, influenza, and respiratory viruses that trigger attacks of asthma and COPD. He is also developing new ways to treat virus-induced cancers.



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## Negotiating

# RACE & BELONGING

by Jasmine Mitchell '99

"Where are you from?" asked the girl sitting next to me at orientation as she scrunched her nose to discern my facial features. "Brooklyn!" I proudly responded. "No, where are your parents from?" she insisted. "Philadelphia and Bucks County, Pennsylvania," I replied. Dissatisfied, she prodded, "I mean, what are you?"

Like many people who do not fit into the imagined U.S. racial landscape of black-white binaries, I had already become accustomed to these questions. Indeed, as a mixed black teenager constantly misrecognized as everything from Filipino to Moroccan, I had a daily awareness of how race, ethnicity, and nationality were mapped onto my body. But what would this mean at Andover?

At Andover, I found that "youth from every quarter" cohabited with entrenched white upper-class privilege. I learned to navigate these new environs very carefully and developed strategies to etch out my own voice in multiple terrains.

There were times when my difference as a non-white scholarship student was palpable. I was grouped with other black and brown scholarship girls for questioning when an item went missing in the dorm. I was suspected of plagiarism on an essay. I was told that another student from New York City could not come to my house in Brooklyn because it was too "dangerous." And of course, there were the many supposed compliments about my "exotic" looks.

While these situations were difficult to navigate, Andover offered a laboratory of possibilities and spaces to forge connections and share the complexities of identities and experiences. I now deeply appreciate the openness of the Andover community, the valuing of difference, and the utilization of discomfort for growth. I have yet to experience this in the same way anywhere else. (The teacher who suspected me of plagiarism not only apologized, but also became one of my closest mentors.)

Looking back, I see that the Andover experience is the constitution of camaraderie and community through late-night dorm conversations, roundtable classroom discussions, chats on long cross-country training runs, and talks over dinner at Commons and at day students' homes. My deepest friendships were forged at Andover; I see or talk to Andover friends weekly. I know that in almost any corner of the globe, I can find someone with Big Blue spirit who will welcome me with open arms.

Andover is not a utopia; it is an experiment in what we can strive to be. Today when I am told that I don't look like a college professor, when I am asked if I am my son's nanny, when I am interrogated at the U.S. border, I know that these patterns of racism and inequality still persist. However, my experiences at Andover propelled me to articulate my own voice, to serve as a leader in communities, to bridge academic theory with lived experiences, and to unlock the potential of students from underrepresented groups.

As a college professor researching mixed blackness and gender in the Americas, I encourage my students to constantly challenge themselves, to question knowledge, and to see themselves as knowledge producers. I encourage them to understand how we all inhabit racialized and gendered bodies and that we all have very different experiences.

At Andover and beyond, my hope is that we continue to see and embrace difference. ♦

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## UPCOMING ALUMNI & PARENT EVENTS

### National & International Events

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| April 19    | Chicago, IL  | Chicago Campaign Celebration                                    |
| April 20–21 | Global       | Non Sibi Weekend  |
| April 21    | Boston, MA   | Non Sibi Project with Mike Koehler '94 on Thompson Island       |
| May 8       | Denver, CO   | An Evening with Emeriti Teachers Kathleen Dalton & Tony Rotundo |
| May 9       | Portland, OR | An Evening with Emeriti Teachers Kathleen Dalton & Tony Rotundo |
| May 10      | Seattle, WA  | An Evening with Emeriti Teachers Kathleen Dalton & Tony Rotundo |

### Campus Events

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| April 25  | Community and Multicultural Development presentation by John Moreland '18 |
| April 27  | AfLatAm@50 Reunion  |
| May 5     | Distinguished Service Awards  |
| May 12    | Grandparents' Day   |
| May 26    | Alumni Baseball and Lacrosse  |
| June 3    | Commencement  |
| June 8–10 | Reunion Weekend   |

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Cambridge, MA



Philadelphia, PA



Princeton, NJ



Dallas, TX

# the Buzzzzzzz

Goldman Sachs VP **Ashish Shetty '00** took a break from financial management this past fall to perform a stand-up comedy routine at India New England's New England Choice Awards gala. In a video interview, Shetty talked about his passion for stand-up, crediting the hit TV show *Seinfeld* as a major inspiration for his observational humor.



Up-and-coming singer-songwriter **Casey McQuillen '11** was featured on the summer 2017 cover of *The Andovers* magazine. The Berklee College of Music grad infuses her songs with messages about bullying and self-confidence and has generously performed for hometown fans at Andover Youth Services and local schools.

Hearty congratulations go out to the following three alums who have recently taken on new jobs.

- **Christopher Wray '85** was named FBI director by President Trump in June. A former federal prosecutor, Wray has worked in both public and private legal sectors.
- Following a yearlong search, video-sharing website Vimeo recently selected **Anjali "Anj" Sud '01** as its new CEO. Previously GM and senior VP of creator business at Vimeo, Sud had worked for four years at Amazon.

**Buzz Bissinger '72's** *Vanity Fair* cover story this past summer recounts the story of tennis star Serena Williams's romance with now-husband Alexis Ohanian. Accompanying photos were taken by none other than Annie Leibovitz.



The clue is: A lawyer at Crowell & Moring LLP in Washington, D.C., who appeared on *Jeopardy* Feb. 1. Who is **Sara**

**Helmers '05?** That is correct! A graduate of Wellesley College, Tufts University, and The George Washington University Law School, Helmers flew to California this past fall for filming.



- In October, **Daniel Adler '05** was named director of baseball operations for the Minnesota Twins. Adler previously worked for the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars to launch and direct a newly created football research and development department.

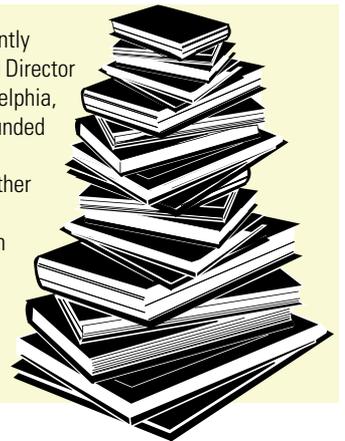
Among the famous A-list movie stars walking the red carpet at the 75th Golden Globe Awards ceremony in January was **Ai-jen Poo '92**, national labor organizer and the 2016 recipient of Andover's Claude Moore Fuess Award. Poo was the guest of Meryl Streep who, along with seven other actresses, brought along gender, racial, and social justice activists to raise awareness.

With more than 15,000 nominations, the *Forbes* "30 Under 30" represents the best and brightest "game changers" in multiple industries. The 2018 list includes: **Susan Ho '06**, cofounder of Journey, a travel startup that pairs customers with a low-cost travel advisor; **Arun Saigal '09**, cofounder of Thunkable, a drag-and-drop service for building an app; Summer Session 2004 alumnus **Lalit Gurnani**, an associate at Goldman Sachs in the technology, media, and telecom group; and **Olivia Wang '07**, vice president and head of U.S. ZhenFund, a Beijing-based seed fund that has more than 150 portfolio companies and has participated in several IPOs.

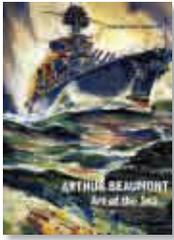


Not resting on his laurels after winning the 2017 Tony Award for Best Direction of a Musical for *Come from Away*, **Christopher Ashley '82** is now working on a feature film version of the musical. Ashley has been artistic director of the La Jolla (CA) Playhouse since 2007.

**Michael Barsanti '86** was recently appointed the Edwin A. Wolf 2nd Director of The Library Company of Philadelphia, America's first lending library, founded in 1731 by Benjamin Franklin. Barsanti has worked at various other Philadelphia cultural institutions, including the Rosenbach Museum and Library, Pew Center for Arts & Heritage, and Free Library of Philadelphia Foundation.

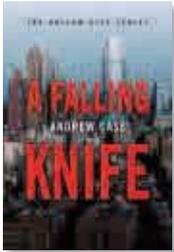


—Allyson Irish



**Arthur Beaumont: Art of The Sea**  
by Geoffrey Beaumont '55  
Irvine Museum

Written by the artist's youngest son, Geoffrey, this fully illustrated book is the definitive study of this important artist, who memorably captured a unique record of the activities and accomplishments of the U.S. Navy. As part of the family, the author drew on family archives, personal anecdotes, and firsthand knowledge to create an intimate and thorough account of both the man and the artist.



**A Falling Knife**  
by Andrew Case '90  
Amazon Publishing

Something's rotten in the borough of Brooklyn, and it's not just the wave of glossy condos pushing longtime residents out of their neighborhoods. A construction worker has plunged to his death, and suspicion has fallen on a fellow hard hat for turning a crane into a killing machine. When the suspect does a disappearing act, a pair of unlikely partners reunite to chase him down.



**Piccadilly and the Waltzing Wind**  
by Lisa Anne Novelline '86  
In this self-published book, the second in the series *Piccadilly's Magical World*, Piccadilly seeks to answer the question, may one dance with the wind? Readers are invited to soar with Piccadilly, friends, and the mischievous autumn breeze through an irresistible journey of what may be, and then spiral back to the extra-special magic awaiting Piccadilly in her own backyard.



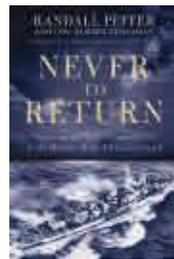
**Safe Spaces, Brave Spaces: Diversity and Free Expression in Education**  
by John G. Palfrey, P'21  
MIT Press

Safe spaces, trigger warnings, microaggressions, the disinvasion of speakers, demands to rename campus landmarks—debate over these issues started in college lecture halls and ended up in the wider realm of public discussion on op-ed pages, cable news, and social media. Few questioned the assumption that colleges must choose between free expression and diversity. In *Safe Spaces, Brave Spaces*, Palfrey argues that the essential democratic values of diversity and free expression can, and should, coexist on campus.



**Mysterious Builder of Seattle Landmarks: Searching for My Father**  
by Paula Pederson (Paula Holden Palmer '51)  
Vie Publishing

After decades of believing her mother's tale that her father, Danish immigrant Hans Pederson, left them penniless, author Pederson uncovers the truth. Pederson discovers her mysterious father's wealth and prolific contributions to the city of Seattle, Wash., and his boom-to-bust life in the early 1900s as she grapples with family secrets and heartbreaking deception in this very personal memoir.



**Never to Return**  
by Randall Peffer, faculty emeritus  
Lyons Press

The harrowing tale of the torpedoing and sinking of a Coast Guard ship, the USS *Leopold* DE-319, this book tells of the loss of 171 Coast Guardsmen off the coast of Iceland during WWII, the largest loss of life in the combat history of the U.S. Coast Guard. The mystery surrounding the sinking that evening long ago has finally been resolved.



**Ghettos, Tramps, and Welfare Queens: Down and Out on the Silver Screen**  
by Stephen Pimpare '83  
Oxford University Press

Richly illustrated and examining nearly 300 American-made films released between 1902 and 2015, *Ghettos, Tramps, and Welfare Queens* describes representations of poor and homeless people and the places they have inhabited throughout the century-long history of U.S. cinema. Ultimately, the text offers a preliminary response to a handful of harder questions about causation and consequence: Why are these portrayals as they are? Where do they come from? Are they a reflection of American attitudes and policies toward marginalized populations, or do they help create them?



**Keeping Night at Bay**  
by Allen C. West '48  
Antrim House

In West's third book of poems, he speaks of boyhood memories of Beirut and New England, of family loss, and of encroaching old age. Reaching beyond the individual to the wider world of war, the collection also includes several classic Chinese poems with West's original translations and their calligraphy.

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**Jack Riege** is having some serious health problems, but is still playing bridge regularly. His loving wife Sali is seeing he gets the best of care. They are at home in Bloomfield, CT.

**Manny Cadenas** attended Andover from 1936 to 1938 in the Class of 1940. He came from Cuba; his father admired the United States and wanted Manny to speak English and become educated in the U.S. While the Cadenas family fortune had waxed and waned, Manny did not return to Andover after his lower middle year as it was a financial strain for the family. He continued his studies in Havana. With some sacrifice, Manny entered M.I.T. and graduated several years later with an engineering degree. He went from M.I.T. directly

to Uniroyal where he spent almost his entire career rising to the position of engineering manager of the international division. Manny spent time in Mexico, France, Scotland, Uruguay, Australia, and more. His responsibility was to go to a foreign country and build a tire manufacturing factory from scratch, debug it, and get it up to speed. All of his story is told in his fascinating autobiography, *Memories of a Journey Through Time*. If you would like a copy—no charge—let me know (you can email me at the above address). The story begins in 17th-Century Spain and follows Manny's life through Castro's rise to power in Cuba to Manny's arrival in the U.S. and beyond. While he had only two years at Andover, there is no more faithful alumnus. Manny has attended many reunions.

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## 1943 75th REUNION

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I'm writing these notes a week after Hurricane Harvey visited Texas and Irma is bearing down on Florida. Checking classmates in these areas, I was able to reach **Ross Baker**. Dorothy, his wife of 64 years, answered the phone in a cheery voice. Ross said the water had come up within two feet of their house, but there was no damage, although they were without power for five days. He said he is in good health but is almost totally blind. Other than expressing unhappiness with the performance of the University of Texas football team in their opening game, all seems well with Ross and Dorothy. I noted our 75th Reunion will be coming up next year. Ross said he had taken his whole family to our 50th. Looking at Dorothy and the children, he remembered that **Dick Duden** said, "she's the youngest looking mama at the reunion!" I was unable to reach **Buster Vandervoort**, another

Houston classmate, but Ross told me he had been in touch with him recently, noting he has a severe hearing problem. **Dick Harshman**, in Naples, FL before the hurricane struck, felt there was no place safer than staying at home in his well-protected building with shutters up on two porches. As for others in Naples: **Phil Drake**, who winters there, was still up North; **Dick Baird** has moved back to Connecticut; and I wasn't able to reach **Bill Chipman**. Forty miles north of Naples in Ft. Myers, **Arthur Sherrill**, who lives near the water in the Shell Point retirement facility, was in good spirits. People in his building were to be picked up and moved to Shell Point's hurricane shelter. **Dave Thurber**, who winters on nearby Sanibel Island, was still in New Hampshire. Good news so far!

Noting on an updated class address list that **Jack Morris** had moved from Maine to Dubuque, IA, I contacted him. Jack told me his wife had died about three years ago. His health had been declining and about a year ago, when he had an offer on his home of 30 years, he made the move to Dubuque to be near his two daughters and five grandchildren who all live in the area. "I'm very happy," Jack said.

I'm pleased to pass along some personal good news about the Ordemans. In June, Martha and I (**Richard Ordeman**) celebrated our seventh wedding anniversary. Our children organized a wonderful weekend culminating with 35 relatives plus friends gathering for a festive dinner. We're pleased as to how our children and their families have grown up supporting us and each other. Perhaps the bartender, who had been listening to the proceedings, best summed up that feeling when at the end of the evening he said to one of our children, "I wish I belonged to that family."

I'm sure some of you remember Phil Drake's older brother, Joe '41, who was two years ahead of us. Phil, Joe's son Bill '73, and his son, Teddy '11 decided in late May to visit the campus and were able to make an appointment to see Head of School John Palfrey. Here are excerpts from Phil's report on their visit. It reflects what many of us—who would like to see the campus again—might do and see if we were to return: "We left Greenwich at 7 o'clock promptly and arrived at Andover just shy of 10 o'clock. We were walking towards George Washington Hall when a car passed us. It was John Palfrey. Once he parked his car, I called out his name and he turned and joined us. He opened his office and the four of us sat down in easy chairs. We talked for about a half hour and then walked to the library. We poked around the library and were told that we could go upstairs (where I had never been) to a special room devoted to gifts, pictures, trophies, etc. After a half hour we walked over to The Commons and had a nice luncheon. Teddy introduced us to a friend, Tom Hodgson, a faculty member who was retiring after 40 years at Andover. He walked us over to the Sykes Wellness Center, which was very impressive. From there we could see the athletic fields. A great deal of action was taking place from construction. The baseball diamond had been moved and eight squash courts and other athletic buildings were being built.

Then we drove around the campus to various spots we were interested in seeing—including Will Hall, where Bill and I spent our first year at Andover. We drove downtown and then back to the Addison Art Gallery. We went through three levels at the Addison and one was completely filled with works by Frank Stella '54. After that we wandered down to Cochran Chapel and found someone to take our picture. There we met Dr. Mary Kantor who has been the chaplain of the Catholic community for eight years. Bill and I were clearly taken by the work of Mary and what she is doing for the Catholic community at Andover. After that we walked back to the chapel's entrance where 60 to 80 students were about to start a concert. We listened for a while and then left to head home. It was a long day, but one we will remember for a long time to come—proud to be an Andover grad!"

After these notes were finished, I received the sad news that **Bob Coulson** had died of a stroke Sept. 9. **Vic Curtin** passed away on March 9, 2016, and **Charles "Peter" Pinkham** passed away in September 2016. Our class extends sympathy to their families and friends. I'll have a lot more about Bob, Vic, and Charles in my next issue.

## 1944

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As always, some of these notes may seem a bit dated by the time *Andover* magazine goes to press, customarily in a different season of the year. But never mind. It's always good to hear from our classmates no matter when or where. And in that spirit we begin with a brief entry from **Mort Dunn**, one of our most consistent and reliable contributors.

When I last heard from Mort he had recently returned home from a couple of weeks on Cape Cod, visiting his two sons in Harwich near the top of the Cape. "It was good to get away, and to enjoy dining on fresh fish," he said. On a drive into the town of Chatham one day Mort happened upon the Marconi Museum, named after the inventor of the trans-Atlantic cable. "I'd been going to the Cape for years and never even knew it existed," Mort confessed. Somehow, the museum reminded Mort that his late wife Sylvia's brother had worked in Britain during World War II with the group that broke the German Enigma code. A fascinating story in itself, though Mort didn't reveal much more than that. Meanwhile, our class poet laureate continues to write poetry and to keep up with his reading. As for doctors, Mort has this to say: "I keep fooling them." Thumbs up to that.

Then we come to **Harry Hall**, who is still at work writing his memoirs, and whom we find in a contemplative mood. I'll let him speak in his

own words. "As the days dwindle down and there are fewer and fewer of us still functioning, it feels good to be one of them," Harry says. "I still do my own cooking and am coping with being a widower living in a retirement village, content with a simple existence. Instead of traveling I amuse myself by writing and rewriting the story of my life, an overly long book. It is no more entrancing than I am, but I find it occupies my time and refreshes many memories. Living things again is not as great as living them initially, but it is better than missing putts." (Take that if there are any golfers still among you).

As for myself (**Angus Deming**), as of this writing I am just back from a wonderful two weeks in Paris. My wife Madlyn and I made this same trip at exactly the same time a year ago, only on that occasion I took a nose dive fall just two hours after we'd arrived, resulting in multiple rib fractures. This time I managed to stay out of trouble and to savor the infinite pleasures of this city—more beautiful and magical than ever, it seemed. Some things had changed since our previous visit: Parisians, who had previously appeared indifferent to the march of technology, have suddenly become as glued to their cell phones as New Yorkers are. On the other hand, bicycle riders, of whom there are many in the city's streets, continue to resolutely shun anything resembling a crash helmet. A sense of style and

## Class Notes Guidelines

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### WHO YOU ARE

24,000 strong, Andover and Abbot alums range in age from 18 to 98+! From the halls of Congress to the hallways of businesses and homes across the globe, you carry with you Big Blue pride and a commitment to the longstanding values of Andover.

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Join us! If you love Andover and Abbot, there is no better way to show your commitment than to help the school continue its historic mission of educating youth from every quarter. It's fun and gratifying work, and you will be helping the next generation of Andover alumni.

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## Big Blue Pride in Action

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Celebrating 3s and 8s on June 8–10.

appearance still matters to Parisians, it would seem. Police armed with assault rifles patrol vigilantly outside schools, major landmarks and other possible targets of terrorism—a sobering sight, though not surprising in these times. And Charles de Gaulle Airport, a vast, confusing, and seemingly chaotic place swarming with passengers from all corners of the world, definitely takes some getting used to. But the cafés are filled, the service comes with a smile (yes), the food is great, and the famous French *joie de vivre* is still in evidence. All in all, it was wonderful to be in a tweet-free zone and to enjoy a break from our own country's endless culture wars and incessant 24-hour news cycle. *Fini*.

### 1945

#### PHILLIPS

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Dear PA '45 Classmates,

It is with a heavy heart that I write to inform you of the passing of our classmate and my dearest friend, **Peter Lagemann**. Peter and I roomed together in Bartlett 7 our senior year and we became fast friends from that time on. We sailed every summer on Peter's beautiful Hinckley Pilot "Southerly" and we shared much in our friendship the rest of the year. No one has to explain to me what friendship is as I experienced it to the fullest with Peter. I am very grateful for my friendship with Peter and I hope each of you has the opportunity to know friendship to the fullest as I did with him.

A nice chat with **Art Moher** revealed that he is having a nice family gathering in Maine this summer.

I hope this letter finds you with a great deal of love in your life. Life with love is everything. Life without love is nothing. Consequently, I send you all a great deal of love.

Your PA '45 Classmate,  
Bill Barnum

### 1946

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**Dick Phelps** and I took a trip to Rockport, MA to celebrate the life of **Richard Reilly Hudner**. Dick shared a backfield spot, and later, a life of contribution to the success of Phelps Industries with Rick. I knew him as part of a band of brothers at Andover, a great lacrosse player at Harvard, a fellow editor of this space, and a loyal reunion participant. It was very revealing to listen to the perspective of his children, grandchildren, and fellow participants in a weekly discussion group.

Rick lived a good life.

**John Macomber** was featured in *HBS* magazine as follows: "I continue to live happily in Washington, which, despite the turmoil, is a most livable city and compares favorably to London, Paris, Geneva, and New York where I lived for extended periods during my career. I came to Washington with the George H. W. Bush '41 Administration to be chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States designed to help American manufacturers finance overseas businesses. It was the whipping boy of ultra conservatives, who considered it crony capitalism even though it generates a profit for the government and results in sales of American products that probably would not otherwise take place. It was really interesting because it gave me a bird's-eye view of all our country's trade issues and domestic economic problems. Before Washington in 1988, I had been living in New York where I was chairman and CEO of the Celanese Corp. It turned out to be a successful turnaround and brought a lot of pleasure to all who took part and ended in a happy sale to Hoechst Corp. Prior to that I had been happily part of McKinsey & Co. where I had the good fortune to be a part of the firm's overseas expansion. I am now pretty much full-time in Washington with summers in Maine and part of winter in Sun Valley."

My vote is Macomber for President right now.

### 1948 70th REUNION

#### ABBOT

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Our 70th Reunion takes place from Friday, June 8 to Sunday, June 10. Please plan to come—it will be our last reunion as a class. **Jane Kenah Dewey** and I have already reserved our rooms, and we are counting on seeing you there!

Janie kept me company last week when I received an Andover award, something I was

surprised and delighted to receive. This is what she wrote about it: "Wow! You would have been thrilled to have witnessed our **Gene Young** receive an Andover Alumni Award of Distinction, which honors alumni 'who have served with distinction and exhibited leadership in their fields of endeavor.' On a bright November morning the entire student body, faculty, and friends gathered at the Cochran Chapel for the ceremony, which also honored three other graduates of Abbot and Andover. In her remarks, Gene paid tribute to her Abbot experience with special recognition for her hours spent reading in the library's cozy Chickering Room."

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The campus shifted into high gear during the fall with a major event held at a beautifully decorated Smith Center and The Cage. The event marked the formal introduction of "Knowledge and Goodness, the Andover Campaign." Maralyn and I joined the table of Latie and **Roger McLean**, who drove down from Maine; and Ronnie and **Alan Schwartz**, who flew in from Chicago. The cuisine and service matched the elegant decorations and both were exceeded by a new film about Andover and its people, their interests, efforts, and accomplishments. One such accomplished young lady was the winner of the Lorant Award, founded by **Andrew Lorant**. Whether they be activists in society, the arts, or science, they are an awesome group. John Palfrey reiterated the recognition as he spoke of his work and that of the faculty. Awesome, awesome.

For many of us, June marked our 65th Reunion in New Haven. **Chuck Carl** was there looking trim. He still practices medicine in Boston and has no intention of retiring soon. **Shelby Coates** also continues to work at recreational sailing. It's where he wants to be. **Harry Davidson** stays active in business with his son. Harry has served Yale as class treasurer for many years. **Ted Hudson** travelled from Florida with his daughter. His smile has not faded and he continues to draw cartoons. We've missed him at the last few reunions when he needed to stay close to Pam. **John Steadman** continues to hear cases in Washington, although on a reduced load. And Kane White, widow of **Dick White**, came from Branford where she has moved. I did not catch up with Susan Jaffer, widow of **Joe Jaffer**, and **Charlie Treuhold** could not make New Haven. But they all look forward to our 70th June 8–10. Kane has agreed to head the effort to encourage class widows to return. I knew that Dick would find a way to make one more reunion.

Maralyn and I enjoyed a second reunion with Nancy and **Mike Hurwitz** and Joan and **John Monsky** for a week in Maine. I counted five canes and many more memories.

**Dan Garland** keeps me updated on the

world from time to time with observations from the *WSJ* and the *Times*.

We lacked space in the last issue to include some reminiscences of **Al Bress** as evoked by the passing of **Bill Miner**. Alas, ready for press, we find that we need to reduce our word count to the point that would no longer do justice to his effort. We have, however, forwarded the piece to our site on Facebook, Phillips Academy Class of 1948. Call a grandchild if you have a problem. Hopefully we will have been able to call on **Bob Ventre** to update Facebook to include pictures of the new buildings.

**Don Campbell** called in to tell us that he was feeling pretty good and enjoying life with his wife, Nancy. They shuttle between California and Colorado and that is the limit of their travel. He does not think that they will be able to make the reunion in June.

Dr. **Richard B. Tichnor** died of respiratory failure on May 3, 2017 while visiting family in North Carolina. Rick graduated from Yale and Tufts Medical School. He completed his residency in the Navy and served for many years on the staff of Jordan Hospital in East Sandwich, MA, where he was chairman of orthopedic service and chief of the medical staff. He was a member of the Boston Orthopedic Society and the New England Orthopedic Society. He was a member of a few local sailing clubs and in addition to sailing, he especially loved his family, gardening, and old Cape Cod. Dick was preceded in death by his brother, sister, first wife, Audrey, and second wife, Lee. He leaves four daughters and their families. He had nine grandchildren. Dick was cremated and buried this summer in a private ceremony in Harwich Port.

It is ironic that he wrote the remarks for the Class Notes on the passing of **Burt Lee** a few months ago. Rick was always vibrant and witty when we spoke. **Shew Hagerty, Pete Connick**, Burt Lee, and Rick were close friends at Andover for four years, roomed together at Yale for four years, and remained friends throughout their lives. Rick was the last of the four. A kind and self-effacing gentleman, he was a worthy cap on the bottle.

**Terry Buchanan** wrote to recall his days with the four at AUV, Deke at Yale, visits, and conversations in later years.

We are grateful to **Allen West** for this information on the passing of **Dan Wilkes**, which was reported in a recent issue of *Andover* magazine. Dan graduated from Princeton, Harvard Law, and New York University Law Center in 1960. He taught at more than 10 universities on subjects ranging from international law and affairs and international criminal law to coastal and river-basin development.

He and his wife, from whom he was separated in 2002, had two sons. He was retired and living in Cambridge, England at the time of his death. Dan's interests, pro bono, were organizing a web site for weekly posting of developments in Britain and the European Union while fundraising for trusts dealing with ethnic minority and self-help, religious tolerance, and our Anglo-American magna carta inheritance. His personal interests were writing

autobiographical works or poems, cycling, folk dancing, and playing light music for older person's homes. By the time he retired, he had published 20 articles, six monographs from post-conviction rights of indigents to jurisdiction over coastal zones, and had chapters in legal texts on human rights, international criminal law, management of the Rhine, and conflict management.

**Bob Whitney** recovers from the loss of his wife, Susan, in March due to an intractable lung infection. He says, "While I miss her, I am doing pretty well."

## 1949

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## 1950

### ABBOT

Editor's note: The Academy was saddened to learn that class secretary **Nora Johnson** passed away on Oct. 5, 2017. We are grateful for her service to her classmates.

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**Charlie Austin** and his wife Carol, inveterate global travelers, outdid themselves this past June by venturing via China into the remote Hunza Valley of northern Pakistan, viewed by many as the inspiration for Shangri La—the fictional paradise in James Hilton's novel *Lost Horizon*.

Charlie is a zealous bird-watcher and Carol loves to travel and they have taken previous trips together to destinations ranging from Costa Rica and the Peruvian Amazon to India and Papua New Guinea.

"We flew to Beijing," Charlie reported, "then on to Kashgar in western China, where we joined our tour and rode south on the Karakoram Highway, rising steadily to 10,000 feet at Tashkurgan in China, then to 15,400 feet at Khunjerab Pass on the Pakistan-China border, before descending steeply into the valley of the Hunza River at about 9,000 feet. From there, our caravan took us to Gilgit on the Indus River, then on a big loop through the backwoods of Gilgit-Baltistan Province following steep, narrow roads above the gorges of the Indus and its tributary rivers to villages Skardu, Khaplu, and Shigar before crossing the 13,000-foot Deosai Plateau to Rama and finally returning to Gilgit, retracing our route over Khunjerab Pass to Kashgar, and catching our flight back to Beijing.

"It was a wonderful trip with spectacular mountain scenery. In the back country we saw no other Americans or even Europeans, and we were the objects of friendly curiosity wherever we went. I had a little trouble with the altitude, especially in walking uphill. Carol (the kid) did better."

The Austins were among 11 passengers in the caravan, plus five guides, all riding in a fleet of five Toyota Land Cruisers. Charlie added, when I kept pressing him for more trip details, that he had spotted two new avian varieties for his bird-watching life list, the Streaked and Variegated Laughingthrushes, which brought his grand total to 2,165.

Charlie said his most memorable moment on the trip, as a former naval officer, was at one of the hotels where he met the commander of the Pakistan Navy: "He told me proudly about his fleet's 'nine frigates, three submarines and some tankers,' which sometimes exercised with the U.S. fleet in the Arabian Sea."

**Dick Suisman** and **Ken McDonald**, with their wives Ingrid and Chandley, attended an August showing at the National Air and Space Museum in D.C. of "The Millionaires Unit," a documentary about a group of Yale students who took flying lessons shortly before the United States entered World War I and served as U.S. naval aviators during the conflict.

As for pilots of our generation, classmate **John Almquist**, U.S. Air Force major general and commander of the Arizona Air National Guard, was honored recently as a member of the 2016 Council of Heroes at the YMCA of Southern Arizona's Community Military Ball.

"I think that now in my 85th year I'm living on borrowed time," **Paul Kopperl** wrote. "Nevertheless, I still play tennis and exercise faithfully and, more to the point, fairly strenuously four or five times each week. I try to maintain a sense of humor, be optimistic, and remember names, words, and recent events. I just put together a week-long family vacation in Colorado. What a happy occasion! Only problem was trying to play tennis at an altitude of 8,500 feet. A fellow like me, accustomed to living close to sea level, is quickly out of breath with exertion.

"This past winter," Paul continued, "I published a memoir privately for the benefit of my wife, my three sons, their wives and children. Did I say 'for the benefit of?'" His memoir received from his sons at best a mixed response. "Alas, being honest has its pitfalls—as my sons' comments corroborate—yet one can be more straightforward and, yes, honest in his elderly years."

Paul and other enthusiastic classmates were looking forward to a class mini-reunion Sept. 10–14 at the Samoset Resort near Rockland on the mid-Maine coast. **Tony Herrey** aided by **George Webb** organized and laid the groundwork for this event with local guidance from Mainer **Bill King** and an informal planning group comprising **Phil Brooks**, **Pim Epler**, and **Rob Burgess**.

The Sept. 12 deadline for submitting these class notes arrived amid appalling news. I was

fixed like everyone else on Hurricane Irma's devastating assault on Florida, where quite a few of our classmates or members of their families have seasonal or year-round homes. It would likely be weeks before they could know Irma's full impact on their homes and lives. Earlier, after Harvey struck Texas and flooded much of Houston, I had contacted **Tom Keefe**, who, with his wife Susan, lives in Houston while spending several months each year in Hawaii. Tom replied from Hawaii, "Happily I can report that there were no flooding issues at either our home or the homes of Susan's three daughters, all of whom live in the fairly immediate Houston area." Let's hope there will eventually be some happy news from Florida as well!

## 1951

### ABBOT

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I called **Sylvia "Muffy" Finger Marlio** (*muf.marlio@gmail.com*), my first Abbot roommate in Sherman Cottage. I hadn't heard from Muffy since graduation, then found her at our 50th Reunion with her husband Gerard. It was great renewing our acquaintance. She'd attended Smith College, majoring in economics, then worked in New York, first for AT&T and then for Exxon in their treasury departments prior to her marriage.

Muffy and Gerry lived in Paris for 14 years. They also had a winter home in a golfing community in southern Spain. After leaving France, they spent three years in New York and eventually settled in Marion, MA, a sailing community on Buzzards Bay. In the late 1980s they lived for a year in Curaçao, making wonderful friends there when Gerry managed a small bank. Sadly, Gerry passed away three years ago. Muffy still spends winters in Spain, enjoys time with her two sons and their families in England, and also with her daughter and her family in Switzerland. She has a granddaughter and a grandson.

In addition to being an avid golfer, Muffy plays bridge and is now involved in 6-wicket croquet. She says she's still struggling with the rules, which are more complicated than those of golf!

A delightful chat with **Paula Holden Palmer** (*yodel5555@gmail.com*) produced the following revelations: "I figure I must be the class late bloomer since I've recently published my first book at 83. *The Mysterious Builder of Seattle Landmarks, Searching for My Father*, is a memoir about the father I discovered in my seventies. After much detective work, the story launched this spring under my birth name of Paula Pederson. A fall update and a winter audio book are planned.

"As helpful PR along the way, I've taken up blogging, Facebook, and LinkedIn, and written two unpublished novels that languish in my storeroom.

Earlier years included administrative office jobs, fundraising, medical, and defense writing.

"Abbot had a huge influence on my life. I especially remember Miss Wilkinson's English, Miss Roth's American history, Mlle. Arosa's French, and Miss Friskin's music. I felt they stretched me by demanding more than I thought I could give. Also I'll never forget my terror during my required week of reading the news in Chapel.

"Mike Palmer and I divide our year between Phippsburg, ME, and Davidson, NC. We're the proud parents of five kids, five grandkids, and five granddogs, all in Maine this summer."

Paula says she's doing well, but her book leaves her stressed. She has been involved with tai chi for years, plays golf, and takes aerobics classes.

While at Abbot, she roomed with **Shirley Young**, and they have stayed in contact over the years. She recently celebrated Shirley's 80th birthday in Vail, CO. Paula also reports that Shirley's mother recently passed away at the age of 111! Our condolences to Shirley for her loss!

I finally tracked down **Pat Driscoll** (*Patreeza@gmail.com*), who still lives in Haddonfield, NJ. Now a widow, she's the mother of a daughter and four sons, grandmother to 11 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild with another on the way. One son, Ethan, and his family live with Pat, and another son, Peter, and his family, live next door with their families.

She has been battling Parkinson's for the past five years but says she's doing well, currently involved in physical therapy swimming, which helps a lot. She's still driving, so is able to get out and about. She's also had both knees replaced.

Pat graduated with a double major from Hood College, studying English, history, religion and sociology, then attended Harvard Business School and worked for two years before her marriage. Pat, Paula, and Muffy have stayed in touch.

After her marriage, Pat and husband Jerry spent five wonderful years in Kanpur, India, where her third son was born. Jerry was director of a USAID project to develop an MIT-type technical university, IIT India, founded by then-Prime Minister Nehru, who realized that if India was to compete in the world, students must have the latest scientific education. This elite university system has been so successful that several U.S. startup company heads, as well as many of our CEO's, have been trained there. Pat loved India and still has many good friends there. (*Google the Leslie Stahl interview from a CBS '60 Minutes' program devoted to the Indian Institute of Technology.*)

A note today from Paula: "Muffy came for the weekend. Had a super time getting back in touch thanks to you—tramping through the woods, eating seafood and Muffy's scrumptious cheese biscuits. Muffy was not only an Abbot friend, we were also roommates at Smith, and Muffy was a bridesmaid in our wedding 60 years ago!"

It feels really good to renew acquaintances and get current news from old friends! Do write or call.

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Summer is going past in a blur and 1951 continues to make news!

**Ed Nef** traveled to Andover in July for the culmination of Project '51, which he devised, organized and executed with many helping hands. Through this innovative initiative, PA students learned how to design and construct a prosthetic lower limb for a young woman amputee from Mongolia. The recipient travelled to campus to receive her new leg. The joy of the occasion was evident. Many of the students toiled for over a year to produce the foot using high tech 3D printing technology. Mike Barker, director of academic research, information, and library services, and also the project director, said the lower leg prosthetic is believed to be "the first of its kind designed by high school students." The students' reward was watching the beaming young lady walk almost normally. Ed says, "We hope 3D printing technology will tremendously lower prosthetic cost so that it will become affordable!" The cost of producing a prosthetic foot could someday drop from as high as \$20,000-\$30,000 to under \$1,000. Hooray to the students at Andover! Hanger Inc., a U.S. manufacturer of prosthetic devices, provided valued technical support. Andover offered a practicum this past year on prosthetics to its students, which might lead qualified students to a course for credit on prosthetics.

Our class, led by **Bob Doran**, contributed to the Discretionary Fund for the Director of the OWHL (library), with the help of Nicole Cherubini, director of development, to make this initiative happen. This project is part of '51's ongoing legacy!

**John "Doc" Castle's** response: "Exciting, cutting edge, socially important work!"

**Alex de Lahunta** wrote, "I know the Hanger organization well. I have a prosthetic right pelvic limb below the knee following an amputation about six years ago. I live part time in Portland, ME, where the Hanger organization has an office and plant. They are a super outfit. This story from Andover shows what can be done when bright progressive folks get together!"

**Hans Duerr:** "Now that's exciting. Congratulations Ed!"

**Billy Lee:** "What a wonderful program you initiated at PA and wonderful that you are further promoting it. Proud of PA, particularly because of guys like you, Ed!"

**John Scheiwe:** "Tip of the proverbial hat to Ed and a hearty acknowledgement for the energy and drive so evident in his successful participation in this wonderful effort!"

**Bryan Hitchcock:** "Thanks for the update. Brings some tears to the eyes of this old poop!"

**John Howell** was also thankful for the update.

**John “Dock” Houk** has been a recruiter, trainer, and motivator of fundraisers since 1968. He has traveled to Ulan Bator, Mongolia at different times and has volunteered to ask “The Mongolian Feet People” to get in touch with him as he would like to help!

**Kenly Webster:** “This is a great feather in Ed’s cap and shows the way to collaborative *non sibi* projects between the private sector and the school.”

In 2005, **Nick Thorndike** and John Thorndike ’45 established The Thorndike Internship in memory of their brother Augustus “Gus” Thorndike, Jr. ’37. Julia Beckwith ’17, this year’s recipient, shared her paper at a luncheon in May about acclaimed photographer Francesca Woodman ’76 who attended both Abbot Academy and Phillips Academy from 1972 to 1974. The internship is a special project to introduce students to “pure” research. There is no test and no grade at the end. The goal is to explore one’s curiosity and learn something new. The Thorndikes are also generous supporters of the Peabody Museum.

What a welcomed note from **Jocko Denison!** “Yes, I’m still here. Guess I’ve been hiding under a rock. I just made our semi-annual, five-day drive from California back to Vermont with wife Deecie and our two Corgis. I knew, George, that you had great talents, but never thought it was with pen and paper until I read your ‘Geezus to Father’ essay some years back. You might have been right up there with our Yale classmate David McCullough, pulling down Pulitzers if you hadn’t spent so much time trying to break your body into little pieces. Your book is far more than just a memoir with a message.

“I have been dealing with peripheral arterial disease in both legs for five years and have had one bypass. Except for my limited ability to walk or put on socks and shoes, I’m doing fine for 84. Until three years ago, we traveled a lot. I did much fishing, some financial consulting, and charity work. I can’t say I embraced retirement as you have. Keep up the good work old man.”

**Norm Allenby** writes he is still involved in water wars. “It took the Lord six days and six nights, as I recall, to make heaven and earth. Not to be outdone, our dear governor ended drought in a day, in a desert, while California discharges 1.3 billion gallons of waste water daily into the Pacific, and spends 20 percent of its energy moving water around the state. Insanity is not limited to Washington!”

**Tony Thompson** commented on hearing Christopher Wray ’85’s appointment as FBI director, “Does he really think he has enough blue to handle his boss?!”

Here’s a statistic, broached by Joan Lasley and calculated by Laura MacHugh: Based on 208 senior class photos in our 1951 *Pot Pourri* and the number of us still here, 51 percent of us are still around to voice an opinion, 99 are together watching over us. Not bad for the over-84 crowd! On another subject, could we make Joan an honorary

member of “The Class of 1951?”

On a personal note, I just completed a book proposal for the second effort, “On The Rogue Again.” Cross your fingers! Any publishers and editors out there, “The Rogue’s Road To Retirement” is still getting great reviews!

Oldest grandson Graham became an Eagle Scout and has started at U Conn. Bradley, Victoria, and Duncan are excelling in lacrosse and the classroom. Dorothy and I have fun trying to keep up with them. Send me your news! George

## 1952

### ABBOT

Editor’s note: The academy was saddened to learn that class secretary **Mary “Molly” Edson Whiteford** passed away on Sept. 21, 2017. She was class secretary since 1995. We are grateful for her many years of service to her classmates.

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Thanks to Class President **Ed Selig**, **Hubie Fortmiller**, and **Joe Wennik** for their efforts in organizing the 65th—inspired, no doubt, by it being the final organized reunion. Will those of us who survive cry for one more in 2022?

**Peter McIntyre** writes “While prepping for eyes, mouth, and arm surgeries this autumn and winter, I’ve been learning how to scan photos.” He included one of his paternal grandparents shot in a 19th century Ontario studio and another three-generation shot in Washington, D.C. from the 1930s. Peter has come to rely on Uber for trips to the grocery store. He headed to the couch “for an emollient nap” on reading of my daughter’s triathlon plans.

Geri and I (with our dog Sophie) spent the Hurricane Irma weekend in Chattanooga as spectators while daughter Diana competed in the World Triathlon Championships. Packed highways were merely an annoyance as Irma happily decided to give Sarasota only a once-over light walloping. We returned home to minor tree damage and a few soffits down but with all utilities functional.

**Denny Donegan** and Roxana hosted us for a pleasant visit on the northward portion of our trip. They had moved to a spacious condo near their 30-year Georgia home. Denny’s been sidelined for many months and wasn’t able to make our 65th. He’s been dealing with complications from a mesh implant done a dozen years ago or so to treat a hernia but expects to be back on the golf course in October. Denny is rightfully proud of the many admission interviews he conducted for Andover candidates.

## 1953

## 65th REUNION

### ABBOT

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It was a busy summer. In the short space of time since I began these notes Hurricane Irma had ravaged Florida from the Keys to the northern border and **Pam Bushnell Ellis** was waiting to hear when it would be safe for her to return to her home on Sanibel from her summer holiday in Maine. The good news was that although all its utilities were off line, her home had been spared from any serious wind or water damage.

As we know, just three weeks before Irma hit Florida, east Texas was struck a devastating blow by Hurricane Harvey. **Connie Weldon LeMaitre**, **Ellen Smith**, **Audrey Taylor MacLean** and I happened to be meeting for lunch in Andover as the results of the storm in Texas were just coming in. Audie and her husband Bob live in Houston but were spending the summer in New Hampshire and had thus escaped Harvey’s heavy winds and floodwaters, which came very close to their doorstep but fortunately not into their house. I seem to recall that apart from mulling over the hurricane, much of our conversation revolved around short-term memory issues; that being said there’s not a whole lot I remember! I did manage to scribble a few notes as we ate our lunch: the restaurant was once a funeral parlor; there was a discussion about hips and knees; Audie was given permission to play tennis just six weeks after having a hip replaced; we’re all trying to whittle down and simplify; and finally Ellen had something to say about saw-horses but I have no idea what exactly it was.

It’s time to dig into the long-term memory archives however, our 65th Reunion is just around the corner. You will have received a letter from Connie and Audie explaining various reunion gift options—be sure to mark the reunion dates on your calendar: June 8, 9, and 10.

Here are some of my own in-the-moment musings: We live in a country seemingly engulfed by “alternative facts” and “fake news;” I change the station every so often to watch the PBS kid’s show “Splash & Bubbles.” I really do. And it can be soothing to cast a glance back at the mid-20th century, although that time had its share of tensions: The Korean War, the onset of the Cold War, the era of nuclear bomb testing and the paranoia those events fostered, as was reflected in the name of the film “When Worlds Collide.” There was a lot swirling around us, but while we were at Abbot we were largely insulated from our nation’s trials—at least it seemed to me. There were regulations spelled out in the Handbook—all one had to do was follow the rules and stay

out of trouble. For example: "Electrical clocks or other electrical appliances, radios, Victrolas, live pets, or inflammable substances are not permitted in students' rooms" and "Pull down your shades whenever the light is on." Although we didn't have to wear school uniforms, I'm pretty sure our saddle shoes and Abbot blazers set us apart as far as the town was concerned. As a day scholar my first two years, I'm happy to say live pets and shades in my room were not an issue.

Finally, to everyone who may have been in the path of Harvey or Irma or who had friends or family at risk in those places, I hope you found refuge and a safe harbor. And I look forward to seeing *all* of you at our 65th Reunion in Andover this coming June.

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The following is an extract from a published book review by **Ron Bland**: My own recollections of Yale Law School don't involve culture shock so much as the somewhat dispiriting realization that most of my classmates were smarter and more knowledgeable than I was. My subsequent mediocre academic performance proved that I was probably right.

"I might add parenthetically that I did experience my own version of culture shock when I, somehow and almost inexplicably, matriculated to Phillips Andover as a 16-year-old scholarship student from White Plains, NY and the not always tranquil household of Gladys and Irving Bland."

