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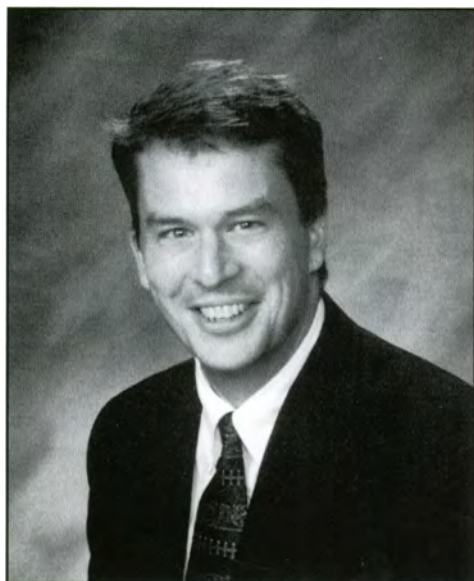
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Groundbreaking for New Carriage House at the Page Museum

Members and friends of the Page Farm and Home Museum at the University of Maine attended a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Winston E. Pullen '41 Carriage House on October 26. The facility has been the target of a 10-year fundraising effort and will provide space for exhibits and relieve storage problems for the museum.

The Page Farm and Home Museum hosts a large collection of farm implements and household items from rural Maine for the period 1865 to 1940. Items not on display are currently stored in two leased tractor trailers parked behind the museum on the university campus. Those trailers were intended to be temporary when they were rented in 1993 to replace space lost to a storm.

"The Winston E. Pullen Carriage House has been part of the museum's long-range plan since 1992," says Patricia Henner '98, museum director. "The purpose of the construction is not only to be a tribute to a founder of the museum, but also to relieve the tremendous storage woes of the complex."

Win Pullen was a former associate dean of what is now the college of natural sciences, forestry, and agriculture at UMaine. In the 1970s, he proposed the concept of a museum dedicated to rural Maine agricultural life.



Sports Hall of Fame inductees (left to right): Nat Crowley '42, Ann England Maxim '84, Sergio Hebra '88, and Jeff Spring '86.

Six Inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame

This year's UMaine Sports Hall of Fame inductees are a very special group who each helped bring recognition to the university. Sadly, two of the most prominent inductees, legendary hockey coach Shawn Walsh and 32-year Black Bear trainer Wes Jordan '63, died of cancer within the last 14 months.

In addition to Jordan, four other UMaine graduates were honored at the induction ceremony during Homecoming 2002. They are Nat Crowley '42, who starred in football, basketball, and baseball; Ann England Maxim '84, who earned 12 varsity letters as a member of the track, field hockey, and cross country teams; football player Sergio Hebra '88, who holds a number of football receiving records; and soccer goalie Jeff Spring '86, who holds the career record for shutouts at Maine with 27.

UMaine Seeks More Women Leaders

President Peter Hoff recently announced that he is starting a task force to look into the current campus environment for women leaders. The group will study how leaders are selected, opportunities for advancement, and available support.

Although Hoff has recently appointed women to several high level positions, he noted that the appointments represented "small steps in the overall goal of including more women at the highest levels."

Hoff stressed that he wants to be sure that the university is making "every possible effort to recruit excellent women to administrative positions."

He also stressed that he wants the university to do everything possible to retain women leaders.

UMaine Helping to Expand Science in Maine Schools

Schools in Hancock and Washington counties and Madison, Damariscotta, and Brewer will join schools in the Old Town and Orono area in expanding science education with the help of UMaine graduate and undergraduate science students. Governor-elect John Baldacci '86 announced on December 12 that the National Science Foundation has awarded UMaine a \$1.5 million grant to continue a NSF Fellows program begun in 1999. An estimated 20,000 K-12 students are expected to benefit from the program in which UMaine students work with classroom teachers to develop lessons and make equipment available to the schools. Students visit classrooms on a weekly basis.

Federal Grant to the Fogler Library

The Institute of Museum and Library Services awarded a \$344,270 grant to UMaine's Fogler Library in September to support a two-year project titled "The Maine Music Box."

The project is a partnership among the University of Maine, the Bagaduce Music Lending Library, and the Bangor Public Library. Through a collaborative effort, an interactive, multimedia digital music library will be designed and implemented. It will be linked to public schools throughout the state.

Federal Gender Equity Complaint Dropped Against UMaine

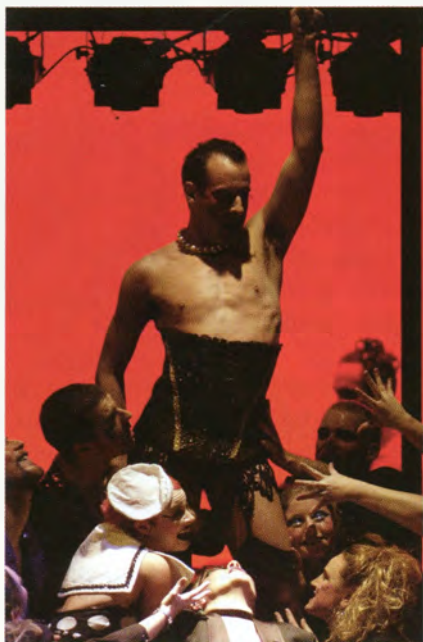
Citing progress toward achieving gender equity in intercollegiate athletics, the U.S. Department of Education Office of Civil Rights has closed its five-year-old complaint against the University of Maine.

In 1997, on the 25th anniversary of the passage of Title IX, the landmark federal law mandating gender equity, the National Women's Law Center cited 25 universities, including UMaine, for being in violation of the law.

The National Women's Law Center filed its complaint with the OCR, which began working with the 25 institutions to correct the shortcomings. It's believed that UMaine is the first of the 25 to have its complaint closed.

"We're pleased with this outcome. Not only is compliance with gender equity the law, it's the right thing to do," says Evelyn Silver, UMaine's director of equal opportunity and Title IX coordinator.

In closing the complaint late this summer, the OCR studied data from the 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 academic years and determined that UMaine's funding of academic scholarships is in proportion to the percentage of females who wear the Black Bear uniform. In fact, in the latter year, the percentage of scholarship funding was slightly higher than the percentage of female athletes.



Alumni and Students Combine Talents in *Rocky Horror Show*

As those long, cold nights of November began to set in, the University of Maine Theater Department did its best to create some heat on campus with a highly successful production of the '70s cult hit, *The Rocky Horror Show*.

The mid-fall Hauck Auditorium production was directed by theater professor Sandra Hardy and featured UMaine alumnus Joseph Ritsch '92 in the lead role of transvestite Frank N. Furter. Alicia Anstead's '88 review in the *Bangor Daily News* said Ritsch played the role "with extravagance, raunchiness, and cheeky hip action." She added that as the show's choreographer he, "makes every ghoulish member of the cast look capable and confident."

Anstead also praised the contributions of another UMaine graduate, musical director Danny Williams '91, '94G. Outstanding performances were also given by UMaine students Dominick Varney, Janis Greim, Jen Greany, Jasmine Ireland, and Dale Knapp. The eight performances of *Rocky* set an all-time UMaine attendance record.

Students Participate in International Submarine Competition

A group of UMaine engineering students has built a human powered one-person submarine for a competition sponsored by ISR Organization, Foundation for Underwater Research and Education. The event will be held at the Naval Surface Warfare Center's Carderock facility in Bethesda, Maryland, from June 23 to 27, 2003. UMaine is one of nearly 30 colleges and universities from around the world that will participate in the competition. It focuses on the educational aspects of submarine team efforts, such as use of materials, efficiency of hydrodynamics, propulsion, underwater air supply, and life support systems. UMaine participants include Ukeme Awakessien, a junior from Port Harcourt, Nigeria; Elizabeth Goodine, a senior from Hermon, Maine; Curt Carter, a junior from Brewer, Maine; Tyler Smith, a senior from Camden, Maine; Keith D. Pearson, a junior from Holden, Maine; Ryan Foss, a senior from Waterville, Maine; Elliot Lowe, a senior from Owls Head, Maine; Tomokazu Miyakozawa, a senior from Isehara, Kanagawa, Japan; Brian Baillargeon '02, a graduate student from Westbrook, Maine; and Paul Melrose '02, a graduate student from Vassalboro, Maine. They are working with Mick Peterson in the department of mechanical engineering and John Riley in the school of marine sciences.

Sensors go to High School

Students at Bangor High School and the University of Maine are teaming up to apply sensor technology to a variety of educational projects. Through the three-year federally funded "GK-12 Sensors!" program, UMaine National Science Foundation fellows are working with high schools to create computer maps of the Bangor region, test water quality, and monitor the behavior of whales. Bangor High faculty members team up with the fellows to bring sensor research into teaching math, biology, social science, electronics, computer science, physics, chemistry, geography, and automotive technology.

New Wing to Hitchner Hall Opens

The University of Maine dedicated a new science wing and food research pilot plant in Hitchner Hall to the people of Maine in a ceremony on October 29. The \$12 million project was financed largely with funds authorized by the voters in a research and development bond referendum in 1998. The U.S. Department of Agriculture provided \$545,000 through a facilities grant.

Bruce Wiersma '64, dean of the college of natural sciences, forestry, and agriculture, welcomed participants to the event. University of Maine System chancellor Joseph Westphal, state senator Mary Cathcart, and provost Robert Kennedy also spoke, and UMaine president Peter S. Hoff conducted the formal dedication.

The new 40,800-square foot science wing includes 13 research laboratories, three non-laboratory research spaces, offices, and a classroom. The food pilot plant, kitchen, and sensory evaluation lab is located in a new 9,960-square foot facility on the side of Hitchner.

The original Hitchner Hall was built in 1950, and new laboratory and classroom spaces were added in 1957 and 1987. It's the home to the departments of biochemistry, microbiology, and molecular biology (BMMB) and animal and veterinary sciences (AVS). The department of food science and human nutrition will occupy the new building as well.

It's LEGO Time!

As almost any parent knows, assembling a toy can be a challenge. Well, try building a working clock entirely out of LEGOs without any instructions. Amazing as it sounds, that's exactly what Andy Sheaff '93 of the University of Maine Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering has done.

Sheaff's design includes a weighted chain and a pendulum. Two hands track the minutes and hours, although Sheaff admits that his clock is accurate only to "LEGO time."