In response to a plea for news

**Shelby Tucker** sent:

"I met a German lady at a swimming pool under Kilimanjaro several years ago. We were both interested in Bruno Gutmann, a German Lutheran missionary to the Wachaggo of Kilimanjaro. This haphazard meeting resulted in the publication of a translation of Gutmann's first book *Dichten und Denken der Tschagganeger*, published in 1909. Our translation was published as *Poetry and Thinking of the Chagga* last March, and the launch was at Corpus Christi College, Oxford, where I was an undergraduate after two years at Yale. For more about Gutmann, see my footnote, *The Last Banana: Dancing with the Watu*, pp. 200-02. God bless, Shelby"

I spoke with **Joel Sharp** and **Ken Sharp**, both in the Orlando area, before Hurricane Irma. Joel had just returned from a trip to Iceland and was worried about losing trees. Ken was on his patio drinking champagne. Spoke with Joel again after Irma. He lost about 10 trees but all his resident peacocks survived. He was without power because his generator was not refueled while he was away. I tried but failed to reach other classmates in Florida. Hopefully, all survived and had minimal damage.

**Tink Thompson** continues work on his second book on the Kennedy assassination. Should be finished by year end.

**Dave Patterson** is well enjoying retirement reading and writing for his own enjoyment.

Just received a photo from Billie and **Fred Fenton** holding posters protesting Trump speech.

Guys, I guess we're all getting old and a little lazy. I did not reach out as much as usual and you all reached out less than usual; hence the short length of this column.

In Memoriam: I learned about the passing of Nancy Kaplan, **David Kaplan's** wife, in June following a very long and difficult illness. Our condolences go out to all the family.

Don't forget to send digital photos to **Dick Kain** for inclusion in our projected class album to kain@umn.edu if digital, or send hard copies to Richard Kain, 1 Orlin Ave., S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55414, and include a S.A.S.E. if you want the original returned. Only one of you has contributed so far. No photos, no album!

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## 1954

### ABBOT

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As I write these notes, I am enjoying a beautiful late summer day on mid-coast Maine. My husband, Howard, and I have just returned from a great hike in the nearby woods with our two adult children. We know fall is coming as **Lucy Lippard** has hauled out her sailboat for the season and will soon be headed back to her winter home in New Mexico. I was fortunate to have several visits with Lucy this summer while we were both on Kennebec Point. In late July, **Betsy Hilgenberg Heminway** joined Lucy and me for lunch at our cottage. We had a grand time reminiscing about our days at Abbot as well as discussing politics and our various present day interests and activities. Also our granddaughter, who is writing her college thesis comparing the women's movement of the '60s and '70s with the movement in 2016, was able to interview Lucy about her activity in the art world during that time period when she was promoting women artists and their work.

**Valjeanne Brodeur-Paxton**, **Maris Oamer Noble** and **Panna de Cholnoky Grady** planned a mini-reunion in France this past June. I know they were looking forward to their time together and I am sure they had a grand visit. **Patti Skillin Pelton** wrote that she has moved to Laguna Hills, CA from western Massachusetts. We wish you well, Patti, in your new home.

I speak with **Doris Niemand Ruedin** frequently. She is well and enjoyed a trip to western Canada in late August with her daughter and family. They were attending the World Aquathlon Championships where Doris's grandson, Daniel,

was a participant. Doris was pleased to report that Daniel did very well in his age group. Grandchildren seemed to have played a prominent role in our lives this summer as I heard from several classmates who were enjoying having grandchildren with them for extended periods of time. I know we treasure any time that these wonderful young folks are able to spend with us.

A highlight of my summer was having an unexpected visit from **Judy Prior Blair** and her son, Chris. They were on a short trip to Maine and were able to come down to our cottage for an afternoon visit. Judy is well, full of energy, and fun as always. We had a very special visit and continue to marvel that we have remained such close friends for more than 60 years. I received a sad email in June from **Anna Hewlett James's** daughter telling me of Anna's peaceful passing on January 12, 2017. Anna lived in Toledo, OH where she raised her two daughters and worked as an academic advisor at the University of Toledo, retiring in 2007. She was an avid reader, enjoyed crossword puzzles, and loved to cook. Anna's two daughters, their spouses, and seven grandchildren survive her. Since Anna's family lived in Alaska while she was at Abbot, she lived with relatives in Massachusetts. Anna's daughters planned to take her ashes to Sitka, AK to be interred in a memorial garden near her mother. We fondly remember Anna while at Abbot and send our deepest sympathy to her family.

I am hopeful that many of our classmates will be able to attend a class gathering in Portsmouth, NH in mid-October. News from the luncheon will be included in my next notes.

Until then thanks for keeping in touch, keep well and safe. Nancy

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All of us must have had a very active summer as there is very little to report. World and national events such as hurricanes Harvey and Irma have focused our attention on sad things but the news from Andover as it begins its 240th year is a positive force to counterbalance the upsetting news from around the world. For those of us who follow **Ken MacWilliams'** VCR, we do get a lot of news about classmates' activities there.

**Bill Matalene** writes that he and Carolyn "continue in happy retirement from the University of South Carolina to the "Holy City" of Charleston where we had the pleasure of an afternoon with **George Shapiro** and his lady, who were in town this spring for a mini-reunion of Harvard '58." Bill adds that he has "lucked out" to have been given "a garret in the Confederate Home and College, a venerable institution where I go to draw and paint, mostly from photographs of travels with Carolyn."

He has finished “a final version of my research in the humanities and social sciences—about the traits of speech, bodily presence, and adornment that novelists, thespians, figurative painters, and the rest of us, all the time notice about one another in forming our estimates of each other’s characters.” Bill’s book is titled, *Characterization and History: Social Recognition in the West from Antiquity to Romanticism* and is available on Amazon. He ends by saying “keep your head down (I seem to have given up golf).”

While on the subject of golf, I have not heard from **Dick Carlson** of late but I am sure he has not given up golf as he has been so active in the Connecticut Seniors Golf Association and should be in its “Hall of Fame.” I wonder how many of us still play golf or some semblance of the game?

**Steve Wilson** continues to write his provocative blog, LetsFixthisCountry.org. Categories covered include inter alia, healthcare, foreign policy, war, elections, education, culture, and security—most recently with comments on the PBS presentation of Vietnam by Burns and Lynn. It makes stimulating reading and there is the option to sign up for alerts to new material which come about every 10 days.

Ken MacWilliams continues to bring many subjects to our attention via the Andover VCR. He writes that he has been chosen to be a co-chair of the 60th Harvard Class Reunion for the Class of 1958, and we hope that this new activity along with all of his other philanthropic duties will not diminish his ability to continue the direction of the Andover 1954 VCR.

**Tim Hogen** continues to host a luncheon for his Yale 1958 Classmates every Thursday at the Yale Club in NYC. I know that when **Jon Foote** is in town he attends these luncheons. I am not sure but it is likely that others from our Andover class attend these provocative luncheons.

A gentle reminder to please send me your news of the many interesting projects you are embarking on, your travels, and particularly, your visits with classmates. Don’t hold back! Reunion 65 is just a year and a half away.

## 1955

### ABBOT

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As I write this at the deadline, I have heard from only one Abbot classmate since the last column, and that is **Dorothy “Dee” Fleming King**. She lives right on the coast in Rockport, TX, which was the first place that was mentioned on TV as having been hit by Hurricane Harvey. Of course I was very concerned, and sent her an email hoping that would get through. It did, and she replied!

This column is taken from the emails she sent

me on Sept. 1st and 7th. Even though the hurricane itself will be old news by the time this appears in the magazine, I think the story of someone who was there would nevertheless be of interest to the PA and Abbot community. I asked Dee if she would like to write up her experience for the magazine, but unfortunately she did not take me up on my offer!

Her initial e-mail on Sept. 1, was quite positive. She was pleased that Houston houses (where one of her sons and his family live) were high and dry, and that her Rockport home (and all the others in the area built by the same builder) had stood nicely. However, the wind had evidently blown out her pool house door, and swept up her blow-up swan which “lives” in the pool. She said, “we got a fit of laughing when we tried to picture some desperate individual trying to make head or tail of any of this and looks up to see a huge swan go flying by!” Her boats were fine, but a boat storage in Rockport was torn to shreds. She also had no mailbox, and her storage unit in town disappeared. She said, “this has been the most bizarre situation. Briefly, one could not possibly imagine such a sight ... never have I seen so much water everywhere.”

Dee then went to Houston, to be with her son and family there. She said the family pitched in to do water rescue, which evidently involved “walking chest deep in water and pushing a boat full of people and belongings”—a chore she regretted that she was no longer able to do. Her daughter-in-law was also cooking for friends and others, saying that “she would cook anything that didn’t run away from her!” Dee’s comment was “that’s how it goes in Texas!” The Houston family was also doing laundry for friends, soaking wet stuff they had salvaged, and were boarding dogs for people who couldn’t get them out. Evidently snakes and alligators were “another story,” and Dee expressed her hope that the Texas Parks and Wildlife people would “turn their head” when people with “gators” on their porches “fixed” the situation.

Dee’s concluding remark in her first e-mail was “the beauty in all of this, and there is always something beautiful and good, is in ‘Love thy neighbor as thyself. No one was complaining, grumpy, or disagreeable. Those stranded were happy and smiling just to be rescued. Neighbors helping neighbors in all ways. Parents separated from children were being reunited successfully and the death toll was comparatively low considering that the U.S. has never been assaulted in this way—ever!”

A second email on Sept. 7 began with the bad news that “Harvey did, in fact, destroy Rockport.” That message told the full story of her house, which had remained standing along with others on the coast, but with damage. One neighbour lost her roof, and her new furnishings were piled on her driveway. Dee managed to locate her missing mailbox, but there were no deliveries anyway. She commented that the trees had lost their leaves entirely so that it looked “as though Halloween had arrived early.” Some palm trees had even fallen down, despite the fact that they can bend to the point they usually manage to survive heavy wind, “the winds that

brought them down had to have been horrendous.” There were still no utility services in Rockport, so she was planning to stay with her family in Houston until Rockport regained electricity and water.

However, she commented that Houston had “become a nightmare since the release of dam waters.” She realized that was necessary but many who had been dry had become flooded, with “one family entertaining an 11-foot-alligator” in the water in their kitchen. Gridlock was evidently standard, so that it was taking hours for her daughter-in-law to get her sons to school and home. Obviously, from what Dee wrote, Harvey had a great impact on normal, everyday life, even in Houston.

Many thanks to you, Dee, for your description of Hurricane Harvey. I hope that by the time this appears in print, all the damage and general upset from those terrible days will be only a distant memory.

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**Geoff Beaumont** has published an elegant illustrated biography of his father, Arthur Beaumont, who was the official artist for the U.S. Navy from 1933 until his death in 1978. *Arthur Beaumont: Art of the Sea* is a 270-page treasure of naval art and a son’s heartfelt tribute to his father. Check out NavyArt.com. Geoff hosted me in July for lunch at the Jonathan Club in Los Angeles where scores of the original artworks are on display.

**Fred Pownall** died May 20, 2017 at his home in Berkeley, CA from Hodgkin Lymphoma. After Andover, he graduated from Princeton in 1959 with a degree in art and architecture and was a member of the Tiger Inn. His summers, spent sailing on Nantucket, developed his love of the sea.

After college, he enrolled in the U.S. Navy OCS in Rhode Island, later receiving deep sea diving training. He was assigned as diving and salvage officer on the U.S. *Arikara* out of Pearl Harbor, HI.

Fred married Susan Sparrow on June 17, 1961 and immediately moved to Honolulu where they enjoyed the Hawaiian lifestyle for three years before moving to Berkeley, CA for graduate school. At that time, Fred described Berkeley as “crazy,” but ultimately formative of his worldview. With his JD degree, in 1966 he joined the law firm of Landels, Ripley, Gregory & Diamond in San Francisco, later becoming a partner.

Beginning in the mid-1970’s, his work took Fred to the state capitol in Sacramento regularly where he became known as one of the leading experts on banking and the environment in California. Soon he formed a new firm, Kahl Pownall Companies, with Michael Kahl, which continues to operate today as KP Public Affairs and is the largest lobbying and public affairs firm in California.

Fred and his partner sold KP Public Affairs in 2004, but after a short attempt at retirement, he was beckoned back to the professional life by a former client, CitiBank, where he became a director in public finance. After that second career, he decided it was time for full retirement in 2012. This attempt was a success as he pursued other interests, including family, travel, and developing an olive grove at his Napa Valley property.

Fred leaves what came to be known as “his girls”: his wife of 56 years, Susan; his three daughters, Alison Pon, Sarah Naish, and Perrin Pownall '88; his six granddaughters to whom he was “Captain;” and his sister, Ann Wood.

**George Bundy Smith** passed away August 3, 2017 at his Harlem home after a long illness.

“*Omnia Gallia in tres partes divisa est.*” Andover had accepted a Latin I credit from another school so one of my first classes on The Hill was Latin II presided over by a classics teacher Central Casting would have been honored to find: Allan C. Gillingham. His beneficent pedagogy enfolded the class like a lovingly woven toga and the antique Pearson Hall desks furnished a palpable unreality for a 15-year-old from Kansas City. When I glanced to my right there sat at a lift-top desk like my own, someone so improbable that he might as well have been Julius Caesar in full armor.

Another 15-year-old named George Smith seemed so out of place to this product of 20th century mid-western provincialism. Caesar wasn't in the room, but I was in the presence of greatness. While I struggled with the campaigns of an emperor-to-be, George—bearing the staggering *impedimenta* of his improbable presence at a New England prep school—stoically went on to win Latin prizes, make the honor roll, graduate with distinction, study in France and attend Yale Law School.

George taught at Fordham University Law School, and in 1974 New York Mayor Abraham Beame appointed him to the cabinet-level position of administrator of model cities, an entity dedicated to addressing the ills of depressed urban neighborhoods. Soon after, he was elected to a 10-year term as a civil court judge.

In 1985, Andover established the Claude Moore Fuess Award for Distinguished Contribution to Public Service and honored George with the premiere presentation.

1992 saw New York Governor Mario Cuomo appoint George associate judge of the New York Court of Appeals, the highest judicial body in the state. He held that position for 14 years until an outgoing conservative governor failed to reappoint him. The ensuing controversy caused speculation that George's 2002 written opinion in the landmark case *People vs. LaValle*, which struck down the death penalty in the state, might have been telling. He was quickly snapped up by Chadbourne & Parke.

There is a reason for the lack of reference to the 1960s. In 1961, Yale Chaplain William Sloane Coffin invited the second-year law student to go

to Montgomery, AL as one of a group of nameless heroes: The Freedom Riders. George and 10 other Freedom Riders were arrested in the Montgomery bus station in May, 1961 and convicted of breach of the peace. Their convictions were later reversed by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Observing George studiously reviewing his class notes during the dangerous Freedom Ride, Dr. Coffin, by his account, marveled at the young man's equanimity, to which George replied, “Sticks and stones can break my bones but law exams will kill me.”

As a newly minted lawyer, George joined the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund and helped civil rights leader Constance Baker Motley draft briefs for James Meredith's successful challenge to the University of Alabama's refusal to admit African American students.

George was a regular at our reunions, invariably accompanied by his wife Alene and his son George, Jr. '83. Condolences to them both as well as his twin sister and Yale Law classmate Inez Smith Reid, associate judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals ... Y.

## 1956

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Here we are in a new year! Hopefully 2018 will be a good year for all of us.

**Francine “Toni” Fenn Hofmeister** and I played phone tag. Her husband was in the hospital and she was spending most of her time there. They have six adult children between them all with differing views. They sold their hunting camp in NY state to downsize a bit. Interestingly, Toni said no women were allowed to buy it. It's a private preserve and even though Toni was the hunter, it had to be purchased by a man. I guess we haven't come as far as we think we have.

My own husband has had a long adventure in the hospital and I have even learned how to give infusions.

**Grace Callahan Hagstrom** has had five hip replacement surgeries in three years. As we spoke she was due for hand surgery to relieve some of the pressure and pain caused by arthritis. She has a granddaughter living with her, which makes life interesting. Grace and Alan plan to go to Naples, FL for two or three months this winter. Their son lives there so it gives them a chance to visit him.

**Susie Kauer Mimno** and Pieter are not in the best of health either. After a summer of doctors they are looking forward to a barge trip through France. Last year they sold their beloved Concordia yawl *Whimbrel*, in which they sailed the Maine and Canadian waters for 40 years. The trip through France puts them on water once again.

**Nancy Smith King** lives in Maine with her significant other. She has five great grandchildren. Nancy left college after two years to get married which is why she has so many great grands. In 2014 she sold the home in Westford, MA which had sheltered so many generations of her family. From April to November she can be found in Biddeford, ME at the family summer home. She still paints and exhibits when she is inspired to do so.

**Anne Woolverton Oswald** has moved to a beautiful new facility in Scottsdale, AZ. The address is Vi at Grayhawk, 7100 Thompson Peak Parkway, Unit 172 Scottsdale, AZ 85255. She writes, “It's a retirement community. We will be in independent living in a beautiful spot and as I hate to leave my dear friends here, it is the right move.” Email, cell, and landline will all remain the same.

That's all the news at the moment. I had such fun talking to everyone on the phone. I can't wait to do it again. Have a wonderful spring.

Love, Judy

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With apologies to Mae West: So much input ... so little space. Take **Lyle Barlyn**, retired surgeon from Schenectady, NY for instance. A gym goer thrice weekly, he still drives the three fire engines that he restored. Without power steering, they are problematic during Fourth of July parades. Downsizing, he has rid himself of his Caterpillar front loader, Volvo BM35 hauler, and other heavy equipment from his collection. Lyle says that he is up for helping organize a low-budget, Class of '56 New England clambake and overnight. Interested? Call Lyle at 518-374-5697 or **Phil Bowers**.

**Pete Allegaert** sent in a greeting card displaying his richly endowed, fantastical, and representational artwork, proof that “I still get up to my attic studio most afternoons.” For a sample, Google him. Pete claims that regular churchgoing has placed his delinquent schoolboy aspirations behind him.

Then there's **Bill Huxley** whose New York City activities as president of the Turtle Bay Tree Fund have escalated to feeding tulips, begonias, and coleus in 280 tree beds throughout 14 blocks in the east

40s and 50s. Jumping out of the frying pan into the fire, Bill is an active member of the Parks and Landmarks Committee, as well as the Friends of Dag Hammarskjold Plaza. Way to go, Bill.

Still at it, **Nick Andrus** hits the Washington, D.C. area circuit 30 times a year, with a gaggle of septua-and-octogenarians who call themselves the Harmony Heritage Singers. Five dozen strong, they are the Mt. Vernon, VA chapter of *SPEBSQSA* (Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America). Oh yes, there's the usual household summer invasion of 11 grandchildren ages four through 14.

**Doug Crowe** weighed in with a short, "I've finally gone to ground 40 miles west of Washington, D.C. in Warrenton, VA ... living a short walk away from Main Street and downtown." That's the modern way. He has created his own nirvana by landing within 25 miles of his five children's 14 children.

Mudslides on top of mudslides at his Big Sur, CA home forced **Orrin Hein**, Debra, and 200 of the community's 400 residents to flee. Orrin ended up in his Los Angeles digs for more than nine months. Nonetheless, he claims that his predominant motive state is wonder, especially with regard to continuously increasing human longevity.

**Gar Lasater** glowingly reports that 2017–18 was a banner year at PA for his progeny's progeny. A granddaughter graduated last June and a grandson began his freshman year (that's junior year to the cognoscenti) last September. According to Gar, his granddaughter's grateful enthusiasm for the school has put him over the top.

**Silas Hoadley**, ensconced in Port Townsend, WA reports good health and the ability to put in four hours of "real work" per day. With a touch of pride, he writes that his daughter Amber '87 is also doing well.

Once more, the adventuresome **Ernie Latham** has hatched an offbeat coup. In 1966, he joined the U.S. Foreign Service from which he retired in 1993. His appointments included stints in Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Vienna, Cyprus, Berlin, Washington, and Romania. Of interest in this case is the latter, which lasted from the fall of 1983 to the fall of 1987 during the heyday of Ceausescu's totalitarian regime. Recently, Ernie's file from the archives of the brutal Romanian secret police agency, Securitate, was released. To Ernie's surprise, it turned out that his file comprised more than 3,000 pages in five volumes! Back in May of last year, a Romanian diplomat, historian, and acquaintance of Ernie's proposed a book, based upon the file. The Romanian would edit it and our classmate would write a foreword. If you would like an electronic copy of Ernie's 16-page, well-written, humorous, and compelling piece, send an email request to Phil Bowers.

No couch potato, **Ron Goodman** writes that he kayaks across the street from his house in the semi-sheltered coastal waters of Quincy Bay; volunteers in local music programs within the Boston Public Schools; and regularly takes advantage of courses

at the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement. Ron also noted, "... it saddens me to realize that so many of our classmates, our friends, are gone. Lately, I find myself attending more funerals than birthdays and part of my writing is involved with eulogies."

An unthinkable inversion in this regard happened last spring to **Marsh McCall**, who suddenly lost his eldest son, Marsh, Jr., to an arrhythmia. Young Marsh left behind his wife, a 16-year old daughter and two younger boys. Classmate Marsh said, "Marsh's Hollywood colleagues put on a celebration of his life, with more than 400 people attending ... Marsh Jr. was one of the original writers for the Conan O'Brien show when it began in the early 90s.

"My senior roommates, **Doc Bennett** and **Sam Rea**, have been towers of strength to us." Marsh further notes that, as professor emeritus, "I continue to teach in the Stanford Classics Department, and I'm working hard on a book on Aeschylus."

Ron's and Marsh's comments tap into the 800-pound gorilla in the room, the impending mortality which preoccupies so many of us. In 2006 at our 50th reunion, we learned that our class had suffered 36 known deaths, not quite 15 percent of our class. A comparison of preceding PA classes revealed that this number was slightly less than average at the 50th mark, far below the 30 percent average for American males. As of August 2017, the count of known passings was up to 66, or about 28 percent of our class. For the average 79-year-old American male, the figure is about 50 percent.

In closing, we two Phil's have received occasional praise for the job we do. Grateful as we may be, we'd be remiss were we not to note that classmate **Tim Holland** handled the job *alone!* And for *a half century!*

## 1957

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The Memorial Service at the Maple Walk during our 60th Reunion was described in the June notes. Because there was a lack of space, there was no news of the rest of the reunion. It will be mentioned here. In addition to those attending the Memorial Service, our reunion was also attended by **Hope Hamilton Pettegrew** and her husband, Bob, and by **Jody Bradley Bush**'s husband, Jon. Friday of the reunion was held exclusively on the Abbot Campus on a perfect June day. What a

pleasure it was on our home turf remembering those happy days of so long ago! The programming included "Andover Then and Now," a presentation by Abbot '66 and the Brace Center for Gender Studies. Following lunch there was a tour of the Abbot Campus and a joyous sing-along with the PA boys on the Andover campus. After our Memorial Service at 4 p.m. we had a relaxing and enjoyable cocktail hour and dinner. Saturday followed the traditional reunion pattern of a march, by class, beginning in front of the Addison Gallery to the Chapel and followed by a welcoming service. After a pleasant and relaxing picnic lunch Abbot/Andover '57 held an authors' session where classmates described writing and publishing a book. **Louisa Lehmann Birch** representing Abbot, discussed her teacher's manual: *Introducing LOGO to Primary Children*, which was inspired by her work with Seymour Papert, the eminent MIT professor and developer of the LOGO language for children. The Abbot Tea was followed by dinner with lots of singing. The reunion was enjoyable and relaxing; it was a wonderful opportunity for us to catch up, reminisce, and reconnect. Our only regret was that all the members of Abbot '57 were not with us!

**Marcia Colby Truslow** writes that she was unable to attend our reunion due to her long battle with breast cancer. She writes: "My years at Abbot were so very special to me." Sadly, Marcia is no longer able to spend the summers at her beloved summer home in Westport, MA, which has been sold to family friends. Marcia spoke of her seven grandchildren, four of whom live nearby. She is fortunate to have a great deal of family support at this time. Marcia ended her note by saying: "I send all my love to everyone."

**Karen Jones Anderson** continues to be active in her church and she is on the board of the Quincy Symphony Volunteer Council. Sadly, she is beginning to develop hearing loss but she still enjoys music as much as ever. Karen plays tennis twice a week and remains physically very active. Her close connections with her sister and her late husband's family as well as her stepsons and grandchildren make her feel "deeply blessed in my life!"

**Beverley Lord**, now a retired teacher and presently a member of the Foxboro School Committee was honored in 2016 with the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, Inc. Lifetime Achievement Award given "in recognition of her many years of service as a strong advocate for children and her unselfish contribution to the community of Foxboro." Congratulations, Bevie, from us all! On the down side, she has just had a lumpectomy and is having radiation. The good news is that the doctor believes he's "gotten it all." She writes: "Please give my love and my blessings to our dear classmates."

**Lucinda Sulzbacher Cutler** was sadly unable to attend the reunion because of illness. She was sorely missed! Her recovery has been slow, but she's making progress and we all wish her well.

# Reunion 2018

Celebrating 3s and 8s on June 8–10.

**Louise Wooldredge Wieland** and her husband are now living at Carlton Willard Retirement Community in Bedford, MA. She is healthy and enjoying her new home. Louisa Birch occasionally sees her there when visiting friends.

Please send your news and keep in touch!

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Perhaps the best thing about retirement is that it channels us and gives us the time to pursue what we like to do best. Take **Bob Darnton**, our distinguished scholar. Bob devoted much of his academic career to studying Enlightenment in France and he's doing more of the same—and loving it—since becoming emeritus as Harvard librarian. “My wife and I spent the first six months of 2017 in Paris,” Bob writes, “where I was a fellow at the Institut d'études avancées, a research center located in the beautiful 17th century Hôtel de Lauzun on the Ile Saint Louis. We had a studio apartment on the Left Bank near the Place Saint Michel. Every morning I walked from there along the Seine, crossed to the Ile de la Cité, admired the beauty of Notre Dame, crossed the bridge to the Ile Saint Louis, walked along the Quai d'Anjou past houses with imposing 17th-century facades, then entered the courtyard of the Hôtel de Lauzun, which is the handsomest of them all, and climbed up to my study on the fourth floor. For three years in the 1840s it was Baudelaire's bedroom. I looked out over the Seine and Paris rooftops through the same window that framed his gaze. At the end of the day I walked back to our apartment past the same scenery under a different light. It was like living in a dream.”

Similarly, after a career in investment banking, **Dave Remington** has turned to writing books. His first tome, published in 2011, was a biography of his great-grandfather, Ashbel P. Fitch, a late 19th-century New York financier and congressman. Dave has now sent a second book to the printer, *A Gift to America*. The title refers to the construction of a new visitors' facility for the

Gettysburg battlefield, complete with a museum and a magnificent diorama of the great Civil War clash—a 10-year effort by the Gettysburg Foundation in conjunction with the National Park service. Dave was the foundation's chief fundraiser. Concerned by how easy the undertaking appears in hindsight, when in fact it was strewn with obstacles, Dave wrote a detailed history of the foundation as a tribute to its leaders and a case study in public-private partnerships.

**Fred Shuman**, our hedge fund guy, has decided to wind up his business, the highly reputed Archstone Partnerships. “I found it irresponsible to manage other people's money when my instincts were out of synch with market behavior,” he writes. “So, we rode this market rally to July 31 when we returned 75 percent of our capital and we plan to return most of the remainder at year end. After 54 years at work, that's lots of changes. I will need to find the local Staples on my own. No more asking my office for a box of blue pens and no more monthly expense reimbursements.” Now, he says, “I have my eye on playing golf competitively on the senior 'wheelchair' circuit with the others that used to hit the ball so much farther!”

In Anderson Valley, CA, **Bill Sterling** finds his life increasingly determined by his wife's Alzheimer's affliction. His solace and therapy come from teaching at the local school. “Teaching means engaging active minds,” he writes. “I anticipate some hearty mental exercise.” As usual, you'll find Bill's reflections in his class letter, on the class website.

**John Douglas**, our iconoclastic artist, sent this note from his home in northern Vermont along with pictures of his works, which I encourage all to look at on the class website. Here's the gist of his note: “I've been pretty much stretched out this past year; did two months of daily radiation and lupron (has affected what memory I have left) all for a malignant tumor. Have been busy since, being able to be up and around more most recently: interview with Vermont PBS about the film *Peoples War*, a film we (NEWSREEL) made in 1969 in North Vietnam—Hanoi to DMZ 50 years ago—and finally they (not even PBS nationally) will show it as part of the Ken Burns month—yep 50 years—unbelievable! Work is on its way to LA for a show. Much of what was being shown last year still seems to speak to our continuing situation including 'AutoWarming' (<https://vimeo.com/182244922>), which was also shown at night on the side of a building during Women's March weekend.”

Anne and **Gary Hammond** motored across southwest Colorado in their RV to get away from the summer heat in Tucson. Good Samaritan that he is, Gary devotes the rest of the year to organizing his Saddlebrooke suburb into a “Senior Village,” where neighbors help neighbors age in place. “We try to help people stay here independently as long as possible.”

Becky and **Ben Field** spent part of August on safari in Zimbabwe, their eighth trip to Africa. “We stayed away from Zimbabwe for a long time because of the economic and political strife but there are still

some wonderful places to visit there, out in nature in its most pristine form,” Ben writes, adding with glee, “imagine, no wifi, no internet, no emails, no Facebook, etc. for two weeks. Pretty cool.”

We'll excuse **Tom Fox** for missing the reunion. He was in Denmark, attending the wedding of his favorite niece. For the rest of the summer, Tom cavorted at the family's summer home in Mt. Desert Island and Acadia National Park in Maine. It was an idyllic time of hikes, walks, sails, tennis, golf, extended family, guests and a lot of quiet life with books. “Lucky me!” Tom says.

Almost incredulously **Bill Dial** reports that he's finally grasped the old duffer's Holy Grail of golf, a score below his age—a 75 on a “legitimate” par 71 course. “I thought this must be my day.” Immediately afterward he bought a handful of lottery tickets. No word whether the lucky streak continued.

Best to all.

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## 1958

## 60th REUNION

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A hold-over from the last issue:

**Anne Cole Stephano** spent the summer at her home in Maine. She and I meet for lunch along the Delaware River. **Jo Shanklin's** two children and seven grandchildren are fine. Two “grands” are already out of college. She sends her best wishes to all.

**Sally Leavitt Blackburn** went to Seattle and spent 10 days with **Jackie Locke Neaville**. Jackie lived with the Leavitts her senior year. They had a great visit to Victoria and one day at the Butchart Gardens. Sally's oldest grandson moved to Seattle last year so she got to see him, too. She hopes to be at our reunion.

**Jane Christie** and **Sandy Bensen Calhoun** enjoyed a week at Tanglewood this summer. Seeing and hearing the Pops, the fireworks, and visiting author Edith Wharton's home at The Mount were highlights. Jane is leading the pack of participants at our reunion with a “planning” lunch in Newburyport in September. Our big days are June 8–10, so y'all come!



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It's not too early to plan for the 60th Reunion, June 8-10, 2018. Before the start of reunions, **Al Griggs** and I will host classmates and spouses/significant others at the Lake Mansfield Trout Club in Stowe, VT. The stay at the Trout Club would begin the weekend before on Sunday, June 3, and last through Wednesday morning June 6. There is fly fishing at the club as well as local golf courses and miles of hiking trails, making the excursion appealing to both classmates and their spouses. People could also extend their stay at the club. Al Griggs would host more golf at his course, Baker Hill in Newbury, NH on Wednesday—about two hours south of Stowe. Thursday, we plan more golf near Andover prior to Reunion kick-off on Friday morning.

Griggs has recently returned from attending the wedding of his niece Eleanor in Ireland, as well as a trip to Norway visiting Bergen and Stavanger. On the way back from Norway, he played golf at St. Andrews in Scotland. They played the "new" course. While the "old" course is on everyone's bucket list, being the site of many British Opens, the "new" course is a destination in its own right, having been designed by Old Tom Morris and "newly" opened in 1895. I had the same experience in 1970, as the "old" course was unavailable and I was treated to an enjoyable round on the "new" course.

Talked to **John Murphy** and he related his experience on the "old" course at St. Andrews 20 years ago. He was paired with a couple of taciturn Swiss gentlemen. The outgoing nine featured balmy, unseasonable Scottish weather, but on the incoming nine it reverted to form a Shakespearean tempest of wind and rain. But the golf pairing turned favorable. The Swiss were members of the R&A and their personalities brightened as the weather darkened. Murph had the rare good fortune to be invited into the clubhouse for the warmth of a fireplace, followed by lunch and drinks.

Knowing that **Chris Wadsworth** was a fisherman, I called him regarding fishing at reunions. That led to the inevitable "fish" story, as Chris recounted landing and releasing a 39-inch striper on an 8-weight fly rod from his Boston Whaler off Cape Cod. The estimated weight was 25-28 pounds and took a half hour to land with the rod bent almost double. It happened on Chris's 75th birthday and his wife Lori reports that the weight of the fish and the time spent to land it has increased each year. Regarding our reunion, Chris will have to know the timing of his annual piscatorial pilgrimage to Montana before committing.

**Tom Cutler** was moved to add a few memories of the late **Bob Palmer**: "Over the past 15 years or so, Bob reached out more and more to his old friends, many of them from Andover and some

from Yale. He began to host an annual gathering of five or six at his new home in Sanibel, FL and over the years got **Reggie Barnes**, John Murphy, and most recently, **Blitz Fox** and **Gil Bamford** to come. As I was a new Florida arrival (albeit from the East Coast), I was a regular at the gatherings. I remember the conversations were always fun and funny and great walks down memory lane. Bob often provided apt postscripts to these stories by adding factual corrections to the narratives (while not editing out the punch lines). He also had a large fund of stories about many of our classmates which he capsulized in what was a great personal essay in the 50th Class Book. Worth re-reading. He also had a prodigious memory for sports related facts—some relevant—some just showing off. Since many of the visitors to Sanibel were liberals, conservatives were overwhelmed. The closing point of view was always articulated by Bob, because he had better arguments (I of course made sure I was on his team) and he could hold his vodka. A lovely guy. What a loss and what a shame he's gone."

**Charlie Brennan** reports that the class fund-raising for our 60th Reunion has gotten underway, led by **Marshall Cloyd**, **Bill Stiles** and Charlie. As we get closer to reunion, classmates will be contacted by our hard-working representatives. Speaking of Marshall, he received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Lone Star Flight Museum, where he served as Chairman of the Board from 2003-2014, successfully leading the museum back from the devastation of Hurricane Ike and relocating and expanding it to Ellington Airport.

Be sure to check out the picture of five classmates in this issue's photo section featuring **Roger MacKenzie**, **Phil Woodward**, **Phil Makanna**, John Murphy, and Blitz Fox. Four of the five have initially indicated that they will be returning for reunion in June.

Speaking of Phil Makanna, he has re-edited and digitized his 1971 movie into a 78-minute version. It's called *Shoot the Whale* and it's described as the "The one and only WWII Cowboy Circus Electronic Musical Comedy Documentary," with score by famed composer Robert Ashley.

I quote from the promotional material: ***Ironically titled, "Shoot the Whale" would never do so. Rather, it's a delirious pageant about violence and the decline of the West. Great barren stretches around Death Valley provide the backdrop for a frantic scenario, conjured into being by The East Bay Sharks, an early—seventies street theatre troupe featuring Darryl Henriques. An act of urgent improv, Philip Makanna's first and only full-length film follows this gangly gang of cowboy-garbed gonzo actors as they stage senseless shoot-outs, meander absurdly at an abandoned mine, and hungrily serenade a lonely woman. It's cartoon militarism when a Nazi half-track arrives on the sandy scene. Beautifully shot landscapes collide with electronically processed images from circus acts to further heighten the riotous atmosphere. "Shoot the Whale" unreels like a barbed and anarchic pipe dream stoked by the National Harpoon (sic).***

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A couple of quick notes:

As of mid-September, **Bill Bell** and **Pepper Stuessy** were planning to get together later this fall for "another canoe trip through a national park—this time Congaree National Park in South Carolina." Congaree is between Charleston and Columbia, closer to Columbia—I hope that the hurricanes did not make that trip impossible, but am sure that if they did, Bill and Pepper found another place to celebrate this tradition!

**Maynard Toll** reported that "on September 16, Kay and I attended a memorial service for Saone Crocker, wife of **Chet Crocker**, at the US Institute for Peace in Washington, D.C.. Saone, Chet and I were classmates in the MA program in international relations at SAIS (Johns Hopkins), where both Chet and I stayed on for a Ph.D. Saone was an exceptionally great lady who passed away earlier this year after a long and brave bout with ovarian cancer. She has left behind a lovely family."

For those of you who haven't been reading your emails, or who are not yet on the email list, several of our classmates have been sharing essays on their memories of the 1960s.

Here are excerpts from a few of them that have been forwarded to you via email before these notes went to press:

From **Quinn Rosefsky**, who was stationed as a general medical officer at Loring Air Force Base in northern Maine, where, among other duties, they cared for Air Force fighter and B-52 Bomber pilots. "I bought a Super 8 camera and made a few movies—my most "famous" movie (not my best) was the result of the friction between the macho fighter pilots and the more cerebral B-52 pilots. A fighter pilot asked if I would do a gangster movie. How could I say "no?" They wrote it. I filmed it. As a reward, I was given a ride in an F-104. After a few barrel rolls and sharp reversals of direction playing war games with a Canadian jet, we landed. Walking across the concrete airstrip, I vowed never to do that again."

From **Jim Bailey**: "Just out of law school, I was sent to San Diego for basic training in the Naval Reserve. At the end of week one, I asked if I could give free legal advice to a lot of officers and chiefs who had marital and financial problems and

thankfully didn't realize how unqualified I was to give answers to California questions. A small office was set aside and I spent the remainder of my basic training issuing confused but authoritative opinions on divorce, car loans, and tax returns."

From **Lex Rieffel**: "In the 53 years since I graduated from college, I've seen a lot of developing countries and have taken a special interest in the rise of Asia, from China to India. My views on what the United States can and should do to promote economic advancement in low-income countries have evolved a great deal over these years—from my perch at Brookings over the past nine years and over the course of more than a dozen visits, I have studied Myanmar/Burma's transition to a more democratic system. Sadly, I am not optimistic about its economic progress in the medium term, am doubtful that the democratically-elected government led by Aung San Suu Kyi will be considered a success, and believe that much of America's assistance has been misguided and even counter-productive."

From **John Doherty**: "In late April and early May [2017] I returned to Vietnam for a 15-day tour sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars for nine veterans all of whom who had been wounded in action there. The trip is an annual affair underwritten by a \$1.2 million grant from a Navy ROTC Dartmouth graduate who simply told the VFW: 'do something positive for wounded veterans.' The trip was a fascinating tour of a country none of us recognized, so dramatically has it changed."

These memories started with a long, detailed article **Dave McLanahan** wrote for the March 25, 1967 *Saturday Review*. The article is a harrowing account of what it was like to be a surgeon at the Danang Civilian Surgical Hospital, mainly helping Vietnamese who had been injured and burned by the fighting. Dave, in medical school at the time, was a staff intern. His article ends: "I have watched these people—many of them children—being carried into the Danang hospital and I do not understand the argument that we are bombing because it helps them 'resist aggression.' Nor do I understand the argument that the bombing helps bolster the morale of the South Vietnam government. What kind of government finds its spirit lifted when Vietnamese villagers are hit? My spirits are not. I don't think that the spirits of my fellow Americans are lifted by it either."

Whatever your memories, please send them in. And if you know of anyone who is not on the email list (it's about 75 percent complete), please get me their addresses. I keep them confidential, as you all know, except to share them one-on-one with classmates when asked.

Be well, and start making plans for our 60th in June 2019—less than 500 days from the time you read these pages!

## 1960

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Greetings! Congratulations on our 75th year for most of us—health, family, friendships, continued work obligations, and intellectual pursuits propel us forward!

**Lynne Furneaux Clark** writes, "all the same here, VA, Parkinson's, agent orange, paperwork—not fun!"

**Millie Bethune Cole** sends prayers and good wishes to all who have been impacted by Harvey and Irma, especially to Lexa and Susan.

**Cyndy Smith Bailes** writes that she is scheduled to close on a home nearby her old one. She continues as part time finance director of her local Habitat for Humanity. She has successfully recovered from a recently broken ankle.

**Sally Foote Hubby** writes of the "great downsizing project" which has landed her and her husband into a vibrant Chapel Hill, SC retirement community. The move has been mentally and physically exhausting, but carries a sense of freedom and reward at the end result.

**Lindsay Knowlton** writes of her condo's survival in Sarasota, FL following the recent hurricane. She had a "glorious" trip to Newfoundland this past summer in pursuit of bird and flower observation.

**Susan Lothrop Koster** writes that her 75th was celebrated with family in the Swiss Alps. "We have gone through Hurricane Irma without much damage to our island." Susan gives us two book recommendations, *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi, and *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See.

**Maggie Elsemore Sipple** writes, "so glad you made it through Hurricane Irma, Susan. Hope all of us are doing OK in this time of upheaval."

**Mary-Candace Smith Mize** reports that "Sarah and I had a wonderful mini-reunion in Manhattan. I am finishing up my first draft of a memoir about working on the Amazon River with a guy who used to wrestle the anacondas on the National Geographic specials. I am thankful to Abbot for the kindness of our classmates, for putting me on the right track, and giving me such an educational boost."

**Adrienne Davis Whitehead** writes "had a great mini celebration in Manhattan in May with **Sarah Richards**, Mary-Candace, and Lissa. Hannah, always the gracious organizer, arranged a lunch for us at the Morgan Library Café that included **Sara Jasper Cook** and **Brenda Walker**."

**Sarah von der Heyde** is enjoying retirement. She has completed her sixth international trip in less than two years with **Charlotte Palmer Moreno**, travelling to Finland

and Norway. Her nine grandchildren are keeping her busy!

**Phyllis Ross Schless** has suggested I include in our *Class Notes* talk about the nitty-gritty facts and feelings on resettlement—I echo what Sally Foote's hubby has said, "the job is mentally and physically exhausting." Feelings include being scared, what am I/we doing, everything being very unsettled, trying to do what's "right," being open to new friendships and experiences, and just knowing that the new location is going to be the best way to move "forward."

Great appreciation and thanks to those of you who contributed to our column that we will see in the winter edition of *Andover* magazine.

My best,  
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I regret to report that **Arnold Koons Griffith** died last April. After graduating from Swarthmore, he received a PhD in computer science from MIT, joined Information International, Inc. in Culver City, CA and eventually founded his own firm, A/P Systems in Santa Monica. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Patricia.

The intrepid **Tony Lee** reports that he and his wife had a misadventure while camping across the country last summer. In the Badlands, they weathered a ferocious storm whose 60-mile-per-hour winds flattened their tent and soaked everything. They fortunately were able to find a motel room and spent the following day at the laundromat. Not daunted, they pressed on. Among their destinations was Springfield, IL (a.k.a. The Holy Land), where they stayed at my vacant apartment. (I am on a prolonged sabbatical, spending most of the time in Mystic, CT with my fiancée of 30 years' standing.)

**Andy Combe** reports that he is living happily in northern Virginia and visits nearby Annapolis often, for he is a big fan of the Naval Academy. That's not surprising, for Andy was a career Navy officer, serving in combat during the Vietnam War. He spends much of his time these days supporting the Naval Academy, which he prefers to his alma mater, Yale. "I'm so far off Yale's radar that the institution doesn't even ask me for money," he says. How far off the radar can you get?!

Another Vietnam vet, **Jonathan Hayes**, has been involved in the Corvallis, OR, veterans' community. He delivered the keynote address at the Oregon State University's Joint ROTC Veterans Day Review. Recently he and his wife Susan have traveled to Patagonia, Easter Island, Panama, and Cape Horn.

When **Jeremy Wood** sent friends an excerpt

from W. S. Merwin's poem *Trees*, **Larry Gillis** replied that during his PA admissions interview (with Frederick A. Petersen '34), he several times referred to Joyce Kilmer's verses on the same topic. Larry explains: "I thought it made me sound sophisticated, like all those posh kids from New York City. To this day, I still do not know whether it resonated with FAP. I also mentioned that I read *Readers' Digest* from cover to cover every month. (His eyes positively gleamed at that, for sure.)"

**Gerry Shea** has profoundly written on the power of music: "When others speak, millions of us hear only the contours of an elusive language to which, in the rapid course of conversation, we endeavor to give meaning. The words of our language, what I call its 'lyricals,' are transitional words, wrong words, and often non-words, that, in lieu of those actually spoken, register in the minds of the partially deaf. They are formed by the stream of vowels that must be translated back into the words that were actually spoken. The lives of the partially deaf are a constant unscrambling of language punctuated by masquerades of understanding.

"As I grew older, music, whether I sang it, or played it on the piano, or wrote light compositions, or simply listened to it, became an essential part of my life. I doubt, of course, whether those who hear *well* can live happily without music. But it is of critical importance to the partially deaf because we can hear it, or at least important parts of it, without having to search for its meaning, as we must for the meaning of speech. While music doesn't carry a message even approaching the precision of words, it has an immediate, readily understandable, profound message of its own.

"Beethoven wrote that music may have saved him from taking his own life because his art survived when the distant flutes were fading and he heard the sounds of speech but not words. Mendelssohn emphasized that his *Songs without Words* expressed ideas not 'too indefinite' to put into words but, on the contrary, 'too definite.' As Kenneth Grahame's gentle Rat exclaimed to Mole while listening to the distant piping of the wind in the willows, 'such music I never dreamed of, and the call in it is stronger even than the music is sweet!'

"Music is a vital part of the lives of those who are born profoundly deaf as well. Though they cannot hear the songs of the hearing, their music lies in the play of their visual language. Their hands, eyes and gesture reveal to us that music whether we understand sign language or not. When you observe people signing, they look as if they're conducting mutually responsive, silent symphonies. And the deaf who are also blind, when signing to each other with hands embraced, seem to be conducting a single symphony of their own.

"Music is thus in many respects, and in its various forms, a central part of the lives of the deaf. When I was finally examined and got hearing aids, at age 34, they were not a significant help with words, for the devices seemed only to make my lyricals louder. But they did bring with them the musical sounds of nature—the birds, the rainfall, the water,

the crickets—the merry bubble and joy of my life as a young child. With them came the violins, flutes, piccolos, and upper strings of piano and harp, making whole what had been half-orchestras and introducing concertos, symphonies, and operas (except for the lyrics, unreachable lyricals) as completed musical compositions.

"The effect is spellbinding. The silent violins in overtures become audible; human voices appear in Wagner; sopranos, mezzos, and tenors come to life; bass fiddles and cellos playing harmonics or in counterpoint are relegated to their supporting roles as they lose the melody to the violins and flutes. Peter rivals the Wolf in Prokofiev, and here, too, I become a child again, as my long confusion is spiritually unraveled by the returning, unrepentant, splendid sounds. Today I know the fullness of its beauty, and I cling to music as if to life itself."

## 1961

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Dudley Fitts handed back some papers our class had written senior year, I think on James Joyce's *Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*. **Tom Evslin**, sitting next to me, received a grade of 84 and I got an 83. I screwed up my courage and approached the master after class. "Sir," quakes I, "why did Tom get an 84 and I an 83?"

Pause. "His was better." Ah. Wonderful that hairs were split in those days. Now we're lucky if there is any hair at all.

April Fools' Day was snowy and frigid in Maine but Marnie and I attended the christening of the U.S.S. Thomas Hudner, an Aegis-class destroyer whose eponym, Class of 1943, was there in person. There was a large turnout of Andover folks and afterwards we attended a reception at the Robinhood Free Meeting House in Georgetown, put on by the owner, Carlos Barrionuevo '86. There I was delighted to see **Dave Hannon**, and we had a good chat about the state of the world (heading down) and politics (which this column eschews).

**David Kirk** emailed me for advice about a contemplated trip to southern France. "Will I run into **Jim Rubin** or **James Field**?" he inquired. I don't think so. France is not Beacon Hill.

**Andrew Cohen** reports that he is "still in touch with my French 'mother' in Bordeaux from the Experiment in International Living program that I

was on just after graduation from Andover in 1961. I stayed with her and her family for two weeks. She is now 95. All our interactions are in French. How is that for lasting intercultural relationships?"

Andrew is still active professionally in applied linguistics, serving on a doctoral dissertation jury at the University of Québec in May for a thesis written in French. "In September I will give a plenary at a conference in Greece. In October I will give a presentation at a conference in Cienfuegos, Cuba. In addition, I have written a new book entitled *Learning pragmatics from native and non-native language teachers*, hopefully to appear by next year."

**Steve Most** has a new book out. Titled *Stories Make the World, Reflections on Storytelling and the Art of the Documentary*, it was published by Berghahn Books. "A card inserted in the paperback and a link in the e-book takes readers to a film distributor's web page, from which one can stream and download seven of the films I write about, six of which I worked on as a screenwriter and/or producer.

"On the home front," continues Steve, "one of my neighbors here in Berkeley, CA, is **John Ewell**. John and his wife Miranda came to my book party. Miranda and I are active in our neighborhood organization, Friends of Ohlone Park. Occasionally I visit with **Paul Warshaw**, who lives in Point Reyes Station. I hope to see him this August when Point Reyes Books hosts a reading from *Stories Make the World* and a screening of my film *Nature's Orchestra*."

I had coffee with **Tony Accetta** during his yearly summer trip to our neighboring town. Tony had hosted Mary and Tom Evslin for five days in Colorado, including a stay in the Accettas' rustic cabin in the mountains. Also in the mountains these days, reported Tony, are Lisa and **George Bartlett**, who are settled in Boulder, having left California.

Although Tony told me he has resisted getting involved in lots of volunteering, he has committed himself big time to the Colorado Symphony, heading its educational arm. Tony hopes to bring youth from all quarters into the program, as well as parents, using music to energize kids and "keep them off the streets." Tony told me that he and his wife Nancy had recently been to Europe, visiting several cities, and they returned to the U.S. on the Queen Mary II. Tony was hoping for rough seas but found tranquility.

Are you travelling these days? Do it while you can.

This year I have two grandchildren at Andover, an upper and a junior. The school they attend, from what I can tell, is a lot friendlier and more exciting than the one that educated us. Does anyone else have kin at PA?

## 1962

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**Caroline Thomas** has been busy making contact with old Abbot friends. She visited **Lauchlan Learned** in Newburyport, MA. Caroline and Lauchlan have known each other since they went to kindergarten together in Newburyport. Lauchlan works in the field of mindfulness and was about to travel to Tibet for a conference.

In addition, Caroline has reconnected with **Andree Conrad**. Andree is retired and living in Dade City, FL. Caroline notes that Andree's character seems to have changed very little from her Abbot days.

Finally, I am very sad to say that **Natalie Gillingham Schorr's** husband, Mark Schorr, passed away in January 2017. Mark was a teacher and a poet and led the Robert Frost Foundation in Lawrence, MA. Our deep condolences are sent to Natalie, daughter Sara '95 and son Max '99.

Hopefully, you are all well in 2018. In these very trying times, I find solace in the beauty of rural Vermont.

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Shades of **Lee Allen**, **Chris Babb**, **Chico de Sola**, and **Doug Wales!**

I had the thrill of watching the 2017 Henley Royal Regatta outside of London and it stirred memories of being on hand in July 1962 when Andover's New England prep school champion crew participated and won a race. This was only weeks after graduation. I was vacationing over there, but as a fledgling freelance correspondent for my hometown *Fall River Herald News* I was able to get press credentials and sent back a feature article—"Henley Regatta Packed With Color, Tradition"—that included passages about our guys, a crew that included Allen, Babb, and de Sola, with Wales as a sub.

This past summer I arrived strictly as a tourist but when the crew from Brown University, my college alma mater, won a race I couldn't help myself and emailed a photo of the finish to the *Providence Journal*, where I spent my professional career.

Later, I asked Lee Allen to reflect on the 1962 Henley experience, in which PA defeated an Oxford college crew, then lost to a London rowing club.

He calls it "life changing"—the culmination of a successful season, but also the rare honor of being an American representative in an international

competition. "Practicing on the Thames, we saw boats from British schools, European countries, and, most exotically for the Cold War, the bright red outfits of the Soviet teams, emblazoned with the bold letters CCCP."

Allen adds, "Rowing at Henley has served me well over the years. As with sports generally, competition builds confidence that one can achieve big goals with hard work and persistence. The popularity of *The Boys in the Boat* and the companion PBS documentary *The Boys of '36* burnish the belief held by many that rowers often make big contributions in whatever life endeavor they set their minds to."

Which may explain the 2017 Henley souvenir T-shirts I saw: *Who Rows Rules*.

Here's news from Puerto Rico:

**Jorge Gonzalez** reports that he and wife Pinky are going into the "agroecotourism" business on family-owned farmland in the mountains. The fancy term he uses is meant to attract "tourists interested in experiencing a location that is ecologically and agriculturally focused." The project involves campsites with private kitchens, baths, and shower, with access to miles of nature trails.

From the Philippines, **Randy Fleming** reports he is a Dole VP and managing director of pineapple operations on the island of Mindanao. "We have over 50,000 acres of production, two large canneries, over 20,000 people working for us at any one time, and essentially send product to markets all over the world. Our main market continues to be the U.S., but our best growth prospects are probably in China. I was in Beijing and Shanghai last week, in fact." He was very impressed with the highways and high speed trains but neither impressed nor surprised "at the extent of thought control exercised by the government: no independent TV or radio, no access to Facebook or Google etc."

More on the international front:

**Vic Peppard**, professor of Russian at the University of South Florida, spoke at an April conference in Moscow. Topic: "Russian writer Evgenii Zamyatin's novel *We*, the main inspiration for Orwell's *1984* and Huxley's *Brave New World*." Vic declares, "I think the themes of these works are more and more relevant by the day."

A summer trip that he and wife Victoria and daughter Dasha took included "a few glorious weeks" at spas in the Czech Republic plus an excursion to Munich, visits to castles, and a couple of days in Prague.

A dispatch from **Carl Corey** about family news, a trip to Europe, his Gospel-singing activities and so on, ended with this: "I am heartsick at the political climate in the country and am much concerned with the rise of authoritarian behavior on the right and totalitarian ways of thought on the left. The history teacher in me sees way too many familiar patterns in what's going on."

**Claus Emmer**, reporting a restlessness in retirement, passed along this news: "We went out and bought a used RV to tool around when it gets colder here in Minnesota. We'll head south

sometime after Xmas. Our big decision is if a Doberman and a full-sized Poodle can handle it for two months."

And, finally, on the cultural front, **Rick Beinecke**, who lives in New York and still helps manage his family's investment office, reports he has become president of the National Gallery of Art in Washington, where he has been a trustee for years. The position is unpaid but is, as Rick puts it, "an honor, of course, and fun."

Among ex officio members of the gallery board are the secretary of state, the secretary of the treasury, and the chief justice of the United States. They don't get involved in governance, but Rick says:

"Some Supreme Court justices, including the chief justice, come to our gallery exhibition opening events, as well as some cabinet officers—most recently Treasury and Commerce—and members of Congress. We have seemed to be safe neutral ground for folks to show up together in Washington."

## 1963

## 55th REUNION

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We are heading into colder weather here in the Northeast, so a review of summer activities is in order. **Elizabeth "Betsy" Cadbury** seems to have been a master of gardening along with her husband, Art, canning masses of peaches as well as harvesting some other wonderful fruits and vegetables. Betsy found time to meet up with **Helen Watson Collison** and **Danica Miller Eskind** for a mini reunion in July. Betsy writes, "Helen, Danica and I met in the Big Apple for a three-day mini-reunion in July. We packed the days full with fabulous restaurants (Esca for seafood, and Han Dynasty for Chinese) and lots of other activities, including a ferry ride to see the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island where we had a picnic with a great view of the Manhattan skyline. It reinforced our appreciation of the whole immigration process and the crucial role immigrants have played in our history, and hopefully will continue to play! We rode the glass carousel in Battery Park like little kids, and spent a warm summer evening in Central Park enjoying a Purcell-Adams-Work-Mozart concert by the Knights in the Naumberg Bandshell. We managed to fit in a day at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, where Dani reveled in the Rei Kawakuba fashion exhibit and Helen and I enjoyed the Impressionist, post-Impressionist, and Modern galleries. We spent an evening on Broadway seeing the play *A Doll's House, Part 2* which continued the story of what happened to Nora after she walked out and slammed the door. It was fodder for lots of

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post-theatre discussion in our suite at the hotel. All of this evoked reminiscences about our 50th Reunion in Andover, and hopes that as many of you as possible will plan to join us there again next summer for our 55th! Looking forward to seeing you all again. This Abbot sisterhood is powerful.”

A note from **Iris Vardavoulis Beckwith** tells news of her family members. She writes, “After a wonderful three weeks in Maine with my daughter Amanda and two grandchildren, I flew to Greece for a spur of the moment trip. My dearest first cousin had been diagnosed with cancer in June, and I wanted to say goodbye. The trip was only two days, but it was a wonderful reunion. I got to know my cousin’s children, who were teenagers when I last saw them, and I fell in love with my Greek family all over again. Three days after I left, my cousin died. I cannot express how glad I was to have made the trip.”

**Mary Jasper Walter** sent along news of **Muthoni Githungo Gitata** along with a photo of Muthoni with her daughter, Kaarini, at a dental conference late in August. Mary reports that she is in almost daily communication with Muthoni. After contacting Muthoni myself, I received this update from her. “I went to Spain with other Kenyan dentists to the International Dental Congress in Madrid—an international meeting for sharing science, policy, information, and the latest ideas and technologies in dentistry and oral health. We left Kenya on Aug. 26. The conference was for four days. The rest was touring Madrid, Toledo, and Barcelona. Have you ever been to Spain? It is a very beautiful country with a rich history. I had asked my daughter who lives in Atlanta to come and join me in Madrid. She came and we had a good time and bonded very well. She went back to the United States on Sunday, Sept. 10. Yes, I am practicing full time. I have an associate so do not have to strain myself.” Mary added that Muthoni’s family in Georgia is all safe after their visit from Hurricane Irma, and added, “I hope you all are well, safe, happy, busy, etc.” Thank you, Mary, for your good wishes for us all.

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My first order of business, as I begin my initial column as Class Secretary, is to thank my predecessors. Out of fear of offending by failing to name all, I will not name any other than **John Kane**, my immediate predecessor. His guidance, both now and in the future, has been and will be invaluable. (Although he may think he’s done, he’s not.) We all owe John a huge thank you for his efforts over the past years.

I assume this position at a significant time in our collective lives. All who are reading this have been blessed to exceed the biblical three score years and ten. Let us hope that we can all, again reaching back

to A. Graham Baldwin’s lower year Bible course, with enduring strength reach four score, and many more. I will try to report the showings of strength, joy, and happiness that the years that come will bring, though I am sure there will be sad news as well.

Having said that, my first report is of sad news—the death of **Charles “Sandy” Larkin**. A more detailed tribute to Sandy is in the obituary section. **Matt Hall** has sent the following: “As noted in the obituary section, Sandy Larkin died last spring after a long struggle with early onset frontal temporal dementia. Many classmates remember his being featured in “Faces in the Crowd” in *Sports Illustrated* for his meteoric rise in lacrosse from club to varsity after taking up the sport as a senior, a trajectory that continued at the University of Denver where he helped put its lacrosse program on the map and still holds many records, including most goals in a game (11). I got to know Sandy better after Andover and grew to appreciate his principled and very individual way of going. One Andover story I learned later illustrates what sort of person Sandy was. One night in the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library reading room, several students were engaged in a short snowball fight. Sandy was there, but not involved, and was so offended when a faculty member harshly punished an innocent student for starting the fight that he used hot water to paste newspaper over the teacher’s car, creating a frozen mess in the morning but no permanent damage—maybe not a solution we would advocate for others but very much in tune with our sense of justice at the time. Patently intelligent and honest, Sandy was “old school” in demeanor and inclination, readily displaying his own polite brand of irreverence and sense of humor. He will be remembered by all for his larger than life smile and singular laugh.”

Turning to showings of sadness followed by happiness, **Peter Johnson** writes: “For me, bad news and good news. Bad news: My wife Sally died in November 2015 after three years of battling ovarian cancer. The only good thing about it—there was nothing good about it—is that we both knew from the outset that it was fatal, so we got to conclude our lives together with some grace, dignity, and good humor. Well... Sally managed the grace, dignity, and good humor. I was mostly a gibbering idiot. Toward the end Sally told somebody I was reasonably attractive and relatively young, so would likely marry someone else after she died. So... the good news: on Aug. 8 I married Ruth Bauers. Ruth and I met onstage in summer theatre in Maine over 40 years ago. La-la how the life goes on!”

To showings of strength, **Roger Ritvo** reports: “This past semester my university granted me a sabbatical which I spent at the Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv in western Ukraine. Teaching and conducting research on NGOs was both fun and productive. I plan on working at least another year or maybe more—it still remains fun. I met my wife in Spain after the sabbatical and managed to tear my

rotator cuff in my right shoulder. Had surgery in June and I’m going through physical therapy. It does give you a new perspective on mobility.”

Speaking of mobility, I suspect the preponderance of us have spent more time than we cared to with physical therapists. I have two plastic/ceramic hips; I know John Kane is similarly bionic. I suspect many of us have such quality-of-life-improving appliances.

I live, as I have for the past 25 years, in the Chestnut Hill section of Philadelphia. **Steve Mathes** and **Bill Coleman** each live within about a mile. **Dick Bell** lives in Philadelphia’s historic district. I have coffee with Bill sporadically and run into Dick regularly at art related functions. Dick is an accomplished painter, using some of the skills he employed as a surgeon to create. Steve and I, having served as law clerks for the same federal judge at the start of our legal careers, now belong to a group of former clerks who lunch together quarterly. The luncheon discussions often involve politics and the state of the nation. Needless to say, they have taken a more somber tone of late. Both Steve and I are still practicing law, albeit from home offices and bearing reduced loads. We both also serve as arbitrators and I serve as a mediator, primarily on construction-related disputes. I am also on the adjunct faculty at the University of Pennsylvania Law School teaching a course on common law contracts to foreign lawyers who are at Penn Law for the year to earn an LLM.

Our 55th Reunion, about which you will undoubtedly hear more, is June 8–10. **Jon Stableford** is, heading the planning effort with **Dick Clapp** assisting. I hope to see lots of you there.

Please write, please email, please call, please visit. I welcome input from all.

## 1964

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**Jo Foster Keefe** just returned from the Galápagos Islands with her 12-year-old granddaughter in tow. It was an action-packed and exhilarating adventure. Retirement is great. She visited with **Friedel Laaff** and **Jackie Eby** at Jackie’s beach house this summer. She’s also in touch with **Lee Clark Hoehn** regularly. She writes, “We ‘townies’ stick together!”

**Joan Harney Wiles** is looking forward to

taking a Road Scholar trip in late September to San Antonio and then several short trips to visit friends and family later in the fall. Son, Christopher, who is in his third year of medical school, is in the midst of hospital rotations and learning a lot. A group of Abbot ladies had a wonderful mini-reunion at the home of **Allis Hanley** in June. It really was fun to get together!

**Joanne Schwiebert Birge** and **Gwyneth Walker** attended the premiere of Gwyneth's work, "Every Life Shall be a Song" at Boston Symphony Hall. Gwyneth noted that "Two former 'Chanticleers' still enjoy music together."

**Linda Pattberg Meixner** is still in Washington, D.C.; contemplating retiring next year. She still likes working for her nonprofit as development director most of the time—just those few other times that has her thinking about a cottage by the beach somewhere. She is going to Los Angeles next month to see old friends (she lived there for more than 25 years). Her daughter and family (three kids) came to D.C. to visit for a week recently which was great—and her son just had a second son—so life is good. Living in D.C. is wonderful but also a constant state of craziness and anxiety. She opens up her Washington Post every morning braced to what she might find. Drama is highly over-rated! But life keeps on flowing.

**Kit Jones Prager** took a trip that has been on her bucket list since she was a Spanish literature major in college. She and her husband, Allan, went to Spain for two and a half weeks in May. They arranged their own travel by train, car, bus, metro, and walking and were able to see Seville, Granada, Ronda, Toledo, Bilbao, La Guardia, Guernica, San Sebastian, Escorail, and Madrid. They experienced everything from the location in Toledo where her favorite El Greco painting was created to a bull fight in Madrid.

Kit also went to Ajijic near Guadalajara, Mexico to celebrate a cousin's birthday. She enjoyed good fun with her eight cousins.

After living with them for 15 months, Kit's daughter and family moved into their newly constructed home. Fortunately, they live around the corner.

My husband, Dan, and I enjoyed a trip up the Rhine River this summer. The highlight of our cruise was being able to see our son, Jonathan, his wife, and our grandson, Wyatt, in Rudesheim and again for an overnight visit in Zurich. We're looking forward to seeing them and our sons, Daniel and Matthew, again in September.

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A topic for these notes was suggested by **Lee Kenna** and **Bruce Kauffman**, both Eagle Scouts. The

resultant email poll to identify other Eagle Scouts drew the most participation of the one or two polls to date. Of 18 responding, five others made Eagle besides Lee and Bruce: **Rob Auld**, **Doug Everett**, **James Lockhart**, **Dana Waterman**, and **Jeff Wright**. Please visit the Class of '64's archives at <https://goo.gl/Cf6w6f> for more news and photos of classmates, and to learn more about the 10th Anniversary bash of Bryce Muir's Merrymeeting Arts Center on June 23.

As most of us fall into the category of "parents," we can relate to Kathy and **Dan Badger's** dilemma of children changing their life plans. Three years ago, all three daughters lived in New York City near Dan's PA hometown of Greenwich, CT. For 2017 the Badgers envisioned closing out their 27-year stint in London to relocate in Boston. "In June, our third daughter moved from NYC to LA, joining one sister already in LA, and another already in Seattle. Shaking our heads in disbelief, my wife and I went to the pub. Over a pint, we decided to shelve our plan and instead to launch a reconnaissance mission to the moon (Santa Monica), where two of our daughters are now living.

"We had the foresight to realize that 10 days in Santa Monica without a break would drive us nuts, and I remembered that **Bob Marshall** was now living in Santa Barbara. So, I got in touch to ask about some hotels my wife was considering. Bob replied that none could match the guest cottage at the home he and Siri built in the Montecito hills near Santa Barbara. And this was true. Bob and Siri were gracious hosts, and Kathy and I drove back to LA refreshed, and seeing the surface of the moon in a somewhat softer light.

"This was only my second visit to LA. The first was in 1979 or 1980 when, after a business meeting in Long Beach, I spent a couple of days with **Dick Wolf** at his house in Laurel Canyon. I mostly hung out around the pool with Dick's wife and friends, being entertained by Puff, the Magic Dragon. Dick mostly spent the time in his office next to the pool, shouting into the telephone. Occasionally he would emerge, storm around the pool spouting expletives, and then return to work. We know how that turned out. Dick now lives down the hill from Bob and Siri in Montecito."

When I touted "the other Washington," specifically the virtues of Seattle, the surrounding Salish Sea, and the cadre of PA'64 living out here, Dan replied, "Thanks for reminding me about **Howard Cutler** [living in Seattle]. I last saw him at our 50th Greenwich Country Day School Reunion in 2014."

**Hugh West** announced his retirement almost apologetically as, "Guess I should tell you I have just retired from teaching history (and doing a lot of administration) at the University of Richmond. Though part of me will miss the teaching, I won't miss the terms 'strategic plan,' 'best practices,' and 'high impact practices.' I have come to wonder whether even businesses should be run like businesses!" When asked about his retirement plans in Richmond, he added, "Right now I have plenty to

do as I am in arrears on my writing, trying to wrap up a book on the German naturalist, ethnographer, and revolutionary (eighteenth-century style), Georg Forster. Hope to hand out copies at the next reunion."

**Jim Bron** called to report the death of Judith, his wife of 42 years, mother of their five children, and grandmother of 30, all living near them in Monsey, NY. "She was an amazing woman, who never gave up through 32 years with MS and 14 years with the cancer that took her life." Jim missed our 50th; however, you can catch his full white beard on the Youtube link from his reunion bio.

**W. DeWolf** "Dewey" **Fulton**, knowing **Tony Sapienza** to be modest and unassuming, sent news of an impressive civic leadership award recently given to Tony. "The list of organizations he has helped in New Bedford, MA are many. My wife Martha and I are looking forward to dinner with him in New Bedford later this month before we all attend the Brian Wilson "Pet Sounds" 50th Anniversary Tour concert at Zeiterion Theater, where Tony is also on the board. Joseph Abboud [menswear fashion designer] is lucky to have him."

**Dan Cooper**, a MA transplant in San Antonio who also reported on Tony's award, when told that Dewey had scooped him, explained his long reach to the northeast coast with, "That reminds me I should get in touch with Dewey. I've been coming to RI often to help take care of my 97-year-old mother."

Meanwhile, Tony Sapienza reported on several classmates, but not his award. He and his lady friend "enjoyed a cookout with Pam and **Paul Gallagher** at Dewey and Martha Fulton's home in late August. Perfect Narragansett Bay sunset and so many laughs and stories. Paul appears close to selling his medical consulting business and working a little less. Dewey is happily retired and I will be joining the retirement group at year's end. I'm looking forward to the retirement life with so many volunteer civic responsibilities, I will be constantly busy. **Don Grinberg** dropped by my Cape Cod beach house for drinks and dinner and reports that wife Jane is doing well in her fight with cancer. He is still consulting architect on convention center projects and happily has married off his second daughter."

Two deaths of classmates were reported to the class by email. **Vijay Shah** died from pneumonia on July 16, 2017 in Washington, D.C. His death was reported by **Conway "Doc" Downing**, his D.C. neighbor of two decades. **Harry Hives** died in New York City on Aug. 5, 2017, from recently diagnosed pancreatic cancer. His death was announced by his former law firm Covington and passed on by **Jeff Huvelle** in the firm's D.C. office.



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As I write, Labor Day has just passed, and planning is underway for what we hope will become an annual fall class dinner at the Andover Inn—on Nov. 2 to be precise—which will have occurred by the time our classmates read this. I will share a report on what I've dubbed SampFest (in recognition of organizers **Eddie Samp** and **John Samp**) in next issue's Class Notes.

One early commitment was from **Robin Batteau**, whom I caught up with by phone after—well, I'm not entirely sure—three decades or so. At **Doug Pirnie's** suggestion (Doug had recently given him a personal tour of the Museum of Natural History), I'd gone to Robin's latest website, [www.robinbatteau.com](http://www.robinbatteau.com), purchased his "new" CD that's a live recording of the only solo concert he's done (more than two decades ago in Tarrytown, NY), and read the message on his home page. It describes what could have been a harrowing health care journey. Shortly after getting the CD ready for distribution, he wrote, "I had a heart attack, went to the hospital for surgery, got a stent put in, was told I was losing too much blood, got an endoscopy, and then a colonoscopy where they found I had colon cancer." Because there'd been no updates since late 2016, I wanted to check in.

The good news, Robin told me, is that the tumor was removed and his heart is working as it should. The even better news is that he's begun rehearsing again with longtime performing partner David Buskin, and that a show has been tentatively scheduled for Cambridge's Cafe Passim on Feb. 10. "The only issue," Robin said, "is that the chemo that was recommended I take after the cancer operation has left me with neuropathies in my hands and feet. I've lost feeling, it's as if they're not there. So that's screwed up my playing a bit, but I'm coping. And I've returned to my guitar." Meditation and yoga have also proven beneficial. "Our health plan supports meditation," he added. "It's a godsend."

Robin's been living in Westport, CT with wife Wendy, a publishing executive turned local politician (she's been elected as a town meeting representative), and son Robinson, a sound engineer (one of whose clients is neighbor Jose Feliciano), and for the past several decades had made a very good living writing commercial jingles

("Heartbeat of America" for Chevrolet, and "I'm Lovin' It" for McDonald's immediately come to mind). But Robin now avers that he wouldn't steer many towards the creative life he's had. "The art business is tough to get started in," he said. "They pay nothing."

When Robin's son arrived, Robin "stopped playing gigs." But by then his career had covered an era of pop music that impacted all our lives. On [www.cdbaby.com](http://www.cdbaby.com), he's compared to Ed Sheeran and Joni Mitchell, and his music is described as dreamy, neo-classical, modern folk. With any luck, if Robin showed up on Nov. 2, he'll have brought his guitar. And a lot of musical memories.

Summer Notes: Other than quick Cape Cod visits from **Mike Hudner** for my 70th, and from **Dan Warren** and wife Meg in late July, I haven't had much physical interaction with classmates in a few months. But emails forwarded by Pirnie, Samp, and others have kept me connected and I pass these tidbits along: Doug and wife Roxanne visited **Cliff Paige** and wife in Redding, CT, and learned that Cliff has retired as head of the Upper School and Math Department at Fairfield Country Day School. Pirnie, still in Connecticut, golfed with **Roger Valkenburgh**, who has not retired from estate lawyering because "he enjoys the work." He apparently also enjoys beating Doug. **Nick Marble** reports from Colorado, where he's now been for 47 years, that he continues to long for Cape Cod seafood and took a memorable river cruise with wife Kerry on the Danube. **Morrison Bonpasse** and wife Leah Sprague joined the Samp brothers in Harpswell, ME for a shore dinner and mini-reunion. On Facebook, **Charlie Sheldon** has been posting news and excerpts about his latest literary endeavors there and **Tom Hafkenschiel** is sharing lovely photos. Take a look.

**Mac McCabe** greeted **Bud Kellett** and wife Wendy at the dock of the McCabe cottage in West Bath, ME early this summer, when they arrived in the Kellett frigate, sailing up from Portland... **Bob Hoye** celebrated his 70th in Dover, MA with about 60 family members and friends, including children, a grandchild and a "granddoggie." Bob and Michelle traveled to the Baltics this past summer, and foresee salmon-fishing and gardening (respectively) in their new free time. **Ben Jerman** checks in from "a small wooded hillside with about three acres and a bass pond on the outskirts of Charlotte, watching Charlotte explode around me." Ben has retired after 20 years of business consulting and is investing in North Carolina real estate "in this crazy market." **John Jameson**, still practicing medicine, and wife Patti visited family in Oregon at a location under the path of the total eclipse. "It had been a long wait for us," John recounts, "with two previous busts due to inopportune weather in Hawaii in 1991 and Shanghai in 2009. I can see why people chase eclipses all over the world; it's a mystical experience." **Charles "Chuck" Vinick** continues as executive director of The Whale Sanctuary Project ([whalesanctuaryproject.org](http://whalesanctuaryproject.org)) and the organization has posted a series of

short interviews with him on both the website and Facebook. The topic is "caring for orcas at a sanctuary" and Chuck discusses how attitudes are changing toward keeping whales and dolphins in captivity. A worthy cause, indeed.

Finally, I'm proud to say I've joined the grandfather ranks myself, with the July 6 birth of Charles James Kahn in Boston. July birthdays are tricky. Class of 2035? '34? '36? Time will tell.

1966

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With a Sept. 12 deadline for winter class notes, writing this (at the last minute) on Sept. 11 has a special poignancy. Sept. 11, Harvey, Irma and even South Asia monsoons (from my other world) all embody the destruction and long-term impact of unanticipated events and so many lives affected—flash points in our connected universe.

Within that framework, ties renewed, refreshed, and even initiated during our 50th Reunion continue. Following is an email from **Jan Waring Cavedon** in Aiken, South Carolina. With Jan now a true Southerner, she and husband Bob represent the epitome of Southern hospitality—remembering Jan road-tripping to reunion with generous invitations to visit!

"Had a delightful (if brief) visit from **Pinky and Jon Noll** on Saturday. They're thinking of moving South, at least for part of the year. We went on a guided tour of Aiken and shared dinner at one of Bob and my favorite local restaurants. Great to see Pinky and to have a chance to get to know Jon a little better."

Over the years Jon Noll has earned honorary Abbot '66 status, starting when Jon and Pinky began dating around the "sacred" Circle and continuing through multiple moves to Springfield, IL. Congratulations to Jon on induction into the Andover Athletics Hall of Honor—a justly deserved tribute to his athletic ability, high standards, and generosity as a leader and volunteer. Non sibi! And with our very own remarkable Pinky as integral to that partnership, kudos to Pinky for her years of support of Jon and for sharing pride in Jon's accomplishments.

As another post-reunion outcome, **Nancy Whitehead Kieling** and her husband Jared (as he introduced himself—"not that JK") hosted me for a delightful afternoon on Squam Lake's Three Sisters Island, owned by Nancy and her Abbot '62 sister, Gretchen Whitehead Maynard '62. Nancy and Jared use Plainsboro, NJ as a base and spend a month on the island with forays to Minneapolis. Their Minnesota daughter Gretchen,

## What's new with you?

Get married?

Move?

Change your email address?

Let PA know! You can update your information by:

- Visiting [www.andover.edu/alumnidirectory](http://www.andover.edu/alumnidirectory), and log in to update your information
- Emailing [alumni-records@andover.edu](mailto:alumni-records@andover.edu)

her husband, and enchanting twins serve as the lure.

With watersheds under siege due to development pressures, Nancy and Gretchen maintain Three Sisters Island as an enchanting natural environment that surrounds a 19th-century farmhouse. No electricity! My family has a 107-year-stake-hold on a nearby mountain lake, so the lively and often hilarious discussions with Nancy and Jared veered from environmental issues to family stories and professional and personal intersections.

Nancy “somewhat” retired from the non-profit world in 2014. Her sage observations serve as a primer of transition to a new phase anchored by the joy of “non-productive” time. In spite of that philosophy, Nancy joined the board of trustees of the intriguing Grounds for Sculpture in Hamilton, NJ: [groundsfor Sculpture.org](http://groundsfor Sculpture.org). Thanks to Nancy and her equally hospitable (and funny!) husband Jared for establishing a new summer tradition—lake to lake.

Although currently ensconced on our lake, a return to Andover marks this week's calendar: the ad hoc [Abbot@Andover](mailto:Abbot@Andover) committee, Alumni Council, and campaign kick-off gala. [Abbot@Andover](mailto:Abbot@Andover) also engenders lively discussions in terms of effective Abbot engagement, the role of analytics, and the power and shape of an Abbot community—whatever its form: from individual to collective relationships. That extrapolates to Andover and a core value of need-blind admission, which serves as a driving force for the new campaign. So join in, provide feedback, or feel free to disagree!

Sending all the best from a beautiful New Hampshire day, reflecting back to another dazzling Sept. 11—a back-drop for cataclysmic events that still resonates.

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Dear friends,

When **Robin Hogen** arrived at the entrance of the grand ballroom of the Shore and Country Club in Norwalk, CT, on a balmy Friday night last August, it quickly became clear that the surprise 70th birthday party his dear wife Jan Schaefer had staged for him was indeed a total surprise. As 85 of his close friends—and five of his PA '66 buddies—lurked in the ballroom, drinking fine wines and gin and tonics and martinis, waiting to hail him, Jan steered him toward the ballroom. But Robin at first demurred, saying that he'd rather have a quiet drink in the bar. Suddenly Jan raised her arms in exultation, and the crowd yelled out, “Surprise!”

There were glorious eats and rivers of champagne throughout the night and into the wee hours and Robin's many friends and family members took to the dance floor in droves, propelled by a red-hot local rock band that played all of our favorite hits from the 60s going forward. At our table were five Andover partygoers—**Don Ross, Jim Fabiani, Brewie Brewster, Kai Underwood** and yours truly—and as the drinks disappeared, the stories unfolded.

Don said that he still plays a lot of tennis and paddle tennis (but no squash), and he can still beat the 15-16-year-old hotshots who come along. He has served on the Board of the International Tennis Hall of Fame for 10 years, “and enjoyed meeting the tennis greats we read about as kids.” Jim reminisced about his years as a U.S. history teacher and Dean of students at Deerfield Academy, and then talked more widely about his more than 36 years in Washington, “pursuing roles in the government, lobbying, marketing, and international consulting areas.” He of course also founded **Fabiani & Company** in 2002. Brewie and I, who share a fondness for single malt whisky, drained a good bit of a bottle of Glenmorangie as we talked far into the night, and he told stories about his work as Operating Officer for the Better Business Bureau, his sailing adventures with his wife on their Colgate in Easthampton, and their daughter, who, like her mother, is an architect who manages large construction projects. Kai, who played a mean set of drums for three years with the PA band **The Apostles**, and then continued his stellar drumming in our senior year with the band **The End**, still plays regular gigs in a local band in his Connecticut town. Having picked up an architecture degree after college, he spent close to 30 years at the Stamford Museum and Nature Center, where he operated their planetarium, curated exhibits and managed 200 acres of prime woodland and trails. A few years back he took a job assisting in the special ed department of the Darien High School,

10 minutes from his home. Also, his son Sutton has eclipsed him as a pole-vaulter, accumulating state championships, going to college nationals and achieving All-American status.

At a civilized hour on Saturday morning, Jim, Brewie and I made our way to Robin and Jan's elegant waterfront home on a cove (Don and Kai had to head home the previous night), just across the water from the yacht club. As herons and numerous other seabirds flew in and out to entertain us, Jan served up a bountiful late breakfast, and we told more stories.

Jan and Robin, by the way, met about a dozen years ago, at a time when she was Commodore of their yacht club, and it has been a match made in heaven. They are both terrific sailors, and that afternoon they took a group of us out for a glorious afternoon cruise on their 38 foot sailboat, which they recently had built down in Florida. This correspondent has done a bit of sailing—first on a 30-footer that my late father used to sail out of Branford, Connecticut, and more recently on the 47-foot ketch which my old friend and PA 66 classmate **Eric Best** sails out of Camden, Maine—but I've rarely enjoyed an afternoon of sailing as much as I did this excursion with Jan and Robin. They are fine sailors in their own right, but they also collaborated lovingly and harmoniously as they kept their craft surging forward through the water.

After returning to the house from our sail, Robin and I hopped on bicycles, pedaled a few blocks to the local tennis courts—tucked in amidst picturesque cottages—and played a very competitive set of tennis. We then repaired to the back deck of the cove-side house for yet more cocktails and a feast of steak and lobster.

At a civilized hour on Sunday morning, we again took our places on the back deck and watched the seabirds swoop in and out. Robin opened up the hot tub (the twin of the hot tub that he and Jan maintain at their Stratton Mountain retreat, where we have held several of our East Coast Ski-unions with gents like **Charlie Samson, Brewie Brewster** and **Ben Gardner**), where we enjoyed our Bloody Marys and watched more seabirds.

It was hard to tear myself away from this happy spot, but as I rode the train back to New York in the late afternoon, I thought to myself that I was truly a lucky man in that my post-Andover life had kept me in the orbit of folks like Robin and Jan, who have figured out how to live the good life, and share it with their friends.

I regret to report that we have lost another classmate, **Ford Fraker '67**. Ford, who joined our class in our upper year, was a fine athlete and all-around gentleman. He died on Nantucket on September 4, 2017, and his life was celebrated at the Nantucket Yacht Club. Ford was previously United States Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from April 2007 to April 2009, a post he was appointed to by President George W. Bush '64. He had more than 35 years of experience in banking, finance and investments in the Middle East and also held several senior and advisory positions in

consultancy firms. He co-founded Trinity Group Limited in 1996 and served as its Managing Director and Chairman. Ford held a BA, cum laude, from Harvard University, class of 1971.

Adios amigos,

Keep writing, emailing and texting.

## 1967

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“Humans really are heir to every possibility within themselves, and it is only up to us to admit it and accept it.” —Louise Nevelson, artist

We are delighted to have heard from Abbot '67 classmates, and so many are courageously on the go. Whether traveling to remote or precious parts or adventuring into new ways of living, we are onto what we want to be doing. Take a read and you will see that we've journeyed as far west as Fiji, as far south as the Galapagos Islands, to Belgium, England, France, and to Spain, and to glorious spots by the sea. As more of us retire we are both feeling liberated and looking at the world through a new and sometimes challenging lens. Congratulations to those who have made a move to yet another home and to classmates who have or will have new family members! Read on, dear friends.

**Theda Braddock** is on the steering committee of an Abbot/Andover Climate Change group and requests your input to their email/survey. An adventurous soul, she races yachts, teaches environmental law at the University of Washington Tacoma and will accompany a UW Sustainable Development class to Kenya, Tanzania, and Zanzibar. Meanwhile she's updating books on the wetlands and CA environmental law.

**Joy Wannop Bruce** has traveled to visit her ever-expanding family, taking her from British Columbia to Maui to Belgium. On route home from Belgium, she stopped in London for a visit with **Tilly Lavenas**. She continues to sing and attend workshops and courses on choral music education. Joy's "birthday cruise" took her from Aruba, her birthplace, to Barbados.

**Diana Bonnifield Hill** vacationed in Fiji with her family. Soon after, her husband became seriously ill with double pneumonia and a collapsed lung, requiring emergency surgery that saved his life. She wrote that she has a renewed appreciation for the fragility and beauty of life.

**Margery Goldman** has now kicked the boot (that she sported at the reunion) to the curb. Her Achilles tendon is healing too slowly for her liking. She expects to be skiing this winter. Anyone who is in Vail this winter is welcome to visit her.

**Roxy Wolfe** traveled to the Galapagos Islands after the reunion, where she enjoyed snorkeling,

hiking, and birding. Since her return home, she is taking more personal time and focusing on spiritual growth.

**Sarah "Sally" Birdsall** Isakson moved to Prescott Valley, Arizona, near Sedona, to serve as interim pastor at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

**Alice Robertson Brown** lives nearby. They hope to get together. All '67ers are welcome to visit.

**Julia Alvarez** and her husband Bill hosted multiple visitors last summer and took several trips. One of most meaningful was to give a reading at Bread Loaf Writers Conference (Vermont), where she started writing in 1969, two years after Abbot. She and Bill are traveling to Iran this December on a tour conducted by *The Nation*.

**Anstiss Bowser Agnew** has retired from a successful and rewarding career in social work after ten years as director of Forestdale. She is maintaining a private psychotherapy practice in New York.

**Weezie Huntington** had a quiet summer and an active travel schedule last fall. As a photographer par excellence, she journeyed to South Carolina to see the eclipse, yet dark clouds spoiled her view. She's been to Michigan to see family and friends and in November participated in a photography workshop in Costa Verde, Spain. She's planned a Florida visit with **Priscilla Howes Harris** and her husband for the Superbowl.

**Marjory Kaplan** and her husband Dan bought a house on the Cape last fall, which feels like a giant step toward real retirement. She joins a growing community of Abbot girls living on the Cape. This includes **Sally Cobb Dale**, **Warren Osborne Collins**, **Sue Gallagher**, and **Sue Hamilton Aquino**. Anstiss Bowser Agnew and Marjory spent a weekend at Warren's beautiful Falmouth home. She took everyone clamming and then cooked an outrageous "linguine vongole" with the clams the group raked up! The next day, Sue Gallagher joined them for brunch.

**Nancy Porosky Harris Frohlich** and her husband Bill spent most of September in Nova Scotia with their two labs, reveling in the beauty of the coastline. Most remarkable was the opportunity to stay in two homes crafted by local architects whose focus is on working *with* the land rather than imposing human order on it. The visit was planned in anticipation of LEAPS of IMAGINATION's 2017–2018 focus on the landscape, inspiring children to become environmental stewards at a young age.

On a sad note, **Laurian Cannon's** father, James Milton Cannon, passed away on 8/26/2017 in Palm Beach Gardens, FL, surrounded by his loving family. Our thoughts go out to Laurian. And to those of you who might have been in the paths of last fall's hurricanes—we hope that any damage you may have sustained was limited and reversible.

Stay in touch, as the bonds rekindled at our 50th can only grow stronger.

Marjory and Nancy

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**Ford Fraker** passed away on September 4, days after suffering a massive stroke while on Nantucket. News of his death stunned classmates who had just seen him at our 50th Reunion and enjoyed spending time with one of our most talented and accomplished classmates.

Born in Princeton, N.J., Ford entered PA with the Class of 1966. A head injury caused him to repeat upper year with our class, where he blossomed into an all-around superstar. A superb athlete (Ford earned nine varsity letters in four sports and was inducted into the Andover Athletic Hall of Honor in 2015) and top-notch student, he was awarded the Aurelian Honor Society Prize and Yale Bowl for displaying outstanding scholastic, athletic, and leadership qualities.

Ford went on to Harvard, where he played varsity ice hockey, before launching a stellar career in banking, finance, and diplomacy, primarily in the Middle East. In 2007, President George W. Bush '64 appointed him U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, a position he briefly held under President Barack Obama as well. At the time of his death, Ford was President of the Middle East Policy Council and Chairman of Merrill Lynch Saudi Arabia. He also served on several corporate boards.

A resident of Cohasset, MA, Ford is survived by his wife Linda and their three children, Antonia, Jonathan, and Charlie. A memorial service is planned for later this winter.

**Dan Cunningham's** memories of Ford include this: "At our 50th Reunion, a group of us just happened to end up at the bar at the Andover Inn. Ford shared with us some really interesting stories about his time as ambassador and his views on the Middle East. He also described a meeting in the Oval Office early in his tenure. Somehow it came up that both Ford and the President played baseball at Andover. Ford must have been friendly with GWB, because Ford told us that he had reminded GWB that he had started and GWB had not."

**Denny Roth**, a Cohasset neighbor, pointed out that, notwithstanding his Bush Administration connection, Ford was very much his own man politically. "He told me that he hadn't voted for Bush and that, if I remember correctly, had told W the same. Somewhat unusually, W appointed him for his experience and knowledge in the area and not for his politics. Ford talked about the disadvantage the US suffered by sending inexperienced

diplomats to negotiate with princes who had 25 years of tenure."

**Fletcher Chamberlin's** reunion chat with Ford yielded this: "Two things struck me at the time. The dispute between Qatar and the Saudis and Gulf states had just broken. When asked about it, he started his answer with, 'I was just down at the National Security Agency last week, and this is what I learned,' followed by a thoughtful explanation. When he was talking about the current staffing issues in the State Department and the lack of an Assistant Secretary of State for the Middle East, I joked that they should ask him. He quietly said, 'They did. I said no.' Both answers were delivered without a hint of braggadocio or arrogance."

Humble, thoughtful, wise, funny, incredibly talented. Ford was all that, and more. Writing in our 50th Reunion memorial book about his friend **Norman Cross**, he reflected, "Over the years we have all lost friends and family. It may be a cliché, but I believe that people haven't really gone when they are remembered."

Ford, too, will long be remembered as one of '67's best and brightest.

When **Paul De Angelis** was putting together our In Memoriam book, he discovered that **Mefford Runyon**, who spent Lower year with us, had mistakenly been listed as deceased. We later caught up with Mefford from his home in Orleans, Mass. A Colgate grad, retired banker, and town selectman, he teaches yoga and enjoys travel with wife Barbara, who runs an Airbnb on outer Cape Cod.

Finally, the Abbot-Andover Climate Google Group is worth checking out, if not actively joining. **Dave Arnold, Rob Smith, Walt Mintkeski, and John Nettleton**, among others, are doing great work on it.

—JPK

**Lock Whitney** and husband Sandro Cagnin joined my wife Anita and myself for an August day at the races in Saratoga, NY. We had a luncheon at the Reading Room, a horseman's club where Lock's father had been a member for years; the staff greeted Lock royally with fond reminiscences of his father. During lunch Lock spoke of the master classes in voice and singing that he had attended in Edinburgh this past summer and of the life he and Sandro have on their farm in Chatham, NY. We had a grand time watching a few races, laughing heartily at our handicapping misses.

**Tom Gadsden** was looking forward to retiring in late September, finishing his long career at the law firm Morgan, Lewis & Bockius in Philadelphia. He will continue with his American Bar Association committee work. He and spouse Beth plan to split their time between their home in Gladwyne, PA, and a second home in S.C. In October they were heading on a trip to Israel and Jordan. Tom recalled some special moments with Ford at the reunion when the two of them, seeing each other for the first time in 50 years, shared memories of their cross-country trip the summer after graduation.

**Farlow Blakeslee** and wife Esther attended this year's U.S. Open, continuing their 2017 travels to all four Grand Slam tennis tournaments. Reunion-goers may recall that they had just arrived at Andover from the French Open in Paris. In August, Farlow spent a week fly-fishing for cutthroat trout at 10,000 ft. near Ridgeway, CO. His guide and companion was his son Coleman who teaches rock-climbing; Farlow speaks with proud amazement of Coleman having climbed Mt. Fitzroy in Patagonia.

—Ray Bird

## 1968 50th REUNION

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Our suggested theme was What Have You Been Doing All Summer but a number of us are living in areas affected by hurricanes Irma and Harvey and these acts of nature had the rest of us abruptly considering our own fortune and well-being.

**Cher Lewis** wrote "Aging and change, swirling fortunes, listening to whines and sleeping peacefully. Life this year has been a shopping cart filled with joy, sorrows, loss and gains. I've welcomed new family members and lost longtime friends. My world continues to expand as I read more, speak less and listen carefully. Instead of being watched, I have become the watcher. This is something I would have written for *Courant* in 1967!"

**Anne Moses Bennett** and husband had "a quiet summer on their still-busy island, spending a lot of time at home overlooking the sea, the Venetian fortress and the village; avoiding the crowds - cooking, reading, seeing friends and generally basking in the sense of well-being that surrounds us. The persistent Cycladic winds have died down and the September light is beautiful.