A LEGO technology kit provided most of the parts for the clock that runs for about an hour before having to be rewound. It even includes an escapement, a standard device in mechanical clocks that transfers pendulum motion to the hands. The clock face is composed of standard colorful LEGO bricks.

"I built the clock because I'm involved in an effort with Dr. Rick Eason at UMaine to introduce engineering at the high school level using LEGO bricks as a teaching tool," says Sheaff. "I was thinking of ways to demonstrate physics principles, and the idea for a clock just came to mind."

When he's not designing intricate LEGO toys, Sheaff teaches courses in computer network engineering and LEGO robotics and helps to manage the department's computer network.



Andy Sheaff with his LEGO clock

Field Hockey Wraps Up Successful Season

The University of Maine field hockey team completed its most successful season last fall with a 15-4 overall record and a third-place finish in America East. The Bears made it all the way to the America East championship game, but lost in the final to Northeastern.

Along the way, the team earned a host of honors, including the America East Coach of the Year Award for head coach Terry Kix. And Skowhegan native Tara Bedard was selected to the All-American third team.

Bedard also was named to the first team All-America East, as were teammates Jen Johnstone and Jay Lance. Making the second team were Karly Bundy and Kim Leo. Meagan Connolly was an all-rookie team selection.



Women's Soccer Team Receives Academic Award

The University of Maine women's soccer team received the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Academic Award for maintaining at least a 3.0 GPA during the 2001-02 academic year. The UMaine women's soccer team had a 3.14 GPA. The awards will be presented at the 2003 NSCAA Convention, held January 15-19 in Kansas City, Missouri.

"I think this award shows that our student-athletes can handle the demands of Division I athletics and competitive academics," said head coach Scott Atherley.

NOAA Weather Station Comes to UMaine's Rogers Farm

A new U.S. weather station located at the University of Maine's Rogers Farm in Old Town is part of a system that will provide national climate data for the 21st century. The automated facility is part of the Climate Reference Network being developed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

The UMaine site is one of over 100 similar stations being erected to monitor the weather across the country. The only other network station in Maine has been located in the Aroostook Wildlife Refuge at Limestone. NOAA expects the complete network to have 250 stations altogether.

According to Greg Zielinski, Maine State climatologist and a research associate professor in the UMaine Institute for Quaternary and Climate Studies, the goal is to provide data for climate trend analysis with a minimum of adjustments for changes in monitoring conditions. NOAA contacted UMaine last spring to make arrangements for the station which was built in September.

Zielinski and Maine Agricultural Center director Steve Reiling assisted with the search for suitable sites on the UMaine campus. "They were looking for sites that are unlikely to be developed in the future. A research farm is suitable because it's likely to stay undeveloped," says Zielinski.



Joan Fuller Russell '56 presented a beautiful framed copy of the "University Hymn" for Buchanan Alumni House to alumni association executive director Jeff Mills '82 and University of Maine Foundation president Amos Orcutt '64. It was a gift of the Portland Alumnae Club.

Remembering Vincent Hartgen



Vincent Hartgen, the much-loved professor who established the University of Maine Art Department and Art Museum, died on November 26 after a long illness.

Former university president Arthur Hauck hired Hartgen in 1946, beginning a career that spanned more than 30 years at UMaine.

Many UMaine alumni still remember Hartgen as one of their favorite professors and the person who

gave them a lasting appreciation of art. He was known for his engaging and unconventional style. He once taught a class lying on his back to dramatize Michelangelo's painting of the Sistine Chapel.

His lasting gift to the university and the community is on display at the new University of Maine Museum of Art in Bangor. In all he collected more than 5,000 works of art for the museum.

Hartgen was also a well respected painter who produced some 3,500 works in his lifetime.

System Trustees Back \$44 Million Building Renovation Bond

The University of Maine System Board of Trustees endorsed a \$44 million bond package in December which, if passed, will renovate older buildings on all of the system's campuses.

The bond package will now go to the Legislature. The largest expenditure would be \$17.2 million to renovate a classroom building at the University of Southern Maine's Gorham campus. The second largest expenditure is \$9 million for the renovation of UMaine's Coburn and Holmes Halls. In addition to building projects on other campuses, \$2.2 million will go to systemwide technology upgrades.

There is concern from some members of the UMaine faculty senate that the bond package did not contain any funding for the Fogler Library, which is in need of work. As a result they asked Chancellor Joseph Westphal to reconsider the bond proposal.

Westphal told the *Bangor Daily News (BDN)* that he has asked for UMaine president Peter Hoff to submit a proposal on what needs to be done to the building and "how it can be done with a combination of private and public funds."

"It's (the Fogler) a very important project and I'm committed to putting my time and energy to get it done," Westphal told the *BDN*. (Information courtesy of the *Bangor Daily News*.)

A Pioneering Partnership of Research and Industry

Entrepreneur Chip Hutchins' new company in Bangor will manufacture wood-composite beams developed at the University of Maine for residential and commercial construction.

By Dick Broom

Chip Hutchins gets quite upset when he sees on the nightly news that another manufacturing plant in Maine is closing or laying off workers. Surely, he thinks, there must be some way to stop the loss of manufacturing jobs. He knows that Maine's industrial economy can't be revived overnight. But he also knows it will never happen unless a few people are willing to stick their necks out and invest in new industries.

"People might wonder what nut would start a new manufacturing process in Maine these days," Hutchins says. "Well, this nut would. I happen to live here, and I want to see manufacturing jobs remain here."

Hutchins, a Bangor entrepreneur and civic leader, created a company called Engineered Materials of Maine (EMM) to manufacture wood-composite beams for residential and commercial construction.



Toby Hollis photo
Engineering professor Habib Dagher

The EMM plant, which opened in Bangor in January, uses a process developed and patented by UMaine's Advanced Engineered Wood Composites (AEWC) Center.

The new process creates beams that are 50 percent stronger than the glue-laminated—or "glulam"—beams that builders have used for the last 50 years. Glulam

Photographs by Toby Hollis and Monty Rand

products are made by gluing thin planks of wood together to create a thicker, stronger beam. That is essentially the way EMM is doing it, but with one important difference, explains Habib Dagher, Ph.D., P.E., director of the AEWC Center.

"We developed a formula for randomizing defects in the wood, and our engineering people figured out how to implement the formula and make it work," says Dagher, a professor of civil/structural engineering and BIW professor of structural engineering.

"Mother nature grows trees with knots in them, and where the grain of the wood deviates around the knots, that's where it's the weakest. With our formula, you can chop the knots up into pieces and spread them throughout the beam, rather than having big knots in one place. This makes the beam much stronger. Also, by mechanically grading the wood in a certain way, you can increase the strength even more."



Monty Rand photo

EMM uses low-grade hardwoods, primarily red maples, which are plentiful and underutilized. Using UMaine's patented process, the company is turning out beams that, in Dagher's words, "cost less in terms of bang for the buck." Because the beams are so much stronger than traditional glulam beams, a smaller, less expensive beam can take the place of a large one.

The new product has received National Building Code approval, so it can be used nationwide for residential and commercial construction.

"It could really have a big impact on the construction industry," Dagher says.

A number of companies now manufacture products that were developed at the AEWCC Center, but never before has any of those products spawned an entirely new company.

"This is a milestone for the University of Maine," Dagher says. "It's the first time we have spun off a manufacturing facility.

It's a good, tangible example of how research and development can create jobs."

The EMM plant in Bangor opened with 15 employees, and Hutchins plans to add 60 more jobs within two years.

"We might eventually be employing a lot more than that if this product really takes off like we think it will," he says.

Two UMaine graduates who, as students, helped research and develop the new wood-beam product, have joined EMM, Shane McDougall '01 as technical director and Tyler Riggs '01 as manufacturing operations manager. Hutchins says he hopes to hire more graduates of UMaine's wood science and technology program and to offer internships to graduate students.

While creating a potentially significant number of jobs for Maine people, EMM is utilizing and adding value to Maine's largest natural resource.

"Maine is the most heavily forested

Above photo: Engineered Materials of Maine owner Chip Hutchins (center) at the plant with manufacturing operations manager Tyler Riggs '01 (right) and technical director Shane McDougall '01.

state in the country, and wood has traditionally been Maine's biggest export," Dagher says. "Now, rather than just shipping wood out of state, we need to develop value-added products that can sell for more and contribute more to the state's economy."

The AEWCC Center was created by the National Science Foundation in 1996 with the mandate to become the world leader in wood composites research and development. Today, it is the largest wood composites laboratory in the country, with 22 full-time scientists and engineers and about 100 students who work part time. The university provides just six percent of the center's budget; the rest comes from research contracts and government grants.

"We operate as a business, and our product is R&D," Dagher says. "We bring together scientists and engineers from different disciplines to work on new products that private companies and federal agencies want to develop."

For example, the new "randomized defects" process that EMM is using came out of an R&D project funded by the Federal Highway Administration. The FHA wanted to develop a stronger, more durable railroad tie made from low-grade Maine hardwoods. That project is a good illustration of what the AEWCCenter is all about, Dagher says.

"Our three primary goals are to lead the world in the kind of research we do, to supplement our students' traditional education through interdisciplinary research programs, and to promote economic development in Maine and beyond."

A little more than a year ago, about 40 economic development officials from around the state toured the AEWCCenter. Dagher told them about the newly patented wood-beam product, and he challenged them to find an investor to back its commercialization. The next day he heard that Chip Hutchins might be interested. Hutchins owns a number of companies and, at the time, he was looking for another investment opportunity.

"I went up and spent a whole day at the facility on campus and was absolutely fascinated," Hutchins says.

Jon Fiutak, the AEWCCenter's commercialization specialist, had drawn up a business plan for manufacturing and selling the new product. Over the next few months, he and Hutchins refined the plan and, last summer, Hutchins formed the new company. Fiutak came on board as its general manager.

Hutchins says he is excited about starting a new company that, if successful, might encourage others to invest in manufacturing in Maine. He also is happy to have found yet another way to be involved with the university. He is vice chair of the University of Maine Foundation and president of the Black Bear Club, and he serves on the boards of both the UMaine Art Mu-

seum and the Maine Center for the Arts.

"I get involved because the university is such a major part of this area," Hutchins says. "For generations my family has believed that a strong university means the whole area is stronger."