While Irma hits Puerto Rico, **Nan Roberts** wrote "we have brought in the extra water, arranged the possible "escape" homes and a possible fond goodbye to material possessions. Despite these dire days, earlier this summer **Lanie Finbury** and I had a splendid 18-hour visit (complete with Korean food in Lawrence)."

**Annette Davis Esteves** was hunkering down in South FL, anticipating the "scary unknown of Irma!" She mentioned a mini AA reunion planned for October with **Lee Sullivan** and **Tina Kaupe** in New England.

**Toby Dondis Farman** has a new granddaughter from one side of the family and spent a full week's vacation with her daughter and family at the shore in Bethany Beach, DE. "Great week of beach, kayaking, games, cards, yummy food and lots of fun... Very different experience than Cape Cod." In addition, she has planned a fall trip to Barcelona, Madrid, and Dublin.

The news from **Jody Frost Golino** is "Nothing but blue skies. Three kids successful and happy, four

healthy adorable grandkids, 40th anniversary with a man who continues to show me the wonders of the world, retired from architecting but still renovating in Italy, MA, and FL, and splurging on occasional lunches with Nan at exotic locales like Cracker Barrel. And I have my hurricane shutters up already. Perfect."

**Kitt Cary Cowlishaw** wrote "Mike and I are still living in England. We flew to Finland in July to welcome the arrival of our second granddaughter. Both sets of grandparents gathered for the occasion, so I got to practice speaking Japanese with my son's in-laws as well as my bilingual 3-year-old granddaughter. With the added bonus of a few faltering conversations in Finnish and Russian on the streets of Helsinki, I was in Polyglot Paradise! It was so much fun that I decided to attend the Polyglot Conference in Reykjavik in October. In August I took my Renaissance lute with me to Autscap and bumped into two other Renaissance lute players there. What are the odds?"

**Betsy Handy McCormack** described a "Great summer. Clamming with granddaughters, beach etc. (ages 6, 5, 4, and 2. Had to put our 14-year-old Springer down. So hard. She was a great dog.

If anyone is south of Boston please visit. Duxbury is beautiful. On the water and filled with history. I'm very lucky."

**Paula Atwood** wrote "It was beautiful in CT this year; very few hot, humid days. I'm still "semi-retired", working very part-time between travels and no Mondays. Travels this past year included Mexico, Peru, South Carolina, Georgia, the Natchez Trace in MS (highly recommended) and Virginia."

**Elizabeth "Betty" Briggs Robinson** has "thoroughly enjoyed a full summer at my home on Bald Head Island, NC. I have been working with the BHI Conservancy as a volunteer in their loggerhead turtle program. I have assisted in nest "boils" and excavations. The hatchlings make me smile with their eagerness and determination to make it to the surf. I also mentored an intern from Columbia U. this year and what a joy to play Aunt to a curious teenager. Croquet is my new sport of choice along with walks on the beach. Life is grand!"

For my summer, I traveled 3 times to the Boston area to visit and assist family members. While there, I completed the cleanout of the attic in the family home and discovered a box filled with my Abbot textbooks, along with other Abbot treasures. Memory lane becomes a powerful path at times like this and I paused to walk on it for a while. Back home in the West, we flitted between the Eastern and Western Sierras, and dropped into Lake Tahoe to kayak.

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Dear **John Barclay**,

"It is with a heavy heart that I tell you that **Kit Rawson** made it over his last hill today just before noon, Aug. 3, after suffering a major heart attack on Sunday afternoon, July 30. He was calm and peaceful and in no pain. The three of us were holding his hands and sending him in peace. Please let others know and I will keep you informed as we make plans.

The Andover gang is amazingly close after nearly 50 years and I have met a number of you. I appreciate the support I have been getting and know that Kit will be with you in spirit at the reunion."

—Kathy Rawson

"There is no real or distinctive 'I met Kit ...' story for me. Somehow when I got to Andover I was destined to meet classmates who were willing to break rules. Kit seemed like that kind of guy to me, for some reason. So I recall smoking cigarettes and later a little pot. We seemed to gravitate to a similar attitude of challenging whatever we were supposed to challenge on any given day. If we were angry young men, I would be hard pressed today to answer what for. But it seemed that way.

We played football together and for a long while I thought that is why Peter McKee, our housemaster and coach, liked Kit so much. It was later on that I really came to appreciate that it was Kit's intellect and his gift for math and science that made Peter McKee think so very much of Kit. Peter McKee was an amazing judge of character and ability.

In January of 1969 I was in New York for the month. The pretense was for study. But it was really a last escape for me. I spent much of that month with old Andover classmates who were at Columbia. A lot of extracurricular activity at the time. A lot of laughter. And a major dose of Kit's endless curiosity and energy.

Between **Peter Quinlan's** recent photos and the memories I have of Kit from those old days, a few things keep coming back to me. Kit's posture. In every image, be it photographic or burned into memory, he is leaning forward. He is leaning into the frame. And smiling broadly. Always. There is a kinetic energy about this. And just to make certain ... I churn through memories of walking. To commons for a meal ... to chapel for another kind of meal. To classes. To Saint John The Divine for sunrise. To a distant place to grab a meal while on a bike ride. Kit's gait was one of complete enjoyment of the journey. Or maybe just the activity itself. He had what some might call a "spring in his step." I thought it more of a bounce. A real bounce. This guy had energy and joy to burn. And places to go. And miles and miles and miles to ride. For the last year Kit had been planning a long bike ride ... from

Ft. Lauderdale to Andover ... finishing at GW on June 7, 2018. This of course, the opening day of our 50th Reunion. Peter Quinlan plans to join in Richmond. **John Buchanan** and **Skip Jensen** have both suggested joining the peloton in Norfolk CT.

There was so much going on inside Kit's head it is a wonder he could keep contained. Unsurprisingly, we only got exposed to a fragment of that. Few problems in this world were beyond his capabilities. The loss is huge. And the gaping hole left behind will be lasting.

If I can do anything to help fill up that hole it will have to be to adopt a little more of the energy and a little more of the excitement that Kit will leave to us to manage.

As I wrote to Kathy, I will always have a powerful memory of Kit pedaling up the steepest grade I'd ever encountered as if it was a Sunday afternoon ride around the block. Quinlan warned me of this. As Kathy and I pushed our bikes a few hundred yards behind, we looked up as he disappeared over the rise around a sweeping right hand curve ..."

—John Barclay

Although I've never contributed to *Andover* magazine, I always look forward to receiving it and reading about my classmates. I live in Honolulu and I cross paths with **Rich Proctor** from time to time. I plan to attend our 50th Reunion next year.

Anyway, I may be late to the party regarding Sherman Drake stories, but I have one very distinct memory of him. He was my geometry teacher and our class was held on (I think) the third floor of one of the smaller buildings near the Commons. I thought he was a good and enthusiastic teacher, but he had high expectations of his students (do your homework, follow the discussion, etc.) One day (late afternoon, early evening) he, for some reason that I don't recall, became infuriated with **Mike Copley** and proceeded to grab Mike's textbook and throw it out the window. Other than the ensuing silence in the classroom, I don't remember much of what subsequently transpired. Presumably Mike retrieved his textbook after class ended.

I have many fond memories of my experience at Andover, but this one has always stuck in my mind (perhaps because I came from a small town in central Ohio where teachers didn't do this sort of thing). What an eye opener.

Hope to see everyone next year at the 50th.

—**Henry "Hank" O'Neill**

It took **Stan Crock** a while to figure out how to edit a Wikipedia entry, "but I finally updated **Scooter Libby's** entry. It now reflects not only that he was reinstated to the bar, but also the Disciplinary Counsel's finding that there was credible evidence to support his assertion of innocence. The update is in the entry for Scooter Libby and the entry for *United States v. Libby*. I included my conflict of interest disclosure, that I had worked briefly for the defense team a decade ago and have known Scooter for decades."

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I am happy to bring news from our class. Looking forward to hearing from many of you in the future.

The News for this period is a bit lacking; as a matter of fact, I've only received one update. Is it possible, there was no call for news issued? I certainly hope not! However, if that is the case, I apologize and I will glean what I can from Facebook. You can send updates that would have been sent, had you received a reminder, and they will be placed in the next issue.

**Jennifer Cecere** continues her public art display. This time during August, 2017 in Bellport, NY. The display is titled Summer Whites. This was our only submission! Information may still be obtained from info@marqueeprojects.org.

**Katrina Moulton Wollenberg** went to Italy, as seen on Facebook. Perhaps, in our next issue, she can provide highlights of her trip.

**Lindsay Whitcomb** indicated on Facebook "I'm doing very well according to docs, even if I do have a few unpleasant issues. New haircut feels great. I'm so glad to have enough hair to cut! And I asked Bob if he would buy me a Timex watch because every time I look at it I'm reminded of how strong I am. I remember how John Cameron Swayze used to pitch for them with "It takes a licking and keeps on ticking" And so do I!" Yeah Lindsay!

I (**Sheila Donald Millington**) am proud to announce the marriage of my oldest son. He held out for a long time!

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DATELINE: Anchorage, Alaska ... Caught the last train of the season to Denali National Park with one of my brothers, Neil, who looks like Johnny Carson and just might be as funny. He played several really stupid jokes on me, most of which are too embarrassing to mention in these pages. Now I am at a conference of the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, on whose board of directors I serve. This is my third visit to the 49th state, the first having been in the summer of 1970, when a friend and I were nearly murdered just down the street from my current hotel. (The guy subsequently burned the house down.) Alaska back then was filled with some very weird dudes. That's another story. Suffice to say that this trip has been a bit less dramatic, and much more congenial.

It is a great thing to know that our country contains such dramatic, untamed lands. Alaska should be considered for your (hate the term) 'bucket list.'

Clinical psychologist **Dave Sedgwick** of Charlottesville, VA, pointed out that, contrary to false news in an earlier edition of these notes, **Joe McGhee** was not in the Will Hall photo from 1965 that **Peter Hawkins** posted on our class Facebook page, since Joe joined our class later on. Sedg indeed stays in touch with a key group of our classmates, including the supremely athletic **John Clark**, who worked for many years at Loomis-Chaffee, and more recently as director of advancement at the American School in London. John now works with Carney, Sandoe & Associates, a Boston firm that identifies faculty and administrators for independent schools.

Sedg has authored several books, and is working on a fourth (Check out *The Wounded Healer: Counter-Transference from a Jungian Perspective*). For many years he has edited a professional journal. We exchanged emails about our recollections about 'back then,' including memories of the late **Tom Allen**, whose silver tooth Dave recalled. Tom may have been the No. 1 student first semester our junior year, and was at the time my best friend. He unfortunately developed schizophrenia at a young age and I would see him occasionally wandering around Boston, where he once stayed at my apartment. Before he passed he was continuing his studies at Northeastern.

The last Class Notes column also generated an email from my old hall mate **David Ensor**. "I am circling in on a new gig in the academic world in D.C. Details soon, assuming it comes to fruition!" Another denizen of Abbot-Stevens, **Howie Murphy**, this summer retired from his long career teaching science at a local high school. I happily installed an outside garden faucet for him a few years ago. Unlike last year, he reports that this summer's produce has set new records. If you saw the size of Howie's garden and his mini-orchard, you would know that that is saying something.

**Charles Tansey** is one of the folks who makes good use of the PA1969 Facebook page, which is very much worth a visit. He mentioned having lunch in Providence with **Rick Lux**, and running into **Bill Schink** at the National Invitational Rowing Championships in Worcester, where Bill's son was rowing for Wesleyan. Charlie more recently commented on the trip of the aforementioned Joe McGhee to the Guggenheim in Bilbao. "It looks a little bit like it is alive and taking over the neighborhood." Joe posted some wonderful photos, and they are worth checking out. Maybe on his European jaunt he will run into **Peter Olney** and his wife Christina Perez who (envious, anyone?) set off in September to spend four months at a little villa in Italy. Don't think Peter will be doing any union organizing in Umbria, but he still does so as a consultant to unions around our own country.

If you are looking for property in Venice, you should check out **Dave Marshman's** website. Dave heads up a realty firm in one of those other

Venices—this one in south Florida. After this year's hurricanes, could be a good time to find a bargain. Dave knows that market really well. Classmate **Phil Santucci** may be looking for a place on this side of the Atlantic, following years as an opera singer and instructor in Europe. Unfortunately for Dave's business, Phil and his wife will probably be looking up in Maine to be near their kids, who are considering attending PA.

**Nat Winship** has been discussing with **Henry Dieterich** the likelihood of his (Henry's) attending our next, big reunion, which, will be occurring not so many months from now, in June, 2019. Funny how, at our age, a year or two in the future seems practically like next week. Less funny—that all that time has passed. And we are losing some good folks along the way, such as our classmate, professor, and ophthalmologist **Roger Steinert** who left us this year after battling brain cancer. A couple of weeks ago **Jim Shannon**, **Dave Tibbetts** and I raised a glass to Roger's memory. Roger (Harvard *summa*) was one of those brilliant people who never made the rest of us feel stupid. Dave T. himself is now retired from a legal career that included stints in two gubernatorial administrations, where he served in the cabinets as Secretary of Economic Development for our great Commonwealth. Apparently, Dave laid a very fertile groundwork, as our economy is now remarkably strong. In Boston there is a building boom greater than anything seen in a century.

I know our class also sends condolences to that very fine man, retired math instructor Nat Smith, whose son Scott '81, taught at Reed College, and passed away this summer. **Chuck Williams** out in Portland got together with his former housemaster, a man so many of us respected as a good and generous soul. **John Strauss**, **Luke Pfeifle** and **Granger Benson** seconded Chuck's comments about Mr. Smith.

People are still out there doing good, interesting things. San Fran attorney **Charley Donovan** noted that he had purchased an impressive photographic triptych from **Jamie Murphy**—who shortly thereafter requested that Charlie return it (temporarily) so that it could appear in Jamie's exhibition at the Benton Museum at the University of Connecticut, which was running through December 17. Jamie's work can also be seen at jamesbmurphy2nd.com.

Whether you are photographing, painting, writing, or, like so many of us, simply about to retire, stay in touch. You don't have to be in Bilboa, Italy, or Alaska. Your friends are curious.



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From **Deborah Naman Meyer**: "In the spring, Paul and I took a two-week trip to Morocco to celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary. The other special milestone in our lives is the arrival of two new granddaughters! Laura and Billy's daughter Molly was born in October 2016; and she joins big brother Cole who will be five in December. They live in Riverside, CT and I happily took care of Molly for three months, after our daughter Laura went back to work as a reproductive endocrinologist. Our daughter Catherine, and our son Stephen and his wife Erin live in the San Francisco Bay area. Stephen and Erin's daughter, Tessa was born in June 2017. We think grandparenthood is a wonderful new addition to our lives! We are looking forward to a family vacation in Sicily in September with all of our children, their spouses and our grandchildren. This summer we enjoyed having our family visit us at our home in Rye, NH. Paul is now retired, and we spend the rest of the year in Chappaqua, NY."

**Sandra Urie** writes, "Frank and I have had a good summer with lots of time spent on Nantucket. My daughter and her family have been on the island a lot this summer which means I have had loads of time with granddaughter, Alice, who is almost one. The time certainly flies by. Most recently I had the wonderful honor of representing Stanford University at the inauguration of Cornell's 14th President. Since Frank is a Cornell alumnus, it was especially fun to be part of the festivities. I am settling into my new role as Chairman Emeritus at Cambridge Associates and really enjoying the work I am doing on client outreach and impact investing."

**Virginia Knapp Cargill** reports that in summer 2017, "I just took the whole family to East Africa for vacation—it was an adventure! Safari in the Serengeti, following the wildebeest migration and then Rwanda to climb up to see the Wild Mountain Gorillas. Very fun! I am still working as a marketing consultant. My latest client has created an easy-to-use hard-boiled egg peeler called The Negg. We have been featured in the *NYT* food section, on the *Today Show* and most recently on *Home Shopping Network* where we sold out in 11 minutes! Look for The Negg at [www.peelaneegg.com](http://www.peelaneegg.com) or on Amazon! Hit the big Medicare Birthday... yuk! Still feeling 39!

Best to all! —Virginia

As for me (**Tobi Solomon Gold**), I am still enjoying life in Cape Coral, FL! I teach yoga at my home studio and at Island Girl Fitness and Yoga Studio on Pine Island. I also offer workshops on Restorative Yoga and Basics of Ayurveda. I'm very excited to report I am finally an E-RYT (Experienced Registered Yoga Teacher). According to the Yoga Alliance, I am qualified to train other

teachers. I'm sure opportunities will abound! Also, I had an opportunity to take a brief retreat in August at a beautiful center in the Blue Ridge Mountains, where I studied Ayurvedic cooking with a chef from India—lots of fun! If you ever need a getaway and/or would like to study something in the areas of yoga and meditation or other spiritual areas, check it out! <https://artoflivingretreatcenter.org>.

Wishing you a Happy and Healthy 2018! —Tobi

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These are tense times. No, not that. We're talking about verbs. We are writing this in early September before an event that will have happened by the time you read this. Does this call for the *future perfect continuous* tense?

Anyway, plans are afoot for our informal collective 65th birthday party that—

- a.) will be held;
- b.) will have been held;
- c.) was to have been held;
- d.) was to be held;
- e.) should not have been held; or
- f.) was held

—on October 14 in a bar/restaurant booth/convention center/stadium to be named later in Manhattan. The main planner here has been **Bill Roth** with assists from **Don Rollings**, **Rich Samp**, and **Frank Herron**. The challenge: Can we recapture the magic of the 60th birthday party?

The email invitation generated quite a few items for these Class Notes, so we can declare that the event has already been a success.

(Some will be included in the next column.) Here goes...

**Jim Shea** has joined a somewhat crowded race for the Democratic nomination for governor of Maryland. The primary will be June 26, 2018. Jim is the former chairman of the Venable LLP law firm and a former chairman of the state's Board of Regents. He has not held elected office, but that certainly is not a disqualifier, right? Maryland can handle this. The sitting Republican governor of that state had not held elected office prior to his election.

**Paul Broyles**, who had the jump on many of us by turning 65 in 2016, wrote that he would be unable to attend. He figured he would likely be "in the mountains of central Idaho, chasing wapiti instead." (For those who do not hunt or are not near a window to Google, "wapiti" are elk.) He turned

66 in August. This year, he was pleasantly surprised to be able to mark his late-summer birthday while not dealing with a wildland fire somewhere in the United States. Paul retired in 2008 after 38 years with the National Park Service. The last 11 years he was the chief of National Fire Operations for the organization. In 2010 he was assigned twice to the Deepwater Horizon incident, working as an advisor to the U.S. Coast Guard in Florida and Louisiana. He is still on the Great Basin National Incident Management Team. He wrote the email shortly before racing off to help out with some fresh fires. "The Northwest and Montana are lit up," he added. In late August, his mind was on, among others, the Payette Wilderness Fire; the Whitewater Fire; and the Jones Fire, among others.

**Geof Follansbee** is still the CEO of the Chautauqua Foundation. He notes that the insitution is "flourishing." He would love to have any classmates swing by in the summer of 2018 to enjoy a wide range of programs and events. He would be happy to help anyone plan a visit. The site is [www.chq.org](http://www.chq.org). He adds that he plays fewer rounds of golf than he'd like and is "definitely not playing as well as I once did."

**Carl Higbie** reports that his son (also Carl Higbie) has begun a new job (in August) as head of external affairs for the Corporation for National and Community Service, a bureau established under President Clinton and continuing under President Trump. The CNCS oversees organizations such as AmeriCorps and SeniorCorps. The younger Carl was an early and vocal supporter of President Trump. He served nine years as a Navy SEAL and was deployed twice in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He told [GreenwichTime.com](http://GreenwichTime.com), "I'm known as a hard-hitting, partisan guy, but this is not a partisan job. It's something that's going to help a lot of people all over the country."

**Fred Ayer** reports that "life is good." He is vice president and general manager at CSA Ocean Sciences in Stuart, Florida. The firm, founded in 1970, is a marine environmental consulting firm. Fred has been there since the mid-1970s. He quickly rolled out some numbers and ages for our consumption: "Four kids—Frederick B. Ayer III, 35; two daughters, ages 34 and 28; and a 29-year-old son. In addition, he has two grandkids, ages four and two; six cats, two raccoons, and a three-month-old Great Pyrenees puppy."

The best part and sum total of it all: "They all show up Sunday nights for dinner at the house my wife and I bought 37 years ago."

Distances will have prevented some from attending the celebration: **Robert McNitt** (Colorado); **Charlie King** (Arizona); **Marc Emory** (Germany); and **Grant Heidrich** ("swimming around with whale sharks" in the Sea of Cortez).

**Andrew Wexler** will make the trek from Southern California. He knows numbers and was smart enough to realize three years ago that 65 was just around the corner. So he and his wife bought a retirement home in Falmouth on Cape

Cod. Since then they have spent a few weeks there every year. He's near Steve Senft who has hunkered down at Woods Hole. "He was kind enough to show me his lab and introduce me to his squids at the Marine Biological labs." Wex mentions that his next door neighbor is Cecily Selby, mother of **Norm Selby**—"a remarkable and charming woman."

Wex plans to retire in December from his surgical practice at Kaiser Permanente. He expects to continue his teaching at the University of Southern California and will increase his efforts in delivering health-care to low-resource countries. That's why he will head to Nepal in the spring to teach and operate. He also hopes to "spend a couple of weeks hiking the Annapurna circuit while there." What else would a former PA Nordic competitor want to do?

He added, "I'm looking forward to seeing all the medicare enrollees" in October. Don't forget to bring your cards.

Of note, Don Rollings celebrated the wedding of his daughter, Elizabeth, to Doug Friman '93 on Aug. 8 in Tucson, AZ. Celebrants included Don's sister Anne Shiff '75 and brother Brad Rollings '69. Doug and Elizabeth are attorneys in Tucson. Don and his family have spent more than 40 years in the preservation of historic adobe buildings in downtown Tucson.

## 1971

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**Helen Lacouture** writes that she celebrated her 20th year working at the Boston College Law Library, where she is associate law librarian for access and organization. "I love my job and enjoy the people I work with. No plans for retirement!" She won't be swayed by either her new golden retriever puppy, Teddy, or her first grandchild, Max, born in a Virginia log-cabin home-birth in May to daughter Hannah.

**Sue Dampier King-Irwin** continues to teach chemistry at a community college near her home in Pleasanton, CA. She and her husband Hank took a 7000-mile road trip this past summer to Alaska, via Glacier National Park in Montana, Banff and Jasper in Canada, the Alaskan Highway, and a two-day ferry trip through the inner passage of Alaska. They saw amazing scenery and much wildlife—bears, moose, buffalo, and a wolf—"the trip of a lifetime!" Between travels and teaching, they enjoy visits with the five grandchildren they share between them, who range in age from two months to seven years, all of whom live out of state.

**Sarah Gay Stackhouse** celebrated the arrival of her second grandchild, Henry, at the end of March. He is daughter Sally's second son. Sarah fled mud

season in Bluff Point, NY, to help out for three weeks in Jackson, MS.

**Shelby Salmon Hodgkins** may still be recovering from her recent family reunion in Chicago. It was the first time in two years that her two daughters and son and all their children could be together, since they live dispersed around the country. It was “totally tiring but so much fun. It can be like herding cats, moving eight adults and eight kids, ages newborn to six years, but we accomplished that and had a ball.” Shelby and Chuck celebrated their 43rd anniversary—also a notable accomplishment!

Judge **Mary McCabe** managed to finagle sitting at Newburyport District Court all summer, a 35-minute ride from her beach house (as opposed to Somerville, where she sits this fall, with its four-hour round trip commute). She also completed her 49th year running the theater department at Camp Fatima’s exceptional citizens’ week. (Not much sitting there, I’m sure!) She reports that she’s taken to showing up at alumni events at Andover (any class year), where they have “great parties, serve free hors d’oeuvres and treat me like a beloved old aunt.” She’d like to hear from **Dory Streett**: “Where are you now? Which country? Which fantastic career choice? Can I be you when I grow up?” Mary, last I heard, Dory was in Bowdoinham, ME. Time for some updates, Dory, and the rest of you!

I’m pleased to report that in August my husband and I moved out of our large old Brooklyn home of 30+ years into a small apartment in Park Slope, Brooklyn. This was accomplished as I hobbled around on crutches following surgery in July for a ruptured Achilles tendon. I don’t recommend this as a moving strategy! I am still unpacking and limping, but have signed up for a distance bike ride in Arizona in February to celebrate what I expect to be a complete recovery.

Keep the news coming, folks!

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On Sept. 15, I received an email from **Kurt Kuchta** (still out West in the Denver area) announcing that according to his 1967-68 Blue Book, it was 50 years to the day since our class first assembled. I sent Kurt’s note out to more than 120 classmates along with a photo that **Greg Zorthian** sent of the Will Hall kids (more than 50 of us) assembled with proctors and faculty in front of that eccentric old building. So much revealed in those faces.

Immediately, a multi-voice exchange started up. From **Steve Lindsay**, who is a sculptor up in Maine: “We didn’t start school until September 15 in 1967? No wonder I am undereducated!”

I couldn’t find **Jim Bakker** in the photo—he was a couple doors down from us on the third

floor. But I noticed my roommate **Joe Chan**... Looks like I was already hanging out with **A. L. “Andy” Rutherford!**

Andy delivered his own ramble on Will Hall: “... as a country hick from central New York, my roommate was **Frederick Waters Waterman IV**. Fred apparently hid his record player under his bed, and “somehow knew whenever Joe Chan had snuck in with his Supremes records. The guy standing next to Fred, **Tom “Red” Blair**, beat **Peter Halley** in a game of tennis, and was joking that Peter was a lousy tennis player. Peter said, ‘I am deeply insulted by that remark.’ I had never heard anyone talk like that. I believe it was in that first week that Steve Lindsay, Chan’s roommate, taught me the blues scale on my crappy \$12 guitar. I’ve always thought it was funny that there were certain kids in prep school who were called “preppy.” But I really didn’t know about the whole orange pants/madras jacket thing until I got to PA. I didn’t know anybody named Chip or Pim or Trip back in Waterville, NY. I felt so completely out of place.”

**Andrew Bridges** added: “I arrived 4 days after my 13th birthday and had no idea what was about to hit me.” **Garret Mott**: “Fifty years! I was in Rockwell, not Will Hall. What an immature little punk I was back then! My main memory of ‘67 was epic water fights. We got caught in one because the water was running down the stairs and into Mr. Pease’s study.”

**Ted Mook** joined in: “I laughed myself sick over this. I had forgotten about Brantly’s Defiance. (**Brantly Goodwin**’s pose in the photo). Sounds like an Amis novel. Bless the few of us that didn’t make it this far, and those of us that have.”

As **Rick Prelinger** recalled: “The damned long time it took to walk from Will Hall to Commons and classes, especially on cold mornings. The dangerously accessible soft drink machine, not 20 feet from my door, costing only 15 cents a can. Walking through the fields by Graves Hall after Wednesday classes during the snowstorm of Nov. 15, 1967, alone and quiet as the snow rose to a foot. Discussing the Civil Rights Movement with **Byron Hornsby**. Learning from Cedric Langford ‘72, **Tim Black** and **Darryl Robinson**. Realizing that there were few role choices in 1960s prep schools, and few of them fit me.

In another move to provoke discussion, I brought up the Ken Burns series *Vietnam*, which many were watching. After a torrent of emails, I won’t try to do justice to the multi-faceted discussion. I’ll only say that it has been characterized by respect for the ideas of others (in spite of differences of outlook), and a shared sense of the tragedy of the war, for all sides.

Greg Zorthian wrote, “I suspect you all don’t remember that my father was with the US Embassy in Saigon from February 1964 until July 1968. He was...in charge of civilian press relations. Our family lived in Saigon from ‘64 until ‘65 when we were evacuated to the Philippines during the troop build-up. I met and am familiar with most of the players in this documentary. I have a number of stories from those days. Being in the tropics, our

school did not have snow days. Rather, we had “coup” days. The phone would ring and the voice would say “No school today. Stay inside, there is a coup d’etat in progress.” [As] a member of US Boy Scout Saigon Troop No. 1. I earned my hiking merit badge hiking across Saigon to a camp out during Buddhist riots. Dad often said they knew the war was lost by 1968, yet more than half the troops who died in Vietnam died after that conclusion.”

**Sam Walker**, with the perspective of a long and distinguished military career added, “Having studied events leading up to the conflict and the strategic and operational missteps, it is a sad reminder of how we made one bad decision after another. I lost a number of friends and fathers of friends. A very painful time.”

**Seth Walworth** continued, “It’s too bad that LBJ, who was so politically courageous with Civil Rights, went all-in on Vietnam...so as not to appear weak. Alas, he has been far from alone in this; I think that the last President who didn’t need to prove his manhood was Dwight Eisenhower. Eisenhower also had a pretty good sense of priorities, as shown in his address to the American Society of Newspaper Editors on April 16, 1953.”

“Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed. This world in arms is not spending money alone. It is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children. The cost of one modern heavy bomber is this: a modern brick school in more than 30 cities. It is two fine, fully equipped hospitals. It is some 50 miles of concrete pavement. This is not a way of life at all, in any true sense. Under the cloud of threatening war, it is humanity hanging from a cross of iron.”

**Dana Seero** brought the Vietnam and Eisenhower discussion closer to the present, “When I was in the Army and we studied Soviet weapons systems...the thesis was (that because they never cancelled weapons systems) they would eventually bankrupt themselves, which happened. So today we have the B52 bomber (expected to be flying until 2040); 100 B1 bombers fielded to penetrate Soviet air defenses and deliver nuclear weapons; and the B2 bomber—a manned “stealth” bomber (about \$2 billion each). We’re maintaining all three of these bombers: even though political leaders have usually ordered cruise missiles used on the kinds of targets they were designed to hit, out of fear of risking aircrew lives, expensive aircraft, and American prestige. Going forward we have a manned fighter program, the F35, which is currently expected to cost \$1.5 trillion. We are spending far, far too much on defense, much of it wasted on these weapons which may never be used.

As Dana concluded, “We have met the enemy and he is us.”

## 1972

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Well, with reunions in our rear view mirror and the countdown toward to our 50th having begun, **Mace Yampolsky** and I are now in charge of this column, but ultimately it depends upon you. Sure, I can go to the *Washington Post* to see how **Bruce Poliquin** is trying to bring sanity to Capitol Hill and I can go to *Vanity Fair* and see **Buzzy's** latest by-line, and **George Church's** latest scientific breakthrough hits the news on a regular basis, but to keep track of the other 250+ plus of us, we need to hear from you. Forty-five years ago when I was class treasurer and asking a class of cash-starved college freshmen to contribute to the Annual Fund, we were all in a very different place, but the bond we had formed as members of the PA Class of 1972 was already fully established, only to be enriched in the coming years. Indeed, that is part of the reason I agreed to accept **Tom Rawson's** invitation to serve, hopefully as a connection, between our class and the school and even more importantly between each of us. I would hope that this invitation to each of you to share with Mace and me your news, accomplishments, and new adventures will help trigger some memories—and your desire to share them. In closing, let me say that while **Sam Butler** has all but threatened to hold my youngest child—who will not be out of high school by the time of our 50th—hostage if I don't attend, I hope that the intervening years will give me, and in turn all of you, a chance to reconnect with an important time in my life and an important group of people. Let us hear from you!

## 1973

## 45th REUNION

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By the time this magazine arrives in your mailbox in early 2018, we will be a mere five months away from our 45th Reunion. Although the 50th is "The Big One," it is five years from now and why wait?! Carpe diem ladies! It will be lovely to be together and a good time will be had by all—so make those reservations!

September found me participating in two very special Andover events; one in NYC and one on campus. I have been happily involved for the past six years with the annual day of remembrance in NYC. It began seven years ago as an alumni basketball game to honor the memory of Todd Isaac '90, who died on 9/11 (Todd was an avid basketball player), and to fund a scholarship in his name. Now that the scholarship is in place, it has become a day of community, remembrance, and reflection in NYC. Jake Barton '90 was one of the lead designers of the 9/11 Memorial and Museum and for the last three years has given a very moving and interesting talk about his journey to the museum's completion, followed by a tour.

A spirited basketball game is the highlight of the day and this year Tim McChristian '73 was the elder statesman of the players! Cheered on by his wife Debbie and led by Andover's coach Terrell "T.I." Ivory, Tim's team was victorious with a 56–51 win. The day ended with a margarita and guacamole-fueled gathering for 70 happy alums, including fellow class secretary Jack Gray '74!

The following weekend, we also got to celebrate our love of Andover at a gala on campus. It was the kick-off for the latest campaign, "Knowledge and Goodness" (from our Andover 1778 Constitution), whose 400-million-dollar goal is to fully fund need-blind education.

The Cage and Smith centers were magically transformed into a sparkling-blue wonderland. (Rumor has it that the magician behind this was Chelsea Clinton's wedding designer!) I sat with Walter and **Jane Demers**. Other '73-ers in attendance were **Susan Urie Donahue**, Tom Beaton '73 (both past Alumni Council

presidents), Dan Lasman '73 and Scott Mead '73 (whose twin daughters are in the class of '18 and will be graduating this spring).

The morning after, **Dianne "Dee" DeLucia** joined the Demers, Roland Schulz '74, and me for brunch at the Inn. Dee tried her hand at growing heirloom tomatoes last summer and her beautiful bumper crop helped her find her green thumb! She works at Veritex Healthcare Solutions as a principal clinical-trials manager.

A couple of our '73 Rabbits "bunnies" have taken NYC by storm! Sarah Demers '03 (Jane's darling daughter) was just made head of financial aid and assistant head of admissions at Friends Seminary. Olivia Fleming (**Edie Wilson's** "bunny") has a job at Capco on Wall Street, which will bring Mama Edie back East to visit much more often.

Edie and Tony celebrated his 60th birthday with a TMB (tour of Mont Blanc), which meant 100 miles of hiking through France, Italy, and Switzerland ... hopefully with stops for wine, cheese, and chocolate along the way! Their trip ended with a couple of nights at Susan "Suki" Lilienthal's '72 bed and breakfast in Somerset, England.

**Lori Goodman Seegers** joined The Fleming Trio at the beautiful Coral Beach Club in Bermuda for a fun and festive Fourth of July weekend. The jet-setting friends will also be together celebrating Thanksgiving in Provence! (Turkey stuffed with foie gras? Ooh-la-la!)

I have happy news from **Liz "Buzzy"**

**Rollins Mauran** that her daughter Cecily married Javier Alvarez Mackenney on June 10 in Exeter, RI.

**Cathy von Klemperer Utzschneider** qualified to be a part of team USA's contingent in the World Aquathlon Championships held in Penicton, B.C. where she won a bronze medal for her age group. Congratulations!

**Connee Petty Young** should be awarded a medal for being our class cheerleader on Facebook! There is not a birthday that she misses and her adorable "bitmojis" are the icing on the (birthday) cake! Thanks Connee!

I dined with Peter Fernberger '73, wife Bronwyn and son Henry at Larchmont Yacht club with fellow member Roland Schulz. Peter has had a wonderful career as a cinematographer for both TV and film and is also a passionate and gifted sailor. I remember him playing the trumpet and rowing but apparently he was also a member of an elite, trophy winning sailing team at PA, too!

We received a letter of thanks from Kaylyn Park '17 (the student whose scholarship we funded for our 40th Reunion). "My time at Andover has been both challenging and rewarding and I think I have become a much stronger person. Thank you for believing in my potential as a person and an academic."

We should all be proud of the special gift we gave her! *Non sibi* is alive and well in the class of '73!

I look forward to seeing you all in June!

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Public Service Announcement: the Facebook Andover/Abbot Class of 1973 group is an excellent place to learn of and discuss news and issues coming from PA. You have my personal guarantee that joining will not diminish your mental acuity. It's like the bulletin board in Commons. Many of our neighboring classes have Facebook pages, too! We've all been getting acquainted. Sadly, for the first time ever as your Class Secretary, I have no news to report. But remember: June 2018 is careening toward us! Please feel free to use my email address above and send me some news.

## 1974

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Hello to the Class of 1975! Thank you to all who wrote in with news to share. 2017 was a year when most of us celebrated turning 60. Let's hope the celebrations continue and we all find time to meet up with old friends.

Word has it via **Brian Burke** and **John Florence** that none other than **Daniel E. Dilorati** was appointed a district court judge in Massachusetts. After three decades of trial experience in the state's appellate, superior, and district courts, Danny will serve 10 years as a district court judge. John Florence writes, "He had to be approved by Governor Charlie Baker (same class as Dan at Harvard). Quite an accomplishment for the man from Southie! If the governor only knew what

we know!" Congratulations, Danny!

John Florence celebrated his 60th sipping vino with his wife and three children in Italy. **Cathy Chapman** and **Sandy MacArtney** joined **Priscilla Perry Danforth** for her 60th birthday in Marblehead, MA. Cathy is still working at Boston Children's Hospital as a pediatric neurologist. She and her husband, Vic, are enjoying lots of traveling with their family including visiting London and Sicily last spring. **Mac DeCamp**, his wife P.J., Christie and **Paul McNicol**, and Kathy "Murph" and **Rich Pietrafesa** celebrated **Gordie Nelson's** 60th with Gordie and his wife, Jane, at their home on Block Island in July. As they celebrated each of their 60th's they also celebrated the World Champion Cubs breaking their Billy Goat curse!

**John Bishop** wrote from Oregon in August: "Just experienced the eclipse with **John Kingery** and 80 or so family members and friends over the weekend. The eclipse managed to hold its own against a series of events including a celebration for John's 60th, an axe-throwing competition, and a 100-square-mile fire that reached within a couple hundred yards of the festivities before being halted by a small army of federal, state, and reservation firefighters who were spectacularly aided by a pair of 737 air tankers. John put in a prodigious effort to host in a location 50 minutes from town with limited access to plumbing—perhaps the most impressive performance by Kingery yet, and no collateral damage."

**Lewis Butler**, his 90-year-old dad, and his son, Tobias, also were in Oregon for the total solar eclipse. They drove a long way to John Day, OR but the trip was completely worthwhile and the eclipse was spectacular. The next total solar eclipse will be visible from the East Coast in 2024 and, according to Lewis, should not be missed.

Congratulations to **George "Yogi" Pappadopoulos** who became a grandfather in the past year. **Paul Suslovic** and **Anne Wakefield Atkinson** bought a house in El Cerrito, CA where they have an easy commute to San Francisco and a "blue collar" view of the San Francisco skyline and the Golden Gate Bridge. They spent time in LA seeing Paul's son and went east late in the summer to visit family and PA friends.

I heard from **Thomas Briggs** who says, "I'm now mostly a retired hedge fund lawyer and still in Texas, but I think back fondly on my days at Andover. Lynne Herbst's French Class, for example, introduced me to Balzac's *Human Comedy*. And so I recently brushed off my French and put together an article for *L'annee balzacienne*, a Paris literary journal. My topic is incomprehensibility, which I suppose says something about my view of the world these days. I otherwise spend my time chasing after my teenage son—again, incomprehensibility."

Sadly, I close these notes with the news of another classmate's untimely death. **Elizabeth 'Lizzie' Grossman** died at age 59 on July 28, 2017 of ovarian cancer. Lizzie graduated

from Yale. She headed west to Portland, OR in 1996 and excelled in environmental and science reporting and was an admired author in those fields. Those of us who knew her at Andover remember a brilliant, lovely woman who always met you with a sweet smile. The Class of 1975 sends our condolences to Lizzie's family and friends.

Stay well, friends. All the best to you and yours. Keep in touch.

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There is always a time lag between the writing of these notes and the day you receive them. It is late summer now as I sit here thinking about our class and sharing emails with those of you who have reached out to touch base. Hurricane Harvey is wreaking havoc on Texas and the alarming events in Charlottesville, VA are still unfolding. But there is a reassuring voice of reason streaming in over the radio. **Sue Chira** is on WNYC discussing her work as the *New York Times* reporter covering gender issues. Sue's ability to draw out voices from people holding a wide range of viewpoints makes for compelling and timely journalism.

**Anne T. Pettus** writes from Keysville, VA, down the road from Charlottesville, of her sadness watching all that is happening at her beloved alma mater, UVA. "I have always been acutely aware of the deep racism that still exists in the South—a reason I went to high school in New England. The statue argument just gets more heated. I was all for reinterpreting beautiful statues in Richmond on Monument Avenue in situ. But the alt-right behavior is so repugnant, I now say take them all down."

Changing gears, Anne says that she loves staying in touch with all of us via Facebook, singling out **Michael Krumpke** as "hilarious." **Dan Malis** also mentions Michael, who provided both merriment and sincerity in his role as officiant at Dan's 2015 wedding to Carolyn Edwards.

Dan writes "I moved my complex personal injury trial law practice north to old stomping grounds in Methuen, MA, returning to the Merrimack Valley after fleeing 40 years ago. I've been busy, and continue to maintain an office presence in the Greater Boston area and on the Massachusetts South Coast as well. I see and hear from lots of fellow PA alums, sharing political diatribes and gossip on Facebook. We are a mighty force for good. If only someone would listen. I've also stayed active singing with choral performances

this past year at Jordan Hall, Symphony Hall, and most recently Beethoven 9 at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade.”

In addition to his musical endeavors, Dan finds time to serve on the board of Carolyn’s nonprofit organization Community Call, which provides civic engagement to inner city high school students and opportunities to youth in Boston. Dan also reports that “Carolyn is now getting her doctorate from UMass Boston in urban education and I am very proud of her!”

Michael Krumpke writes in to share that “after a long span of 29 years in New York working on Seventh Avenue, I decided last year to pack it up and make a change. I moved to Fort Lauderdale to escape winter weather. It has been an adjustment, but, for the most part, a good one. I was spoiled by many choices while I was in NYC, particularly Chinese takeout, coffee shops, and walking everywhere in all kinds of weather. Florida weather is wonderful, to be sure, but it does get really hot in the summer and walking for general health needs to be done very early in the day before many have read their morning paper up North. Consequently, I’ve learned it’s easy to put on pounds in the warmest months—opposite of New England where winter is the season of added inches around the waist!”

Michael lost his beloved dad, Carl Krumpke, to Alzheimer’s last November. “It was a slow decline but my siblings and I were grateful for time we were able to spend with him during frequent visits to Riverwoods in Exeter, NH. Wendy Richards, also a resident of Riverwoods, was a constant visitor and dear friend to Carl. We had a graveside memorial for him this past July in Mt. Auburn Cemetery, where he is next to his wife of many years, Elizabeth Epstein. The service was small but attended by Andover alums, including **Tim Dempsey** and wife Julie Ogalvie.

**Sue Caverly** has also made the move to Florida. “My husband Jorge and I are living the good life after relocating to Naples, FL. We figured why wait until retirement to live in paradise? I am working for Navian Capital and Jorge is at Northern Trust. We enjoy our visits back to our place on Cape Cod to spend time with our two sons who live in Boston.” Sue ends with a shout out to **Vickie Cartier**: “**Wendy Walker Cleary** and I would love to see you!”

**Jim Horowitz** was an early adopter of the Florida lifestyle. But he makes frequent visits north to Brooklyn to see his adorable grandson, Hugo, who lives there.

**Naomi Rush** separated from her husband of 31 years. Her new career as a social worker, practicing outpatient psychiatry at Massachusetts General Hospital and spending weekends on Cape Cod has helped keep her strong. And “I listen to my inner muse, spending as much time as I can appreciating and making art.”

Returning to the theme of Confederate memorials and whether they should stand in public view, **Louise Kennedy** has a good piece posted on WBUR’s website—Boston’s NPR news station.

She discusses how Boston is grappling with what to do with a monument to the 13 Confederate soldiers who died as prisoners on George’s Island in Boston Harbor. For now, it is boarded up.

Like Sue and Louise, many of you are writing about current events, if not in mainstream journalism, on social media platforms. There is sometimes a combative tone as many of us disagree with each other. But our discourse is mostly smart, always passionate, and shows that we are still actively engaged in thinking about our communities, our country, and the wider world.

As a final note, I want to acknowledge the beautiful life of Lizzie Grossman ’75. Lizzie died in August of ovarian cancer. Having recently seen Lizzie in Portland, where she lived, the news was stunning. We went to three schools together and Lizzie, always a year ahead of me, continued to be a role model in her work as a journalist investigating environmental issues. Her last days were peaceful, surrounded by friends and family. Lizzie expressed gratitude for a life that contained meaning, telling one friend that she had decided not to despair or regret but to “just be grateful for wonderful friends, and for the chance to live in this beautiful world doing work that she valued.”

I close these notes with the hope that we can make similar claims. Loving families, good friends, and meaningful work. We are lucky to have each other. Let’s stay connected!

## 1977

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## 1978

## 40th REUNION

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**Greg Burke** checks in from Minneapolis saying he is “semi-retired from a 30-year career in sales and marketing and 20 years in radio, but staying just as busy with volunteer work. He had a very fun Non Sibi Day last spring led by Dave Gutzke ’77 and joined by a great bunch of PA grads from ’99 and ’00! He also puts out a widely read weekly: *The TC Club Crawl, Concert & Ticket Report*, which provides live music updates for the Twin Cities area. I also want to say I’m very grateful for the business I received from (and proud of the work I did for) fellow classmates and friends **Josh McCall**, **Charlie Schueler**, **Rick Mc Nerney**, and **Lee Apgar** over my three decades in the promotions business!”

**Pamela Carter** writes from Seattle: “We’re in a fug of forest fire smoke. The sky is gray. The sun is red. Doesn’t feel like Earth. I’ve just finished writing a young adult novel and am beginning the hunt for a

literary agent. My new short play, *Pay Attention*, was read by Infinity Box Theatre Project in October. I’m planning on attending reunion for the first time ever, next year.”

**Michael Cannell** went on some great hikes with **Bill Vandeventer** in Sun Valley last summer. Meanwhile, Michael’s daughter, Evie Cannell, is a freshman at Bowdoin. Mike says, “I’ve been doing the long drive from Manhattan to Brunswick, ME. Every time I see the exit sign for Andover I want to pull off. One of these trips I’m going to do it.” Make it happen this June, Mike!

**Terri Fusco Zappala** reports “Life is good, but it is rather routine and not too exciting.” Given the weather and the political scene around the world this past fall, I’d say routine and calm is an excellent status!

**Joe Tatelbaum** encourages everyone to plan on attending our 40th Reunion this spring. I second that!

**Walter Torres** called me and says hello to all. He, too, encourages everyone to attend the reunion (I sense a theme here). We agreed it’s a great chance to make new friendships as we’ve evolved over the last several decades. Who knows what interests we might have in common currently that we didn’t as teenagers. It’s worth exploring but you can’t do that if you’re not there!