Hutchins hopes the creation of EMM is the beginning of a long relationship with the AEWCCenter at UMaine. He says, "I want to be able to go back to Habib and ask, 'What else do you have for me?'"

When he does, Dagher is likely to have some interesting new things to show him.

"We are usually working on 25 to 30 products at any given time," Dagher says. "Right now we are looking at a couple of products that are particularly exciting."

One is a reinforced plywood panel that can make buildings less vulnerable to hurricanes and earthquakes. The other is a wood-composite material that won't rot.

In most homes, exterior walls consist of plywood panels nailed to vertical studs. Extremely high winds can rip the nails through the edge of the panel, causing the wall to come apart. Now, the AEWCCenter has found a way to make that much less likely.

"We are increasing the disaster resistance by putting a thin layer of fiber-reinforced plastic inside the panels," Dagher says. "You can nail through it and saw through it, but it's stronger than steel. Wind will pull a nail out of the stud before it rips through the edge of one of these panels."

The AEWCCenter has applied for patents on this technology, which has about 75 percent more energy-absorbing capacity than traditional wall materials.

"We have tested it by simulating earthquakes and hurricanes, and the results are dramatic," Dagher says. "This product holds the potential for making a big dent in the damage that we see from natural disasters in this country each year."

"We are actively looking for industrial partners to commercialize this product," Dagher says. "It would be great if we could do it in Maine and create more jobs here."

The AEWCCenter also is working on a rot-proof product that is made of 70 per-

cent sawdust and 30 percent plastic.

"By mixing the wood with plastic, we are protecting it from oxygen, and that prevents it from ever rotting," Dagher says.

When the sawdust and melted plastic are combined, they form a mush that can be molded into any shape before it hardens. Already this new material is being made into decking planks. But it isn't strong enough for heavy load-bearing uses. Dagher says the AEWCCenter's scientists are working to solve that problem. When they do, he thinks the new product will be especially well suited for marine applications.

"For example, it could take the place of steel or concrete in the retaining walls the Coast Guard is always building," he says. "Steel corrodes, and concrete breaks up over time. Untreated wood rots, and treated wood puts chemicals in the water. So the prospect of having a new, environmentally friendly material to use is exciting."

Dagher credits Maine's congressional delegation for helping secure the federal money to develop the AEWCCenter and make it successful.

"They have really embraced the R&D efforts on campus and helped us get research funds," he says. "It is largely through their efforts that we have gotten where we are today. Also, the state legislature has been very good in responding to the university's need for matching funds for federal grants. That has been essential."

Now that the AEWCCenter has its first commercial spin-off—Engineered Materials of Maine—a lot of people are watching to see how well it does. If it succeeds, Hutchins says, then maybe other people will come forward to invest in new manufacturing ventures in Maine.

"If we have viable businesses that use processes developed at the University of Maine, the university is going to benefit ten-fold, and students will benefit incredibly. And we'll have alumni with great jobs living in the area, contributing to the economy and contributing their knowledge back to the university. That's exciting. I hope this turns out to be a good case study for the business professors."

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of Edith Patch '10**

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Preserving the Legacy of Edith Marion Patch '10

Plans to convert Patch House into a vibrant center for entomology, the environment, and education are well under way.

Until fairly recently, not a whole lot of people at the University of Maine knew about the remarkable career of entomologist Edith Patch, Class of 1910. And it's a good bet that few motorists who drove by Patch's little grey house on College Avenue ever noticed the modest "Patch House" sign or were aware of the historical significance of the dwelling.

But thanks to the efforts of a committed group from the university community, there is a growing awareness of the significance of UMaine's pioneering scientist, environmentalist, and educator, and the house where she lived, wrote, and closely observed the natural world.

The renewed interest began in 1997 when the Patch House (Braeside) was slated for demolition as a fire-fighter training site. Concerned members of the community rushed in to try to save the old house where Patch had lived and worked.

They succeeded. And their efforts gave birth in 1999 to the Friends of Dr. Edith Marion Patch. The group's main objective was to restore and revitalize the Patch House, which was in considerable disrepair after standing empty for a number of years. The house had been used for student housing for three decades before safety regulations prevented its occupancy.

Patch House, thought to be one of the oldest dwellings in Orono, was placed on the list of Maine's Most Endangered Buildings and declared eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. In November of 2001 it was awarded that status.



Patch House on College Avenue has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Photo by Kathy Snow Rice '83.

For many in the group, what started as an effort to save a historic campus structure quickly grew into a fascination with the accomplished woman who inhabited it.

Edith Patch arrived at the University of Maine in 1903 to teach entomology, for no pay, and against the wishes of her parents. After receiving her undergraduate degree from the University of Minnesota in 1901 she had sent out letters all over the country, seeking a position in entomology. She got back all negative replies, indicating just how little opportunity there was for women in science at the time.

When UMaine's Charles Wood decided to give Patch an opportunity at UMaine he received considerable criticism from colleagues in his field. One argued that "a woman couldn't climb trees." Another leading entomologist told Wood, "Why did you do that? A woman can't catch grasshoppers." Wood's reply foreshadowed the respect and support Patch would soon receive at UMaine.

"It will take a lively grasshopper to escape Miss Patch," he said.

Patch quickly earned a permanent position at the university, as head of entomology at the Experiment Station. She also soon started working on her master's degree which she was awarded from UMaine in 1910. A year later she completed her Ph.D. from Cornell. During this time she became more and more interested in aphids, and that group of insects became an important focus of a lifetime of brilliant work—including the publishing of more than 80 scientific articles.

She was recognized for her science and her leadership in 1930, when she was elected president of the Entomological Society of America.

"That was a great honor," says Kassie Gibbs, professor emerita in entomology and chairperson of the Friends of Edith Patch. "It clearly indicated the tremendous respect her colleagues had for her."

Interestingly, when Gibbs first arrived at UMaine in 1971, she wasn't familiar with Edith Patch. She found herself drawn to a painting of Patch on the wall of the entomology department and wondered who it was. It was the beginning of a lifelong interest in the pioneering scientist.

Another UMaine faculty member, education professor Mary Bird, has also developed a fascination with, and admiration of Patch—so much so that she is using the UMaine entomologist as the subject of her doctoral dissertation at the Harvard School of Education. Bird currently serves as vice chair of the Friends of Patch group.

"I was very interested in the history of women in higher education," she says. "I didn't realize I would find a fascinating figure in women's history right here at the University of Maine. Edith Patch was really a unique figure in her time."

Among the most impressive things about Patch, Bird says, was her complete determination to reach her goal and her savvy in operating successfully in a male domain.

"This is a woman who realized very early that she wanted to be an entomologist," Bird says. "And she also chose to study English, because she knew she wanted to write."

Bird emphasizes that Patch always knew what she wanted, and more importantly, she knew how to go about achieving it.


"Some portray her as a victim," she says. "But she was not a victim. She understood the system. Her writings are wryly humorous about going to all those meetings with a bunch of men smoking cigars. It's clear that she knew exactly what she was doing and she worked the system in a wonderful and powerful way."

Edith Patch's interests and influence extended far beyond entomology. She was also a pioneer in what would now be called environmental education and served as president of the American Nature Studies Society—a very prominent organization at the time.

Patch was particularly ahead of her time in understanding the impact human activity was having on the natural environment. A full generation before Rachel Carson, she was warning of the dangers of chemical pesticides.

That environmental awareness was also prominent in her series of popular children's books. According to Friends of Patch secretary Nancy McKnight, a collection of those stories will soon be available to the public through the Friends of Patch organization.

Favorite Recipes



from
Friends of Edith Patch

***Favorite Recipes From Friends of Edith Patch* contains 1,000 delicious recipes from as far away as Russia and as close as Maine's own Stephen King. To order a copy send \$16.95 (plus \$3.00 shipping) to Jo Carol Alford, 23 Pond St., Orono, ME 04473. Make checks payable to the University of Maine Foundation (designate Edith Marion Patch Center Fund). Don't forget your return address!**

"They are very charming books," McKnight says. "And they are also very scientifically accurate, which is something that was important to Edith Patch. We sent them to scientists to check for accuracy and they came back with very few corrections."

That accuracy is a reflection of a vow Patch made to herself when she was still a child. After being enraged by reading children's books that were full of misinformation about nature, she declared, "When I grow up, I will write stories about outdoor things for children and they shall be true stories."

McKnight is hopeful that the Patch collection will be published this spring.

Patch's approach to ecological awareness in her children's books is now being used by Mary Bird as a model for an after-school environmental club—the first program of its kind in the area.

The Friends of Patch group already has one successful publishing venture under their belt,

Favorite Recipes From Friends of Edith Patch. It was the brainchild of Jo Carol Alford and its success has exceeded all expectations.

Alford is the wife of entomology professor Randy Alford. As he became involved with the effort to save the Patch House, Jo Carol became one of the group's most enthusiastic cheerleaders.

"I was so inspired by Edith's story," Alford said in a recent interview. "This woman was just too important and she did too many things for women to be forgotten."

At first, the Friends of Patch group was skeptical. But the cookbook, with its 1,000 plus recipes (including one from Stephen King '70) quickly sold out and is now in its second printing.

To help raise awareness, Alford and the Friends of Patch also organized a Sunday afternoon reception in November which featured appetizers from the cookbook.

More recognition of Edith Patch's legacy will come next year during the centennial of her arrival at UMaine and the start of her scientific career. At the 2003 annual meeting of the Entomological Society of America in Cincinnati Mary Bird is helping organize a symposium which will bring together people from entomology and education to reflect on Patch's legacy.

The Friends group, of course, hopes that all this renewed interest in Patch will eventually turn into contributions for the restoration of Braeside. McKnight says that \$500,000 will be needed to achieve that goal.

Work has already begun on the project. Volunteers have worked on the cleanup of the house and the foundation has been stabilized.

Once completed, the Patch House will serve as the home for the Edith Marion Patch Center for Entomology, the Environment, and Education. It's also possible that it could house the university's entomology collection. And because much of Patch's natural history writings were done at Braeside, the restoration will incorporate the gardens, woods, wetlands, and meadow surrounding the house and barn.

Bird and McKnight say the goal is to have the main portion of the first floor functional by next fall to coincide with the centennial anniversary of Patch's arrival at UMaine.

Anyone interested in supporting the Edith Patch Center Fund can contact the University of Maine Foundation at 2 Alumni Place, Orono, ME 04469-5792.

Alumni News and Events



Upstate Lobster Feast

Among the cooks at the Rochester Lobster Picnic in September were (left to right): Dick McNeary '65, Ray Feasey '52, and Bob Anderson '64. Some 42 people attended the event, which by all accounts was a huge success.



Joining the Staff

Corena Dungey is now the house manager for the Buchanan Alumni House. In that role she will oversee the running of the building and be in charge of booking meetings and events at the new facility. Corena was formerly a seminar coordinator for Macromedia in San Francisco. She moved to Maine last May.

CALENDAR

February 8	Grand Rapids	Alumni gathering for Grand Rapids Griffins AHL hockey game plus Detroit Red Wings Alumni Game. Games start at 7:40 followed by a reception at J Gardella's Tavern next to the Van Andel Arena. Tickets \$12. Contact host John Saunders '88 at 248-374-8458 or 248-330-0980.
February 19	Tucson	Alumni gathering hosted by Cynthia Gray Cobb '69. Details will be sent to area alumni.
March 7	Sarasota	Sarasota area alumni gathering hosted by John Rohman '68 at the Waterside Room. More details to be mailed.
March	Kennebec Valley	Meeting of the Kennebec Valley Alumni Chapter. Time and location to be announced.
March 9	Ft. Myers	Ft. Myers area alumni event hosted by Carolyn Chaplin Grant '45. Details to be mailed.
March 11	Ft. Lauderdale	Alumni reception. Details to be announced.
March 12	Ft. Pierce (Florida)	Alumni event hosted by Lloyd Oakes '53 and Richard Nevers '56. Details to be mailed.
March 14	Daytona	UMaine baseball vs Long Island University at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University—11:00 a.m. Alumni reception following the game.
April 3	Portland	Portland Alumnae Club potluck dinner at the Central Square Baptist Church—5 p.m. Guest speaker Leonard Kaye, Director of UMaine Center on Aging.
May 2	Orono	Stillwater Society Dinner, Buchanan Alumni House.
May 14	Augusta	Kennebec Valley Alumni Chapter annual meeting at the Augusta Country Club. Guest speaker, UM System chancellor Joseph Westphal.
May 30— June 1	Orono	Reunion 2003

Area mailings will be sent prior to each event. You can call 800-934-2586 or log onto www.mainealumni.com for more information and updated information.

Bridget Ziegelaar Johnson '96 receives 2002 Spirit of Maine Award

Since she was a 12-year-old growing up in Old Town, Bridget Ziegelaar Johnson '96 dreamed of working in the space industry. And through her commitment and initiative, that dream has become a reality.

Bridget now works for NASA as a flight manager for extra vehicular activities, commonly known as space walks. Her responsibilities include everything from training the crew to trouble shooting while the actual space walk is taking place.

During Homecoming 2002, Bridget was presented with the Spirit of Maine Achievement Award. The award is presently annually to an alumna/alumnus who has graduated within the last 15 years and whose accomplishments, commitment, and initiative reflect the high standards and vitality of the University of Maine.



There to congratulate Spirit of Maine Achievement Award recipient Bridget Ziegelaar Johnson '96 at Homecoming 2002 are (left to right): alumni association executive director Jeff Mills '82, UMaine engineering professor Donald Grant '56, '63G, Bridget Johnson, and alumni association chair Bion Foster '68, '70G.

A Swinging Time at the Bodwell Lounge

Over 90 UMaine alumni and friends were "jump'n and jive'n" at the alumni association's preshow reception for the Broadway hit "Swing" presented at the Bodwell Lounge of the Maine Center for the Arts on November 26. In addition to hors d'oeuvres and other refreshments, UMaine dance instructor, Kelly Holyoke



provided swing dance instructions to attendees.

Following the reception everyone filed into Hutchins Concert Hall for the high energy

performance of "Swing" by the Broadway road company. The show, featuring dancing and singing from the swing era, received rave reviews from attendees.

The alumni association is planning on building on the success of the last two year's events and establishing an annual "theme party" prior to a special Maine Center for the Arts event.



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Golden Bears

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News is scarce, Golden Bears. Would you please take a moment to write and tell us where you're living, what you're reading, who you've heard from, and any other news? Your fellow Golden Bears would love some news!

Milton Attridge '34 of Kittery jumped out of an airplane in early October to draw attention to prostate cancer patients. Milton wanted his tandem jump from two and a half miles in the air to let patients know that there are treatment options. His goal was, "Reaching those people, you know, who don't know what to do." Milton, a great-grandfather, also thought skydiving would be a fitting tribute to the late Lloyd Ney, an advocate for prostate cancer patients. In 1992 Milton began combination hormone treatment therapy and is now in nearly normal health. He added, "It was a wonderful day to do it with the colors and all."

Thanks to **Peg Fowles Houston '32** of Belfast, Maine, who shared a letter she received from **Keith Percival '32** last summer. Keith sent news from his home in Cornwall, the U.K. "In 1987 I married an English lady in Wiscasset, sold my home in Round Pond, and moved to Ocala, Florida, where I built a new home. When my stepson moved to San Diego, we went to live with him in Ramona, California, then in 1997, he was appointed postmaster in Carharrack so we flew there and are still here.

"I am very healthy down to my hips. I can't walk very well and use a wheelchair at times but still go places!

"I have 25 descendants including a great-great granddaughter in Savannah, Georgia.

"I doubt I will ever get back to the U.S.A. but send my love to any and all those who you may contact."

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Getting together recently in Sun City, Florida, were (standing): George Grange '37 and Betty Homans Hancock '39 and (sitting): Polly Jellison Weatherbee '40 (left) and Lucille Bell Grange '39.

1935

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Thanks to the alumni office, we did receive some news of our classmates for the next issue of our new magazine. If each member of our class would send me information on what they are doing, we would really have an interesting column.

Henry Fales reports that he and wife Dorothy have moved into a retirement home after 19 years of living on the 18th hole on the Village Courses at Jupiter Hills Golf Course. The last two years he was president of the homeowners association. They still play golf two or three times a week and also play a lot of duplicate bridge. Henry and Dorothy have been married 63 years. May you enjoy many more of them. Their new address is: 605 Universe Boulevard, T 302, Juno Beach, Florida, 33408.

A story in the July 11, 2002, issue of Vermont's *Shelburne News* reports that 90-year-old **Charlie Towle** was one of the original partners of the Shelburne Supermarket

which is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year. Charlie sold his shares of the business to his partner in 1975. Charlie says, "Just going to school during the Depression was a big deal. Finding a job was an even bigger one." After working for Swift and Company for eight years, he was drafted and spent four years in the service, 18 months of which was in Europe. He married Marjory Howard in 1942, the prettiest girl in Burlington (according to Charlie). They had one daughter, Linda. Marjory passed away in 1989. He still plays golf and spends the winters in Florida.

1936

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I received four letters concerning the "lady of mystery" who gave me the bear hug at Skidmore College in 1968, and all of them were sure that it was **Ann Eliasson Clarke**. I have the sad news to report that she died several years ago.

Claire Saunders Ashworth wrote me that Ann Eliasson's father and mother were the custodians of the Black House, a historical landmark in Ellsworth. Claire added that she and Bruce '33 often visited Arizona when her son John, a solar energy specialist, lived in Paradise Valley, a suburb of Phoenix. She especially loved the bird watching in the springtime at Madera Canyon, which is just a few miles from where I now live.

Jim Boardman sent me an e-mail stating that Ann Eliasson was surely the "lady of mystery." Jim was also in that biochemistry class with Ann during our sophomore year. Jim mentioned that he retired to Scottsdale, Arizona. At first he enjoyed driving across the country to spend the summers at Hancock Point. Now he spends winters in Bangor, and he still goes to Hancock Point every summer.

Further confirmation came from **Phyllis Hamilton Webster**. She now spends most of her time playing golf in southern Florida, but she sometimes gets back to Bangor during the hot summer months.

Kay Wormwood Sawyer also identified the "lady of mystery." For many years I thought that Kay was she. She wrote that she would have given me the hug if she had been the one. She is one of the few who had ever heard of my old hometown of Goose Rocks Beach. As a child she spent summers at her grandfather's house in Cape Porpoise, just three miles to the south.

Getting away from mystery, **George Northrup** writes that he now lives in Fort Myers, Florida. He spent his working years in the hardwood and veneer business. George majored in forestry and for 10 years he traveled all over the world looking for new species of tree for lumber. He goes to Maine reunion lunches in the Naples-Fort Myers area, and he is the oldest attendee as all of the others are from the 1940s and later. George enjoyed reading the latest *MAINE Alumni Magazine*—especially about the girls—**Dot Cann Bennett**, **Ruth Sylvester Prior**, and **Margaret Hall Hook**.

Dorothy Nutt Hull writes that she now lives at a retirement community called Medford Leas, in Medford, New Jersey, and she enjoys reading the 1936 news in our

new *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. She usually gets back to Maine in the summer. Dot would welcome a call or letter from any one of our class. Please keep the letters coming.

1937

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Happy Holidays, everyone. I hope the new year brings good things to you all. Please take a moment to send a holiday card. Your classmates would like to hear where you're living and what you're doing.

1938

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Happy New Year, Class of '38! May 2003, our 65th Reunion year, bring good things to you all. Please take a moment to write and say hello.

1939

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A recent letter from **Charlotte King Pierce** filled me in on several things. Friends Art '38 and Bettina Bruce Smith '38 have sold their Orrs Island place and moved to an assisted living community in Topsham. (This is taking some getting used to!) Until recently, they sailed from Orrs Island to Lubec on the Atlantic. They also made many flying visits to Charlotte and Edward '38 in their small plane called the *Pinfeather*. Charlotte and Ed keep up on their medical check-ups including a lens implant for Ed and cardiac re-hab therapy for Charlotte. Charlotte admits to slowing down but still is an active bridge player. She and her partner were fifth in a 24-pair marathon, playing

160 cards in eight months. They received the second highest score, one day, with 5310—20,680 was their total. Hopefully, Charlotte says, her wits are still intact! Sounds like it to me! Charlotte has adopted the Omicron chapter of Delta Zeta at Randolph-Macon College, since the granddaughter of a good friend is a member. This entails sending them special music for rituals along with other things. Charlotte asked about **Dana and Gin Maguire Drew** and **Ellie Crockett Hutchinson**. She mentioned remembering the lovely ball gowns that Ellie's mother designed and made for her. She also added that Ed misses **Bob Fuller's** "scathing" letters—yes, Bob is still very much around, at this writing, Charlotte.