**Anna Schneider Durham** reports that she and her husband repatriated last spring after five years in Europe, becoming residents of Sandown, NH not too far from PA. She is committed to helping with the 40th Reunion and hoping to see many others on campus next spring. Last June she left GE after 31 years and numerous assignments and she may be onto the next adventure by now—if not, she says all ideas are welcome. She adds that “While we were overseas we saw quite a bit of **Gabriele Hagedorn-Schulte** and her family at their homes in Koln and on the coast of Zeeland in The Netherlands. We also had a visit from **Steve Bakalar** and his wife just before they took a Mediterranean Sea cruise and became parents, as well as visits from various Eccles family members and offspring.”

Finally, you will be reading these notes in winter but I’m gathering them and writing in early September. By the time this is in print we will all know what happened—but at this moment Irma is the largest storm ever recorded in the Atlantic with 180 mph winds and we don’t yet know if she will hit Florida or South Carolina where I live, or what sort of devastation she will cause and where. Writing with so much unknown yet aware that all will be old news by the time you read this, feels a little like that thing I have a hard time internalizing when I look up at the stars at night and realize the light I am seeing this minute actually originated so long before I was born that I can’t conceptualize it! I guess the best thing to say is we hope everyone has recovered by now.

I am always looking for people to join me as class secretary. It would be ideal if we had three total, but two will do—which means we just need one of you to step up. Class of 1978, I’m looking at you!

As mentioned more than once in these notes, our

40th Reunion is only months away. Because I am on the Alumni Council as well as a class secretary, I am privileged to return to campus twice a year every year. It keeps me in the loop with how the school is changing yet staying the same. The focus continues to be on the current and future students and how they will be shaped, influenced, and supported while at Andover. Everything from course content to sports to extracurricular activities in some way impacts, transforms, and inspires who these present and future students will be and what they will do in the world. As do the people—the faculty and staff. Reunions, to me in this context, have become more a way of staying connected to each other and the school for the benefit of these future generations. We may do the eating and visiting but it is about something so much larger than ourselves, at least in my view. I have heard some choose not to attend reunions because they feel uncomfortable returning, as if they are still trapped by the stereotypes of four decades past. I hear others say they don't enjoy reunions because they feel pressured to compare accomplishments. And then others have simply disappeared, saying nothing at all. That's sad. I know many of us, if not all of us, are contribution oriented. That doesn't just mean we open our wallets. It means we give of ourselves in order to help others. Reunions are a way for us to be reminded there is a whole new crew of starry-eyed (and brilliant) youth full of hope, dreams, and determination. If we lose touch with Andover and each other, we diminish their opportunities because over time the greatness fades. It takes each one of us to keep it going, each in our special way. Again, I don't speak in any official capacity when I say this. It's my observation and interpretation. Based on this I invite you to be selfless and come celebrate 40 years with us—to set the path for the current kids so they believe they'll be back at Andover for *their* 40th in 2058!

## 1979

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It is always delightful to hear from '79ers, whether they are starting new chapters or reminiscing and reconnecting with fellow classmates!

**Margot Kimball** lives in Concord, MA where

she works as a visual artist. She often creates artwork for local charities and she belongs to a group called Artists Creating Together. ACT paints banners for social action groups, including ones that were carried in The Women's March on Washington in January 2017 and the March for Science. "I also volunteer for an organization called Dignity in Asylum. We provide housing and community services in the Concord area for asylum seekers," added Margot.

**Megan Havens** writes: "This summer, I moved back to the Portland, OR region after ten years of exile in California." She is the head of school for the Altair School for Gifted Children based in Bethany Village, Portland. "I have three grandchildren in the region, with a fourth on the way! Nice to be back, despite the sad and devastating fires in Oregon this summer," Megan says.

**Ed Hill** says, "I have decided to make more of an effort to see friends from PA who, I can say from the perspective of decades, are some of the people to whom I feel most connected in the world." In NYC, Ed had dinner and drinks with **Rachael Horovitz**, Michael Cannell '78, Peter Tobeason '78, Sasha Chermayeff '78, and Charlie Schueler '78. In LA, he supped with **Tom Lloyd**, **David Ulin**, and **Danny Wheeler**. "We are all so blessed to be a part of such an incredible community," Ed adds. "I plan to see more of us soon."

**Annie Mudge** exclaims, "Life is sweet!" She is still practicing land-use law, working on renewable energy and high-density housing projects. "Our two kids have graduated from college, but still join us for outdoor adventures," Annie says. "This summer, the four of us hiked together around Mt. Rainier and in Acadia National Park." **Carroll Bogert** and Annie are still close and "bop back and forth into each other's abodes—Carroll's in Manhattan and ours in Oakland, CA."

Rachael Horovitz and her family "have decamped to London and are loving it." At parents' night at her kids' school, Rachael met a PA alumna. "We discovered what had changed in the mere eight years between our times and I realized how amazing it was to have scaled the bell tower! She said they didn't do it in her time." Rachael sends love to all and would be happy to hear from anyone visiting London.

**Peter Caro** jokes, "So many new chapters here! Still living in Weston, still practicing law at Casner & Edwards, same two cats—I think...oh jeez. Uh, my kids are out of school? Does that count?"

**Ken Oasis** left Fidelity in July as "part of a sweet buyout." But he's not quite ready to retire. He is interviewing now and is optimistic. "We are empty nesters, with a first year at Lehigh and a junior at Union."

**John Andrews** is also an empty nester. "Beth and I moved from our suburban home to the city of Saint Paul." They love being in a smaller house and a walkable neighborhood. He invites classmates to "knock on the door if you're ever in town."

**Roger Kass** writes: "Lucky me, I get to visit

both PA and Wesleyan regularly nowadays, having a daughter at each." He recently opened an art gallery in Newport, RI and would be happy to walk anyone who comes to town through it. "Most of what I'll be showing is the work of emerging artists, whatever that means," Roger adds.

**Guy Chirico** and his wife, Pawalee, are off to Thailand for five months and invite "anybody in the region give a shout out from late October until April 1— we're good tour guides!" Guy looks forward to seeing his extended Thai family "plus all my restaurant industry peeps who keep me so marvelously fed while there." Guy always enjoys immersion in the Thai contemporary art scene.

**Tad Flynn** reminds us there is "only 20 months to reunion—gasp—40 years!" Tad made his standup comedy debut at the Comic Strip Live in NYC this past June. "I'll be performing there for a handful of dates this Fall," Tad says. "But I'm definitely not quitting my day job—two free beers and a handful of peanuts doesn't cover the mortgage."

**Susan Jenkins Warren's** daughter, Natalie '18, is a four-year senior at Andover. On campus, Sue has seen fellow alumni parents **Tad Flynn**, **Briggs Tobin**, **Forty Conklin**, **David Hartzell**, **Rick Bradt**, **John Francis**, **Geri Pope Bidwell**, **Kaaren Shalom**, and **Lee Apgar** '78. This spring, Sue joined the Alumni Council Athletics Committee. They review and select nominees for the Athletic Hall of Honor. Sue encourages '79ers to check out the inductees on the Andover website and nominate deserving classmates. She thanks all who contributed to PA Giving Day and says "we raised over a million dollars in one day for student scholarships."

**Dexter Wadsworth** enjoyed a recent visit to New England, having not been back since leaving the country and a real estate law practice 10 years ago to buy and sell gold and other minerals in sub-Saharan Africa. He helped start a bachelor of laws program for Jamaica's national university. "Im focused on developing real estate projects now, having just graduated from NYU's master's program in development," Dex says, adding that he is "ecstatic to be back."

**Ranie Crowley Pearce's** summer aquatic adventures included a 5K swim in 49-degree waters around the Strait of Magellan with penguins and dolphins, circumnavigating Mercer Island, Seattle, two Alaskan swims, and traversing the length of Lake Tahoe (21.3 miles, 16.25 hours.) On the home front, Ranie's oldest, Katharine '10, just bought a home in Sacramento and her youngest, Coco, is at Deloitte in LA. "So my nest is truly empty," Ranie says. "My husband, Jorge, and I are very proud of them."

**Brad Holmes** visited **Sean Wolfort** and his family in Phoenix. Brad also keeps up with **Bill Hare**, **Willie Cooper**, and **A.C. Doyle**. "I am trying to work more from home in Sandwich, NH than Massachusetts these days at a new gig for Gartner," Brad says.

**Peter Grover's** daughter, Alison, moved to the

West Coast after attending Colby College, and is applying to graduate schools. His son, Henry, is a junior at RPI. “Jane and I continue in residential architecture and design buildings in the western suburbs of Boston. We’re both busy with work, and getting back in touch with hobbies and things that we’ve dropped for all those years—travel, fly-fishing, kayaking.”

**Doug Sun** writes: “I’ve led a rather peripatetic life over the past two years with the Department of State but we finally landed in Nassau, The Bahamas.” Doug is head of the political-economic section at the embassy. “Regards to everyone. Since this is my first posting that friends, family, and old classmates might actually consider visiting, I would be happy to hear from anyone passing through the islands!”

Mark your calendars for our 40th Reunion in June 2019! If you did not receive an email from me in early September asking for class notes, please take a moment to update your contact information.

Until next time, see you in the notes!

Amy

## 1980

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An early fall here in New England makes it seem like we had almost no summer. We did, but it was all too short! While we rejoice in the change of seasons, we are concerned about classmates in areas experiencing record-breaking storms, flooding, and fire. Please know that our hearts are with you and our community is behind you. “Andover for Life” is not only about our ties to the campus but our ties to each other. Together we are strong and resourceful—we care—so please don’t hesitate to reach out to each other whether you have a need or can be of service. As the Beatles remind us—we get by with a little help from our friends!

A surprise note from **Sally Van Cleve**

**Van Doren** announced some great news: “I’m writing to let you know that my third book of poetry, *Promise*, a collection of lyric poems reflecting moments of daily life, was released by LSU Press in August 2017. The cover features one of my asemic drawings. I am also posting a daily excerpt from my long, on-going poem, “The Sense Series,” on instagram@sallyvandoren.” Sally also writes that after having raised two sons in St. Louis, she and husband **John Van Doren** have moved to CT/NYC where John’s enterprise, the Van Doren Waxter Art Gallery boasts two locations. “The gallery specializes in post-war American abstraction in the secondary market and runs a contemporary program featuring internationally recognized

emerging artists. The gallery also participates regularly in art fairs such as Art Basel, Art Basel Miami Beach, the ADAA Art Show, Frieze New York, and The Armory Show so please drop by to say hi if you are an art enthusiast!” Sounds like something nearby classmates interested in a cultural night out should keep an eye on!

**Chuck Schneider** took time from his summer travels with his wife Dessi to send more details about his new job. Happy to be in academic medicine, Chuck has been a clinical professor and oncology attending physician in the gastrointestinal cancer division at the University of Pennsylvania Abramson Cancer Center since May. He writes: “I love the new job, seeing more complicated patients, teaching Fellows, and being in charge of some Phase I clinical trials.” Congratulations, Chuck! May new challenges keep you happily engaged and provide you with new ways in which to share and develop your expertise!

**Amy Davidsen’s** work in environmental issues is particularly busy right now and we wonder how **Nick Shufro** is faring in his new position with FEMA in this unusually fraught season of natural disaster. But we know FEMA and those who require its services are in good hands. We’d love to hear some perspective from the field when you come up for air, Nick!

As for me, **Jane Shattuck**, I am finally nearing the end of house building. I just received permission to live in my new home and am looking forward to being settled at long last. My new home office has an inspiring view that I know will encourage dissertation writing. Here’s to a productive fall and winter!

And in the spirit of Andover for Life, my home is open to any and all who want to visit or need hospitality. I welcome the opportunity to be of service. Please remember that one of the ways in which class secretaries serve is to be an information hub, so don’t hesitate to reach out to either of us with questions or concerns, as well as class news. We love making connections!

Our best to you all for a safe and healthy season!

—Jane and Amy

## 1981

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I am writing just after having spent the last few weeks of August in Jackson Hole, WY riding horses alongside elk, coyote, bald eagles and bison (I have been told by my children that there are no Buffalo in

North America). By chance, we timed our first ride on the morning of the total solar eclipse. For those who missed this event, or witnessed only a partial eclipse, I encourage you to travel to a site along the path of totality from Texas to Maine on April 8, 2024. I hear **Kelly McPhail Mendez’** backyard will be a great viewing location! I still get chills thinking about it.

Earlier in the Summer, Jenn Moore Rynne ’82 and I attended an Andover reception in Kennebunkport, Maine at the home of Kathleen LeMaitre Daly ’80. There were too many familiar faces to name all of those in attendance, but the class of ’81 was well represented by **Alison Smith Bentley**, **Karen Woods**, **Fran Trafton Barnes** and myself. From the class of ’80 were Beth Moore Bishop, Aimee Thorpe MacFarlane and Duncan MacFarlane, John Hamilton, and Diane Perlowski Alie.

Finally, it is with sadness that Jodie and I report the passing of **Scott Smith** this past July. **Tom Efinger** attended the memorial service and sent this along:

Dear Andover classmates, friends, colleagues,

I recently attended the memorial gathering for Scott Smith in Portland, OR. As most of you probably know by now, Scott passed away on July 22, 2017 from lung cancer. When I heard the news via email, it really shook me. Even though I had not seen Scott for the last 36 years (since graduation in 1981), I had always hoped that we would have the opportunity to reconnect. He was a great friend, a “bestie,” and I did love him as a brother in those years and thought of him often in the years after. I felt compelled to attend the memorial and wanted to get a glimpse into his life after his years at Andover.

The gathering was held at the Catlin Gable School Creative Arts Center in Portland—a beautiful space that reminded me so much of the Underwood Room at Andover. It’s a gallery-type space with a glass wall that opens onto a courtyard. It was a picture-perfect day with azure blue skies. The room was overfull and the large sliding glass doors to the courtyard were open. Additional folding chairs were passed out and set up in the courtyard to accommodate the hundred or so people who could not fit in the room.

The memorial was largely organized by Scott’s wonderful wife, Lisa Hay, and hosted by one of Scott’s faculty peers from Linfield College, where Scott had been a professor since 2002. What ensued was a beautiful outpouring of love and emotion for someone who had deeply touched the lives of so many people.

We heard stories from Scott’s time at Harvard, where he was a standout with his passion for Russian history and literature. We heard stories from his fellow faculty members at Linfield about his deep commitment to bettering the educational process and curriculum for students there. We also heard from Scott’s colleagues in the Portland squash and cycling community, who were deeply affected by Scott’s athletic passion, eye



Kyra Barry '83 and Olympic wrestling gold medalist Helen Maroulis

## Kyra Barry '83

### *Promoting the Benefits of Wrestling*

**H**ow does someone with no personal wrestling experience become team leader for the 2016 USA Wrestling women's team and be named USA Wrestling's Woman of the Year? If you ask Kyra Barry '83, she will say it has to do with self-awareness and gumption.

"Throughout my career, I have always tried to take advantage of what is in front of me," Barry says, adding that much of this learning has come from sports.

As board president of Beat the Streets, a nonprofit organization in New York City, Barry works to improve the lives and potential of youth through wrestling. It's a job she finds deeply fulfilling.

"If you look at youth development, a lot of the metrics are based on academic markers. But now there is a lot of emphasis on noncognitive learning, and skills like perseverance, grit, and discipline," Barry says. "Some kids will get that from the classroom, but others will find it on the playing field."

As a three-sport athlete at Andover (soccer, squash, and softball), this was certainly true for Barry. Though she graduated before PA's coed wrestling program started, it was at Andover that she was introduced to the sport by her close friend and wrestler Josh Hubbard '83. Barry attended numerous matches at Andover and at Columbia College, where her boyfriend (now husband, David) was a wrestler.

After graduating from Columbia with a degree in urban studies and working in various transportation policy positions, Barry took time off to raise a family, but wrestling was always in the background.

When her children were in school and began to participate in sports, Barry became involved in various school boards and helped develop youth soccer and wrestling programs in Hoboken, N.J. Those experiences paved the way for her to join Beat the Streets (a partner organization of USA Wrestling) in 2010 and to become team leader of USA Wrestling's women's team for the 2016 Summer Olympics.

Barry's Olympic role was focused on advocacy and ensuring the athletes adhered to Olympic rules and policies. As part of the official U.S. delegation, Barry took part in all activities with the athletes; she marched in the opening ceremony and lived in the Olympic Village. To top it off, the women's team won its first gold medal. "The Olympics were the pinnacle, said Barry. "I loved it!"

Barry's focus now is to advocate for wrestling, especially for women and girls. She has set up committees to help increase participation and is pursuing NCAA emerging sports status. What keeps her motivated and excited? Barry has learned a lot from sports, and she wants to share that knowledge with the next generation.

"When you get out on that mat, it is one on one. You have a keen sense of accomplishment and sense of self because you are the only one," says Barry. "I think the skills acquired through wrestling are really important, particularly for women in the workplace as we fight for gender equity."

—Allyson Irish

for detail, and good will.

What we heard, time and time again, were great stories about Scott's legendary wit and humor. He was almost always considered "the smartest guy in the room," and people were often initially intimidated by him, but his charm, passion, and warmth quickly put people at ease and ignited their interests in the subject matter at hand.

Although I was not in touch with Scott, I deeply mourn his passing. My heartfelt condolences and best wishes go out to his family most of all. It is a tragic loss. He was too young and too meaningful to too many to leave us all so soon.

I did have the opportunity to speak at length with Scott's father, Nat, and when I mentioned that those of us from Andover who knew him well had missed him, Nat said simply that Scott was just not that outwardly social. He valued his close relationships with a tight-knit group of friends and colleagues in his community to large social gatherings like Andover reunions. Also, it was clear that

Scott's life took off on a path as soon as he arrived at Yale and met his wife to be, Lisa. When he made his way out to Portland, OR he knew it was where he wanted to stay and set up a very nice life there.

In addition to his wife Lisa, Scott is survived by two wonderful daughters, Sarah and Hannah. Reed College posted an obituary which gives more detail. Visit [reed.edu](http://reed.edu) and search Prof. Scott Baldwin Smith.

Scott's family created an award in his name. Contributions can be made at [linfield.edu/secure/give.php](http://linfield.edu/secure/give.php) (choose "other" and write in Scott Smith).

Best,  
Tom Efinger



Barry (in red) with the women's delegation in front of the Christ the Redeemer monument atop Corcovado Mountain

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It was a joy to see everyone at our 35th Reunion and post reunion, we are still connecting via our Facebook page, Andover 82. At reunion and in the notes below, I hear the joy of connectedness, work and family, and realize how important it is to be with those we love.

Our “Class Scribe-Forever,” **Paul Hochman**, captures the joy loved ones bring as he recalls seeing his family exit airport security: “And then, there they were! My two boys, Oscar (9) and Arlo (6) and my amazing wife Carrie Sheinberg, tanned and weary after a 20-hour trip back from Greece. I’d been with them for two weeks, then apart from them for another two. It was a reunion. So, so, so sweet, you know? Like Andover this past June. I have decided that reunions are delirious, serious business. It was so great to see all of you there. Let’s please see each other again somehow, before our 40th.” Well said!

Enjoying her summer with loved ones **Paula Lee**, now on her fourth book, writes, “Churning stuff out, waiting to hear back. Went to Berlin for 10 days, to Newport, RI on a catamaran last weekend, and now heading to Maine this weekend. Super social month—I have no idea why we are suddenly so popular!” We do Paula, you are great company!

**Pam Webster** writes from Nantucket, “We are grateful for a little rest, vacation, and family time before school starts. My son is a sophomore at University of Puget Sound, where he does improv, plays Ultimate Frisbee, French horn, studies computer science and more. My daughter is creating a life she loves in Seattle, working for Microsoft and dancing when she can. I’m working for my local community hospital at the beautifully renovated Cancer Center as team leader of the cancer registry. My husband is happy to still be playing Ultimate Frisbee with the Rhode Island People’s Ultimate league—the team that won the championship this year, with my son!”

**Ellen Nordberg** says it’s “fun to see so many classmates and friends at Andover—highlight of my summer! Standing in the tent outside Johnson Hall, where I spent my junior year, offered many flashback opportunities! She notes, “I also got to see several other classmates in New England who weren’t able to make the reunion: **Mary Ogden** came down from VT, and we got a bike ride in. Mary has two high school Nordic skiers. Also saw **Patti Doykos** and **Landi Fannin** in Portsmouth NH. Patti is in NJ, where she is director of the Bristol Meyers Squibb Foundation, working to improve global and rural health, health equity, and issues like diabetes and AIDS. Landi is Senior Project Manager at LTC Partners in Portsmouth.”

Curious, I extracted from Ellen more about her world, “My twin boys are now in 9th grade. I ride my bike and raise money for under-resourced college kids ... also I’m a freelance writer and I produce a live show called *Listen to Your Mother*.” If you wish to laugh thru your tears, go to Ellen’s website [www.ellennordberg.com](http://www.ellennordberg.com) and click on “Amazing Pick Up Artists.” Her (then) kindergarteners are, shall we say, smooth operators-making their dad proud and providing Ellen unlimited material. Read on!

**Steve Wemple**, the star pitcher of our reunion stick-ball tournament writes, “I am working in NYC, still with for Con Edison (yes, been there 30 years) promoting customer-sited solar, batteries and efficient equipment and controls. I live in Westchester,

have a 14-year old daughter, and still spend weekends on Fire Island where I’ve been a volunteer firefighter (also for 30 years!)” Lay on the beach Vimp? Nope, rather be fighting fires.

Like Vimp, **Rufus Ward** also appears to prefer to work on his vacation to sitting in the sun: Rufus just returned from a week at Camp O-AT-KA, where he, his father, and brother Scobie ’84 were campers as kids—and where Rufus volunteers for a week each year to cook three meals per day for 160 campers and staff! He notes, “For the last 20 years, the camp has welcomed boys from needy families for a week in August. They needed a cook that first year, and somehow I have done it ever since. No small amount of food!” And pretty good food at that. Transcendent was how one of Rufus’ recipes was described by a friend to this scribe.”

**Dutch Miller** and his wife Ann continue to live in D.C. where he works for Northern Trust. Dutch writes that his daughter Louisa is entering her third year at Northeastern, studying engineering.

**Yalda T. Uhls** writes, “After several whirlwind years of school, work and book tour, I am enjoying being with family, teaching and doing research at UCLA in the psychology department. If anyone has kids considering UCLA, they should reach out and I’d be happy to look out for them. My daughter is applying to colleges and my son just started high school.”

Finally, no one can ever say that **Jeff Arle** is a slouch: he is the Vice Chair of Neurosurgery Harvard’s Boston Beth Israel Medical Center and Chief in their Mt. Auburn hospital in Cambridge. When not fixing folks, Jeff is an Associate Professor of Neurosurgery at Harvard Medical School and editor of the therapeutic area’s two main journals, Neurosurgery and Neuromodulation ... as well as editor two of the discipline’s teaching texts. He notes, “Splitting time and call between two hospitals is a bit tricky and running a lab in computational neuroscience, consulting and teaching is a crazy life.” ... Uh yes.

In his free time, Jeff paints, sails & climbs. He has climbed 5 of the 7 summits (Aconcagua, Denali, Kilimanjaro, Elbrus and Kosciusko) and other treks (Everest basecamp and Piton des Neiges on Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean). Jeff is author of *Up One Side and Down the Other* about climbing Aconcagua, the Andes’ tallest peak.

Clearly he is able to do all this because he has a stay at home wife and no children-right? Nope. He writes, “My wife is doing what she loves—running a practice in clinical psychology seeing patients with addiction disorders. We have three great kids (Chad 18, Tyler 16 and Alexis 14). Our oldest, Chad, is at Columbia after graduating from Middlesex in 2017 as valedictorian.”

Anything else? “I should have included a story about an incident we had in New Guinea a few months ago, involving machetes and automatic weapons - but maybe I’ll leave it until the next update.” As a scribe starved for content, Dr. Arle, we look forward to it!

—Graham Anthony

## 1983

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I recently saw fellow co-conspirators **Alexandra Gillespie** and **Adam Simha** in Portland, ME for dinner. Adam was up in Maine peddling his wares. If you haven’t checked out the custom kitchen knives Adam grinds out at his cottage atelier in North Cambridge, get with the time and look up MKS design. The repast was phenomenal, second only to the company! I tried to remember how to pepper conversation with some clever and silly French non-sequiters (just for the occasion). But Alex assured me that saying, “Je suis beaucoup de fleurs” was simply nonsense, just like ordering a craft beer.

August was busy as always in Maine. **Blake Stoddard** dropped in for dinner in Bath one night. Blake was back visiting family, including his dad (Brooks ’56) and brother (Michael ’82). We reminisced about the straw hat Brooks wore to our post-graduation tailgate on the macadam in front of Bartlett, late nights in Bartlett North with **John Chaisson** and **Peter Sullivan**, and the vicissitudes of intramural ice hockey as we all settle into our 50s. Pat McCormick ’83 has been a regular visitor to our backyard BBQ this summer as well en route to and from points north. I have also recently fallen into a quasi-academic film studies chat thread with Pat’s fellow rock and roll instigators, Eric Cohen ’83 and Jamie Anderson ’82. Who knew the catalog of schlocky, kitchy scifi from the 1950s was so deep and such a rich source of procrastination. Thank you internet.

**Jim Reische** and I passed each other unnoticed like ships boxing the compass Labor Day weekend. I was at a wedding at MASS MoCA with fellow family members and class secretaries Bill Seeley ’54

and Tom Seeley '90. Jim, no longer chasing Neal Cassady in the Great Shark Mobile, was on the road dropping his daughter off at Swarthmore. Plans are afoot to try gather the wagons back East on the New Hampshire banks of the Merrimack later in the fall. Jim writes that he is thriving in his new position as Vice President of Communications at Williams.

My peripatetic academic lifestyle finally paid off the other day. It gave me the opportunity to have lunch with **Claudia Kraut Rimerman** in Manchester, NH while she was passing through en route to somewhere else!

Finally, I just want **Sturgis Woodberry** (and Alan Yost '83) to know that I can still carry a canoe through the Canadian woods, albeit with an ache or pain (or two or twelve) extra.

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**Peter McNulty** writes "I'm sad to report that despite pleading from me and **Ben Gundersheimer**, **Chris Wray** is apparently too busy to get the band back together." On August 2nd 2017, our classmate was sworn in as the eighth Director of the FBI. "It doesn't seem that long ago when we were hanging out in Rockwell," **Chris Smith** says. (Meanwhile, several of us are wondering if Chris Wray still has that brown sweater...)

**Amy Zegart** has been busy, too. Amy is co-director of the Center for International Security and Cooperation at Stanford University, and a contributing editor at *The Atlantic*. (Plus, in case you missed it, she's also the author of *Spying Blind: The CIA, the FBI, and the Origins of 9/11* published ten years ago.) **Kim Hekimian Arzoumanian** is Assistant Professor of Nutrition at Columbia University, and Associate Director of the Medical Nutrition Program for Health Professionals in the Institute of Human Nutrition. Her work in Armenia studying infant nutrition and promoting breastfeeding led to a tripling of breastfeeding rates and a decline in post-neonatal mortality there.

At PA graduation last summer, **Zack Apgar** and his parents, Pam and Scotty, watched Lee Apgar's '78 son graduate. **Alex May's** son graduated, too. (He's off to Oxford!) In other PA-related news, **Alison Smith Lord** (whose daughter is an upper) will serve a two-year term as both an alumni trustee and co-chair of the Annual Giving Board (succeeding Lee Westerfield '86). Congratulations, Alison!

**Ben Schwall** is happy to have reconnected with **Nancy Shen** since her move back to Taipei, where he lives. He and his wife and four children spent the summer stateside. He writes, "Tried damn hard to

meet up with Chris Yerkes '84 but that will have to wait. We did have the pleasure of meeting up with Yun Lee '86 in Brooklyn, **Doug Stiffler** and family in NY State, as well as taking an extended trip with **Peter Kleinman** to Maine, which involved two notable stops: one at the house of **Yantao Jia** and the other at the Andover Campus. This included us staring at the plaque that marks where Will Hall used to be. Ouch."

In exciting news, **Arthur Unobskey** recognized as a leader in "whole child" education, recently accepted a position as Superintendent of Wayland, MA public schools. Continuing the education theme, **Megan Carroll** reports that after a career as a television journalist and nightly TV news anchor in Iowa and California, and then taking a break to stay home with her children, **Heather Trees** is now a sixth-grade teacher in Dubuque, IA.

Megan was among the few classmates who replied to my questions about marking the half-century milestone. She celebrated with a ballroom dance party under the stars on Martha's Vineyard, with champagne and desserts! Rumor has it that **Michelle Kluck Ebbin's** husband threw her a big 50th birthday party, too. **Cindy Taylor** marked her 50th by observing the total solar eclipse in Jackson, WY, and by having "a normal year without cancer treatments." For **Stephanie Hickey**, Andover remains "a singularly transformative experience" these many years later. She adds, "My Year of Turning Fifty has meant my first tattoo, my first skydive, my tenth wedding anniversary, my daughters both in or applying to college, the weddings of both my stepsons, and the (ongoing) opportunity to play with predictive analytics at Willis Towers Watson." (She'd love to hear from PA friends, and lives in the NY area.)

**Carolyn James McDonough** and her (identical) twin sister, **Cynthia James Matrullo** are "FIFTY and feeling fabulous!" They sent a note together via Carolyn about how they spent their birthday. As huge fans of the "tiny house" movement, they thought it would be fun to go 'glamping,' so they celebrated with a two-night stay in a tiny house in the Catskills. The fridge wasn't even big enough for the wine they brought! They are still running their 20-year old family business *Diane James Home*, and their oldest sons are both sophomores in college. Carolyn's younger son is a high school senior, and Cynthia's identical twin boys are high school juniors. "We had so many fabulous teachers at Andover," Carolyn writes, "we keep reminding the boys that it's not necessarily the class you take in high school or college that will create the most impact in your life, it's also the teacher or professor. We only hope they can look back on their high school days as fondly as we do ours!"

**Liz DeLucia** celebrated by taking a trip with friends, and **Alice Stubbs** (who says she isn't ashamed to admit that she's stalking Roger Federer) traveled to the Caribbean with her husband and kids. Although a storm blew the power out, they had a great time. Alice's two sons and my son are all in Stearns together this year.

I celebrated my 50th at an event to raise awareness and funding for the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE), the D.C. and Philadelphia-based organization where I am Chief Research Officer to the President and CEO, Greg Lukianoff. I still write articles for PsychologyTodayBlog.com, and my role at FIRE involves working with Greg and his co-author, Jonathan Haidt (psychologist, NYU professor, and director of Heterodox Academy), on their forthcoming book, *Misguided Minds: How Three Bad Ideas Are Leading Young People, Universities, and Democracies Toward Failure*. The book will be a must-read—especially for anyone with a child in college or eventually bound for college (and for high school & college students, too). The nonprofit, FIRE (theFIRE.org), is an additional important resource for that same group.

The focus of my specific work is to use dialogue to bridge the things that divide us, which is increasingly essential. When we were at PA, I never imagined we would see political violence on college campuses such as in Charlottesville and Berkeley. Today, in our hyperpolarized world, it is more important than ever for all of us to cultivate civic virtues and reject the impulse to dehumanize those who think differently than we do.

Five months from now when these notes are published, I don't know whether there will have been more political violence. I'm hoping that as a country we will come together, but it seems at least equally likely that we will come apart. Throughout this school year, John Palfrey has decided to create a campus focus on citizenship—perhaps the most important concept of our time. I'm sure he would love to hear your thoughts about this initiative.

As always, please join our Facebook page and please send news.

Happy Birthdays, everyone! May the next half-century be even better.

## 1986

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Even though I spend practically the whole day on the Internet for work, I'm a relatively late adopter and generally dislike of most web lingo. I cannot stand emojis and told my 13-year-old son that I would never reply to a text message that used single letters in place of whole words: "C u l 8 r!"

But there's one phrase from web discourse I've absolutely come to love and that's the concept of

saying something so apt, so perfectly couched, that one can be declared to have “won the Internet.”

And I'm happy to report, '86ers, for this edition of the notes, that it's **Eunice Lee** for the win! (FTW!) If you were around on Labor Day weekend and following along on Facebook, you could see the updates of various members of the Class of '86 dropping their children off at P.A.

Now, this is nothing new at this point—by my calculations, **Harry Rothschild** and **Ramsey Shehadeh** were the first members of '86 to have children back at P.A. (Y'all correct me if I'm wrong ...)

But Eunice wins the thread for this joyous message (accompanied by incredible pics):

“Today was drop off day for new students at P.A. Would you believe that **Emily M. Bernstein**, **Lydia Wise**, and I all have sons starting their junior (freshmen) years all living in America House? Small happy blue world!

So it's America House that's the hub now, not Rockwell, eh? But it's the small happy blue world part that makes me smile and miss you all.

For even in the midst of all our national craziness, it really is a small happy blue world! I can't begin to tell you how much giggly feminine energy I got to expend watching the live webcast of Chris Wray '85's confirmation as FBI Director. (“You mean, you like, know him?” I had friends say—as if we were 15 and not 49!)

And all the mysterious encounters and interactions among us continue—like the corridors of Persian mazes. **Tom Takoudes** reports: Nothing huge, but I had a very cool run in with **Matt Shine**. In June, our 10-year-old-sons ended up playing soccer against each other in the finals of a tourney in Taunton, MA. I saw him setting up his soccer dad chair nearby, and boy, he looks exactly the same. Spent the next hour catching up, and we even saw our sons have a head on collision with each other!

Via **Christine Balling**—our trusty Facebook birthday cheerleader—I've received this news: **Ben Quinlan Chinburg** and **Heidi Van Horn** recently caught up in Mexico. **Trilby Sheeser** relocated to Hawaii with her partner with whom she opened a veterinary clinic.

Christy is also continuing her important international aid work: “I am planning my third trip to Iraqi Kurdistan to deliver aid to an all-female Yezidi peshmerga unit and the female survivors who escaped ISIS slavery thanks to a fledging D.C.-based nonprofit called the Sun Force Sisters.”

**Kim Guzowski** is happily living in the South Bronx working in education and theater. Kim keeps her hands in both private and public education through running a company that works predominantly in Title One schools, while also teaching at the Dwight school in Manhattan. Kim runs an educational company called Technical Artisans Collective (TAC) that provides vocational education in theater design and tech. TAC's work in Title One schools helps teens enter the professional world of theater and event design and tech in New York City. These professions are secret roads to

teen financial independence that most teens never know about. If you're an educational grant-writer or fundraiser, or know a good one, please get in touch with Kim—thank you!

**Nicole Grieco Butterfield** and Kim used to teach together and still frequently collaborate on educational ideas. Kim writes: “I had the pleasure of hearing **Jenny Pettit Van West** perform this summer in Maine. What a delight! Jenny played a song she wrote for me that I hadn't heard in years—nothing like hearing a song a dear friend wrote for you that exactly depicts your inner world. Can't wait for her new record due later this fall! I had a wonderful few weeks playing in Maine with Andover Alum (& relations) **Toby Guzowski McGrath '95**, **Molly Kalkstein McGrath '90** and **Emily Kalkstein Carville '94** and their kids.

And from **Michael Handler**: “In far-away Seattle, last year was a good one for my unofficial Andover reunions. Showing **Chap Munger '87** our local live music, breakfasting with **Yun Lee** and her husband **Tommy** at Pike Place Market, seeing **Dave Simons** for two jazz shows (including mine in June), and welcoming **James Meredith** to town by doing (almost) everything we loved in college. He's a super family man with boys aged 5 and 3, and he still rules any dance floor!

My erstwhile prom date **Tad Beck** and husband **Grant Wahlquist** have Left the City:

“Grant and I moved to Maine full-time in March. **John Robinson** was super helpful in finding Grant his gallery space in Portland, ME ([www.grantwahlquist.com](http://www.grantwahlquist.com)). John and I have had some excellent adventures this year, including a far less scandalous Super Bowl party than the one in my dorm room in '86. I have a solo exhibition opening at Grant Wahlquist Gallery in November. It's been great to see Jenny Van West in Portland who is about to release a new album. **Rob McQuilkin** and I had an excellent day together on Vinalhaven of sailing and eating blueberry pie.

As for me, I'm still raising foundation support for *The Atlantic*—where I was delighted to meet **John Swansburg '96**, who's one of our editors and came from Slate, and to regale him with stories from the rather more boisterous campus of the 80's.

Please let me know if you come through D.C. at any time—**Naomi Gendler Camper** and I met **Claudia Kraut Rimerman '84** and **Dinah Leventhal '84** for dinner a few months ago, and I had a lovely lunch with **Dr. Hilary Babcock '85**.

## 1987

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Well well. Let's get to it with a shocker.

**Randall Kempner** is getting married! Yes, in a miracle just slightly less unexpected than the 1980

U.S. Olympic Hockey Team, our own **Randall Kempner** is tying the knot. While we don't know **Shannon Trilli** just yet my bet is that if she nabbed our **Randall** she was certainly able to color in the lines before age 4 (ask **Randall**). Indeed, **Randall** assures me he is marrying up this October in Galveston. **Shannon**, a big warm welcome to the PA '87 Family!

**Dale Mohammed** traveled to Budapest, Hungary and with her duet partner **Harvey Burgett** were the first ever Gold Medalists in Mixed Duet in Synchronized Swimming at a FINA World Masters Meet. Very cool!

**Janet Clarkson Davis** is heading out of Dallas and moving to Rye, NH in 2018 thanks to summer visits with Rye residents and members of the Great Class of PA 1955 (namely **Steve Clarkson '55** and **John Doykos '55**) and other innumerable PA alumni **Doyki**. **Janet** also reports that husband “**Wyatt** is looking forward to learning how to cross country ski and to bringing his brisket-smoking prowess to old and new friends in the area.”

For all of you who missed reunion, or did not stay up late enough, **Christina Smith-Gajadhar** reminded me that, “in addition to how great it was to reconnect and connect with some people I barely knew back in '87 but had lots of fun with in '17 at reunion, the best line of reunion was the reassurance that the brownies being passed around at the '87/'82 after-party weren't made with pot.” Like **Christina** I wouldn't have thought to ask, but as she also said “there were a lot of disbelieving chuckles.”

**Laura Robertson** also reported having a great time at reunion. Upon returning home to Shepherdstown, WV, she got busy quilting. In addition to teaching biology at Shepherd University, **Laura** is an exceptional quilter. Take a moment and check out this link to the quilting project she contributed to called Inspired by the National Parks at [http://www.npscentennialquilts.com/p/blog-page\\_26.html](http://www.npscentennialquilts.com/p/blog-page_26.html). While it does not have pictures, the quilts are travelling around the country for a few years and that link provides a calendar of locations for viewing. **Laura** sent me a few pictures of her quilts (the firefly one was awesome) so I really encourage each of you to see if you can check out her beautiful work in person if possible.

**Catherine Leclair** wrote in to both rejoice in the arrival of her older step-son's third child (yes, she is a grandmother) and the fact that her own daughter **Elisabeth** is in her final year at high school in Nantes. **Catherine** is continuing to teach English and organize student trips to England. She extends her well wishes to all and says anyone visiting “**Brittany** during the summer” is always welcome to stop by for a visit.

**Stephanie Jones** reported in from the front lines of education. She is a newly minted professor of education (July 2017) at the Harvard Graduate School of Education working on social, emotional, and behavioral development from early childhood through adolescence, and related preschool and school-focused interventions. When she wrote me (remember I get note submissions months in

advance) she was taking a break from sitting with her 11-year-old son Henry as he finished his summer math work two days before school begins. No report where Helen (14) and husband Matthew Buckley were at the time. But I do know the day she wrote was beautiful here in Boston so we can only hope they were out enjoying the blue skies!

**Chris Christo** told me he caught up with **Greg Shufro** in NYC “over breakfast to solve the problems of the world...” Unfortunately, Chris gave no specifics on the solutions. Greg, care to chime in?

**Jon Pedicino**, Astronomy Professor extraordinaire at College of the Redwoods, reports he will return to PA to teach summer session Astronomy again next year for the ninth summer (!) and is, as always, looking forward to hanging out with local classmates **Ian Davis** and **Steve Dimitriou** for pick-up basketball and Red Sox games.

**Anne Johnson** wrote in from California with tales of 5k training with Anne Pearson ‘86 “her bestie from SYA” (that quote totally made me smile) and now regular run ins with (another wonderful how could we not print it quote “She remains an elegant beauty”) **Daphne Edwards** on a beach in Mexico.

**Posy Stone** reported in from Hollywood East (aka Chapel Hill) that she just finished her fourth documentary about an amazing artist named Elizabeth King. Film festivals next spring! Posy also happily reported spending time with **Elizabeth McPhillips Stringer** fairly often and recently had a get together with **David Kaiser** (along with his two young kids) for the first time in many years.

David for his part is doing meaningful work in a number of places. One is called Just Detention, a non-profit working to end physical abuse in the prison system (<http://justdetention.org/>). Another is helping spearhead an investigative journalism project to determine what Exxon and other U.S. oil companies really knew about climate science (<http://tinyurl.com/DavidKaiser>). Go David!

**Kirstin Hofer**, like many, lamented missing reunion but did connect with **Gretchen Ostherr** at Gretchen’s wedding in Maine in July. This mini-reunion also included **Cynthia Dow** and **Ann Curtis**. Congrats to you Gretchen! Please send details when you can.

**Charles Mathewes** scribed, as always, a wonderful update that I had to drastically reduce to fit into a 1,100-word limit. In summary, from his post as a Professor at UVA in Charlottesville. Charles was three blocks away from the summer’s tragedy: “I’ve been impressed at how much good energy, and how much kindness, and how much bravery, have been shown by everyday folks... I wish people around the country could see that, and not simply take lessons of fear and horror from what happened. For when fascists descend on your town, you may be surprised at how vividly some people will come together, from all walks of life, to try to stop them, and to be with each other in the wake of violence.”

Let us end with that. And go forth accordingly—every day is a beginning to make more positivity in the world. *Finis origine pendet* indeed.

## 1988 30th REUNION

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Greetings! I write you on Labor Day, reflecting on a sweet summer with my boys. A highlight was our visit to the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, MA. **Brennen Keefe** and his wife also had a great summer following Hemingway’s footsteps from his hometown of Oak Park, IL, to Petosky, MI and up to the Grand Hotel on Mackinaw Island. They also made a trip out west to visit friends who took them to see giant redwoods and Big Sur. On their way back to the airport on Route 1, they stopped in Pacifica, CA at “the coolest Taco Bell in America where you can eat on the porch and see surfers and humpback whales.”

**Chris Sapuppo** writes from Austin where he recently started his own contracting business. In addition to small contracting jobs, he is currently building three tiny homes. **Grace La’s** architecture practice, LA DALLMAN, has opened a new branch office in Boston, which will now serve as their primary headquarters. Also, the Boston Society of Architects recently awarded them 2017 BSA Unbuilt Design Awards for their projects, Waterlily Landing and Floating Gardens, both civic space projects in Wisconsin. Grace is happy to be back in New England and within a short drive to Andover.

**Guenter Meyer** is happy to report that his son, Alex ‘20, will join the Andover class of 2020 this fall, following his sister, Darcy ‘18, who will graduate this spring 2018. Another parent of two high schoolers, **Shannon Meyer**, has Toby (11th grade) and Cassidy (9th) who attend Colorado Rocky Mountain School where Shannon’s husband Dave (“of 21 years—we met at Bowdoin my freshman year!”) teaches history, rock climbing and skiing. Toby is a passionate rock climber (top 10 in the state league) and Cassidy is a runner, soccer player and social activist. Cassidy and three friends just convinced our town trustees to designate Carbondale, CO a safe city for immigrants. I am still

working with land trusts across the southwest and California as a Senior Program Manager with the Land Trust Alliance.

**Paula Hornbostel** writes, “I have been busy with the work of Gaston Lachaise, and John and I have the pleasure of three daughters. They will all be together this year at St. Mark’s School, and are all following their mum and playing squash—I will always remember Mr. Hannah (RIP). We made a family trip out of college visits for the eldest and got to see the solar eclipse along the way! Love keeping up with so many of my classmates on Facebook!”

**Tory Stewart** is still in Los Angeles with her two kids, Silas and Maddy, and her husband, Cory. She does not see many Andover alumni, and would love to, so give a shout-out if you are in town. If any Andover folks are in the Omaha area, Tori’s play *The Meaning of Maggie* will be playing at the Rose Theater in January 2018.

Another literary talent, **Elee Kraljii Gardiner**, saw **Chris Wiedemann** and **John Kline** in NYC when she came east from Vancouver in June with her son (who shares a first name with **Ivar Bazy**.) The Ice Theatre of New York performed a choreography at Chelsea Piers of one of the poems from her book *Serpentine Loop*. Elee says, “Our mini reunion was superb and so silly! And later in the summer my other child, Bea, got to meet **Aisha Jorge Massengill** and **Terri Stroud** when we were in Bethesda for her to do an medical internship at Walter Reed. The four of us went for brunch and I can’t describe how amazing it was to have my daughter meet my friends from when I was her age (16). I got close to seeing **J.D. King**, but we chatted instead!”

Aisha graduated from Georgetown with her LLM last spring. Her summer got off to a nice start when she was asked to be the keynote speaker at P.A.’s senior banquet. She notes, “It was really neat because I brought my oldest son with me so that he could see PA as a young man and that his mom kinda used to be a big deal in high school. Lol. That set off a series of road trips with me and my youngin’ doing football camps and taking college tours up and down the northeast. (I am ready, but not ready for him to leave.)” Aisha capped off her summer by completing the Iron Girl Triathlon Sprint near her home in Maryland.

**Peter Reese** and his family have moved to Paris, France for a year. He is on sabbatical at Necker Hospital and engaged in kidney transplant research. His wife, Nazanin, is working on painting and drawing, and their children (Roya–3, Cyrus–9, Ryan–5) are attending school. They are greatly enjoying the French food. Peter encourages old friends from Andover to connect with him if they are in the area. **Allison Picott** and her husband Michael have made a more permanent move. As they are now empty nesters, they have left the suburb of Concord, MA for an apartment in Boston’s South End.

Adding to the nest is **Craig Phillips**. He and his wife Caroline happily welcomed their second daughter, Catherine, last December. Three-year-old

Charlotte, her older sister, is happily adjusting. Craig and his family live in NYC where he works for the cable company, Charter.

Foxcroft South had a mini reunion in NYC last spring, even making the Jumbotron at Yankee stadium while attending a professional soccer game. **Nick Sims** reports that they were hosted by Bob Gibbons '89, and they had a great dinner and a spirited political debate over the course of the weekend. (In attendance: Peter Reese, **Dave Richeson**, Ivar Bazy, **Eza Gadson**, Nick, Bob, Ted Helprin '89, Ed Jasaitis '89, and James McClain '89.)