Lucille Bell Grange writes that she and her family had a wonderful week-long family reunion at the Outer Banks, North Carolina, in August. All 23 family members were there in a lovely nine-bedroom, eight and a half bath house complete with pool, hot tub, etc. The weather was perfect. Next, she and George '37 went to Blowing Rock, North Carolina, for 10 days and then on to Jacksonville, Florida, for a visit with friends. She and George took the Auto-Train in October to the wedding of their granddaughter Sarah.

Lucille also filled me in on the fact that she, **Dorothy Davis Parsons**, and **Elizabeth Doble Sylvester** were the first girl cheerleaders at Maine. Pictures anyone? She also reminded me that her father, Roger Warren Bell '16, held the mile record until the Blacks (members of our class) broke it. If World War I had not intervened, he probably would have gone to the Olympics. They were canceled because of the war. Also, another interesting fact is that her mother stayed in her own house until she was 98 years old, and lived to be two months short of 100.

A good chat with **Betty Homans Hancock** with news of her various activities as well as a new address for **Harry Halliday**. It is 1115 Heathwood, Yarmouth Port, Massachusetts, 02675. Also a letter from her, with two pictures taken at Sun City last winter made me very happy. Betty, Lucille Bell Grange, George Grange '37, Polly Jellison Weatherbee '40, and Betty's brother Harrison Homans '52 had a great visit. Also, Betty and I are six days apart in age, which is becoming something to brag about.

Sending blessed, happy holiday greetings to all my classmates, with

hope for peace in the New Year.

1940

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It's that time again for news of our classmates. Thanks to **Margaret Steinmetz Mosher** and **Alice Ann Donovan Poeppelmeier** there are a few bits of news to pass along.

Marg Mosher and classmates began mini reunions in 1999 and since then there have been several in the area. Marg wrote about one that was held this past summer in the Portland area at the home of **Emily Blake McMonagle**. The event consisted of a boat ride on Casco Bay, a buffet at Dunstan School, and a lobster bake at the home of **Paul and Ruth Worcester Johnson**. A group picture was taken and I hope that it can be reproduced so that you all can see how super your classmates look!

My other faithful source of information, Alice Ann, sent me a copy of the obituary of **Jane Holmes Kinsley** who died on May 26, 2002. Her obituary included an award granted in 1962 by the Baldwinville Chamber of Commerce as Woman of the Year. She was also very active in the Presbyterian Church, a member of the handbell choir, served as president of the PTA, and a Brownie Scout leader as well.

Another tidbit on the cheerier side is about **Catherine Rogan Barrett**. While a student at John Bapst Memorial High School, Catherine convinced the powers that be that it was all right for girls to be cheerleaders at football games and became the first girl to cheer-on the football team to victory. How to go, Kay!

1941

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A Maine Hello to you '41ers! Now we have our new alumni magazine with news articles and classnotes all rolled up in one, but there is something missing—Alma and I need news about you so our class can hold its own. I returned to Orono for

the Senior Alumni Luncheon and the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Buchanan Alumni House. The Grand Foyer is spectacular with the state seal in mosaic tile, surrounded by six columns representing the original graduates, and as you look up into the cupola, you see the constellations of Ursa Major and the Big Dipper. It is well worth a special trip to visit "a place to call home."

Charlene Perkins Strang was hostess at a gathering of University of Maine alumni at the Highlands, a gracious retirement community in Topsham. We enjoyed the company of other alumni, a delicious luncheon, and a tour of the facilities. Charlene held an open house at her cottage at 12 Muskie Place. It was great to see **Anna Verrill DeMunn**, **Joanna Evans Bardo** and Clinton '42, and **Earle Ingalls** and his wife in attendance. Charlene sat at the head table at the Cumberland County Alumni Chapter dinner in May as her daughter, Meredith Strang Burgess '78, introduced and presented the CCAC's Outstanding Alumni Award to Leigh Ingalls Saufley '76, the first female Chief Justice of the Maine State Supreme Court. Leigh is a relative of the Strangs.

The Wit's End picnic had a drizzly day this year but that did not dampen the spirits of **Connie Philbrook Leger**, **Ruth Reed Cowin**, **Paul Townsend**, and myself, who enjoyed this annual get-together with members of the Classes of '42 and '43. Ruth and a sister-in-law designed most attractive sweatshirts for Mary Cowin Leavitt and Larry Leavitt, both '42, in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary. Mary and Larry wore them at the picnic; the design was a picture of each of them with their wedding date underneath on the front and a very complimentary quote on the back, all done in soft pastel colors. The saying goes, "You can take 'the person' out of Maine but you can't take Maine out of 'the person'." Therefore **Chris Tufts Taylor** spent the summer at her cottage on Rangeley Lake and **Martha Hutchins Schelling** was at her condo in Bridgton. Both reside in Florida; Chris at 320 Seaview Court, Apartment 802, Marco Island, 34145, and Martha at 1533a Oyster Catcher Point, Naples, 33942.

There is sad news to report: **Richard H. Chase** who usually attended our class reunions and wrote at the time of our 60th, "If my health permits, I'll be there," died in late July. Dick and Mary Crossman Chase '43 celebrated their 60th

wedding anniversary on July 4th. Dick served in the South Pacific as a Seabee. After the war he resided in Sharon, Massachusetts, and then back to Maine in 1971; his career was as an engineer for several major oil companies. He is survived by his wife, three children, seven grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter. Our heartfelt sympathy to Mary and family. **Kathleen Boyle Harris** also died in July about a week after her birthday. Kay said some of her happiest days were spent at the University of Maine and she was always recalling incidents from our college days. Deeply involved in the school affairs of her children, then after they were grown, Kay was invaluable as an associate and technical writer for her husband, John Norman Harris '40, in the development of engineering projects. Our deepest sympathy to her four children, nine grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. Connie Philbrook Leger talked with **Maddie Smart Beardsell** before and after Labor Day as Maddie and Camilla Doak Hurford '40 tried to locate Wit's End to join us for the picnic. Thus it was a great shock to Connie and the rest of us when she received the call one week later about Maddie's death. Maddie had been living in Camden but for many years she owned a successful women's specialty shop in Winthrop. Our condolences to her daughter and grandchildren. Our thoughts and prayers are with **Mary Catir Clancey** in the loss of her husband, Colman. The alumni office told me about the death of **Angus "Jojo" Humphries** whose obituary was in the last issue.

Keep healthy and well this winter, enjoy your holidays, and resolve to drop a line, just to say you're fine, or write more, if you are so inclined!

1942

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The yearly mini reunion was held at **Priscilla Thurlow Anderson's** camp, Wit's End, September 2. A little rain did not keep folks away. We '42ers relived our 60th Reunion weekend. **Priscilla, Dottie Gilman Locke, Jan Woodward Beedy, Nancy Philbrook, Florence Butter-**

field, Jo Blake Bail, Barbara Savage Thompson, Helen Thorndike Remick, Virginia Stevens Laris, Earl Hodgkins, Larry and Mary Cowin Leavitt, Buddy Long, and myself, all agreed that it was a most successful 60th.

William "Bill" Irvine died July 21, 2002. Bill spent many years in education from coach to college president at Vermont College. We all extend our sympathy to Martha and her family. **Nat Crowley** has been inducted into the University of Maine Sports Hall of Fame. Nat has had a very success career from college sports, semi-pro, and high school coaching. Congratulations, Nat.

Richard "Dick" Day, agriculturist, outdoorsman, and Damariscotta historian, gave a slide presentation, Food of our Fathers, early in June at the Nobleboro Historical Center. Dick is an avid gardener, but I hear he has strong competition from deer, woodchucks, and wild turkeys.

News has been scarce since our reunion. Hope to hear from you all soon.

1943

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Each day it gets closer to May 2003 and there is still catching-up for all of us. The first person I caught up with was **Norman Mosher** and his interesting career.

Following service in World War II and graduating from Fletcher School of Diplomacy, Norman embarked on a 21-year career with the United States Department of State and the Agency for International Development as an economist. In addition, he set up a consulting firm to do analysis of foreign countries for government agencies. He was also a lecturer in economics at the University of Maryland.

In 1956 Norman was awarded a Ford Foundation grant. Since he wanted to specialize in Africa his research project was carried out at the University College of Ghana. Two years later, while in the Foreign Service Institute of the State Department, he began offering training courses to foreign service officers who would be going to African posts.

Although he was primarily stationed in Washington, D.C., he spent six and a half years, all told, in Ghana, Nigeria, and the Philippines.

Arlington, Virginia, is home to the Mosher's yet they manage to spend a part of each summer in Belfast, Maine, at the shore where they enjoy sailing. Son, David, also an Arlington resident, works for the Rand Corporation D.C. office and daughter, Betty, teaches industrial design at the Rhode Island School of Design. Four grandchildren round out the family and Norman, you've come a long way from Nonesuch Corner!

At our last class reunion, while admitting that I didn't know our class treasurer, President **Preston**, said, "Well, you'd better get to know him!" So I followed his advice and will share with you what I learned first hand. Although treasurer is the only class office **Otis Bacon** has held, he was active in the Twentieth Century Fund Drive for the alumni association. Following matriculation at the University of Maine he immediately went to work for General Electric Corporation where he utilized his mechanical engineering background. The research focus was on electrically heated flying equipment such as casualty blankets and also flight suits to determine how much cold the suit could withstand and how long a person would be safe in it. He worked in a "cold room" with simulated high altitude conditions, many days at temperatures of -67°F resulting in a "chilled lung" which forced him to leave G.E. It took five years before he was able to work again.

Otis served as selectman in Sidney and was town manager there for a couple of years. He served a term in the state legislature where he worked closely with Percy Crane who was the lobbyist for the University of Maine. A sportsman at heart, he said hunting and fishing had been a "big part of my life." He has been a Registered Maine Guide for over 50 years. For many years he enjoyed his big boat on Moosehead Lake. He enjoyed a 32-year career as an engineer for the Kennebec Water Power Company responsible for maintaining the flow of water compatible with needs of power stations along the river.