**Doug D'Agata** shared that the football team from our senior year will gather for the 30th anniversary of Andover's victory over Exeter. They will attend this fall's game and then dine at The Andover Inn. Speaking of 30th anniversaries, we have a little something coming up this June on the hill. I actually have the t-shirt from the aforementioned football game and may dig it out for the weekend. **Jed Gore** encourages us to come to the reunion, where he hopes to contribute to a live music set with other classmates. Jed also wrote that **Corey Rateau** will be deejaying. You will not want to miss this! Looking forward to seeing everyone in June. Until then, may you be peaceful and well.

Best, Laura

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A lot of food news to report this quarter.

Resident Nebraskan **Jennifer Amis** took time away from her native corn to enjoy oysters—lots of oysters—and wine in New York City with **Joe Bae**, **Burke Gibney**, **Erik Moody**, **Michelle Pae**, **Seth Schiesel**, **Chris Swihart**, and **Laura Vinroot Poole**! Noticeably absent from the NYC crew, among others, was **Ricky Shin**, who moved this

summer with the family to Toronto.

Summer in Skaneateles was unusually active with Andover alums this summer. Although we miss him stateside, it was a rare treat to visit with Ricky and family over ice cream by the lake as they made their long journey. Another unexpected surprise was bumping into Angel Lombardi Przybylowicz '89 in line for coffee at the bakery. Angel and her family live in Olympia, WA where she is a bookkeeper and they visit often with Cheryl Kluck Nizam '89, who lives in the area with her family and works locally as a luthier.

A Class of 1990 fall harvest festival was in the works at the time of this writing. On the menu were tomatoes from **Andrew Case**'s Brooklyn backyard garden and hot peppers—serrano, jalapeno and poblano—from **Susan Marcus**' Brooklyn brownstone rooftop. In the words of her 22-year-old sister, Susan's life is transforming into one long *Portlandia* episode.

Determined not to let us forget his southern roots, **Hamlin O'Kelley** has promised us all Okra, lot's of Okra. And I'm hoping he'll make us some of those cheese stick things he's always posting on Facebook and Instagram. Reunion 2020 menu perhaps?

Back in New York City, **Jake Barton** shared his experience designing the 9/11 Memorial and museum at the 7th Annual Day of Remembrance, a day devoted to remembering **Todd Isaac** and **Stacey Sanders** '94. In the words of Guest of Honor Cathy Royal: "Jake has created space to help heal the world, not just our Andover, New York, or U.S. communities."

Exciting career news from campus! After a national search, Andover has hired our very own **Jessica Herbster** as general counsel, proving once again that the Class of 1990 is the greatest ever.

Congrats also to **Sanders Adu**, who welcomed twin boys Landon and Grayson to the family April 7! Looking forward to meeting them at Reunion 2020!

**Alex Radocchia Zealand** and her brother Peter Radocchia '94 caught up with **Robin Hessman** and her mother and children at the family's property in Bennington, VT while Robin was passing through on her summer adventures.

Back out West, so wonderful to see **Valerie Moon** and **Libby Yatsu Hsu** reconnecting on the streets of San Mateo. Both have promised **Meredith Persily Lamel** that they will make it to the next reunion.

In Oakland, **Gretchen Whittier** is considering starting an IndieGoGo campaign titled "Fund Gretchen's Early Retirement So She Can Travel With Wanda Mann." We might need to expand that to "Fund the Class of 1990's Early Retirement." Seriously. Wonderful to see Wanda's posts from wineries far and wide. Gretchen reports connecting briefly with **Chris Brookfield** last summer but couldn't quite manage a face-to-face get together.

From down under, **Alastair Bor** managed to make us all smile last summer. With inspiration from **Michael Hurt**, Alastair created a digital

a copy of our video yearbook. Just about everyone makes an appearance in some form or another. If there is one thing we learned from this video—possibly Emmy award-winning **Alexandra Shapiro**'s first producing credit—it's this: we loved bulky sweaters and sweatshirts. And we had HAIR, lots and lots of HAIR. Word has it that Laura Vinroot Poole will help us relive our geek chic days (h/t **Imani Moody**) by recreating those awesome sweatshirts and sweatpants for Reunion 2020. If you want to take a trip down memory lane, the Videovation yearbook is on YouTube at: <https://youtu.be/iPhAQmaxV8Yk>.

What better way to wait out a Hurricane's pending arrival than channeling your inner cool hosting live music in your home, especially when that music is Andover music. **Anne Wolfe Postic** welcomed When Particles Collide, fronted by Sasha Alcott '91 for an hour of live acoustic music in her Columbia, SC home. Sasha and band, comprised of herself and her husband, are touring the country as she recovers from her recent stint as an Exeter chemistry teacher.

Happy to hear that **Adam Butler** is back in the D.C. area for the next few years. Adam is looking forward to catching up with classmates.

That's it from the Finger Lakes. Hoping I'll see everyone soon!

Tom

## 1991

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A week after I submitted our last batch of class notes, I saw a picture of **Shane Cooper LaPointe** and **Cristobel von Walstrom**, who had piloted a small plane to New Hampshire to see Shane. Now that's keeping in touch! This recent call for notes yielded tons, including a pic of **Josh Tulgan**'s adorable puppy Greta. Here's the latest:

**Amy O'Neal Nylen** is in her 22nd year of teaching seventh grade English and Washington state history in Ferndale, WA. She writes: "This is a golden year because my son is a seventh-grader, so I will be immersed in adolescent energy 24/7. Oh my nerves!" Her daughter in fifth grade has Amy's husband as a teacher, too. The Nylens raise their family on a hobby farm with 18 sheep, two dozen chickens, and a guard llama. They've hosted **Mike Blanton** and family for summer sojourns in Seattle and see **Jessica Gonzalez** when she visits the nearby BP refinery.

**Rachel Antony** sends greetings from New Zealand, where **Antonia Murphy** also lives. Rachel heads a documentary and drama production company, Greenstone, working mostly in New Zealand and Australia with shows selling around the world. She saw **Rob Kaplowitz** and **Julia Bloch** in Philadelphia in early '17. Rob shares that his son

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Celebrating 3s and 8s on June 8–10.

celebrated turning 10 with a massive paintball battle and is in fourth grade. Rob's opera "We Shall Not Be Moved" was slated to appear at the Apollo last fall. His wife is Artistic Director of Philadelphia's Shakespeare in Clark Park. Their family spent a week with T.K. Baltimore '92's family last summer. It's Julia Bloch's third year as director of the creative writing Program at Penn. In 2017, she won a Pew Fellowship in the Arts, which she's using to finish her third book of poetry. **Martha Frahm** keeps in touch with Julia, Rachel, **Dave Landreth**, **Senia Maymin**, and **Karen Wachs**. Martha works as an attorney and lives with her husband, Tim, and their three boys in Winchester.

**Fred Medick** and family live in Newbury Park, CA where Fred has worked at Amgen ever since leaving DOJ two years ago. He and his wife recently welcomed their third child (all girls). Fred loves running like he did at Andover and is training for a half marathon.

**Stephen Matloff** and **Taimur Hadi** reached out when they planned to connect in LA. Taimur lives in Dubai, his hometown, where he runs his own private equity advisory firm. He recently caught up with **Richard Arnholt** and **Desmond Butler** in D.C.. Taimur's daughter Kinza started kindergarten; he also has two-year-old Hamza.

**Sara Su Jones** enjoys a dual career as an independent educational coach and as a solo violinist, performing most often with her partner, Dennis Moore, a classical-music radio host at WFMT. She gives her debut performance in Copenhagen in 2018. She notes, "the best part of my musical life, however, is my weekly violin lesson with Mark Zinger, my 93-year-old teacher who has taught me since I was seven and who is like a father to me." Sara and Dennis are co-leading a WFMT/Earthbound Expeditions trip to Denmark and Iceland in June 2018. Contact her for information if you are interested!

**Kinn-Ming Chan de Velarde** and kids, 10-year-old Bo in fifth grade, and 7-year-old Ahn in second grade, live in Kalamazoo, exactly halfway between Chicago and Detroit. For any rabid cyclists, the only three-century Make-A-Wish ride goes from Traverse City to Jackson and just marked its 30th year, with Bo as a wish hero at the finish line.

**Victor M Mejia's** wife Julia gave birth to their third child, Harper Rose, in August, joining proud big brothers Sebastian, five, and Oliver, three. Victor has been featured in his hospital's marketing campaign for their cardiovascular services, as you might have seen on an I-95 billboard in Connecticut.

**Tina Mosca McNerthney** wrote as Oregon was burning. Her family owns a home in the Columbia

River Gorge, fortunately spared by the fires. Tina and her husband are officially empty-nesters as her stepson graduated from high school and her stepdaughter graduated from college last summer. They hope to relocate to a quieter neighborhood with a bigger yard for their two dogs.

**Kristin MacQuarrie** lives in Brooklyn with her husband, their 12-year-old son, 10-year-old daughter, and their dog. Kristin has worked part-time at American Express since her son was born. Her brother moved to the town of Andover last year so she's enjoyed visiting.

**Josh Russo**, wife, and daughters Greta (fifth grade) and Bianca (ninth grade) live in Huntsville, AL. Josh is a project manager who spends his spare time fixing things around the house, tinkering with cars and motorcycles, and building things out of other things. He aims to reunite the Deep(ish) South Contingent of the class, including **Alyssa Sullivan Volker** and **Eric Stockman**.

**Tina Hoerkens Walker** lives in Indianapolis with her husband and their twins, who are now in third grade. She works from home as an insurance product compliance analyst and chairs various activities/ministries at school and church. They have a new Parson Russell terrier puppy, Frankie, and are about to add another. Tina caught up with **Sasha Alcott** and her husband Chris Viner in July what Sasha and Chris' band When Particles Collide played Indy. Tina and her family travel to her native Bahamas a couple of times a year and to England to visit family, noting: "my kids can rock a British accent, love sand between their toes, and are corn-shucking experts." Sounds like a wonderful blend! Speaking of Sasha, she had shows scheduled for Anne Wolfe Postic '90's house in Columbia, NC and for Eric Stockman's house in Birmingham. She anticipated seeing **Zander M. Evans** and his wife Emily and their two kids in Santa Fe in fall too. Zander is the executive director of the Forest Stewards Guild, which practices and promotes ecological forestry across the country.

**Francisco Xavier Contreras** and his family moved back to their hometown, Monterrey, Mexico last January after 10 years of living abroad, marking his third move with Imerys in the seven years he's worked with them, and the first time he's been responsible for the operations in one country. He and Veronica have four kids in school, 7-year-old Mateo in second grade, 6-year-old twins Pablo and Gabriel in kindergarten, and 21-month-old Santiago in nursery school. He's in touch with **Sandeep Mammen**, **Gant Asbury**, and **James H. Elkus**.

**Kathleen Wolf** lives outside Washington, D.C. with her three daughters, ages 8, 6, and 4. She works in business strategy and operations in infectious disease/vaccines at a biotech and coordinates a fun, local kids' running series 10 weekends a year. She goes to D.C. alumni events whenever she can and received a visit from **Maura McGrail Dunn** and family last summer, then visited **Amy Smith Lieb** during a vacation in Massachusetts. **Donna Coppola** loved seeing Amy play bass with a band from the #ladiesrock

supporters of the Girls Rock Campaign Boston. Donna, her husband Fish, and their cat live in Boston where Donna cooks for work, crafts pottery, and plays in the Gamelan Laras Tentrem—a community group performing traditional Javanese music. Donna enjoyed a day at the beach last summer with **Sandy Miller** and her girls. She also saw **Jennifer Wu Hernandez** and husband Archie in LA in June, as well as **Diana Zipeto**, who lives in Lowell, MA, in the midst of big brick buildings and a vibrant arts community. Diana's showing a lot of paintings, curating group shows, and submitting grant applications.

**Nate Lamkin** and family have settled in Timnath, CO where Nate is president of Pathways while his wife Leah works as a project architect for Vaught Frye Larson Architects. Daughters Gershona and Miriam started fourth grade and kindergarten respectively. The family adopted Diesel, a 4-year-old Lab/Rottweiler mix. Nate writes, "We are loving our new life here along Colorado's Front Range; it's been a transformational quality of life move for us."

**Samantha Hollomon** lives on Maryland's eastern shore with her two sons, ages 11 and 13. Her architectural lighting design firm recently completed the University of Maryland Cole Fieldhouse (NCAA DI and a Big 10 football practice facility) renovation project.

**Millicent King Channell** lives in Philly with her 11-year-old son Seamus. Millie works in South Jersey as a curriculum dean at a medical school. Last year, she taught two manipulation courses at hospitals in Shanghai and Suzhou, bringing her son along with her.

**John Orsmond** retired from the Marine Corps and now works as a project manager for SimVentions in Fredericksburg, VA. He and wife Catherine dote on their nieces, nephews, and four-legged children—a "truly retired" horse, a wonderful dog, Casey, and a new horse, Paddy, an Irish thoroughbred race horse.

What a wonderful flood of news. Keep it coming on our Facebook page! Best wishes for a peaceful winter.

## 1992

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Memories of our 25th Reunion are still fresh in my mind as I compose these first notes as one of your newly installed class secretaries. It was wonderful to see so many of you and your beautiful families on campus in June. I hope to see even more of you in five years at our 30th!

I'd like to begin by publicly thanking our outgoing class secretary **Allen Soong** for doing an outstanding job these past five years, as well as for organizing and moderating a fantastic panel at reunion. He will continue to serve our class by

teaming up with **Nicole Quinlan** in leading the planning for our next reunion in (gasp) 2022.

Allen and Nicole have their work cut out for them after the fantastic job that **Christy Wood** and **Todd Lubin** did in leading the planning committee for our 25th. On behalf of all of our classmates, thank you to Christy, Todd, and all of the members of the reunion planning committee. We'd especially like to thank **William "Billy" Kheel** for the awesome Gunga design that graced our reunion t-shirts and tote bags. Well done, sir!

Reunion weekend was certainly one to remember. Among the highlights was **Jenny Elkus'** report on the generosity our class showed in raising this year's reunion gift. The moment, of course, was punctuated by **Jeff Bennett** leading an auction for an opportunity to give **Dylan Seff** a long anticipated pie in the face. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Seff for being such good sports, and to **Jeff** and **Jonathan Neil** for stepping up and winning the challenge.

It was so hard to leave campus on Sunday, after having spent the weekend with so many of you, some of whom I hadn't seen since graduation. I look forward to keeping in touch in the years to come via these notes. Thank you to all of you who have checked in over the past couple of months.

**Andrew Zurcher** sent word from England, where he's a Fellow in English at the University of Cambridge. **Richard Ambrose** made an appearance at reunion after recently welcoming child number four into the fold. The stork also recently visited **Anant Raut** and wife Katie, who welcomed their first son in August. Anant reports that he said hello to his son with a rendition of "Wouldn't You Rather be at Andover," so the torch is indeed being passed!

In other news, **Tanya Konarkowski Boland** is embracing a new career and a new home, having recently moved from Connecticut to Utah. **Katie Porter**, who teaches law at UC Irvine, wrote in to let us know that she is currently campaigning to represent California's 45th congressional district in the U.S. Congress. Good luck, Katie!

It's been a real treat to see so many of our classmates connecting around the country at informal "mini reunion" events and outings. I had the pleasure of hosting one such event earlier this year at Union Oyster House in Boston. **Alex McCollom**, **Nicole Quinlan**, **Sherri Shafman**, **Sookyung Shin**, **Amanda Dale Smith**, and **Jon Odo '91** were all in attendance. Nicole also reported that she and **Jen Daily** met up in Maine with **Ellie Miller**. **Allyson Ford** made her way to D.C. this summer with her eldest daughter. I spent a lovely Sunday afternoon sightseeing with the two of them. **Barry Bhola** also stopped by in September, during a short visit from Trinidad to attend a friend's wedding. Finally, **Daphne Matalene** and **Tracey Mullings Reed** were spotted sipping cocktails together in the class Facebook news feed.

In addition to myself and **Kate Seward** as your new secretaries, and Allen and Nicole as reunion chairs, your new slate of class officers includes **Berit Champion** and **Kristin Howard** as class

agents, and **Jeff Bennett** as class president. We look forward to serving you over the next several years and always welcome your input. We also hope to see many of you on campus in April for a special celebration in honor of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Afro-Latino American Society. Visit the alumni events page at [andover.edu](http://andover.edu) for more information. Take care, and keep in touch!

## 1993 25th REUNION

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Among the many joys of being class secretary with **Susannah Smoot Campbell** and **Ted Gesing** for the past five years, I've noticed that a pattern has emerged: I'm always writing these notes as the US Open is going on at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in New York. I didn't play tennis at Andover—the tennis season conflicted with the softball season—but I wish I could have!

**Brooke Peelle Guthrie** suggested that we go to see the Open in 2018, an idea I quite like!

**Satie Gossett**, who is a high school digital media production and film studies teacher in Los Angeles, attended the wedding of Maurice Henderson in Portland, OR in July where there was a Stowe House reunion of **Reese Hamilton**, **Oba Davis**, and **Berk Nelson '94**. **Willie Tate '90** and **Leah Henderson '94** were also in attendance.

**Anya Yankelevich** has been living in the Denver area since 1994 and reports, "I'm in my 14th year of teaching at the elementary level, working on paying down my mortgage, and attempting to guide my newly graduated son, Jake, through the twists and turns of adult choice-making (which may not be a word, but I think might still make sense to English speakers.)"

**David Lai** sent an update to say he'll "be cycling 630 miles from San Francisco to Los Angeles to raise money for cancer research (City of Hope) in October for a group called the Fireflies." It's his fourth time riding with them. He said he "started cycling at Andover and never stopped since!"

In other cycling and long-distance athleticism news, **Amy Carr Lux** wrote with this info: "I did my first triathlon in October 2016 and that developed into several races since! Only one other triathlon (two weeks ago) but also the Austin Half Marathon and a slew of trail races. The trail races are my

fave—running in the woods really helps me check out. I enjoy the environment so much that I don't even realize I'm running. In two weeks I am running Sky Island, the season opener for my trail club, which takes place in the Davis Mountains in Texas. On another note of firsts—I bought a house in Austin that I am loving. I am a year-and-a-half in and about to do some pretty exciting remodeling. For yet another new avenue, I took a break from running my own company to work for an architectural lighting manufacturer which is quite different than the concert touring life I was managing before. I still travel a lot as I am in charge of the training program but it's rarely more than a week at a time and I am always home for the weekends, which is a nice change. Looking forward to seeing you and our classmates at the reunion next year!"

In June, **Akash Kapur** and **Dan O'Keefe** hosted what sounded like an amusing evening at the Harvard Club in NYC. No pictures were taken so it's like a throwback to a time before the advent of the camera-equipped cellphone. There is some evidence that **Ted Gesing**, **Steph Johnes**, **Melissa Johnson**, **Michael Corkery**, **Deepak Sharma**, **Renita Kundu**, and **Jon Buono** all took part in the fun.

**Chris Hawley** e-mailed to say he'd just returned from Colorado. "I saw **Fred Terry** at our Fox Theatre show in Boulder. I've been trying to tour almost nonstop since the release of my eighth album, *Stories*, in June. It's available on all of the usual digital outlets including Spotify, YouTube, and iTunes. This year marks my twentieth year practicing yoga thanks to **Jamie Wolkenbreit**, who taught me probably my greatest lesson ever when he took me to a Bikram yoga class in 1997. I've also produced five festivals in the last year-and-a-half at a private hot springs in Paso Robles, CA. I've combined a few of my favorite things to create this festival, hence the name—Folk-n-Soak Music/Hot Springs/Yoga/Camping Festival. The Fall Soak should be in October. Please connect on social media to hear more about it."

**Zeke Farrow** says, "You can watch my last feature film, *Before the Sun Explodes*, on Amazon or iTunes. Just do it." [Class secretary note: Yes! You really should!] "And then give me lots of stars and find something nice to say even if you don't mean it. I just finished writing, directing, and starring in a new film about a doomsday escape plan that goes wrong at the dawn of the apocalypse. I'm looking forward to shooting my teen comedy, *F\*\*k Facebook*, in early 2018. I love keeping up with people on Facebook, so feel free to reach out and say hi or to write something nice to me on my timeline."

**Christine Bergren Orr** continues to advocate passionately for her son and others like him who are Type A Severe Hemophiliacs. Just before these notes were due she was published in the *North Bay Business Journal*, writing about promising new innovations to help patients like her son. I've also seen moving speeches she has delivered to large organizations about the disorder. Very inspiring!

**Lauren Feldman Smith** sent word that **Justin Simons** and his family made it through

Hurricane Harvey unscathed. Phew! As I write this, Irma is about to make landfall in Puerto Rico. These are extreme times we live in.

I hope you've all marked the date June 8–10 for our 25th Reunion. I know I'm looking forward to being back on campus and hanging out on the Tucker House porch to watch the sunlight drift down on Isham Field. But mainly I'm excited to see all of you—so please don't miss it!

## 1994

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I messed up. I botched the deadline for this installment of Class Notes (sort of in my defense is that the semester is just starting up, which, coincidentally, was what made my brain say, “self, aren't Class Notes usually due around the start of the semester?”). I provide this brief rundown of our class's activities with my apologies, then.

Perhaps most importantly, **Joanna Slimmer** wrote from Houston. These notes are being drafted after Hurricane Harvey has inundated much of coastal Texas, and just as Hurricanes Irma, José, and Katia threaten the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico. She made it through the storm OK, but her added point is certainly worth sharing here. A lot of us have friends and family who are in the path of these increasingly turbulent storms, yet by the time you read these notes these places will most likely be out of the news. But what a hurricane can do in a day takes months and years to undo. She recommended donating to the Houston Food Bank or Feeding Texas and I second that sort of action. People will still have lost everything and they will still be on a slow path toward recovery, even though hurricane season 2017 will have been replaced  $n$  times over by new shiny objects in our news cycle.

Earlier in the summer **Jacob Porter** shared news that his Annapolis classmate, **Becky Dowling Calder**, was featured in a “Veteran of the Month” profile in *Parade Magazine* written by **Christine Yu**. Many of us are already familiar with Becky's astonishing career, including being the first woman to complete the U.S. Navy's Fighter Weapons School—aka Top Gun—she has, after all, been profiled in these very pages. Christine reported in *Parade* that Becky is getting ready to retire from the Navy and that she's raising two children in Arlington, VA.

**Bryan Seabury** wrote about the *Dynasty* reboot he has been working on as the head of drama development at CBS Studios, a position he has held for just over a year. Bryan was eager to point out a PA connection—Lis Rowinski '96 is one of the producers. They worked on the script together and the show was shot in Atlanta. Speaking of Atlanta, **Greg Whitmore** wrote to me to say that he's now a resident there, having moved from Seattle. I expect

more news from him soon.

**Merry Rose** wrote from Massachusetts where she fulfilled a lifelong dream of playing in an Andover soccer reunion game. She used her self-deprecating about being the unequivocally worst player on the pitch as an opportunity to—oh by the way—let me know she'd given birth to a little girl only three months before.

**Marta Rivera Monclova** wrote to say she's finally sticking her head above water after a rough two-and-a-half years. She is auditing a course at Harvard Divinity School and she reminded me of the school's historic connections to PA through the Andover Theological Seminary. She also acquired a puppy, Labrys, and fantasizes about moving to central Massachusetts, perhaps following **Katherine Wrobel Blitzblau's** lead. Katherine wrote to let me know that she had another baby last December a few weeks after moving to an old New England house full of spiders in Lexington. No ghosts, however. She added that she looks forward to turning her children into Revolutionary War reenactors who get to participate in the Patriot's Day festivities.

Finally, and without a convenient thematic thread to link it to the previous notes, **Wilson Lihn** wrote from London. He moved there recently and has already noticed accents emerging among his three children. He added that he and **Elliott Blanchard** were going to do some fjord exploring in Norway soon and encouraged anyone in London (or on their way through) to look him up and get in touch.

That's all for this time. Stay safe, and please join our Facebook group <http://tinyurl.com/pa94fb>.

## 1995

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As those of you who follow our class news on Facebook already know, our friend and classmate **Katy Hsieh** passed away suddenly in September. After making the big leap to Andover from Taiwan, Katy headed off to Johns Hopkins University where she was an academic superstar and the recipient of the Provost's Award for her writing. Next stop: the University of Maryland for her MBA, and, ultimately almost a decade at Sinestra, a Baltimore company focused on corporate and financial strategy, where she served as both the CEO and

CFO. Deeply loved by what one of our classmates called a veritable army of friends and colleagues, Katy was passionate about music, non-fiction and the Baltimore Ravens, a karaoke virtuoso, and a great friend. She is already, and will continue to be, deeply missed. If anyone has thoughts or memories they'd like to share, we'd be very glad to put them in the next edition of the Notes.

Hear ye, hear ye, it's been quite a summer and quite a year for so many. First, our thoughts and prayers and recovery efforts go out to all affected by the treacherous natural disasters that ravaged places like Texas, Louisiana, India, Pakistan and more. Many of our classmates and their families either live in and/or are from the states of Texas and Louisiana and we are happy to report that everyone, thus far, has made it through Hurricane Harvey unscathed, for the most part. And as I write, we are preparing in Florida and the Caribbean for whatever Hurricane Irma might bring.

**Benjamin Cathcart** is working hard in Los Angeles to make your and yours' television commercial breaks, features and programming as exciting as possible. Coming up on five years in the DGA and still going Guild strong. His sister and her family have made it through in Houston his heart goes out to all living in that region. He extends his thanks to all those aiding in that struggle as well which is a true display of our school's motto, *non sibi*.

On the same subject, **Lon Haber** recently met up with **Eric Ray** in Miami for lunch with Stefano de Stefano '00 who is a senatorial candidate fighting the good fight and working to beat Ted Cruz in the primaries. As soon as Stefano left Miami for Houston, his home, the storm hit and from day 1 initiated his Non-Sibi superhero powers to aid his fellow Houstonians in the rescue efforts, interfacing with FEMA, translating for Spanish-speakers and the list goes on and on.

Lon is, as usual, on the film festival circuit with all sorts of name-droppers, hitting up Venice, Toronto and a few more before the year is over and is making plans to relocate his main residence to New York by early of 2018. Eric is a partner at Holland and Knight in Miami and is happily married with a beautiful baby girl and another on the way. He travels the world often, counseling some of the world's most interesting and powerful people and companies that drive the global economy.

**Candice Koo** left Hermes last year after a very impressive run to start a mobile pay company with her husband, focused on QR code technology. The company is looking to add eager staff members to their team in Bangkok, so if you or someone you know might be interested please drop a line. To add to the excitement of founding a fin-tech company and setting up shop, Candice and family moved to Bangkok from Paris, and welcomed a baby girl (their third child) in July.

**Erik Campano** has settled into Umeå, Sweden, and by the time this is published there should be a couple feet of snow on the ground. This place is so peaceful and ecological—the water and air are

so clean—and the sunsets are so magnificent, you really have to see it to believe it. Word has it he's been sleeping under the Northern Lights.

**Elizabeth Campbell Kelly** reported that she and hers are doing great. She's celebrating her one-year anniversary for her company, Hudson Garden Studio, has installed a few gardens big and small this year and is gearing up for the start of a new season. She's been focusing on native plants and ecological plant communities. Her son, Eli, is already going into first grade and daughter Eve is starting nursery school.

**Alexandra London-Thompson** is still working as the Director of Drama at Miss Porter's, and this past week also signed on as the Executive Director of the Chilmark Community Center (an organization running a camp and wonderful summer events for the entire family on Martha's Vineyard). Her husband, Peter Stray, finished his first film, *Canaries*, as writer and director - it premiered at FrightFest in London to high acclaim. Their son Jasper just started first grade at his performing arts school. The family had an amazing summer on Martha's Vineyard, in London, and spending a week at the Edinburgh Fringe watching as much theatre as possible. Not is Alexandra excited that his first film is done and making the festival circuit, but it has given her the opportunity to reconnect with Lon, who has generously been advising us on possible film festivals and distribution.

**Margot Stiles** went to a conference in China for work (on ocean conservation), and passed through Hong Kong, where she had a lovely reunion **Janet Pau** and **Chris Woo**. The group had a great time swapping adventure stories, and eating delicious food (because, Hong Kong).

**Frank Georges** just started a new job as an assistant teaching professor at Northeastern University in the Economics department. I'm glad to be back in Boston and am teaching three new classes.

**Kira Kimble** is working as a doula in Charlotte, NC. Occasionally, she has the opportunity to work alongside Anayah Barney Sangodele-Ayoka '00 who is a midwife there.

**Rafi Kalichstein** and husband Josh Rose's FORM Design Studio is beginning an exciting project in Miami and is continuing to work in TX and CA, as well. Their daughter Skylar has just been accepted to a new contemporary/ballet company and is studying dance with some extraordinary people: they are very proud! Skylar has just begun school at the Marlborough school, 7th grade. New adventures. Her parents are entrenched in the all-too-thick waters of the digital age (as she has just gotten a phone!). Life is so much more complicated for our children than it was for us, Rafi reports. He and Josh have been SCUBA diving a lot from Catalina to Tahiti. They are taking Skylar to Israel for a cultural Bat-Mitzvah experience next March.

**Melissa Weste Gaydon** has been busy running her cupcake business, Kiss My Cupcake, with husband, Dan in Australia. It has been keeping the gang busy in an enjoyable way. She has also gotten

back into horse riding, especially sporting. The best thing about the sport as opposed to dressage is that she can ride with her entire family, which includes her husband and 4 daughters, 2 of which are the age we were when we started at PA! Their eldest, Jocelyn, is 15 in year 10 at school and will get her L-plates next year (learner's permit to drive). She's really a young woman. Then, there's Makayla 13 almost 14 in Year 8 who'd probably love to go to PA if it wasn't half a world away. She's planning on becoming a neurosurgeon. Emily is 10 in Year 5 and plays a mean game of soccer. Danika is 9 in Year 4. She's the actress of the group. Perhaps Lon will find a film for her to star in. Melissa "Weste" misses everyone from PA a lot. She never wants to leave Australia, but wishes it wasn't at the ends of the earth, so she could physically see everyone more often. If you find yourself Down Under, do get in touch!

And that about wraps it up for the class of 1995 this round. For those of you who would like to be included in future class notes, please feel free to contact your class secretaries and we'll make sure you get your close-up, Mr. (and Ms.) DeMille. For now, onwards and upwards! Here's to great friends, the bonds that never break and as always, to you.

## 1996

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We begin this edition of notes with some tragic news. As most of you likely know by now, sadly **Nicholas Rieser** passed away unexpectedly in September from an undiagnosed heart problem. **Sam Dyer** spoke at his service, which was also attended by **Socrates Kakoulides**, **Jon Mohraz**, **Kelley Hicks**, **Shirley Mills**, **Olga Massov**, and **Wick McLean '96**.

After attending Amherst and playing professional minor league hockey, Nick worked in finance in New York since the early 2000s. He leaves behind a wife (Ilene), and twin daughters (Hannah and Lily). We are creating a book of memories for Ilene and the girls. If you have stories

## What's new with you?

Get married?

Move?

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- Visiting [www.andover.edu/alumni/directory](http://www.andover.edu/alumni/directory), and log in to update your information
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and photos of Nick you're able to share, please write it addressed to Hannah and Lily, and message it to Kelley Hicks on Facebook or email [kelly.hicks@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.hicks@gmail.com). Hopefully this book will help his family throughout this incredible loss, by commemorating our experiences with Nick. His family has asked that gifts to Andover be donated in Nick's memory to the Ice Hockey discretion fund.

In other news, our notes are a bit brief this time around, on the tail of our 20th Reunion in June 2017 and the hefty fall class notes that followed.

Earlier in 2017, **Jack Quinlan** joined the San Diego Sheriff Search & Rescue unit along with his horse, Wilmot (no relation to **Wilmot Kidd**), and got engaged to his fiancée, Diana Robbins. Congratulations, Jack! After rolling off his class secretary duties, he continues to volunteer on the Andover Alumni Council and with reunion planning.

**Krystle Dunwell**, spent the Fall counting down the days to the receipt of her MBA at Pepperdine Graziadio School of Business and Management and planning several weeks of celebratory international travel.

**Joaquin Escamille** reported that **Chayapat "Boom Boom" Kambhu** and his wife recently made the move from Hawaii to New York City. We are all looking forward to more of an update from Boom Boom regarding this new chapter for him.

In August, **Julia Galaburda Henderson** and **Andy Henderson** welcomed their third son, Winslow "Win" Henderson. He joins big brothers Silas and Elliott. **Hillary Dresser Seith** made the visit north in no time to welcome the sweet fellow.

**Amy O'Neal** finished her MFA in Writing and Publishing at Vermont College of Fine Arts in the Spring, and is relocating to the Boston area, where she had previously lived for seven years and practiced law. She is awaiting the publication of her first novel.

**Vanessa Buia**, an art advisor based in

New York City's Chelsea neighborhood, was really looking forward to an exciting start to the fall season after an easy, long summer. She had a blast at reunion and is so proud of her fellow alumni and their many accomplishments.

Like many of you, **Elizabeth Hedstrom Henlin** barely made reunion due to other commitments, but she is enjoying connecting with Andover as a resident and mom of townies - including meeting with town leaders on multicultural messaging to kids and neighborhood advocacy around a pending development.

**Elizabeth Greig** just moved back to Miami from North Carolina where she will be on the University of Miami medical faculty and traveling back and forth to Haiti running her NGO, project Medishare. She welcomed baby Alexander and spent the fall getting her 2-year-old Jane adjusted to life on South Beach.

Since reunion Shirley Mills has switched professional gears and started an initiative to increase uterine cancer research and awareness, as the diseases is neither well understood nor well served. She is happy to connect about anything, relating to cancer research and advocacy, or otherwise.

**Debbie Schwartz Debiegun** and **Megan Greene** ran into one another randomly in none other than Ogunquit, ME, as they were both squeezing out the last few moments of New England summer by visiting the coast.

During his summer break from Oregon State University, Professor **Todd Pugatch** and his wife traveled to the East Coast to visit friends and family and to introduce many from the PA '97 family to his beautiful one year old daughter Lena. The Pugatch family visited with **Paul Pennelli**, **Erin Keaney Noonan** and **Pat Noonan**, **David Constantine**, **Tommy Ryan**, as well as **Josh Lemaitre** and **Ali Aiello Lemaitre**. Ali also recently reconnected with **Ida Hattemer-Higgins** on Facebook. Fellow classmates **Dia Draper** and **Kate Crowley Hastings** and others have been very supportive of Ali's work with safer cosmetic products and wellness counseling efforts.

We close out this edition of the Class Notes, with a note from Sam Dyer. We look forward to learning more of your stories, seeing your photos, and staying connected through the PA Class of 1997 Facebook page. Hearing from our special PA '97 family is a positive reminder of the connection we all share. Be well everyone.

To My Andover Family,

This is not the way I wanted to get back in touch with you, but as I get older, I find you must take every opportunity to reconnect.

Nicholas Rieser passed away unexpectedly on September 5, 2017 after suffering a cardiac incident. Nick and I were roommate's senior year and became good friends. Since that time he and I became as close as family. Over the last few years, we traveled together, stood up in each other's weddings, celebrated the birth of our daughters and drank a lot of scotch!

Nick was a 1997 graduate of Phillips Academy Andover. From there he went on to study art history, and most importantly play hockey, at Amherst College. After some time in the minor leagues, Nick found himself working in finance in New York City, where he met his extraordinary wife Ilene and became the very proud father of twin daughters, Hannah and Lily. Those who knew him will know that Nick never shied away from an argument, whether about politics, hockey or religion. He was my brother and I will miss him tremendously.

About my extended Andover family—I've learned so much in the past few days. Jack Quinlan has been great, true to his word, he called regularly to keep an eye on me and help me figure out what I was going to say at Nick's funeral. Jack also made me remember I went to high school with some pretty amazing people.

Socrates Kakoulides is amazing! I honestly thought he was going to be a poet or some writer or philosopher of some description. He's a cardiologist (and former filmmaker) in New York City. After the news of Nick's death, I needed him to explain things to me in a way I could understand ... and he did. However, he wouldn't give me a free "risk analysis", as we were drinking at a bar!

**Jon Morhaz**, Kelley Hicks and Shirley Mills, were a few more friends I had the pleasure of seeing. They showed amazing compassion and strength. McKenna, my 4-year-old, had a fun connection with Kelley, making funny faces and smacking high-fives.

Joaquin Escamille, paid his respects at the funeral and was so gracious. He is doing great for himself in NYC and has not aged a minute! Dorian Gray, eat your heart out!

Then comes **Ethan Doyle**, what a class act. It's been great to get in touch with him. He was also very gracious and gave his condolences.

The biggest lesson I learned through all of this is that we are truly a unique group of people and the compassion, talent, strength, knowledge, and generosity we share is overwhelming. Also, if you go out drinking with Soc in NYC you'll end up bumping into Mike Bloomberg, where upon he will try to set you up with three random women. I think Nick would have liked that story ... I wish he could have been there with us.

Sincerely,  
Sam Dyer '97

## 1998 20th REUNION

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Remember when I said that we were turning over a new leaf of organization and getting-it-together in the realm of Class Notes? Well, **Samar Jamali** and I went and had more babies so we're back under the High Top. My son, George James, was born in August and came into this world calmly and

assuredly, and therefore only questionably bearing any of my genetic profile. Samar welcomed her son, Devens Jamali Hamlen, this October. In my very biased opinion, Devens joins the Hamlen tradition of gorgeous babies. He is a dreamy little nugget.

Since I spent the summer waddling around and chasing my toddler, you can imagine that my visit from **Amy Christodoulo** was a major highlight of the season. Amy and **Peter Christodoulo** were on the East Coast making their rounds, which also included a visit to **Allison Ferranti MacBride** and her two little guys. Amy and Peter were back in town this fall to attend Seth Moulton '97's wedding in Marblehead, MA. They were joined by **Jamie Cowan**, who arrived from Mozambique, where he lives with his wife and two children.

**Erin Dougherty O'Connor**, **Helen Struck**, and **Lindsey Heller Lohwater**, have created an enviable summer beach day tradition. The trio, along with their combined seven children, enjoyed time together on Cape Cod for the third year in a row. Helen and her family were visiting from San Francisco where they recently welcomed son Henry Hughes, or Huck, to their tribe. Huck is heaven sent, pure and simple.

**Carolyn Lindley** and wife Hena also welcomed a baby boy, Jennings Anthony Schommer Lindley. Carolyn describes him as a "happy chunkster," which is essentially baby perfection. The Schommer Lindley family live in Washington, D.C. Despite all the bundles of baby boys, we have one baby girl to report! **Brian Elworthy** and wife Alison welcomed Vivian this past spring. Vivian joins big brother Bennett, who is happy to show her the ropes.

Now that we've covered baby news, which implies a whole lot of sleep deprivation, we should cover the most enviable class news report. **Caitlin Murphy Dyer** has gone full Australian on us. What do we mean by that? Well, like any good Aussie, Caitlin will enjoy a 14-week holiday to the UK and Europe next year with her husband and two kids, Charlie, 7, and Lydia, 3, thanks to the incredible Australian government benefits and the country's values around family and work/life balance. Once you have picked up your jaw off the floor, I think this deserves a slow clap, no? Also, send family friendly travel suggestions her way!

That's is for the baby train (for now), so transitioning to career news, we will tell you a story that sounds almost surreal. **Daniel Pescatore** worked at Amazon Europe by day and moonlighted as a mandolin player and ballad singer by night in Cork, Ireland. Discontent with that set up, Daniel has taken up salmon farming instead and is moving to Oslo, Norway to pursue those ambitions. As we board our trains among the masses for our morning commutes, let's just let Daniel's reality sit for a bit, shall we?

**Tamika Guishard** writes that she continues to shop her first feature film, an African dance-driven coming of age-story entitled *D-Days*. Off the fundraising road, she was able to spend some time with **Gillian Wallace Noel** and her squad.

Gillian recently started her tenure as a pediatric liver transplant specialist (no big deal) at Birmingham Children's Hospital. Tamika also caught up with **Julia Owens** in Boston.

**Chrissie Cloonan** has had the opportunity to visit several classmates including **Jen Shingleton Ewing**, **Liz Waldman**, **Lia Welsh McNeely**, **Susan Friedell**, and **Margaret Cantrell**. (Nice work, Chrissie!) Chrissie is so good at reunions that she and her cousins (classes '19 and '20) have marked the annual Andover/Exeter game as their family reunion. Chrissie works in international corporate finance for the American Tower Corporation, and helped to launch their operations in Argentina and Paraguay. She is also in the Boston Chamber of Commerce's Future Leaders program (where she ran into Seth Moulton '97 at a speaking event!) and President of the Boston Chapter of the Ellevete Network, a global professional women's network. Ellevete recently collaborated with WEST (Women in the Enterprise of Science and Technology), for which Brian Elworthy's wife Alison sits on the board. Full circle, folks!

When I moved to Providence, I got great advice from **Heather Gotha**, who lived and worked at Brown for a time. By the time I moved, she had moved to Texas, but now she's back on the East Coast in Delaware where she continues to mend bones as an orthopedic surgeon. Her daughter Elliot is a darling little three-nager.

That's all we've got this go 'round! Recent news reminds us that sometimes this world is a hard, scary, sad place. But not here. Here we get to report on happy memories and sunny times. We hope you'll join us! Write us anytime.

## 1999

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Hope this finds everyone well and happy. We are on the downslope toward our 20th Reunion so mark your calendars for June 2019. It's a big one (20 years?!) so we hope to see you all back on campus! In the meantime, please feel free to email Kirsten or me at our new class email address.

**Bill McGonigle** is happy to be putting down roots again in Massachusetts (specifically Winchester) with his wife and 14-month-old son. Bill recently had a coincidental run in with **Max Sung**. He says "I randomly emailed Max because of a LinkedIn update telling me that another member of our 1997 China trip, Stefano E. de Stefano '00, was running for U.S. Congress. It turned out that Max was just then stepping on a plane to Boston from San Francisco, so we made plans to meet up the next day. I got a chance to meet his two kids as we walked around the Seaport area of Boston, generally feeling old and realizing that that same China trip was now 20 years in the past."

On July 25th *Forbes* magazine named

**Adam MacDonald** one of the nation's top 500 next generation wealth advisors. He said, "there were nearly 20,000 nominations of wealth advisors born 1980 or later, so being named to the list was pretty humbling."

**Joisan Decker DeHaan** and her husband, Rob, welcomed a baby boy, Decker Robert DeHaan, on August 10th. Decker Robert DeHaan joins big sister, Anneke, and is named in honor of his maternal Grandparents Rosemary and Harold Decker, maternal Great Grandparents, paternal Great Grandfather, paternal Grandfather and his father. The name "Decker" also honors the Dutch heritage of both the maternal and paternal sides of his family. "Decker" means "roofer" in Dutch and "DeHaan" means "the rooster."

**Heather Collamore Skalet** continues to dominate the social scene at Citi Field. She reports **Grancis Santana** stopped by for a visit as did **Danny Cheriyan** and his family. Heather continues to run all the events and concerts at Citi Field in New York, so if you are hosting an enormous event you know who to call.

Take care and keep the updates coming!

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No class notes were submitted for this issue, nor were outreach attempts met with responses in time for the deadline. Please kindly consider sharing news for the next edition by contacting your Class Secretary at the information above. Parents of students of the Class of 2000 are also welcome and in fact encouraged to report the happenings of their children.

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2017 has been racing by, and we cannot help but reminisce about our first day of orientation—arriving at Chapel Ave. amidst the noise and chanting from that year's Blue Keys 20 years ago. We have all come such a long way since then, and we are happy to report on our class.

**Benjamin Hogan's** second child, Camille Alexandra was born this past July. She joins her older brother Baron Marshall. Ben is living in NYC and working in Greenwich Village with fellow '01 alum **Alex Finerman** at Inherent Group, a private investment firm focused on sustainability.

**Sylvia McLean Elmer** welcomed her third child, Kai, in May and is sending her older two children off to kindergarten and second grade.

Speaking of birth announcements, **Luke LeSaffre** couldn't be more excited to tell us that **Alex Bradley** and **Robert Coleman** both had baby boys on the same day—William Robert Bradley and James Robert Coleman were both born on Aug. 25, 2017! Rob is currently overseeing a vaccine clinical trial being conducted by the biotech company he co-founded a few years ago, and now has three children.

**Misty Muscatel Davis** and husband, James, were thrilled to announce the birth of their first daughter, Jenavieve, born on April 26th. The new family of three spent the summer on Cape Cod enjoying local New England Big Blue events, and quality time with their families. Misty is coming up on her final year as Alumni Council President, which has been the most rewarding role she's ever had as a volunteer. While sad to be in her last year, she's excited for the impact to be made in this last year. She'd love to have more '01 folks raise their hand for Alumni Council, so please reach out to her directly if interested.

**Caitlin Henningsen** married Russell Rennie on August 19 in Thetford Center, Vermont at the home of her parents, faculty emeriti Vic Henningsen '69 and Susan McCaslin. It was an Andover affair! Our class was represented by **Paige Austin**, **Misty Muscatel Davis**, **Susie Dickson**, **Ella Hoffman**, **Sarah Kline**, **Nicholas Ma**, **Alida Payson**, **Marion Read**, **Amita Singh**, **Smita Singh**, **Rachel Weiner**, and **Erin Winkler**; also in attendance were Adam Eaker '03, Gabe Freund '13, Peter Gilbert '72 (who officiated), Joseph Graham '57, Ned Henningsen '05, Frank Herron '70, Sandy Urie '70, Jon Weigel '05, and Amy Zimmerman '90, and former faculty members Jeanne Amster, Parrish Dobson, and John and Jane Gould.

**Vanessa Nickerson** has been enjoying a beautiful summer in Colorado, whilst planning her Sept. 30, 2017 wedding reception at The Free Library of Philadelphia to Jeffrey E. Forbes. The couple was married under common law in Colorado this past February. Vanessa has been working as an associate Family Law and Criminal Defense attorney at Susan Fuller & Associates, P.C. in Parker, Colorado.

**Julie Papanek** married Adam Grant over Memorial Day Weekend at the St. Francis Yacht Club in San Francisco. Despite the fact that Adam did not go to Andover, she is taking his last name. Julie continues venture capital investing in early biopharmaceutical and healthcare companies at Canaan Partners, which raised a new \$800M fund this summer.