Otis was a founding director of the Kennebec Valley Mental Health Association and served there for 20 years. During his two-year term as president, a facility for the association was built and annexed to Thayer Hospital in Waterville. He was also actively associated with Boy Scout groups.

Three of Otis Bacon's children followed their father to Orono and

graduated from the University of Maine. Bryan '75 majored in psychology and owns a construction company in Sidney. Bonnie Bacon Bouchard '84 was a child development major and operates a learning center in Greenville where she also tutors children on an individual basis. Bette Bacon DiAngelo '87 majored in journalism and broadcasting and is the coordinator for Literacy Volunteers in Greenville. Brenda, a UMaine Augusta graduate, is employed at Hannaford. Barry, after graduation from Kennebec Valley Technical College, is employed at Bath Iron Works. Mrs. Bacon told me she has attended each '43 Reunion with Otis. Now that's a loyal alumni family!

Clement Dunning entered the University of Maine in 1939 with the Class of 1943, but graduated in February 1947. He was a member of the first class to graduate mid-season. During World War II he was stationed in the Marshall Islands. He entered the service on November 8, 1942, and was discharged on November 8, 1945. In fact, he was headed for home when the first atomic bomb was dropped.

For 30 years he worked for the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Service first in Southern Aroostook County, headquartered in Houlton and then in Portland for 18 years until he retired to South Harpswell. He saw many changes in the extension service over the years. If Professor Dunning were actively employed in the service today he would be known as an extension educator, whereas heretofore he was county agent, whose knowledge and help was requested and appreciated by farmers. He was active in both boys and girls 4-H groups.

Clement Dunning lives on the farm where he was born and which has been in the family since 1830. He truly is dedicated to farming and still raises hay to sell at age 85.

Daughter Jane graduated from the University of Southern Maine and resides in Harrison where she owns a CPA business. In addition she breeds Belgian horses. Her daughter teaches in Topsham and she also helps her grandfather on the farm. Mrs. Dunning (Margorie) graduated from Castine Normal School and taught in elementary grades in Maine. She received a master's degree from the University of Southern Maine.

Ruth Lemoine Bass was on her way to attend a get-together of the Morse High School Class of 1939.

This has become a monthly event and doesn't it speak well for the loyalty of those class members!

Professionally, Ruth enjoyed a 36-year teaching career which began in Dresden where she taught English and business. It was here that she met her husband, a graduate of (then) Gorham Normal School. They moved to Augusta where Ruth taught English at Cony High School. Ruth began collecting dolls when she retired from teaching and now has a collection of over 100 dolls. Summertime finds them in the Boothbay Harbor area where they have enjoyed sailing for a number of years.

I received a touching note from Mary Beverage, widow of **Art Beverage**, telling of his death on June 13 in Saint Louis. She wrote that they had moved around the country a lot adding, "We have kept a summer home in Maine. He was always active in civic and church affairs wherever we lived." Our sympathy is extended to Mary Beverage.

Jane Rand Pendleton sent along a note with a copy of the obituary of **Lois Savage Burgess**, her close friend who died on April 11 at the Market Square Nursing Home in South Paris. She will be remembered as president of Pi Beta Phi sorority and election to All Maine Women. Following graduation, Lois was employed as a dietitian at Russell Sage College. After her marriage to Sumner Burgess '44 she was an elementary teacher for 25 years in Dixfield, West Paris, and Bethel. She was active in her church and was a member of the Oxford County Retired Teachers Association and Bethel Historical Society. She is survived by sons Alan '70 and Peter, and also two grandchildren. Our sympathy is extended to her family. Jane wrote that, "My granddaughter is doing fine"—what a busy little girl! (Who does she take after?)

1944

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All in all a very good turnout for a 58th Reunion, and the support from the Maine campus is impressive and much appreciated.

Joe and I had long planned to be there, but our California son and his wife were visiting for a few days at



Among the large number of Class of '44 members who turned out for their summer reunion at Buchanan Alumni House was this cheerful group who traveled together in a van from Yarmouth to Orono. The get-together was the first official alumni event at Alumni House which is named for 1944 class member Robert D. Buchanan.

the time so we didn't make it. However, **Al Ehrenfried** has provided us with a list of attendees and a very complete outline of the proceedings. We've also had some asides from others who were present. Thank you all for helping out.

Those attending on August 15 were: Jack and **Esther Holden Hopkins**, Bill and **Doris Kilburn Spach**, **Al** and Joan **Crockett**, **Ernie** and **Midi Wooster Roberts**, **Jean** and Virginia **Hufnagel**, **Frank** and Mary Ellen **Gilley**, **Dick** and Marion **Fuller**, **Earland Sleight**, **Al** and JoAnn **Ehrenfried**, **Richard Hale** and guest, **Gerald** and Ruth **Tabenken**, **Francis Farnum**, **Donald Bail**, Isabel Ansell Jacobs '45, **Robert Smith** and Arline Hulbert Smith '46, Josephine Clark Meloon '45, **Corinne Davis Sturgeon**, **Waldo Libbey**, **Charles** and Anita **Stickney**, **Phil Spiller**, Barbara Higgins Bodwell '45 and **Russ Bodwell**, **Al** and Edie Young **Hutchinson** '48, **Al McNeilly**. Guests from the university were, from top management: Dr. Robert Kennedy, executive vice president and provost; from development: Scott Anchors, Chris Cox, **Pat Cummings** '89, '44H, and Kristina Lenz Judd; from the UMaine Foundation: Sarah McPartland-Good; from the alumni association: Jeff Mills '82, Paula Sheehan Para-

dis '71, Todd Saucier '93, '97G, Daniel Williams '91, '94G, and Jim Frick. From the class there were 22 and a total of 48 in attendance.

The group assembled at the remarkable Buchanan Alumni House, the first class to schedule a meeting there. Jeff Mills and Bob Kennedy welcomed the group and each made a presentation regarding the Alumni House and the university activities. A tour of the building led by Jeff Mills followed. Since outdoor temperatures were in the 90s, the attendees enjoyed the spacious, air conditioned McIntire MAINE Event Room for luncheon and the class meeting.

The class meeting was chaired by our president, Al Ehrenfried, who welcomed the group. Esther Holden Hopkins, class vice president, gave the invocation. Mac Libbey and Todd Saucier, alumni association business manager, gave the financial report. Russ Bodwell spoke and asked for a survey to find out what the class would like to support as a 60th Reunion gift in the year 2004.

The group from Yarmouth, who traveled up and back by van, stopped by the Bear's Den on the way out where banners were displayed, heralding the "future home of the Class of '44 Bear's Den." And so the day ended. A great time was had by all.

Other news—a postcard from **Rhoda Tolford Stone** telling of the fun she was having touring around southern Maine with brother Bill in his Jaguar convertible. The postcard showed the location of her cottage on Peak's Island.

We heard from Midi Wooster Roberts who had heard from Corinne Davis Sturgeon, an Old Town neighbor and high school friend of Midi's. Corinne now lives in Arizona and visits sons in Maine.

We recently had dinner at Charlie and Anita Stickney's. They took a trip to England right after Labor Day and returned around mid-September. Then they left October 10th for China for a few weeks. Oh to be young again!

Keep those cards and letters coming.

1945

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Our column begins with sad news. **Jennie Manson Hermanson's** husband, Bob, died the latter part of

August, in Paso Robles, California, where they resided. Although Bob was a B.U. graduate, he felt he was a vital member of our class, having attended reunions and trips with the class. In September, **Gerry MacBurnie Roley's** husband, Ray "Red" '44 died suddenly while on the links of the Augusta Country Club. They had just moved into their condo adjacent to the club so they could still feel they were citizens of Maine. Red was a member of the Class of '44 at UMaine. He was also Mert's best man at our wedding 58 years ago. Gerry and Red had been married 56 years. Jennie and Bob had celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary. Jenny was my roommate our sophomore year, and Gerry my roommate our junior year. All of us extend our love and sympathy, and we grieve with the girls and their families.

Gerry had sent an article from one of Red's engineering magazines earlier in the summer, featuring John Buckley '49. Buck received the Distinguished Engineering Award from the UMaine College of Engineering in 1996. Buck joined the class the fall of 1941 and served in the Armed Services the next four years. He returned to Maine and received his B.S. in civil engineering in 1949 and went on to Harvard where he received his master's in sanitary engineering (environmental engineering). In 1960 he joined three partners to form Post, Buckley, Schuh, and Jennigan (PBSJ). Now PBSJ is the largest privately owned consulting engineering firm in the Southeast. The article is very detailed and Buck is to be applauded. When he was interviewed by Dean Matthews, he indicated, "The problem today is that nobody in the high schools knows anything about engineering. National societies need to get more involved and emphasize high school participation."

From sunny Alabama, **Al Barmby** sent a newsy e-mail. Al had just returned from his annual Signal Corps reunion. This year's reunion was held in Morton, Illinois, and members toured Ronald Reagan's college in Eureka, Illinois, the Caterpillar central supply depot, and took a trolley bus tour of the city of Peoria.

Al reported, "The Sears battery is still doing well! That Bob Krause from Santa Fe made it again. Next year we go to Oregon somewhere!"

"Our big event in 2003 will be celebrating our fifth year of marriage! We hope to get to Maine again among other travels to Geor-

gia and Florida! Thelma is a brave soul with me. I had that heart surgery in 1998 and this year they declared me insulin dependent—darn it! I feel like the proverbial pin cushion! The good news is that it is under control."

You must visit the Buchanan Alumni House! In August, I went to Orono with Bob '44 and Arline Hulbert Smith '46 to join with the Class of '44 as it was honored as a "giver" of the beautiful mosaic in the rotunda. It was a hot, beautiful day—so warm that the air conditioning was greatly appreciated as we visited and ate in the Alumni House.

Personally, I want to thank all of you who wrote and spoke to me about my son, Scott's '72 accident. He is healing very well and his spirit and outlook are healthy. My left arm is healing from a fracture suffered when I caught my toe on the threshold of the garage door and fell. All these years old, and my first broken bone! I have been blessed!