Congrats to a few of the physicians in our class! **Parag Goyal** completed training, and just joined the faculty at New York Presbyterian Hospital-Weill Cornell Medicine in Manhattan as a Cardiologist and Advanced Heart Failure Specialist. **Kareem Tabsh** is in a fellowship program in

Maternal—Fetal Medicine at the University of Arizona, where he is doing research on fetal heart malformations and cardiac function. He often travels back to California to see his family and work with his father.

**Julia O'Hern** has been in California for over a year now, working for The Marine Mammal Center rehabilitating stranded seals and sea lions. She also captains a local whale watching boat and volunteers with the whale disentanglement team. She is planning on going to D.C. in November for Dr. Dalton and Dr. Rotundo's talk! The only other Andover folk she has seen in months are Erin '03, Joseph '07 and Joe '67, while at the infamous Iowa State Fair.

**Deborah Linder** has been busy doing with a couple of new projects at Tufts Veterinary—research on improving child literacy by reading to therapy dogs and she recently came back from a trip to Bangladesh to help improve international veterinary school teaching methods in infectious disease.

**Katy Nassberg** and her husband Isak bought and are now running the country's oldest independently owned bookstore: Otto's Bookstore in Williamsport, Pennsylvania!

This past spring, **Camille Conley Kerr** moved to Western Massachusetts for her work at a social enterprise development nonprofit. The nonprofit is building cooperatives owned and controlled by child care and home care workers in partnership with labor unions. She met with Barbara Rotundo '00, who is also in Western Mass, and hoping to see more classmates on the East Coast, particularly in New York which she visits frequently. Camille also caught up with **Eric Feeny** on one of her recent trips to Seattle.

**Jess Watson**, her husband Zach, and her children, Rosemary, 3, and Baxter, 1, have officially made the move to Portland, ME and love every minute of it. They are excited for a beautiful New England fall with lots and lots of apple picking!

**Corbin Butcher** and his wife Ivona recently moved to the Czech Republic from NYC and founded the country's first search fund together. They recently met up with **Claire Bernard** and her husband, Jack, in Prague where they all went on a tour of Karlstejn Castle.

**Matt Natale, Matt Rotman**, and **Amanda Barash Odetalla** met up with **Abby Malcolm Farnsworth** on Chincoteague Island, Virginia for a long weekend in July to celebrate Abby moving back east to North Carolina from Arizona. **Diana Mahler Spalding** was unable to travel, but video chatted to catch up.

**John Kluge** had a lot to report for the year, including finishing his MBA at Babson, marrying Dr. Christine Mahoney, moving from NYC back to a farm in Charlottesville, VA and co-founding the ALight Fund, an investment fund for refugee entrepreneurs with his wife. J.P. Chisholm '99, Faran Krentcil '99, Anna Lewis '00, **Ross Perlin**, **Tyson Reist**, and **Nick Mele** represented the Andover tribe at his wedding earlier this summer.

## 2002

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Dear Classmates,

As many of you know, these will be my last notes as class secretary. It has been an honor to serve you for these past 11 years. I have enjoyed keeping up with many of you and even had the pleasure of spending time with some of you in Hawaii and elsewhere. I am handing over the reigns to two very capable alumna who I know will serve you well. Please welcome **Chloe Lewis** and **Casey Martin Caughel** as your new co-class secretaries! And without further ado, your updates.

**Nicole McLaren-Campbell** wrote her first book, *Make it Count: Tips on Unlocking Your Vision in 2017 and Beyond*. Her book is available on Amazon and iTunes. Her book has a remarkable 4.8-star rating on Amazon! She had the chance to gift a copy to John Palfrey when they said beside each other on a flight. Congratulations on your success, Nicole!

**Alice Percy** signed a book contract with Chelsea Green Publishing. Her book will be a technical manual for high-welfare swine husbandry. Alice suspects that none of our classmates will read it but you never know. Maybe someone looking for a career change might benefit from Alice's swine husbandry knowledge.

**Zach Robbins** reconnected with **Rob MacInnis** and **Ernst Sack** at the New York preview for the 40th Anniversary of the Big Apple Circus where they enjoyed a round of laughs and a bag of circus peanuts. Zach was promoted in 2016 from Food and Beverage Coordinator to Director of Talent and Animal Operations.

In July, **Sarah Lau** moved to Los Angeles to pursue a MBA at USC Marshall. **Ryan Coughlan** fully embraces his role as uncle to **Niki Roberts'** son, Theodore, and to **Tisse Takagi's** baby, Fredrick. Both babies made their first visits to Andover for our reunion! Ryan completed his PhD and is an Assistant Professor of Sociology in CUNY.

In the past few months, lots of alums tied the knot (though none with each other.) **Kezi Barry** married her South African college sweetheart over this past New Years in Hermanus, South Africa. Theirs is quite the love story! They met when Kezi studied in Cape Town. He eventually visited and met her whole family and even met Mr. Maqubela! Then after 9 years apart, they reconnected thanks to Facebook and Skype. On Memorial Day weekend, **Alicia Widge** married Graves Spindler. **Kara Smith, Jessica Russell, Laurel Ingraham Aquadro**, and **Roxie Beinart** were all in attendance. The happy couple was married at Linekin Bay Resort in Boothbay Harbor Maine. Alicia started a fellowship in Allergy/Immunology at the NIH. On July 15, **Kelsey Siepser** married Francisco Pryor Garat in Sebastopol, CA.

**RoseMarie Maliekel** was the officiant of their eclectic ceremony, which included Shakespeare, a Catholic and Jewish blessing, a Quaker silence, and more. **Stevie Brock, Brandon Winston, Luke Spears**, and **Sam Spears** were also all in attendance and according to the bride, the Spears brothers were looking quite dapper. On August 5, **Tenley Eakin** married Vivek Raj in Las Vegas, NV. Also in August, **Juliana Wu**, who lives in Brooklyn, married her childhood friend, Jon Chen, in Italy. Congrats to all on their recent nuptials and may you enjoy long lasting and happy marriages!

I often think about the amount of baby news that I receive. When did it start? No, seriously—who was our first class baby? I will not atone for my random musings because after all, this is my last chance to share such thoughts with you, my captive audience. Anyway... babies. On May 23, **Diana Dosik** and husband welcomed daughter Caspen Rose. Their son, Henry, is a great big brother so far, giving her lots of hugs and kisses (and, of course, a cold!) **Marc Ward** and wife Cat welcomed their fourth kiddo, Marc Rome on May 29. **Andrew Scharf** and wife Naomi welcomed their second son, Henry Samuel on August 17th, 2017. His older sibling, Aaron Winston is a great big brother and both kids are looking forward to hopefully carrying on the Andover tradition in approximately 12 and 14 years from now! **Heidi Ashbaugh** and her husband live in Florida where they have been busy renovating an old home, selling their previous home, and spending time with their infant daughter.

**Jordan Harris** is getting the alumni seal of approval for his restaurant Stagolee's in London's Fulham neighborhood. When **Greg Chang** was in Europe on his honeymoon during the festivities, he visited and reported "it's awesome American southern cooking." **Bali Kumar** spent a few months in Geneva with a startup private equity fund investing in sub-Saharan Africa. He also had the chance to visit London a couple of times and visit the critically acclaimed restaurant. He encourages all who pass through London to check out Jordan's successful eatery.

Being as these are my last notes, I'm going to commandeer them for my own lengthy update. In the past few months, I have formed a fantastic connection with **Sophie Noero Cheston** doing something we are both passionate about: saving dogs! Sophie works for Muttville, a non-profit senior dog rescue in San Francisco, and I have leveraged my dog's Instagram account into a platform for advocacy and have also become engrained in my local rescue community. In May, when transporting a rescue dog from Hawaii to the Bay Area, I had the wonderful opportunity to visit Sophie at Muttville, where we also spent time with fellow dog enthusiast, **Jon Adler**. We cuddled with sweet adoptable dogs and caught up on life since Andover. Since then, Sophie and I have partnered in transporting dogs from Hawaii to SF where they have a greater chance of being adopted. In September, we spent time together (with dogs of

course!) when Sophie visited the Big Island with her husband Alex and family. Sophie was incredible and obliged my crazy last minute idea to send a Hawaii dog back to California with her. I think I can speak on behalf of Sophie when I say that together, we look forward to changing the lives of many dogs. To check out adoptable senior dogs in San Francisco, visit [muttville.org](http://muttville.org) and be prepared to swoon; those sweet old faces will be sure to steal your heart.

Well, that's all, friends! It has been a pleasure crafting cohesive (and maybe even occasionally entertaining?) notes for you these past eleven years. I will miss having an excuse to reach out to all of you but if you are ever in Hawaii, please do not hesitate to let me know. In the meantime, go Big Blue!

—Lauren

## 2003 15th REUNION

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It is hard to believe but in August, 20 of our classmates kicked off planning for our 15th Reunion coming June 8, 2018! Keep an eye out for additional details from **Jesse Bardo, Janis Scanlon Rice, Alexa Raducanu Franchot, Evan Panich, Bob Yamartino,** and the rest of the group.

So far 2017 has marked a number of great milestones for our classmates. Congratulations to **Danielle Vardaro, Kanyi Maqubela, Tom Oliphant, David Hill, Lirra Schiebler Hill,** and **Mari Ono Zilles,** all of whom recently became parents.

Danielle and her husband welcomed twin boys in February in Seattle, where Danielle works for Boeing. Kanyi and his wife Marta welcomed their son, Temba—named after a relative and teacher you may remember—in New York City. Tom and his wife Dana welcomed their daughter, Penny, in San Francisco this summer.

David and Lirra also joined the ranks of parents this year, welcoming Enzo Dylan Hill in January in NYC. David started his residency at Rush Hospital in Chicago this summer, so the Hill family has since relocated to Chicago. Enzo's godmother, Mari, is also a new mother! She and her husband Kyle welcome their son Nalu Oliver Hideo Zilles this summer as well.

Congratulations are also in order for several more of our classmates who made their wedding vows in 2017. **Gardy Gould** married his longtime girlfriend, Tiffanie, in July with several of our classmates and Andover family member in attendance! **Nyssa Liebermann** tied the knot with her longtime boyfriend on Thomson

## Ming Doyle '03

### *Creating Brave New Worlds*

With ink and paper, Ming Doyle '03 creates new windows to the world, from futuristic dystopian landscapes to the gritty mean streets of 1970s Hell's Kitchen. Turning the pages of Doyle's handiwork feels a bit like discovering a wardrobe that also happens to be a gateway to Narnia—there is much to unpack here, both psychologically and technically.

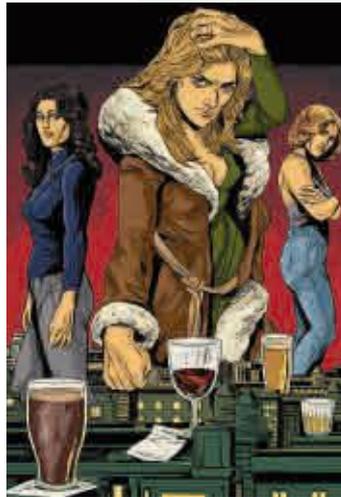


An artist and writer courted by major publishers, Doyle says her journey to becoming a successful freelancer in the competitive comic book industry began at Andover.

Visual arts instructor John McMurray took note of the student sitting in the back of his sculpture class, her hand working dizzily over the pages of a notebook. After perusing Doyle's sketches, he asked whether she'd ever thought about drawing comics.

"He set everybody up to solder, but then he took me aside, set up a projection kit, took out a box full of art slides that he had been collecting, and gave me an impromptu lesson about comic books and how they work," Doyle says. "He taught me what a comic book is. As a result, I started drawing my first comics and posting them."

At 16, Doyle learned how to launch a website in her computer class and self-published *Zero Sleep Beauty*, her own gender-flip version of fairytales. Her interest in challenging the boundaries of racial, sexual, and gender stereotypes has continued throughout her career.



Cover for *Vertigo Comics: The Kitchen, No. 1*

In 2010, industry giant Marvel asked Doyle to add her signature stamp to *Girl Comics*, an anthology by and about amazing women working in comics. Then came her first full series, *Mara*. An inventive take on the world of celebrity and sports, the Image Comics series follows Mara, a gifted young athlete (who also happens to be a nonheterosexual woman of color) who runs into trouble when she begins to manifest superhuman traits. Critics hailed Mara's mix of strength and vulnerability, calling her one of the best new female characters to spring up in 2013.

In 2015, when DC Comics rebooted the dark adventures of popular occult detective Constantine, they tapped Doyle to cowrite the series. The result was a story arc that hits an emotional target. Despite her character's special abilities, Doyle's Constantine is flawed, making him terminally—and relatably—human.

Born in Boston to an Irish-American sailor and a Chinese-Canadian librarian, Doyle credits her family's unique cultural story for influencing her artistic sensibilities. "I've always been interested in the dichotomy of unexpected pairings," she says.

She is driven toward complex characters and stories that are told from a different point of view. In the graphic novel *The Kitchen*, set in the 1970s, a group of women take over mob affairs after their husbands are sent to jail. There is poetry in Doyle's characters—the women are tough and business-savvy, but they can also be mean, vengeful, awkward, messy, say the wrong things, and have their own goals beyond being wives and mothers.

"It's a completely female perspective," Doyle says. "That's something we don't get a lot."

When Doyle arrived on the comics scene in the early 2000s, female writers, artists, and fans were not as visible. Today, she says, the industry is approaching gender parity.

"We are finally becoming more prevalent," says Doyle. "As a result, fans are seeing new kinds of stories and art that they wouldn't have experienced 20 years ago."

—Rita Savard

Island on Sept. 9. Danielle, **Lucy Keating**, and **Meg Coffin** were bridesmaids. Lucy also performed a song in their ceremony and **Marc Anderson** played violin at the reception!

**Caitlin Littlefield** also exchanged vows in September. She married her husband Nick Neverisky over Labor Day weekend! Caitlin wrote from Washington state, where she is finishing her forest ecology and conservation PhD at the University of Washington. **Tom Dimopoulos** and his wife Jenni Sardo married earlier this year and took a honeymoon to Greece and the Mediterranean over the summer. Congrats to all of the recent newlyweds!

In the Bay Area, Janis Scanlon Rice hosted a pool party over Labor Day weekend when **Chimaobi Izeogu** visited for a week. Among several of our classmates, **Michael Ruderman** caught up with Chimaobi and Janis at Janis' home in Oakland.

My wife and I have enjoyed visiting **Margaret Ramsey** and her neighborhood so much that we moved a few blocks away from her in July! Each Sunday this summer, Michael, **Matt Lindsay**, and I have traded theories on the parentage of Jon Snow and the origin of ice dragons. This fall, I'm hoping to visit **Andy Hattemer** and his wife Stephanie in New Jersey and meet their new direwolf, er, dog.

That's it from here. As always, stay safe, and stay in touch!

## 2004

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Hello there, I'm **Jamie Bologna**, the new '04 class secretary. I want to start with a special thanks to **Ali Schouten** for all her excellent work over the past few years on these notes!

Speaking of Ali, she's in Los Angeles and currently in production for a new Hulu show. It's called "All Night" and *Variety* says it's about teens at a "lock-in graduation party, at which the new grads will do whatever it takes to make their remaining high school dreams come true." Hopefully this edition of Class Notes makes your high school dreams come true.

**Jacqueline Bovaird** reports that **Derrick Kuan** rallied an amazing '04 dinner in Los Angeles this summer to celebrate **McKee Floyd's** move to the city. It featured guest appearances by Jacqui, Derrick, and McKee, as well as **Devon Dickerson Midland**, **Taylor Allbright**, and Ali. Derrick sent me a photo of the gathering, which clearly shows their glamorous LA lives.

Speaking of La-La Land, **Andrew Liao** moved there from New York City this summer where he's a vice president at John Laing, working on energy and infrastructure finance. And **Jisung Park** recently finished his PhD in economics at Harvard and moved to the City of Angels to take

up a position as an assistant professor at UCLA's School of Public Policy. Jisung also reports that he and **Patrick Callahan** camped in Canyonlands National Park this summer, where they suffered from dehydration but still managed to relish the starry tranquility of the Utah sky.

**Ashley Whitehead Luskey** has her own Gettysburg address as she, her husband, and daughter have taken up residence there. Ashley began a new job as the assistant director of the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College this summer.

Since we're on new addresses, **Caroline Kemp Lopez** just moved to Boston from Denver. **Alexis Peedin** moved from Chapel Hill, NC to Philadelphia, and is working as an assistant professor at Thomas Jefferson University. And **Michelle Easton** moved back to Boston from New York. She's working as national training and curriculum manager for the nonprofit group Bottom Line.

**Dorothy Voorhees Atewologun** and her husband Tola moved to Seattle. Dorothy is working for Amazon's Prime Pantry and her husband is teaching high school social studies. Meanwhile, **Jenn Vanecsek Bales** deployed to Iraq from Fort Hood, TX where she's serving as speechwriter to the commanding general of Combined Joint Task Force—Operation Inherent Resolve. She says she's looking forward to the dry heat of Baghdad.

**Travis Green** and his wife Tyler moved from San Francisco to Portland, OR where he's a Product Manager at Vacasa. Travis claims he's finally an adult and uses their recent home purchase as supporting evidence. But considering the fun we had when he visited Cambridge recently, it's obvious that the man still thinks we're in our early 20s.

Earlier this year, **Marty Quinones** started a new job at San Francisco environmental law firm Sher Edling LLP. This summer he's worked on three cases against 37 fossil fuel companies related to climate change. **Will Scharf** splits his time between Jefferson City and St. Louis, MO as policy director to Governor Eric Greitens. He says he's not married, has no new children to report, but has "a pretty sweet pickup truck named Rachel."

Meanwhile, **Ashley Lewis Masse** and her husband Dave have had their hands full after welcoming their beautiful daughter Madeline Marie Masse in March. Ashley describes her as "a mermaid baby," who has already been enjoying the waters of New Hampshire's lakes.

In August, **Marissa Hudson Prescott** married Mike Prescott at a beautiful ceremony in Beverly, MA. Marissa says there was lots of dancing at the reception, and in attendance were Andover alumni **Abigail Weiner**, **Kinnon McCall Foley**, **Rachel Harmeling**, as well as Wills Hapworth '02, and maid of honor Meredith Hudson Johnston '01.

Abigail Weiner married Wills Hapworth '02 in September on a farm in Pittsfield, VT. Jarrett Wetherell '02 officiated the ceremony and they celebrated with a number of Andover alumni: siblings Christopher Weiner '01, Benjamin Weiner '06 and Lindsey Weiner '08, as well as Jonathan

Adler '02, Stephen Brock '02, Kinnon Foley, Marissa Hudson Prescott, Madeleine Fawcett '02, **Kat Conlon**, Dean Felch '02, Meredith Johnston '01, Abram Mendal '02, Tyler Mixer '02, **Alexandra Poyant**, Benjamin Beinecke '02, Austin Arensberg '01, Colin Touhey '06 and Brandon Winston '02,

**Sarah Wendell** is living and working in San Francisco, where she just left the Berggruen Gallery to build a technology tool for the art world. In September she married Stephen Sherrill '05. In attendance were bridesmaids **June Gordon** and **Emily Ma**, as well as honorary bridesmaid **Adam Draper**.

**Lolita Taub** said she had a great time catching up with **Celia Alexander** a couple of months ago on a whirlwind trip to Toulouse, France, Andorra and Madrid, Spain. Now that summer is over, Lolita expects to finish her MBA this December at Madrid's IE Business School.

**Audrey Deguire Turro** reports that her husband **Stephen Turro** is an assistant director in the Director's Guild of America. Audrey says she's now enjoying an easier commute for her new job at Merrill Lynch in Burlington, MA. On the other side of the planet, **Ian Hafkenschiel** has been living in Bali and is travelling to Japan and California for his work in cryptocurrencies.

Closer to home, **Alanna Hughes** reports that she's met up with **Alex Thorn** and **Garrett Kirk** in Boston, and **Justin Cahill** and his wife Christine in Nashville. Alanna lives in Cambridge and works at Deloitte Consulting. Speaking of Alex Thorn, he and his wife Hannon live in my neighborhood in Cambridge. I met up with them recently for good food, drinks, and conversation. They told us they've caught up with **Seth Stulgis** and **Cotton Harrold** this summer on Nantucket. Here in the Cambridge/Somerville area, we've also spent some quality time with **Taylor Yates**, his wife Karen, and their ebullient son Asher.

This summer, the husband and I visited the family back in Sicily. I've also been continuing my work as a reporter/producer at Boston's NPR station. Of note for me this spring was the in-depth investigation I did on some of the pernicious, unanswered questions about the Boston Marathon bombing. If you're into that sort of thing, give it a listen.

I'll leave you with a common refrain I've seen in many of the emails from our classmates: "If there are '04 people in my area, I'd love to get together with them." From Bali to Baghdad, there's probably someone there from our class. Connect and hang out!

## 2005

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Early reports on social media from our classmates in Houston are positive but, at the time of this submission, it was too early to sound a general all-clear. **Terrance Rubin**, however, shook a proverbial

fist at the clouds and wrote in to report: “sitting for my CPA here and just riding out Hurricane Harvey.” He has been working for LivaNova as a contract administrator.

In some timely news, **Sims Witherspoon** writes, “In July, my team at Google launched SOS Alerts—a new set of features in Google Search and Google Maps that activates during a natural or manmade crisis to help people get information when they need it the most.” Outside of work, Sims went to Lake Como with **Mary Riordan** and **Ciarra Schmidt**, and caught up with **Jill Ozzie** at a wedding.

In addition to reporting on **Billy Doyle**, **David Wilkinson**, and **Ben Hoerner** becoming fathers, **Harry Goldstein** writes, “I’ve enjoyed watching from afar as **Mac King** cultivates an outstanding “yard playground” in advance of the upcoming fall “Savoy Vol. 2” event, at which time several minivans will be brought to the junkyard. Mac will know what I mean.”

**Vic Miller** moved to LA from the Bay Area. He writes “I saw **Paul Kim** a few times in Santa Monica before he moved back East, and I’ve seen **Kyle Kucharski** a couple of times down in LA, too. I also saw Dave Wilkinson and his wife Whitney ’04 and their adorable new son, Bennett, while I was driving through Boston a couple of weeks ago. I’ve also seen **Bobby Spang** a few times in the past couple of months—we’ve been able to hang out in Boston and in Wakefield.”

**Alex Lebow** is out in Portland, OR working with the Global Communications Team at Nike. He says he is “enjoying all things running/biking/hiking, but missing New Orleans.”

**Natasha Midgley** got married to Jakob Moskow, who she met out in LA. Natasha has taken a headfirst dive into standup comedy, doing shows at the Comedy Store along with other monuments to the trade.

Lastly, from the other side of the world, **Patrick Jiang** reports he is now teaching at the Shenzhen Graduate School at Peking University. His son, Alistair, was born in January.

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Live from New York City, NY—so nice, they named it twice.

Entrepreneur **Nick Bowen** is continuing building out his roofing business in Columbus, OH. He’s enjoying a gifted ’95 Nissan pickup from his uncle and concludes, “no wives or advanced degrees

yet.” Multiple wives seem a bit greedy, Bowen!

**Brad Colbert** hopped from one athletic-wear giant, Under Armour, to a future one, Outdoor Voices. Still enjoying fast-growing Austin, Brad manages data analytics for Outdoor Voices. Despite getting in early, he’s somehow the second PA alum there.

Mr. Colbert (no relation) had burgers this summer with Empire City-based classmates **Faez Jafarey** and **Caroline Towbin** at Brinkley’s (R.I.P.) in SoHo.

Also meeting for burgers were **Sean Wadland** and **Amy Prosper**, who both work in real estate and development. Amy is opening her own real estate office in Kenmore Square for the Boston market.

Amy writes that **Ariana Wilkinson** finished medical school at BU and brought her talents to Miami for her residency. Amy lists other run-ins, including **Paul Scola** in Boston’s historic seaport district, as well as a sneaker-clad **Claire Coltery** in North Chatham on Cape Cod.

Also on the Cape was **Ali Holliday** who attended Katie Koh ’05’s bachelorette and wedding in July. Ali is spending her last year at Harvard Med setting up a leadership and teamwork curriculum, and hopes to go into primary care focusing on population health management and patient-centered care. She credits her success to Mr. Koolen’s Bio-100 mantra, “three fatty acids and a glycerol.”

**Jeff Bakkensen** is plotting an all-cow a cappella group named the “Moo-Tones,” an Andover sushi tribute group.

We hear rumblings that **T.J. Thompson** secretly eloped but still threw an epic wedding party in Sheboygan, WI, the hometown of his wife Kelley Dentino. **Mike Spiak** and **Pumi Maqubela** were in attendance.

After seven years of being antagonized at Yankees games and waiting in lines at cool clubs, **Tobey Duble** moved from the Big Apple back to Beantown’s trendy South End, where she is a behavioral consultant at the May Institute.

Also in the Puritan City, **Andrea Coravos** recently dined with **Mia Kanak** and **Jeni Lee**. All three are working in healthcare from different angles: as a venture capitalist (Jeni), physician (Mia), and software specialist (Andrea). Andrea moved back to the City by the Bay after HBS and is working full-time on a start-up she co-founded, Elektra Labs.

First-time contributor **Aba Temeng Lekeaka** got married on May 28 in Houston to Asong Lekeaka. **Chichi Erundu** and **Jeannette Francis** were bridesmaids and in attendance were **Mgbechi Erundu**, **Kojo DeGraft-Hanson** ’05, **Akosua Oforiwa-Ayim** ’07, and **Aniebiet Abasi** ’11. Aba moved from Atlanta to Charlottesville where her husband attends business school at UVA, and she continues to work at AT&T.

**Maggie Reich Manus** finished her residency in June and moved back to Houston where she is practicing Internal Medicine. Maggie is exploring

options to mobilize alums to help post-Hurricane Harvey—reach out to her for details!

Now based in Tinseltown, **Olivia Mascheroni** had lunch with Jeannette Francis, who is a creative executive at STX (*Bad Moms*, *The Gift*). Olivia spent the summer on a production in New York for Blumhouse (*Get Out*, *The Gift*) where she caught up with **Ben Kuller**, who moved to NYC and works at Killer Films. She also saw ASM legend Prateek Kumar ’07, who now lives in Albany.

With impressive commitment to bothering PA librarians through the decades, **Jamie Love-Getchell** staged a gorgeous wedding photoshoot in OWHL’s Garver and Freeman Rooms. Her July wedding in Cochran Chapel to Stephen Getchell was attended by **Jevan Jammal**, **Julie Wadland**, and **Lindsay Moramarco Fuccillo**, as well as numerous faculty and staff.

**Louisa Rockwell** says that she had a great time catching up with **Spencer Johnson** via email. She writes, “I can’t really think of anything else that happened this year.”

**Martha Durant Rossi**, who works in strategy for Ann Taylor and LOFT brands in New York, writes in for her classmates, “**Kate Connors**, **Laura Ferraro**, **Alison Occhiuti**, and I reunited for a long weekend in Kennebunkport to celebrate 15 years of friendship.”

Martha reports that Alison finished graduate school and is working at pharmaceutical company Sanofi. Dr. Ferraro is in her OB/GYN residency at UVA, and Kate is currently “Boston’s own Olivia Pope” working in PR and solving crises. Let’s all hope she’s not mirroring Olivia Pope’s personal life.

In the Emerald City, **Christa Vardaro** celebrated her 30th birthday with a trip to Peru in October. Christa is an administrator in a Seattle County hospital, who also spends time working on passion projects in wine and social services (hopefully not at the same time). In addition, she dabbles in jazz vocals and loves seeing her twin nephews!

Big updates from **Margaret Moore Nelson**—she married Brett Kiel Nelson in Hobe Sound, FL during Memorial Day 2016 and with Kinnon McCall Foley ’04, Lexi Dwyer Poyant ’04, Abby Weiner ’04, Cory Schneider ’04, Kat Conlon ’04, Sam Kennedy ’05, Matt Longley ’03, Shaalini Ramanadhan ’03 and Wills Hapworth ’02. A highlight was a Day Hall inspired speech by Lexi, Kinnon and Kat. Now back in the Second City, Margaret is Head of Product for women’s apparel company Mott50. This summer she and her husband welcomed a baby boy, Brooks Kiel Nelson!

Second-year MBA **Kira Gendlerman** writes from New Haven after a summer working for Samsung in New York. Her roommate in Queens was **Nandini Vijaykumar**, a family medicine resident at Jamaica Hospital. Kira and Nandini dined with **Thereza Osias**, who is back in New York for a new law position.

**Emily Pollokoff** is busy home-schooling in central New York, and her daughter Hazel still talks often about visiting the PA observatory

during Reunion. Emily is working on her farm and enjoys managing her store, particularly ordering 400 pounds of peaches, and is in full “produce preserving madness” before the winter.

**Anne Renner** writes that she and **Connor Flynn** work in the same building at the DOD in Afghanistan. She’s civilian, and Connor is in the Navy. Anne saw **Liz Finnegan** in Arlington this summer and is looking forward to being back in D.C. post-deployment.

**Jeff Zhou** remains on his quest to incessantly bother all three Class Secretaries. “I saw Jeni Lee in Boston on the Fourth of July and **Justin Yi** finally made time to see me. Now it’s just **Owen Remeika** who eludes me.”

Likely in homage to long-time friend **Emily Chappell**, Owen Remeika moved from San Francisco to Chapel Hill to attend law school at UNC.

And here we must part, ’06. Go in peace. Go with our love. Godspeed.

—Justin

## 2007

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**Claire Voegelé** graduated from law school in May, took the bar in July, and has recently moved from South Carolina to Washington D.C. where she just began her dream job as a law clerk to Senior Judge Robert Hodges on the U.S. Court of Federal Claims. She expects to run into **James Flynn** around the courthouse because he is clerking for a Federal Circuit Court of Appeals judge there. **Lauren Kelleher** is also spending this year clerking at the U.S. District Court in Detroit, Michigan, where she moved this summer from D.C. Anyone who somehow ends up in the Motor City should give her a shout!

**Molly Ozimek-Maier**, **Karen Schoenherr**, and **Joy Joung** all attended **Kayla Lawson’s** wedding to Sean Zimmer, where Molly’s daughter CJ was Kayla’s flower girl. Molly wanted to thank Class of 2007 committee, and **Eliot Wall** in particular, for all of their hard work making reunion weekend a memorable one. The Class of 2007 hit a solid participation percentage this year! Molly is living in the D.C. area where she is running her first half marathon at Virginia Beach this Labor Day Weekend. She would love to coordinate an ’07 night out for any residents in the area this fall, so

reach out to her at [mozimekmaier@gmail.com](mailto:mozimekmaier@gmail.com). Thank you for all of your hard work on reunion and fundraising, Molly!

In other nuptial-related news, **Carolyn Pollard** got engaged and is planning on tying the knot in September 2018. **Katie Morris** and **Trevor Sanders** are getting married this September in Maine with many members of the class of ’07 in attendance. Congratulations, lovebirds! **Jungmin Son** and **Rush Martin** were married in a jungle black-tie themed wedding at the Hotel Bel Air in Los Angeles in May. **Michelle Darby**, Eliot Wall, Justin Lee ’06, Justin Yi ’06, Liz Slaughter ’06, Matt Yeager ’06, Colin Touhey ’06, and Sarah Chang ’05 were all in attendance. Jungmin also just had her first solo exhibit in Mexico City presenting her Mexico inspired oil painting series *Vamos A La Playa* from 7/15–8/23.

**Alexa Reid** loved catching up with Eliot while he was in town! **Alexa** and **Colin Smith** recently moved to a new house in Santa Monica with their rescue dog Beau and are busy planning their wedding next August. They would love to see anyone who comes to visit Los Angeles! Colin is enjoying business school at UCLA, and had a great time celebrating with **Chris Adams** at his bachelor party in Austin, Texas. Chris was married in his wife Laura’s native Portugal this summer in a beautiful oceanside ceremony in Porto. They are embracing their new life in Dallas, TX, where they are both lawyers.

**Laura Minasian** recently moved to London where she is continuing to work at McKinsey. **Alisha Varma Mulhall**, who lives in London with her husband Henry, and **Eddie Kang**, rolled out the welcome wagon for Laura with a BBQ. **Komaki Foster** attended too. Headed to London this Fall to visit Alisha and Eddie are **Katy Ebbert** and **Brendan McManus** ’05. **Steve Blackman** may also join them if he gets out of his Airstream trailer and through airport security.

Also in London, **Devon Zimmerling** recently graduated from London Business School and is working for a venture capital start up in London. **Liv Coffey** is starting business school at Cambridge this fall where she will also be rowing.

**Dawson Joyce-Mendive** just relocated to Amsterdam with Uber and is busy traveling throughout Europe and Northern Africa on the job.

**Stacey Spurr** and **Adrienne Sabety** attended the same August wedding in Montana and spent a few days together exploring Glacier National Park.

**Sarah Dewey** is killing it in Austin working as an account manager for a staffing agency.

**Ryan Ferguson** and his wife Aly bought a house in Newburyport, MA, and have been loving life there with the newest member of their family, Clipper, a Labahoula rescue whose adventures Lauren Kelleher follows closely on Instagram. Ryan and Aly have already had the pleasure of welcoming **Ben Landy**, **Steve Farquhar**, **Matt Villanueva**, and **Mike DeFelippo** to their home and encourage anyone else who finds themselves on the North Shore to stop by.

**Arjun Sharma** recently moved to Atlanta to take a director of engineering position at Pivotal Software. After moving for work several times, he is looking forward to buying a house and settling down there with his girlfriend. He welcomes all visitors to Atlanta and would love to show anyone around!

**Conner Stoldt** was in Brooklyn and caught up with **Colleen Thurman** and her husband Andy. They enjoyed a big brunch at Baby’s All Right. Colleen Thurman also recently met up with **Jocelyn Gully** and **Anna Klenkar** over dinner in Manhattan. After extensive travelling that took her from southeast Asia through the middle east and into Europe, Anna spent Labor Day enjoying a relaxing weekend in Lake Placid, New York, with **David Cuthell**, **Eliot Wall** and **Pete Smith**.

## 2008

## 10th REUNION

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Can’t believe we’re just a few months away from our 10th Reunion! Seriously, it’s been a whole decade. The Class of 2008 certainly has done a lot: we’ve gotten married, finished grad school, had babies, moved countries, built houses, published papers, started businesses, gotten fired, landed dream jobs, landed airplanes, gotten sick, gotten better, gone to war, gone to pieces, adopted pets, adopted cultures, buried loved ones and forged life friendships. And some of us learned how to make really sweet bean dip. Suffice to say, we’ve done a lot and show no signs of slowing down, so let’s dive in.

**Rachel Cohen** moved to Philadelphia this fall to begin an MBA at Wharton. She was thrilled to discover dogs are allowed in class, and her chihuahua/pug mix Xochi (who has a snaggletooth) accompanies her to all her lectures. “I am like real-life Elle Woods!” **Evan Hawk** is pursuing an MBA at Cornell Tech and lives on Roosevelt Island in New York City. No word on whether he, too, is like real-life Elle Woods (but probably). **Abby Colella** moved to D.C. to clerk for a judge on the Federal Circuit where James Flynn ’07 is a coworker. A sit-com about their misadventures in the Capitol is in development, I am told. **Kaitlin Picard** got a masters in nursing last May and moved to Dartmouth, MA, to begin her career as a psychiatric and mental health nurse practitioner. And **Paul Hsiao** moved to Hong Kong where he’s already been drafted onto **Chris Cheung’s** inter-prep school beer pong team. Paul credits the “great support” of **Nicholas Koh**, **Silké Cummings** and **Siobhan Alexander**

in making the move seamless, support that **Ker-Yu Ong** was evidently lacking when she made her own move: “After months of agonizing, I finally moved back to the Bay Area to find my only friends **Jin Lee** and **Michael Zhan** moving to Singapore and New York, respectively. Thanks guys. Also, my other only friend, Ken Watari ’07, moved to Vietnam. Thanks Ken.” Yeah, thanks Ken.

**Hanson Causbie** is living in Colorado and got married this fall at West Point, with **Jonathan Adler**, **Lambros Theofanidis**, Ishan Kapoor ’09 and Jeni Lee ’06 in attendance. “Obviously I’m very excited for the tax benefits,” Hanson writes. **Nicole Duddy** got married and became Nicole Weil in August, with **Lisa Lian** as one of her bridesmaids. Soon after Nicole began a new job as a consultant at Alvarez & Marsal in New York. **Maggie Maffione** got married in Charleston, SC, at Lowndes Grove, with members of Andover ’02, ’04, and ’08 in attendance. We presume Maggie and Nicole are also excited about the tax benefits.

**Dan Silva** hosted **Johnny Bukawyn** and **Ben Schley** in Nashville to watch an English Premier League game. “We watched Tottenham vs. Man City and the bad guys (Man City) won,” says Ben. “Tottenham got killed!” Otherwise, he says, the weekend was awesome. **Alexander Heffner** hung out one evening this fall with **Max Meyer**. In case you were wondering, they ate Sicilian pizza and salad. **Lucian Neville**, **Conor McKinnon**, **Jorden Zanazzi**, **Josh Infantine**, **Dave Koppel**, **Eamon Hegarty** and **Seb Caliri** got together for a weekend on the Cape in August. Dave commandeered a vessel and took the crew out to search for the elusive striped bass. “After dotting around Cape Cod Bay for the better part of a day, we caught two keepers,” reports Seb. “I naturally got one, at 29 inches, but Lucian took home the prize with a 31-incher. Delicious fish dinner had by all.”

**Victoria Glynn**, who has been suffering the indignity of being hauled out of bed Sunday mornings to learn how to play tennis with **Allison Parr**, went to San Francisco to visit **Eleazar Vega-Gonzalez**. “It lived up to all my expectations based on the TV show ‘Silicon Valley,’” she says. **J.J. McGregor** finally hung up his hockey skates and joined a slowpitch softball club team, traveling the country to slowly throw soft objects at people, we assume. At the national championship tournament in Portland, OR., the team started off “on fire,” going undefeated for the first five games, but they ultimately fizzled out and finished 17th out of 68. Should have brought some harder balls. **Matt Turiano** went rock climbing in Boston with **Sally Poole**, who was visiting from Scotland. Matt says Sally “killed it and almost me when I wouldn’t let her down till she topped out the slab.” We have no idea what that means. Matt also went camping last summer with **Zach Olenio**, who, Matt says, is making spinal implants and experimenting with hydroponics. Again, no idea what that means.

**Nick Swift**’s journey to the top of the Boston charts continues: his Bearly Dead band is growing rapidly and made numerous festival appearances

last year, the highlight being a performance at the House of Blues Boston in front of over a thousand fans. (The nervousness went away after his first solo.) Nick is also putting the finishing touches on an EP for another band, Bob Sled, which focuses on his original music. **Rajit Malhotra** had a busy summer of travel, reconnecting with colleagues in Hong Kong, Singapore and Bombay, and was extremely surprised on one flight to find **Jeff Lu** sitting in the seat in front of him. **Jade-Isis Lefebvre** traveled to Dublin and was similarly surprised to bump into **Jamie Harisiades** (“It was awesome!!”). And **Haley Bruns** ran into **Megan Richards** while hiking last summer in Glacier National Park, but it was not a surprise because they went together. She just literally ran into her.

And last but not never least, **Hannah Weiss**, who hasn’t been seen in North America since she fled to the South Pacific to escape a drug-smuggling charge, is extremely proud to announce that after seven years on the run, she has finally earned her Australian citizenship. Well done, you little criminal.

See you all in June! —Lydia

## 2009

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Hey ’09!

The other day I was at work and some of my coworkers started sharing stories about high school and when they were younger. Naturally, I chimed in and gushed on and on about the awesomeness of Andover and of course they couldn’t relate (remember that I live in the Midwest, in Iowa, where boarding school is not a thing, and college sports are all that matters). I got the usual questions about if I had been sent away for misbehaving or if I missed my parents. As I’m sure all of us can attest, I found myself feeling the need to defend or explain just what PA meant to me and stood for—that it was like college ... but different. That it was still school—academically challenging with awkward moments of growth but made up of fun unforgettable stories, friends, house counselors, dorms, coaches, and rivalries like they couldn’t imagine. So ’09 even if we see each other every day or every five years, I encourage you to hold onto those memories, keep in contact with each other and—most importantly—tell me all about it.

Some of our class has done that and then some. In August **Trey Meyer** and **Jill Kozloff** tied the knot in Lake Placid, NY with a great Andover turnout! Attendees included **Mai Kristofferson**, **Annie Glancy**, **Eliza Dewey**, **Liz Frentz** (previously Brown), **Anna Burgess**, **Tom Foley**,

# Reunion 2018

Celebrating 3s and 8s on June 8–10.

**Glenn Stowell**, **Tony Zhou** and many other Andover alumni from the years. In September, **Chelsea Carlson** attended **Jean Fang** and Luke Miller’s wedding in Louisiana. **Gloria Odusote** and Jean’s sisters, Emily Fang ’13 and Anna Fang ’10, tuned in via live stream and joined in spirit. Best wishes to all of the happy couples!

Before that, Chelsea Carlson met up with Jean Fang, Gloria Odusote, and **Caroline Colombo** in New Orleans for the Red Dress Run Fundraiser (a mini Mardi Gras). The group had a great time exploring the city and noted that time always goes a little too fast when they have a chance to get together.

**Katie von Braun** had a couple of ’09 reunions too at the end of summer; first with **Sudhendra Sundaram** sightseeing outside Tiffany’s jewelry store, and the second running into **Krystle Manuel-Countee** at Harmony Program’s Youth Orchestra Day!

**Alex McHale** recently moved to Houston, TX to begin work at Quantum Energy Partners, an energy-focused private equity fund. He managed to survive Hurricane Harvey by flying away to Washington, D.C. to watch Korean soap operas with his mother. While he has yet to run into anyone from Andover, he is optimistic that the Andover network is more powerful in Houston than in Oklahoma. He writes “if anyone is ever in town, please let me know. First drinks are on me!”

That’s it for now ’09. Be sure to keep in touch at PA09ClassNotes@gmail.com

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**Trevor Braun** saw the solar eclipse in Montreal with **Khalid McCaskill**. He is moving to the bay area for work as a Data Analyst at Orbital Insight at the end of September and says he is looking forward to seeing any Andover alumni out there.



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**Toan Nguyen** is currently living in Hanoi, Vietnam. Toan works as consultant with McKinsey & Company. He often travels to the Northern mountains of Vietnam. Toan spends his free time helping his family and teaching US and World History to high school students.

**Jane Thomas** recently resigned her position working for the Harvard Writing Center to begin working at McLean Hospital in Belmont, MA. Jane says that “working with psychiatric patients has its challenges, obviously, but nonetheless is a rewarding and ultimately even fun job.”

**Billy Fowkes** moved to NYC and works as a Technology Analyst at New York County District Attorney’s Office, where he supports Assistant DAs in criminal investigations. He lives with his girlfriend on the Upper West Side and says he’s loving NYC so far.

**Tom Hubschman** got married on July 29th to Daliene St. Germain at the Old South Meeting House in Boston. They were happy to share

this special moment with a few Andover alumni: **Lucy Arnold**, Ross Bendetson ’13, **Sophia Bernazzani**, Billy Fowkes, **Greg Hanafin**, Billy Hubschman ’15, **Conor McAuliffe**, **Ben Nichols**, and **Ben Prawdzik**.

**Will Lindsey** began his Master’s in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government in September. He lives in Cambridge with **Sebastian Becker**, who is pursuing his JD at Harvard Law School. Will reports that they’re “currently accepting guests on their couch.”

**Bennett Carroccio** is now a partner on the deal team at Andreessen Horowitz, a venture capital firm in Menlo Park, CA that invests in innovative software companies.

**Alex Farrell** graduated from the UPenn Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program this past August. She currently works as a Registered Nurse at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, specializing in Inpatient Oncology.

**Henry Metro** just celebrated two years at Facebook, where he works as a software engineer on the places search team. He reports that he’s doing well and enjoying Facebook and NYC!

**Riley Gardner** completed 2 years teaching 8th grade math in Indiana for in Teach for America and stayed to teach for another year at a KIPP school in Indianapolis. In Fall 2017, Riley moved to Philadelphia to pursue her MBA candidate at UPenn’s Wharton School.

**Fred Grace** currently lives in Nashville, TN with his wife Catherine and their son Frederick Sutton Grace, Jr.

**Spencer Macquarrie** just celebrated one year at TPG Global in the technology, media and telecommunications group.

**Emelyn Chew**, **Hannah Bardo** and **Courtney King** recently enjoyed an evening catching up at the incredible Mr. Pollo in San Francisco.

**Max Png** travelled to Boston with Zach Feldman ’08 this fall, and each gave a presentation at the New England Society of Vascular Surgery. While in town, Max had the chance to reconnect with **Aditya Mithal**, **Faiyad Ahmad**

and **Annie Rao**, all of whom Max said are also either “in the thick of or considering entering the overworked, underpaid life that is graduate school.” Back in NYC, Max has been getting back into the tennis groove with Tony Zou ’09, “attempting to roll back the high school glory days under Coach Greg Wilkin.”

**Kelvin Jackson** is studying for a master’s degree in Finno-Ugric linguistics at the University of Turku in Finland, and just entered the second year of these studies. In addition to Finnish, Kelvin has had the chance to study a number of interesting languages, including Hungarian, Udmurt, and Mokša.

**Sara Bakrow** is working at Fitch Solutions and living in Chelsea in NYC. She has enjoyed spending weekends in Connecticut this summer. In July, she competed in an off-roading cooking competition, which involved campfire cooking and taking the car on some daunting trails through the woods. Sara reports, “My team and I won the competition and the car only got a few scratches.”

This fall, **Helen Lord** started as a Data Science Fellow at Galvanize in San Francisco. The fellowship is a full-time data science bootcamp, where she is learning about the programming and math behind machine learning in order to get into the data science field. Helen just started a month ago and reports that she is “really enjoying it!”

**William Brooke** is working as a business development strategist at Fueled, which involves a mix of managing client relationships and their partnerships program. “It’s a great job,” he reports, “I’m loving it.” He is also working on a completely new app coming out this fall!

**Nick Dean** is working as an industrial designer in the San Francisco Bay area at Boulder Design. Previously, he did industrial design for Garmin in Kansas.

**Mari Miyachi** is an engineering manager at Nava in San Francisco, working on improving Medicare reporting. She also just qualified for the Boston marathon and will be running in 2018! On top of that good news, Mari got married at the end of August!

**Andrew Khang** is living in Singapore and working as the finance manager for GE’s drilling business. Earlier at GE, he completed GE’s Financial Management Program, a two-year rotation through departments across the USA in securities and exchange commission reporting, asset management, energy financial services, global markets and GE ventures.