Please acknowledge the notices re: alumni and class dues et al. We are able to continue helping worthy students with our scholarships and university with our gifts. Also, please write and as I have asked previously—is anybody interested in this job? News is getting harder to write, the older we get. You all must understand.

1946

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Happy New Year, everyone! Please send some news.

1947

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If you send out one more holiday card, please address it to me so that I will have some news to share in this column. Your classmates would like to hear from you.

1948

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The long, hot, and dry summer has finally passed and our very beings long for the gorgeous fall season and the joyous family gatherings ahead this year.

The new summer issue of *MAINE Alumni Magazine*, with its clear pictures and interesting articles, surely was a big hit with our family! I do hope you enjoyed receiving it. Doesn't the Buchanan Alumni House add a genuine classic to our campus buildings?

I don't have many personal notes, but I was so pleased to hear from **Richard "Dick" Tardy** a short time before he passed away in early August. He wrote about his new home at Ocean View, a retirement community in Falmouth, Maine, where he and Tess Freese Hardy '50, both originally Mainers, had moved last spring from Contoocook, New Hampshire. Since 1964 Dick had served as a guidance director of the Concord, New Hampshire School District. There he had been responsible for 10 elementary schools in which 5,000 children were taught. In 1998 Dick had extensive heart surgery (eight bypasses in all) which necessitated his slowing down considerably. So he was able to return in earnest to one of his favorite pastimes—reading. He also taught himself—by reading a book—the art of woodworking which he enjoyed thoroughly. He was busy carving animals and making boxes for the fall fair at Ocean View. Tess and Dick raised four daughters—Linda, a doctor; Esther and Kim, lawyers; and Karen, a speech therapist now training for the ministry. Dick was a proud grandfather of seven. It was wonderful to receive this detailed report and we shall miss the Tardys at our 55th. We do send our condolences to Tess at this difficult time.

In the middle of August our annual summer luncheon was held at the Village Inn in Belgrade Lakes. Since among those present were all of the class officers and two members of the executive committee, we listened with enthusiasm to the representatives from the alumni office tell about tentative plans for the Reunion in

2003—our 55th! The theme is Welcome Home, and by now you will have received a mailing with a tentative schedule. I'm sure. Our co-chairs for the weekend of May 30th - June 1st are **Ruth Fogler Goff** and **Marguerite Sullivan Powers**—treasurer and president of the Class of '48 presently. Here's a bit about the weekend activities:

On Friday, May 30th at noon, we'll be part of the Senior Alumni Luncheon, and that evening at 6 p.m. we will be "Dining With Distinction" hosted by the 60th Reunion class.

At 12 noon on Saturday our class luncheon and business meeting, hopefully, will be held at the Fogler Library, the recipient of our class gift. Those class members present at the summer luncheon voted to pledge \$25,000 for the Fogler Library steps project in honor of our loyal class treasurer, Ruth Fogler Goff. All our class business and decisions, election of officers, financial reports, etc. will be conducted at this time. Please attend!

Then the fun! We can bid high at the Black Bear Auction from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., and at 5:30 let's meet old friends and renew acquaintances at the All Alumni Banquet.

This fall **Marit Andersen Wilson** hosted our meeting in Orono on October 16 at which time we decided on some minor details about the Reunion like: Shall we have class favors? You'll hear about all this in the spring column.

Two of the members of our executive committee who live out-of-state wrote notes to the president this summer. **Barbara Day Bryan** expressed her regrets and sent a clipping telling of her volunteer work with the library and historical society of Fairfield, Connecticut. Barbara certainly deserves recognition for her dependable service to Fairfield and its university. **Alice Fonseca Haines** wrote that this last summer was not a traveling time for her and Frank. Perhaps we'll see them in the spring of '03. We surely hope so.

Thanks to Fran Lubovitz Needleman '50 I learned that **Milton Popkin**, whom I talked with in Florida last winter, had been honored recently by the Jewish Cemetery Association of Massachusetts at their 17th annual meeting. Milt served as treasurer of JCAM from 1989 to 1996 continuously, and then as financial advisor through till the new century, setting up a new accounting system providing for the solid financial

structure of JCAM. Congratulations and thank you to Milt and his wife **Rachel Seavey Popkin**.

A couple of interesting facts I learned. 1.) As of August 21 we had 361 members left in our class. 2.) Colvin Hall was dedicated on October 26 as the new Honors College of the University! The freshman dorm we remember is now home to several honor participants, and the center for the ever-expanding important programs in honors.

May I hear some interesting facts about your lives? Your children's accomplishments, your grandchildren's antics, your anniversaries, trips, or family gatherings—all are fun to read and bring us closer together as a class. Looking forward to your notes!

I wish you and your families that special joy which accompanies the holiday season.



Class of 1948 president Marguerite Sullivan Powers addresses classmates at a lunch last summer. Alan Burgess is pictured sitting at right.

1949

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In September, upon my return from art camp at Sky Lodge in Jackman, Maine, where I was introduced to the technique of painting "en plein air" (painting outdoors), I discovered that the deadline was way overdue. I was given an extension and the class will have a column be it ever so small with only one news clipping from the alumni office and no news from you all. Come on, guys, pick up those pens and write or e-mail me about what's happening in your lives.

F. Edward Smart was honored this past summer by friends and residents of tiny Sebouis Plantation, Maine (population 40). He has served as the town's assessor/selectman for 55 years and has no plans to retire. Ed has seen many changes over the decades. He remembers the days when the railroad drew many people to the area and several sawmills operated in the tiny plantation up through the mid 1960s. He was a dairy farmer and worked at a Howland sawmill making boat oars and canoe paddles. Later, he and his wife, Georgia, operated a cross-country ski area at the family homestead. His ancestors were some of the found-

ing fathers of the plantation and he is the sixth generation to reside in his grandparent's home. He and his wife have four children, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. He has served on the S.A.D. 31 school board and served on the Hospital Administrative District 1 board of directors for 20 years. In addition to his municipal service, he shares his love of playing the fiddle with seniors at the area nursing homes twice a month.

I talked with **Ralph Barnett** recently and he told me he was very busy going door to door all over Washington County. Ralph won the primaries in June and was running for state senator for District #4 in the November 5th election. He is a former member of the Maine House of Representatives.

I was saddened to read in the *Bangor Daily News* that **Charles Day** died on October 9th, a day after his vehicle rolled over on Route 126 in Monmouth. A racetrack enthusiast, Charlie became president of Lewiston Raceways in 1983. He closed the track seven years later and developed the area with his son, creating what is now a prosperous business park. Charlie made a name in business five decades earlier as president and director of Benson and Sullivan Company, a wholesale distributor. Later, he founded National Vending Company and Value House. His wife, **Sylvia**

Benson Day, two sons, and five grandchildren survive him. Our sincere condolences are extended to Sylvia and the family.

On October 15th, the '49ers Ladies Luncheon Group met at the new Buchanan Alumni House on campus. **Colleen "Sparkey" Richardson Coates** graciously consented to play the beautiful grand piano in the McIntire dining room for us while we all sang along. After a delicious buffet lunch, members of the alumni staff gave us a tour of the building. Those attending the luncheon were: **Jayne Hanson Bartley, Julie Shores Hahnel, Connie Boynton Higgins, Evelyn Ellsworth Dearborn, Colleen Richardson Coates, Dorothy Averill Hawkes, Babs Pulsifer Kilgore, Shirley Doten Oliver, Mary Hatt Frazier, Rosemarie Gagnon Hallsey, Thelma Crossland Robie, Betty Harriman Larson, Gloria MacKenzie Ferland '48, Caroline Strong '50, Louise Litchfield McIntire '50, Rachael C. Smith '54, Grace Colby, and alumni association staff members: Paula Sheehan Paradis '71, Donna Keirstead Thornton '78, '79G, Danny Williams '91, '94G, and Kari Wells. The alumni house is such a wonderful meeting place and we thank the staff for providing us a most enjoyable afternoon.**

Happy Holidays!

1950

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Memories of the beautiful summer of 2002 linger as we busily prepare for the coming holiday season. Despite the lack of moisture (whoever thought we would wish for a rainy day to do those things we put off for a rainy day!) it was a perfect summer for vacationers at the beach, the lake, or anywhere! Imanuel and **Betty Friedler Wexler** had a very peaceful two weeks at Peabody Pond where they swam, canoed, and welcomed family and friends—including **Bob and Ginny Kennedy Nickless, Sherm and Edie Snow Cole '53** summer at Sebago Lake, as do **Marjorie and Henry Saunders**, and **Flo Maddocks Fairfield** and **Dick Fairfield** thoroughly relax at their cottage at Highland Lake. We were pleased with the fine attendance of 30 or so classmates and spouses at our summer meeting held at the Salmon Falls Country Club in August. Our time together was a fine meld of fellowship, a bit of business, and then a delicious luncheon. It was a pleasure to see the Gorham contingent: **Lorraine and Albert Mosher, Clyde and Edith Hayford Grant, and Chuck Barr. Bob Lincoln** joined us from Eliot, **Peggy and Dick Watson** from Portland, as well as **Floyd and Dorothy Smith** who came over from Pembroke, New Hampshire. **Alton "Hoppy" and Dottie Lord Hopkins** arrived in good speed from Hudson, New Hampshire. Hoppy recently received a pacemaker and was looking superb; he and Dottie decided to down-size a bit and are pleased with their smaller quarters. Once the meeting and luncheon were over, **Dick Hewes, Ray and Gerry Lamb Kenneally**, and **Norma and George Gray** took to the links for a round of golf and a bit more conversation. They all had such a great time of it that they all decided to meet on August 31st for the opening UMaine football game in Portland, and they did! They were pleased to see Brother **Bill Bodwell** there as well; am sure he was assisting the band boosters as they all cheered our Black Bears! The Class of 1950 will meet next year at the Salmon Falls Club, Saco, Maine, once again—so mark your calendars now: Thursday, the 7th of

August at 10 a.m. Please let Prexy **Maggie Mollison McIntosh** know you are interested in coming—and she will send you a reminder as well as directions. You can reach Maggie at: 36 Norwood Farms Road, York Harbor, Maine, 03911, phone: (207) 363-5510.