Peace Corps service is normally a 27-month commitment including three months of training and 24 months of service. **Chelsea Quezergue** applied and was accepted to extend for a third year on the Atlantic Coast of Nicaragua. Chelsea says that she feels “excited and fortunate to be going to this area that has a history and culture completely different from the Pacific side as it was a British colony and a part of the Atlantic slave trade. As with many populations that descend from enslaved peoples, the Atlantic coast is often glossed over,

underserved, and one of the most impoverished regions of an already underdeveloped country. So I feel passionate about taking my skills there and hopefully making a positive impact. It will also be interesting to develop a more complete understanding of Nicaragua as a whole because when you hear or think of Nicaragua, the black and indigenous peoples on the Atlantic coast aren't what come to mind." Chelsea's work will entail training English teachers in teaching methodology at a university in Bluefields called BICU. Secondary projects will include working with an NGO called FADCANIC on various community and youth development initiatives. She also hopes to pick up Nicaraguan Creole English along the way.

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Hey, '12! As the summer comes to a close, I had the pleasure of checking in with a few of our classmates about their lives of work, travel, and yes, more school! After our reunion weekend, many of our Andover classmates had the opportunity to meet up with one another in cities around the country.

**Katherine** "Katie" **Hebb** and **Sammy Marrus** took trip together down to Washington, D.C. to visit **Leonore** "Nora" **Princiotti** for a weekend this summer. While there, the girls had brunch with **Leo Cohen**! Separately in NYC Katie and Sammy met up with **Michael** "Mike" **Bloom** and **Hannah Beinecke** and went to wish **Eliana Kwartler** well as she prepared to leave New York.

**Abigail Burman** recently started law school in Berkeley, CA. Abigail also met up with

**Enek Peterson** while travelling through Georgia.

Over Memorial Day weekend, **Kathryn** "Katie" **Benvenuti** and **Juliana** "Juli" **Brandano** spent a weekend in Oakland, CA. The two enjoyed beers with Alec Weiss '11 and Kevin Carey '11. Unfortunately, Adam Levine '11, couldn't make the gathering of alumni from two Andover classes. The four friends hiked and experienced the natural beauty of the California woods.

**Lydia Azaret**, **Sarah Freedman**, and **Julia Quinn** made plans to travel to Las Vegas over the upcoming Halloween weekend to catch up with **Borkeny Sambou** and **Sage Hunt**, who are currently in their second year of Teach for America.

The inspiring work continues with **Vito Capuano** who, after recently graduating from Union College, accepted a nine-month fellowship working in Uganda, Africa at a health clinic doing clinical work. Vito will also work on business development of an artisan program with a purpose of female empowerment.

It's humbling to hear from you all every few months during Class Notes submissions. While you each continue to exemplify the Andover mission, consider dropping Miranda or me a line—we love reading about your amazing adventures and know our fellow Andover alumni would as well.

Always, Sydney

## 2013 5th REUNION

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Hello Class of 2013!

I hope it's been another transformative and successful year! This past year we've celebrated graduations, new beginnings, and warm reunions.

**Alexandra Donovan** spent most of her summer in Berlin and Paris on a travel fellowship, researching innovative playscape design and European public space. By chance she met **Sam Koffman** and later, **Abby Chung** in Paris. Alex also connected with **James Garth** at the Frank Stella '54 show and later, they got coffee. She is completing her final year at Cornell and will soon earn her Bachelor of Architecture degree. She is looking forward to a studio trip to Zagreb, Croatia in the fall and I'm sure her Spring thesis will be incredible.

**Sahil Bhaiwala** loved exploring Europe as well, and he was in great company with **J.J. Jayward** and **Madeline Silva**. J.J. is working in the Equity Capital Markets division at Deutsche Bank in New York,

Madeline is beginning at Yale Law School this fall, and Sahil is at Bain & Boston Company in Boston. Sahil was also happy to see **Hemang Kaul**, **Brendan O'Connell**, and **Pearson Goodman** at his sister, Zahra Bhaiwala '10's, wedding in July.

Meanwhile, in San Francisco, **Gabbi Fisher** met up with **Julie Doar**! Gabbi began her last year at Stanford and will be graduating with her Master's in computer science soon. Also in California, **Ross Bendetson** reunited with **Jason Nawrocki** and **Jing Qu** on the Facebook campus.

**Amanda Zhu** enjoyed her trip to Houston where she was happy to see **Saranya Wallooppillai**! She celebrated graduating from Georgetown University in May and has now relocated to Philadelphia. Amanda is looking forward to seeing PA alums in the area!

After a sad farewell to **Maia Hirschler** at Yale University, **Nicole Ng** travelled in Russia for a month then headed home to Hong Kong. She was granted the James C. Gaither Junior Fellowship and will be working in Washington D.C. at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in the Russia and Eurasia program.

In New York City **Mimi Leggett** held a pop up shop for her brand, Official Rebrand, and happily reunited with several Andover friends. She created costumes for a film as the education assistant at the Firelands Association for the Visual Arts. She just finished prepping and displaying one of her looks during New York Fashion Week!

I am so happy to hear about all of you. At every stage of your lives, you continue to inspire me. I wish you the absolute best as we welcome yet another year, and hopefully I'll see you all at the upcoming reunion!

Sincerely, Chiamaka Okorie, Connor Fraser, M.J. Engel

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**Armaan Singh** traveled to Cleveland in April for Bollywood America—the largest Bollywood fusion dance competition in the world—where his team took first place. **Hannah Sorkin** interned in

Boston at the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Diplomatic Security, where she was able to meet the Dalai Lama! She also celebrated **Amy Morin's** 21st birthday with **Helen Leahy, Sam Johnson,** and **Caroline Garrity '15** in Massachusetts. **Cat Haseman, Renee LaMarche, Zoe Gallagher,** and **Natalie Kim** all met up in Portsmouth, RI after a summer of language study, army training, and interning, respectively. **Sarah Cornelius** and **Malina Simard-Halm** reunited in Missouri for a week where they both accepted the Truman Scholarship. **Doris Nyamwaya** studied abroad in Heidelberg, Germany and traveled around Europe during spring semester with **Ashlie Rockwood.** While abroad, she met up with both **Mikaela Rabb** and **Veronica Hildenbrand.** **Katherine Vega** interned in Chicago this past summer at the Obama Foundation. In the city she was reunited with **Arzu Singh '16.** **Graydon Tope** spent the summer in a quantitative biology lab at McGill University. She will be continuing her research this fall on an independent research project. **Graham Johns** was promoted to Artist of the Company for the 2017–2018 season, which is the equivalent of the corps de ballet. He also caught up with **Zoe Chazen** over Eritrean food in central square.

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Dear Class of 2015,

Early this summer, a group of our schoolmates traveled back to campus for the memorial service of **Gina Soutendijk**, including **Chris Li** and **Alex Li, Liana Brooks, Charlotte Berry, Thea Rossman, Kaylee Llewellyn, Annie Littlefield,** and **Julianne Xenakis '16.** A donation page was created in Gina's name to support Project HEAL, the largest nonprofit in the United States supporting the prevention and treatment of eating disorders. A tree on the Gelb Quad was dedicated in Gina's honor. She is dearly missed.

Others traveled back to campus to celebrate the class of 2017's commencement. **Josh Murphy, Rob Irvin, Mackenzie Bradford,** and **Victoria Skrivanos** were just a few whose siblings received diplomas, while several others showed up to cheer their friends on including **A.J. Augustin,**

**Arthur Doran, Jason Young, Matt Osborn, Hanover Vale,** and **David Gutierrez.**

**Kory Stuer** celebrated his 21st birthday at his summer apartment in Georgetown. In attendance were **Tyler Tsay, Justine Wang, Diego Blandon,** **Chris Li, Devontae Freeland,** and **Trevor Lazar '17.**

Dynamic duo **Bianca Navarro Bowman** and **Rebecca Somer** caught up at home in Northern Virginia and attended the Capital Pride parade in Washington D.C. among other excursions.

Another dynamic duo, **Nya Hughes** and **Alba Disla,** met up in Cuba this summer where they were each doing summer programs with school.

**Kelli Mackey** traveled to Alaska in June to work for the Greg Carter European Hockey School. She spent the rest of the summer training for Hamilton College hockey, exploring the Grand Teton National Park in Jackson Hole, WY and helping her father with his cattle business and ranch in California. On the other side of the globe, **Tom Burnett** backpacked the Gobi Desert this summer and later studied monastic vocal techniques in the hills outside of Beijing.

**Aneesh Ashutosh** is entering his third year at New York University. This summer he worked as a software engineering intern at Namely, an HR software company. Throughout his sophomore year, Aneesh worked at Twitter for four months and received two President's Service Awards for distinguished achievement in civic engagement and service. Aneesh was chosen as one of ten up-and-comers by Washington Square News, NYU's campus newspaper.

That's all for now! We wish you all well wherever you are in the world and in your own personal journeys, and hope you will always rely on this Andover community as a support system personally and professionally.

Take care, '15 —T, K, & D

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Members of the class of 2016 are continuing to prosper and connect with one another in their second year living outside of the beloved 01810.

A few of our peers wrapped up their worldly gap years this past summer. **Kieto Mahaniah** moved out of Germany and onto the roads of Italy, hitchhiking, working for stay, and existing off the generosity and curiosity of others. He also allegedly learned to cook Italian-style. **Claire Glover** finished her gap year by backpacking in New Hampshire with **Jack Lawlor '17,** and kicked off her college career at Mount Holyoke in September with a pre-season soccer team training trip to Japan. She is thrilled to be a member of the team.

**Michaela Hagler** spent six months, from May to November, in Suzhou, China on a study abroad internship program. Given that Andover students are scattered all across the globe, she met up with **Nick Rauén** and **Sean Hawkins** while abroad. **Sam Shapiro** spent five weeks during the summer interning in Jerusalem, Israel and ended the summer by working as a camp counselor at an overnight summer camp.

Back in the United States, **Isabella Haegg** graciously hosted **Claire McDonnell, Sloane Sambuco, Olivia Picchione, Alessa Cross,** and **Anna Kramer** for a small New York City reunion in June. Isabella, according to Claire, "assembles a killer charcuterie board." **Maddie Comer, Sitara Rao, Brooke Keene, Jessie Schmitt, Christian Cruz,** and **Skylar Takyi** met up in Boston for dinner to celebrate finishing their freshman years.

Later in the summer, **Sharon Zhang, Ashley Scott,** and **Arzu Singh** travelled to Andover to spend time with **Mihika Sridhar** and other Andover residents. Arzu Singh spent most of the summer interning at the Robert R. McCormick Foundation in Chicago, and she met up with **Katherine Vega '14, Akhil Rajan '17,** and **Justin Williamson** while in the city. She loved her first time living in an urban environment.

**Vienna Kuhn, Caroline Shipley, Peter Hahn, Kelly McCarthy, Kasey Welch, Nick Faulkner, Dylan Norris,** and **Pranav Tadikonda** spent the Fourth of July weekend at Caroline's lakehouse at Squam Lake in New Hampshire. They also threw Kasey a "surprise" birthday in June, and **Claire Ressel** came up to Boston from New York to surprise her at the party. Pranav is said to have "routinely dominated Nick Faulkner, Dylan Norris, and Peter Hahn in Settlers of Catan" throughout the summer.

**Felipe Chamon** had a relaxed, uneventful summer; he did, however, run into Dr. Lopez-Morales and her family at Buffalo Wild Wings in Burlington, MA in July. **Ariel Abonizio** made Felipe jealous with all the Brazilian food he sent him pictures of.

**Claire Tellekson-Flash** worked at Mission: Wolf, a sanctuary for captive wolves, over the summer, and is currently studying wildlife biology and leading trips for the Outing Club at the University of Vermont. **Mofopofoluwa Olarinmoye** stayed in the U.S. this summer to help develop an after-school boarding program for underserved teens in

New Jersey, and the process of creating this venture made her very nostalgic for the land of the Big Blue.

**Alex Leibovitz** began college at Dartmouth this fall and he is feeling grateful for everyone at Andover who was a part of his journey.

**Diego Chavez** is the treasurer this year for the Organization of Latin American Affairs (OLAA) at Boston College. He is also the principal bass player for the Boston College Symphony Orchestra.

In other noteworthy news, **Erica Shin** and **Pranav** are maintaining their snapchat streak—833 days as of the beginning of September.

**Tyler Lian** ran into David Moon '17 at a Korean Barbeque event on campus.

Even though it has been more than a year now since we left Andover, it is heartwarming to see that we are maintaining our connections with each other and keeping the Andover community alive and well. Good luck with the rest of the year, and remember to let us know of any accomplishments, experiences, or reunions!

## 2017

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Hey Class of '17! These are our first class notes as Andover alumni. We are celebrating six months as part of this community, and people are already off to amazing adventures. This summer, classmates are going off on vacation, working, having local reunions, and starting new journeys beyond Andover.

One Andover Alum jumped right out and onto the television screen. The world watched on as **Ethan Brown** dazzled us as he performed other worldly math skills. He truly showed why he earned the title of "Superhuman." Ethan did not stop there either. He also has been growing a new satire blog, called "The Sweaty Penguin," which focuses on current events on the environmental world. He ended his summer with some traveling.

There were a number of students that traveled. **Paige Morss** took a nice family trip to Iceland. She also decided to serve as a lifeguard this summer. Miles and miles away, **Edward Elson** and **Thomas Godwin** traveled together to China to not only visit other Andover grads but to also work for a month. They partnered up with an organization called Magic Hospital. There, they taught Chinese orphans soccer while also mentoring them.

Another group of classmates decided to head to Canada to sightsee and visit friends. This group included **Leah Adelman**, **Grace Anthony**,

and **Katherine Sweetser**. While they were there they even got to see more Andover alumni in Quebec City. These classmates consisted of **Andrew Cortner**, **Daniel "Dan" Tran**, **Richard Zhong**, and **Benjamin "Ben" Zhang**. They were all able to chat over meals while enjoying each other's company.

**Candy Chan**, **Kristy Lam**, and **Shoshana "Shoshi" Wintman** decided to try something a little more adventurous as they flew all the way out to Norway where they tied up their hiking boots and went backpacking through beautiful trails. They then went into the gorgeous rivers and lakes as they kayaked on the trip as well. The trio definitely have a lot of amazing stories that they can share from that.

Kristy didn't stop there with the '17 connections. In Hong Kong there was a reunion with five other alums. **Gwyneth Wei**, **Carra Wu**, **Claudia Chu**, **Sabrina Lu**, and **Sewon Park** joined Kristy for a nice meal as they talked about all that was happening in their lives.

Back in the United States, there was still a lot going on. **Turner Corbett** had an eventful summer in Fort Worth, TX. He was able to get an internship at the real estate company, Menard Doswell, where he had an amazing time learning and developing in the workplace. Turner was fortunate to be able to go to Poland for a week with his boss, and also visited New York where he and **Teymour Farman-Farmaian** got dinner with each other's families. They went to a restaurant called "Mr. Chow's," which Turner highly recommends if you're ever in the city.

In Andover, four students teamed up with Mr. Capano during the summer. **Brandon Barros**, **Nikki Dlesk**, **Laura Bilal**, and **Mikayla Schmidt**, known as "Capano's Crew," did a lot to help around campus. They delivered textbooks to classes. They sold weekend trips and college visit trips to a number of people at Andover. After performing administrative tasks, they were able to go out and coach sports to the younger children there.

Brandon also was able to spend some time away from Andover as he and a number of other alums came down to New York City. **Wilbert Garcia**, **Eudy Lopez**, **Andrew Reavis**, and **Arthur Paleologos** stayed with **Howard "Hojo" Johnson** in Manhattan. As well as eating delicious food, they were also able to play some basketball on local courts. This is a particular passion for some of the people, and all were happy they got to go out and get some exercise.

Wilbert also had a local job in Lawrence, MA, working at his former middle school, Bellesini Academy. He enjoyed focusing his time heavily on the children, serving not only helper in the classroom, but also a role model. Many times he would come in early and stay late with the children, and said it was well worth the hours he put in.

**Josie Simmons** stayed home mostly, but was able to read a lot of books in that time. She and **Kalina Ko** met to have lunch with each other. After a great meal, they then went shopping for books together.

## What's new with you?

Get married?

Move?

Change your email address?

Let PA know! You can update your information by:

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**Sabrina Appleby** had a busy summer this year. She stayed in Orlando, Florida for the entire month of July. Sabrina is a wonderful dancer and so she was able to participate in Orlando Ballet's Summer Intensive program. Although it was hard work, Sabrina had an amazing time there. She will be returning back to the organization for the entire school year as a trainee student. As well as dancing she was also able to see great friends of hers throughout the summer. Sabrina met up with **Hannah Beaudoin**, **Lydia Paris**, **Aidan Driscoll**, and **Jakob Beckwith** in Andover. They were also able to see each other again in Boston. She also saw **Julia Beckwith** in Wellesley, MA.

In August a solar eclipse occurred as thousands of people watched outside—hopefully with the special eclipse sunglasses—and also online on certain streaming sites. Sabrina and **Aditya Krishnamachar** were able to make pizza in Jackson Hole, WY while enjoying the unique spectacle of seeing the eclipse in its totality.

In late August **Jakob "Jake" Pfeffer** combined his love for performing and jazz while in New Orleans. He was able to start a band there and has been performing songs in different venues. He is definitely loving it and will keep it.

The Class of '17 has been up to some amazing things over this summer. Whichever direction or path we are going to go through in these years following Andover, we hope that you all will continue to keep not just the school, but also the people close to your hearts and minds.

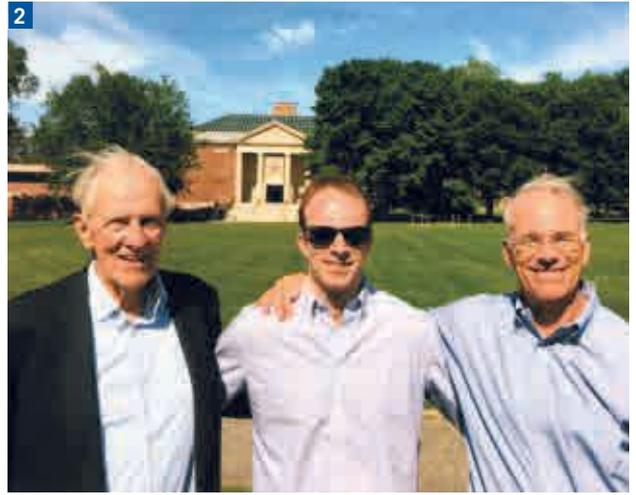
## FACULTY EMERITI

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1. PA friends came together to celebrate the wedding of Jamie Love-Getchell '06 on campus last summer. Back row: Marc Moramarco, Kathy Moramarco, Julie Wadland '06, Jevan Jammal '06, and Stephen Getchell (the groom); front row: Joseph Fuccillo, the bride, and Lindsay (Moramarco) Fuccillo '06.

2. A legacy family returning to campus fondly remembers school days. Phil Drake '43, Teddy Drake '11, and Bill Drake '73.

3. Several Andover friends made the trip to Vermont for the wedding of Abigail Weiner '04 and William Hapworth Jr. '02. Front row: Stephen Brock '02, Jarrett Wetherell '02, the groom, Brandon Winston '02, Lindsey Weiner '08, the bride, Dean Felch '02, and Samantha Koolen '01; middle row: Alexandra (Dwyer) Poyant '04, Marissa (Hudson) Prescott '04, Benjamin Weiner '06, Kimon (McCall) Foley '04, Jonathan Adler '02, Stephen Weiner '71, Anita Koolen '06, Christopher Weiner '01, and Madeleine Fawcett '02; back row: Frederick W. Beinecke '62, Austin Arensberg '01, Meredith (Hudson) Johnston '01, Tyler Mixer '02, Benjamin Beinecke '02, Marc Koolen (taught biology at Andover from 1974–2016), and Colin Touhey '06.

4. PA '64 hit the slopes for a ski weekend in Newfane, VT. Paul Gallagher, Tony Sapienza, Tom Seligson, Dick Howe, and Dewey Fulton.

5. PA friends came together to celebrate the wedding of Margaret Moore Nelson '06 and her husband Brett Nelson. From left to right: Abby Weiner '04, the groom, William Hapworth '03, Lexi Dwyer Poyant '04, Cory Schneider '04, Shaalini Ramanadhan '03, the bride, Kinnon McCall Foley '03, Matt Longley '03, Kat Conlon '04, and Sam Kennedy '05.

6. Alumnae from Abbot Class of '73 reunited for brunch on campus in September. Jane Demers, Dianne Delucia, and Marcia McCabe.

7. July photo at the Statue of Liberty in New York, Danica Miller Eskind, Helen Watson Collison, and Elizabeth (Betsy) Cadbury, all Abbot '63.

8. Andover friends for life Gene Young and Jane Dewey, both Class of '48, reconnected in November at the Alumni Award of Distinction dinner. Young was a recipient of the award. (see p. 24)

9. Hillary Barker '08 and Billy Draper '07 celebrated their wedding surrounded by Andover friends. First row: Carolyn Chica '08, Kristy Spiak '08, Billy Draper, Hillary Baker, Warren Baker '67, Lindsay Baker '05, Chris Cahill '06, and Brian Louie '07; second row: Jon Louie '07, Nkem Oghedo '08, Kimberly Chang '08, Ciatlin Feeney '08, Liz MacMillan '08, Grace Gordon '08, Kelsey Thorn '08, Katie Hunckler '05, and Tim Draper '77; third row: Arianna Van Shuytman '08, Dacone Elliott '08, Ikechi Ngwangwa '07, Curtis Holden '07, and Mike Tully '07; fourth row: Adam Draper '04, Cotton Harrold '04, Will Sherril '07, and Ekow Essel '07.



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10. A mini reunion with close friends from the Class of '58 is the perfect time for a toast. Roger Mackenzie, Phil Woodward, Phil Makanna, John Murphy (holding a bottle of Andover Estate), and Blitz Fox.

11. PA friends were all smiles for the wedding of Jungmin Son Martin and Rush Martin, both Class of '07. From left to right, behind the bride and groom: Eliot Wall '07, Michelle Darby '07, Justin Lee '06, Justin Yi '06, Sarah Chang '05, Colin Touhey '06, Matt Yeager '06, and Elizabeth Slaughter '06.



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12. PA friends and former faculty reunited at the Thetford Center in Vermont for the August 2017 wedding of Caitlin Henningsen '01. Back row: Frank Herron '70, Parrish Dobson, Jane Gould, Nicholas Ma '01, John Gould, Smita Singh '01; middle row: Adam Eaker '03, Susan McCaslin, Amy Zimmerman '90, Erin Winkler '01, Misty Muscatel Davis '01, Caitlin Henningsen '01, Amita Singh '01, Russell Rennie (groom), Victor Henningsen, Jr. '43 (framed photo), Susie Dickson '01, Rachel Weiner, '01, Ned Henningsen '05, Jon Weigel '05, Victor Henningsen III '69, Sandy Urie AA'70, Peter Gilbert '72, Joseph Graham '57, Jeanne Amster; front row: Alida Payson '01, Ella Hoffman '01, Sarah Kline '01, Paige Austin '01.



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- 13. Donald Rollings '70, Anne Shif '75, Elizabeth N. Rollings Friman; Doug Friman '93, and Brad Rollings '69.
- 14. The best birthday present is being surrounded by lifelong friends from Abbot Class of '58. Happy birthday Vickie Kohler! Carol Green Donnelly, Eleanor Taft Etheridge, Jane Christie, Joyce Finger Beckwith, and Parry Ellice.
- 15. Alumni from the Class of '09 reconnected on a sailing trip in the British Virgin Islands. Back row: Mike McDonough, Theo Lederfine Paska, Tobey Duble, Brian Russell; Front row: Ryan Heavey and Liza Duble.
- 16. Abbot '64 classmates enjoy a mini reunion at the summer home of Allis Brooks Hanley. Luci Bingham, Allis Brooks Hanley, Joan Harney Wiles, Gwyneth Walker.

## FACULTY EMERITA

**Audrey N. Bensley**

North Andover, MA; Oct. 27, 2017

Former art instructor and accomplished potter Audrey Nye "Naut" Bensley died after a long battle with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. She was 87.

While at Hood College in 1949, Audrey met and married Gordon "Diz" Bensley '43. After graduation, the couple moved to Phillips Academy as young faculty members. Audrey's outgoing personality and striking appearance made her a favorite early on. "She was independent, daring, and chose to be an individual in a place set by strict standards," wrote Margot Grover '91. "Students loved her. In fact, she was named 'class girl' by the Class of 1951—an honor normally bestowed to Hollywood actresses. Audrey appeared in many of the school's theatre productions." She played the heroines in Penrose Hallowell's annual Shakespearean plays, noted colleague Ginny Powell. "Naut was unforgettable and completely believable as an intriguing Cleopatra."

It wasn't until 1965 that Audrey went into teaching. Husband Diz had recently given her a potter's wheel, and when Abbot Academy offered her a position, she jumped at the chance to be an instructor. "Teaching set the inquisitive Naut on a continuing search for more knowledge, for intellectually she never accepted half-measures in ceramics," wrote Powell. Audrey schooled herself in workshops in Maine, Quebec, New Hampshire, and, later, Japan, where she studied with a Japanese master potter.

After Abbot and Phillips academies merged, Audrey was asked to teach at PA. Audrey and her husband cotaught many classes in visual studies, and the ceramics department grew in popularity. "The Bensleys' space was a safe space, full of ideas and inspiration," wrote Nick Stoneman '78. "In the midst of the academic pressure of PA, they encouraged imagination and artistic experimentation. Little did we know that the foundation for our future appreciation of architecture, design, ideation, and entrepreneurship was being fostered." Audrey taught until 1995. After retirement, she and Diz purchased a home in the town of Andover and spent winters in Bradenton, FL, where Audrey continued to teach, practice, and exhibit her ceramics.

Predeceased by her husband and son Peter '71, Audrey is survived by two sons, Chris '76 and Zach '88; two daughters, Wendy Percival '69 and Jennifer Eskoglou '78; 11 grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

—The Bensley Family

## STAFF EMERITA

**Elaine R. Bailey**

Andover, MA; Nov. 26, 2017

Elaine Rankin Bailey died peacefully on her 81st birthday with her husband at her side. She had been living with cancer for more than five years.

An alumna of Northfield School for Girls, Elaine graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1959. After working in New York City for four years, she returned to Northfield to work in the administration. There, she met and married Carroll W. Bailey, an English teacher at the nearby Mount Hermon School for Boys.

In 1970, the couple moved to Andover, where Carroll taught for 27 years and Elaine fulfilled many community roles in support of student residential life and advising, especially as co-dean of Abbot Cluster during the first 10 years after the 1973 merger of Abbot and Phillips academies. "You saved the merger," wrote Headmaster Ted Sizer in a letter to the couple upon their retirement in 1997. "The Abbot campus/Cluster, so threadbare and so much a symbol of 'being down the hill,' became a beacon, a special place, a Cluster like none other, your very special creation. Your mark on these two old academies is happy and permanent."

Day student Dan Lasman '73 hung out with friends at Revere House, where the Baileys were house counselors. "Mrs. Bailey was caring, loving, and always focused on helping others," he recalls. "She always took time to talk, making me feel like I was the most important person in her life."

"Mrs. Bailey would 'counsel' students with a smile and was always the picture of calm and tranquility—not easy in a dorm full of boys," said David Gutzke '77, who lived with the Baileys in French House. "It was a tremendous year. They have been like parents to me and grandparents to my daughter."

With Carroll, Elaine also was instrumental in the curation and historic preservation of PA art and artifacts, and she co-led the school's Washington Intern Program for several years. Throughout their careers, the Baileys were an inseparable, one-of-a-kind team in teaching and mentoring their students and colleagues. In 2001, the Baileys were joint recipients of the McKean Award, given to members of the PA community who exemplify "inspired and dedicated leadership in education" in the spirit of Philena McKean, former principal of Abbot Academy.

Elaine is survived by her beloved husband of 49 years; numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins; and countless former students and associates around the world. Contributions in her memory may be made to the Carroll W. and Elaine Bailey Scholarship at Phillips Academy.

—Donald Abbott, Faculty Emeritus

## ABBOT AND PHILLIPS

## 1934

**Joseph C. Fox**

Hamden, CT; Aug. 10, 2017

## 1935

**Doris Schwartz Lewis**

Chestnut Hill, MA; July 15, 2017

Doris Schwartz Lewis often mused, "People at my funeral won't be saying, 'Oh, the poor thing. She died so young.'" Last summer, the Abbot '35 class secretary passed away at age 100.

A graduate of Russell Sage College, where she earned a BA degree in sociology, Doris served on many boards throughout the years. Ever philanthropic, she remained active at both the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, where she was a trustee for more than 40 years, and the Jewish Community Housing for the Elderly. Mostly, Doris will be remembered for her indomitable spirit. A pianist and lover of classical music, she was a Boston Symphony Orchestra season ticketholder for 50 years. Her beloved Chickering Baby Grand piano will soon be displayed at the original Piano Factory, on Boston's Tremont Street, where it was produced. Doris also was an avid reader, enjoyed crossword puzzles and bridge, and loved cooking and hosting dinner parties.

At age 93, Doris attended her Abbot Academy 75th Reunion. She was the only attendee from her class and proudly led the Alumni Parade in a golf cart. Fiercely independent, she lived in her condo with very little outside help almost until her passing.

Predeceased by her husband of 56 years, Allen S. Lewis, and her daughter, Susan Lewis Cooper, Doris is survived by daughter Jane Weissman, devoted son-in-law Marc Cooper (former husband of daughter Susan), and three grandchildren.

—Jane Weissman

## 1937

**Howard A. Reed**

West Palm Beach, FL; Oct. 14, 2017

## 1939

**Joseph F. Anderson**

Redding, CT; July 6, 2017

**William C. Brewer Jr.**

Galesville, MD; July 25, 2016

## 1940

**John S. Brittain III**

Summit, NJ; June 16, 2013

**William C. Hart**

Greenwich, CT; July 2, 2017

## 1941

**Arthur B. McComb**

New Paltz, NY; March 10, 2017

## 1943

### Robert Coulson

Riverside, CT; Sept. 9, 2017



### Thomas J. Hudner Jr.

Concord, MA; Nov. 13, 2017

Capt. Thomas J. Hudner Jr., a Korean War hero, retired U.S. naval officer, and former naval aviator, died at age 93. Hudner received the Congressional Medal of Honor from President Truman in 1951 for his valiant actions in trying to save the life of a downed wingman during the Battle of Chosin Reservoir.

On December 4, 1950, Lt. j.g. Hudner and wingman Ensign Jesse L. Brown—the Navy's first black pilot—were patrolling near the Chosin Reservoir when Brown's Corsair was struck by ground fire. Hudner intentionally crash-landed his own aircraft on a snowy mountain to help Brown. Despite Hudner's best efforts, Brown died of his injuries.

"Capt. Hudner will be remembered not only for his heroism, which earned him the highest of our nation's honors, but also for his kindness and human spirit," said Head of School John Palfrey. "Those qualities will continue to inspire all of us who were touched by his extraordinary life."

Following Hudner's tour with VF-32, he held a variety of training, operational, and staff assignments, including commanding Training Squadron 24 (VT-24) and serving as executive officer of the USS *Kitty Hawk*. Following his retirement from the Navy in 1973, Hudner worked as a management consultant and served for eight years as the Massachusetts commissioner of the Department of Veterans' Services. In 2013, he returned to North Korea in an unsuccessful attempt to locate Brown's remains.

In spring 2017, the destroyer USS *Thomas Hudner* was christened at General Dynamics Bath Iron Works in Bath, Maine. Hudner, his family, and many members of the Andover community attended the ceremony.

"Capt. Tom Hudner was not only Andover's eighth Medal of Honor recipient, he also was an incredible human being," said Charles Dean '79, chair of the Andover and the Military Executive Committee. "Tom Hudner inspired us—Andover's veterans and active duty graduates—to reach far higher and give our absolute all to others just as he had done so unquestionably for his friend Jesse Brown."

Known as "Lou" during his time at Phillips Academy, Hudner earned five varsity letters and cocaptained his track team senior year. He was inducted into the Andover Athletics Hall of Honor in 2011. At Andover and the Military's 2015 Veterans Day dinner, Hudner was a guest of honor when his official

portrait, painted by Chas Fagan '84, was unveiled; it now hangs aboard the *Hudner*. In fall 2016, Hudner was on campus to receive the Andover Alumni Award of Distinction in Cochran Chapel.

Hudner is survived by his wife of 49 years, Georgea; children Kelly Fernandez, Stanford Smith, Shannon Gustafson, and Thomas III; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandson; and siblings Mary Hammer and Philip Hudner '54.

## 1944

### John S. Dickey

Massapequa, NY; Sept. 22, 2017

### John L. Finneran

North Andover, MA; Oct. 24, 2016

### Carlton M. Strong Jr.

Meriden, NH; Sept. 21, 2015

## 1947

### Louis E. Gross

Palatine, IL; May 10, 2017

### F.D. Lackey III

Groton, MA; Sept. 8, 2017

## 1948

### Nancy E. Stewart

Pennington, NJ; Sept. 27, 2017

### Richard B. Tichnor

East Sandwich, MA; May 3, 2017

## 1950

### Nora Johnson

Dallas, TX; Oct. 5, 2017

### Joseph M. Madden

Lexington, KY; Feb. 4, 2008

## 1953

### Harry J. Loberg

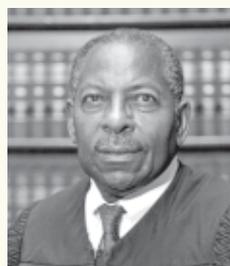
Santa Barbara, CA; March 3, 2016

## 1954

### Merrell L. Stout Jr.

Boca Grande, FL; July 4, 2017

## 1955



### George Bundy Smith

New York, NY; Aug. 5, 2017

Judge George Bundy Smith, who sat on New York State's highest court for 14 years, died at his home in Harlem following a short illness. He was 80.

Smith was a judge of the New York City Civil Court from 1975 to 1979 and a justice of the New York State Supreme Court from 1980 to 1986. Former governor Mario Cuomo appointed Smith to the seven-member Court of Appeals in 1992. The third black judge to serve on the court, he authored the 2004 decision that effectively outlawed the death penalty in New York. Smith retired in 2006.

Raised in segregated Washington, D.C., Smith attended Phillips Academy on scholarship. "I remember Tuesday, May 18, 1954. I walked into Andover's library and picked up the *New York Times*," said Smith in a 2010 interview with Faculty Emeritus Derek Williams '65 published in *Andover* magazine. "The Supreme Court had declared segregated schools unconstitutional. I literally had to stop myself from shouting for joy. I thought if I became a lawyer, I could help in that effort. So that was one of my objectives at Andover."

Smith earned a BA degree from Yale University in 1959. In 1961, while in Yale Law School, he actively joined the civil rights movement at the urging of Rev. William Sloane Coffin Jr. '42, Yale's chaplain. Smith was one of about 10 "Freedom Riders," including Dr. Coffin, the Rev. Ralph Abernathy and the Rev. Wyatt Tee Walker, who were arrested when they ordered coffee at a whites-only lunch counter in Montgomery, Ala. Their convictions on civil disobedience charges were overturned in 1965 by the U.S. Supreme Court.

A 1985 recipient of the Academy's Claude Moore Fuess Award for distinguished contributions to public service, Smith served as an alumni trustee from 1986 to 1990 and was honored posthumously with the Andover Alumni Award of Distinction this past fall. He was also an MLK Day All-School Meeting speaker and Alumni Council member.

Smith is survived by his wife, Alene; children George Jr. '83 and Beth Beatrice Smith; and two grandchildren.

## 1958

### Frank D. O'Reilly III

Mill Hall, PA; Feb. 26, 2017

## 1962

### Robert S. Chapman

Bangkok, Thailand; June 10, 2017

## 1963

### Charles L. Larkin III

Middlebury, CT; May 22, 2017

Charles Lewis "Sandy" Larkin III died of early onset frontal temporal dementia. He grew up in Middlebury, CT, where he lived most of his life. Sandy was a Renaissance man who, at various times in his life, was a golf and tennis champion, pilot, dairy farmer, and storyteller. He also was a world traveler, beer aficionado, lacrosse and squash coach, tree farmer, geography buff, marvelous father, and lover of any kind of ice cream—especially root beer floats.

Throughout his life, Sandy was a dedicated and prolific community volunteer. He was equally comfortable talking to the local waitress or the CEO of

a large corporation. During the Vietnam War, he proudly served in Panmunjom, Korea, in the DMZ. His enduring qualities were his kind and gentle manner. His essence, in both his life and his long illness, can be summed up in three words: courage, humor, and dignity.

Sandy is survived by his wife, Mel, of Middlebury, CT, and children Charles Lewis "Casey" Larkin IV and Diana Larkin, both of New York City.

—*Matthew W. Hall '63*

## 1964

### Harry G. Hives

New York, NY; Aug. 5, 2017

Harry Hives was a corporate tax generalist at the law firm Covington & Burling LLC in New York. He had a broad grasp of the nation's tax laws, and many of his colleagues thought him the smartest person they knew—as well as the kindest and most gracious.

Tax was only one element of Harry's vast knowledge. He was classically educated, fluent in several languages, and had a firm grasp of Greek mythology. At the same time, he was learned in all aspects of cultural matters and was a devotee of art, literature, and the performing arts (opera, ballet, theatre, and film). Harry was also an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed camping and hiking, but also pursued far more arduous activities, including trekking in the Himalayas and running ultra-marathons in the Arctic zone of Canada.

Harry's relatively early death followed a valiant struggle with cancer. He is survived by his wife, Max Quinn, and daughter Maya.

—*Ken Gass '64*

### Thomas D. Thacher II

Bedford, NY; Oct. 30, 2017

Thomas "Toby" Thacher, a public prosecutor, independent monitor, and private investigator in New York State who created the legal oversight to address fraud and corruption in the construction industry, died from heart failure. "Toby's work changed industry practice, and he was doing so right up until his death," said Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance.

Toby received a BA degree from Hamilton College and a law degree from the Fordham University School of Law. After serving as an assistant prosecutor in Manhattan and a deputy assistant state attorney general working with the state Organized Crime Task Force, he was named inspector general and vice president of the School Construction Authority, serving from 1989 to 1996. Upon leaving government, he founded a risk-management consultancy for construction projects. His firm was acquired in 2013 by K2 Intelligence.

Toby is survived by his wife, Frances; son, Thomas III; and daughter, Chessie '98.

—*Ken Gass '64*

## 1967

### Ford M. Fraker

Nantucket, MA; Sept. 4, 2017

Ford M. Fraker, U.S. ambassador to Saudi Arabia from 2007 to 2009, died after a massive stroke suffered at his part-time home in Nantucket.

Originally in the Class of 1966, Fraker joined the Class of 1967 due to a bad concussion suffered playing football. In fall 1966, wearing a special helmet, he joined the soccer team as starting goalie. He also started on the varsity hockey and baseball teams and was captain of the baseball team. At graduation, Fraker received the Aurelian Honor Society Prize for outstanding character, scholarship, and leadership, and the Yale Bowl for highest proficiency in scholarship and athletics. He was inducted into the Andover Athletics Hall of Honor in 2015.

At Harvard, Fraker played hockey all four years and graduated cum laude in 1971. For the next two decades, he held positions in banking and finance with various organizations, all of which had connections to the Middle East.

"I got to know Ford better when we were both working in London in the late 1980s," said Trustee Emeritus Daniel Cunningham '67. "Over a dinner, I asked how he ended up working at a Saudi bank in London. He said that shortly after graduating from college, he joined the training program at Chemical Bank in New York. When that program ended, he opted to take a position in Saudi Arabia—generally not viewed as a great assignment in the 1970s. Ford saw NYC as the beaten path and he was looking for something different and more challenging. As we all know, that was a good decision."

In 1991, Fraker founded Fraker & Co., which provided Middle East consultancy services to U.S. and U.K. firms. In 1997, he cofounded Trinity Group Limited, for which he served as board chair for a decade. In 2007, President George W. Bush '64 appointed Fraker U.S. ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and came to consider him a good friend. The Council of American Ambassadors credits Fraker's leadership with promoting a new "partnership in the areas of counterterrorist financing, nuclear non-proliferation and the development of peaceful nuclear energy, the protection of Saudi Arabia's critical infrastructure, and the exchange of science and technology."

Most recently, Fraker was senior advisor for the Middle East for Bank of America Merrill Lynch, president of the Middle East Policy Council in Washington, D.C., and vice chairman of the board of trustees of International College in Beirut.

Fraker is survived by his wife, Linda; children Antonia, Ford, and Charles; and brother Christopher '74.

## 1968

### Christopher B. Rawson

Mount Vernon, WA; August 7, 2017

### Rodger C. Warnecke

Healdsburg, CA; January 27, 2017

## 1969

### Deane Sawyer

South Yarmouth, MA; Oct. 21, 2016

## 1975

### Elizabeth Grossman

Portland, OR; July 28, 2017

## 1981

### Scott B. Smith

Portland, OR; July 22, 2017

## 1992

### Jonathan A. Jarzyna

Hernando, FL; Jan. 1, 2011

## 1995

### Kay K. Hsieh

Baltimore, MD; Sept. 16, 2017

## 1997

### Nicholas A. Rieser

New York, NY; Sept. 5, 2017

## 2004

### Justin Hamano

Philadelphia, PA; Oct. 14, 2017

## 2014

### Andrew H. Ramsey

Weston, MA; July 25, 2017

## 2018

### Daniel P. Nakajima

Andover, MA; Sept. 26, 2017



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## Reflections on (an) Andover Life

by Steve Townend '67

One night in the spring of 1964, my father, Frank Townend '29, informed me at the dinner table that I would be going to Andover as a lower middler the following fall. I guess I should have expected that tidbit of news, as both my father and his brother, Henry '31, had gone there and my own brother, David '64, was a senior at the time. But even with all that history, it still came as somewhat of a surprise to me, as I had little involvement in the application process. It's certainly not a decision I have ever regretted, however. My three years at Andover were the best and most formative educational experience I ever had.

I don't think of Andover on any regular basis, but when I do it is always with great pride and even greater affection. Andover is a last connection for me with both my father and brother (who died his senior year at Yale). This was visually brought home when I was on campus this past June for my 50th Reunion, but even more viscerally so when I recently discovered in my parents' attic a scrapbook my father had put together during his four years on the Hill.

Included are ticket stubs to nearly every play and lecture my father attended from 1925 to 1929 plus programs for all those plays and lectures. There are individual photographs of the captains of each sports team along with schedules and scores for each game. There are *Phillipian* articles chronicling those games and Boston newspaper articles referencing President Coolidge's visit to campus for the Academy's sesquicentennial celebration.

There are old French and Latin exams, a Thanksgiving Day menu from the Andover Inn (actually, it was the Phillips Inn



Frank Townend photo labeled "me"

back in 1927), clothing receipts from local haberdasheries, a school directive delaying return to classes because of a rubella outbreak, a summons to the principal's office, and my father's well-crafted "Grievance Petition" in which the nascent lawyer argues his case for justice. At the end, there are myriad personal photos capped off by a single well-hidden picture of my father labeled simply "me."

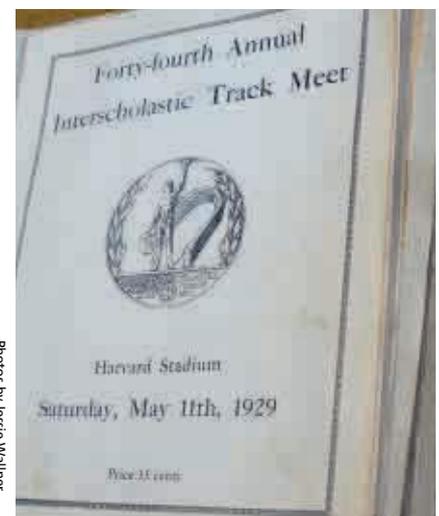
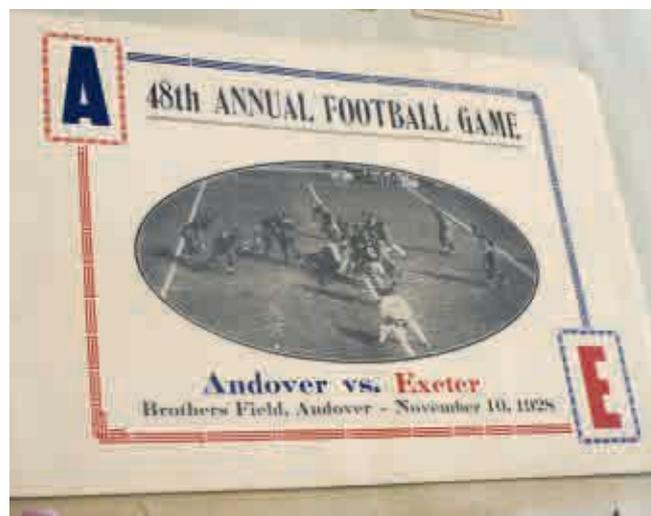
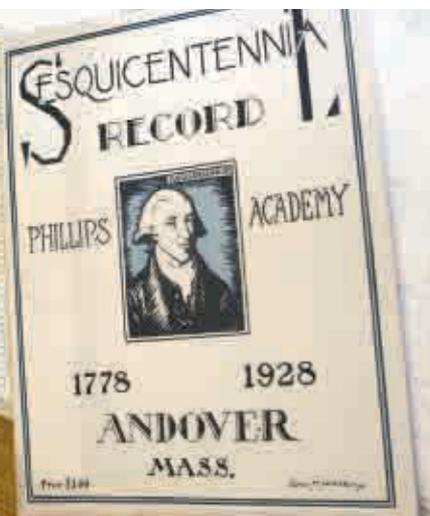
I wondered at first if perhaps my father was unhappy while at Andover and utilized this scrapbook not so much to fill its pages with keepsakes as to fill the empty hours of an otherwise solitary existence. My father was a little boring and a lot imposing (a two-star general and a Princeton-and-Harvard-educated lawyer), but he made and kept a great many friends throughout his life, so I've little doubt he did so at Andover as well. No, he wasn't lonely. He was simply a chronicler and a keeper.

Though I have entrusted my father's scrapbook to the Academy, I cherish its existence not simply for the window it offers me into

his high school years, but also for its being a tangible piece of "Andoveriana" that connects me to him *and* to my brother.

Take a little time and rummage through your own physical or mental attics. You may well be lucky enough to find a bit of your own personal history there as well. Look always to the future...but remember that a solid connection to the past is never a bad idea either. ♦

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