Veep Ray Kenneally was honored in August by the Biddeford Class of 1962 which was celebrating its 40th reunion. Years back, Ray was their principal in both the junior and senior high schools. He was the guest of honor for the gala evening and was the recipient of many accolades, as members of the class honored the great man who had influenced their lives in so many ways. He was awarded a beautiful clock with an inscribed plaque in appreciation for the excellence of his leadership, for and with the class. Congratulations, Ray. We are mighty proud of you!

Kendall Warner retired in July, after an unprecedented 50 years as a state biologist. He began studying Maine's native freshwater fish in the '50s and found that stream channels had been gouged by timber, while chemicals from manufacturing and agriculture had polluted the rivers to the point where game fish were struggling to survive. Fisheries management was a new science in Maine and soon became a priority in the effort to improve water quality, stream habitat, and to evolve a successful hatcheries program. He notes that the fisheries have indeed improved and their conservation has become a priority. Kendall is best known as the "state's premier expert on landlocked salmon." He literally



Pi Mu sorority members past and present got together during Homecoming 2002 at the new Buchanan Alumni House. Left to right are: Dot Lord Hopkins '50, Colleen Richardson Coates '49, Dorothy Averill Hawkes '49, Shannon Johnson '03, Carol Prentiss Mower '53, Michele Alley '03 (current chapter president), and Betsy Hatch '01.

wrote the book on landlocked salmon and is still considered the primary source of information about the species. Now that he has officially retired, he will have time to update his book, *Landlocked Salmon in Maine*, and will do a bit of hunting, visiting his camp, and perhaps just a bit of fishing!

The Bangor Y.M.C.A. named Hall of Fame inductees last May. We were proud to note that our classmate **Clifton Eames**, an outstanding community volunteer, was named to that august group. The Maine Association of Retirees elected new officers in June. Classmate

Robert Redman of Augusta was elected as auditor for the association.

Lorado and **Ellen Carter** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in May. At the celebration, they recalled their meeting in Surry—and the courtship that ensued. Ellen noted that in those early days he wore a leather jacket and rode a Harley Davidson "up and down the hills of Orland" and delighted, when taking her for a ride, in taking the corners sharp so that she would have to hold on tight! Things haven't changed that much through the years as we now see bikers in

leather jackets—with their gals hanging on tightly! Lorado is a retired electrical engineer from the paper mill in Bucksport.

That's about it for news for this column. Please drop me a line—and bring me up to date with all of your doings.

1951

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Arthur and Jeanne Dentremont have moved to a new address. They are now living at 104 Wassau Street, Apartment #2, Millinocket, Maine, 04462.

Michael B. Chonko writes that he and his wife Margaret live at 11306 Creek Road SE, Cumberland, Maryland, 21502. After graduating from UMaine with a B.S. in civil engineering, Mike went to work for Luria Engineering Company in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. While there he designed the steel for the Lisbon Falls High School gymnasium. Later, he was transferred to Altoona, Pennsylvania, where he was manager of the structural steel department. In 1976 he became manager of Potomac Metal and Supply, a steel fabricating firm in Cumberland, Maryland. Later he went to work for the Hercules Corporation as it was gearing up for the Sidewinder Rocket Program. He



The Class of 1950 had a great turnout and beautiful weather conditions for its summer get-together this year at the Salmon Falls Club, Saco, Maine.

retired from Hercules in 1988. Mike's hobbies include golf, collecting and learning how to use old woodworking tools, and carving ducks. He also has amassed a collection of 100 antique duck decoys. In 1994 he had a special commission from his Brunswick High School 50th reunion class to make a carving of the school's emblem, the Brunswick Dragon, for the class to present as a gift to the school. Mike accepted the challenge and took donated Maine pine logs back to Maryland where he designed and carved a dragon three feet six inches long with a two feet six inch wingspan. He named the finished product Jacharorge, combining parts of the names of high school teachers and a school board member who encouraged him to continue his education. Jack Tucker, the football coach, and George Crimmins, the athletic director, were impressed by the reliability and tenacity of a lad who loved sports, but had to be content with being a manager because of injuries resulting from polio. Harry Shulman was a reporter for the *Portland Press Herald* and a member of the Brunswick School Board. He had also struggled with polio and provided Mike with a strong role model. Mary Hall, something of a dragon herself, was an English teacher famous for strict discipline in her classroom, but she took pity on a kid who couldn't spell. Florence Day was a great math teacher, many of whose students went on to the University of Maine. Today Jacharorge resides in the Brunswick High School Library. Mike stays young by continuing to be inventive and creative, traits he developed as a child in his struggle with polio.

Forrest and **Frances Pratt Caswell** recently enjoyed a tour of Iceland. Glaciers, geysers, lava flows, and braided rivers were on the itinerary. This is a country with awesome scenery, a fascinating history and geology, and friendly people.

1952

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From the cupola: And that cupola is a beauty! If by chance you haven't seen it, don't allow many months (or



Among the Class of 1952 members who got together in Bar Harbor in May as part of their 50th Reunion celebration were (left to right): Ruth Drysdale Frazier, Nancy Knowles Moore, Adelaide "Gump" Grant Ruby, and Frances "Fran" Smart Trefis. Fran is the new Class of '52 correspondent.

years) to pass before you do. The value of a trip from anywhere to tour the new Buchanan Alumni House and view our class gift on the top will be well worth the effort. When one steps into the center of the Maine state seal on the floor of the Treat Grand Foyer and looks up into that cupola with its shining stars and bold lettering, "The Class of 1952 cupola," the memories of his/her great University of Maine years transgress the present day. Our class made a super financial effort, thanks to our reunion fund committee class agent, **Perry Hunter**. All who made that possible deserve a pat on the back.

That said, **William Currie**, our co-class president suggested that as the new Class of '52 correspondent I introduce myself. I am **Frances Smart Trefis**, and my freshman year at Maine, I lived in Balentine Hall with **Adelaide Grant Ruby**, better known as "Gump." I lived at home in Old Town until I moved in with Gump at the Home Management House again our senior year. In July 1952, I married Hubbard Trefis (Bowdoin '51) who had just finished Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island. We first lived in The District of Columbia. After two years we moved to Virginia Beach to complete our Navy time. From Virginia we went to Ann Arbor, Michigan, where Hub attended forestry school and I was treasurer of the University of Michigan Wives. Next we were in Charlottesville, Virginia; Bethany, Connecticut;

North Hadley, Massachusetts; and finally to Readfield, Maine. Three children arrived during those years. I either taught or directed nursery school in each of those states and began teaching public school in Manchester, Maine, soon after I moved back to the state. After nine years, Hubbard was transferred to Greenville as a Maine state forest entomologist. When we moved to the shore of Moosehead Lake, I taught special education and/or elementary school for 17 years in the Greenville School System. After we began sailing on Moosehead, we were given a mooring in South Brooksville and got addicted to the ocean. In 1998, we moved to Hancock where Hub built us a house. We enjoy living here tremendously.

For some, our reunion began at the Bar Harbor Airport the night of May 28, at 10:15, when **Ruth Drysdale Frazier** and **Remigio "Lenny" Aggalo** arrived from Reno, Nevada, and the Philippines, respectively. Ruthie and I arranged to have the only other passenger on the flight drive Lenny to the Bar Harbor Inn. Ruth stayed with the Trefis in Hancock. Adelaide Grant Ruby and her husband **William "Bill" Ruby** arrived in Hancock the following day and we were off to tour the Jackson Laboratory with a number of other members of the class on the morning of May 30. The speakers were informative and listed many more types of research than most of us realized were being done there.

In April, when I began calling

classmates to remind them about our 50th, I learned that **Bernard MacKenzie** is in a health care facility. Bernard was my gym teacher at Old Town High School, and until I got the list of persons to call from the alumni office, I had no idea he got his degree in 1952. The list, with 60 names to be called, seemed overwhelming, but **Carolyn Harmon Coco** agreed to call a number of them for me. Whew! What a relief. Actually the calling was fun. I was certainly motivated to attend Reunion after speaking with some people who planned to attend. I even know of a few who decided to come after they were called. **Gladys Baker Stais** has written to tell me about a couple of errors in the beautiful memory book that each member of the Class of 1952 was given. Thank you to **Ida Moreshead Wiley** and her team for the books, Ida not the errors. Gladys's phone number is (207) 799-1580. **Ray Lamoreau** got his bachelor's degree in science from the University of Maine, and his master's from Syracuse University. **Clarence Neal** married Joan in 1951 and they celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2001. Sorry about your name being misspelled, **Gilbert LeClair**. If anyone else noticed errors, please let me know and accept our apologies.

Harrison "Lefty" Homans was at Reunion, but his biographical write-up was sent to me recently. He worked in Brewer for the C. Woodman Lumber Company for the first 20 years after graduation. Next he joined Brockway Smith Company in Andover, Massachusetts, as a salesman, calling on lumber yards in central and eastern Maine and New Brunswick, Canada. He married Margaret Thompson Homans '54 in 1955. They have children, Fritz and Amy, and four grandchildren, the oldest being five. Lefty retired in 1993 and currently resides in Sun City Center, Florida, during the winters, and summers in Maine. He plays a lot of golf with a 10 handicap and swims competitively on a Florida Masters Swim Team. He feels lucky to be in good health and weigh the same as he did in 1952.

After touring Jackson Lab on May 30, each did his own thing until we gathered at the Bar Harbor Inn for drinks and snacks. There William Currie, and his wife **Harriet Johnson Currie** took pictures of each in our class with his/her spouse, friend, or companion. Those pictures are precious and will always be great to cherish. At the Bar Harbor Inn, we really had a chance to

see the 1952 student picture each person wore as ID around his/her neck, and at the same time view the 50 year later face. Many facial expressions brought flashbacks when identification was in question. Voices or speech often answered the recognition question, the silence then immediately filled with "Oh, of course that's who you are, and do you remember that day when?"

Alan Pease does look exactly the same, and laughs just as much as ever, so I guess all those years of judging weren't too tough on the guy. Laughing again with these people was the greatest. It does seem to me that we laughed more during the 1952 era than college students do now.

The alumni office sent a clipping from a March issue of the *Star Herald*, a Presque Isle weekly, announcing that **Mary Ellen Murphy Schrecengost** from Arvada, Colorado, would be attending her class reunion at the University of Maine, and visiting her friends in Presque Isle. Mentioned also was the fact that some members of the class of 1947 at Presque Isle High School gather for coffee every Monday morning and have for 20 years.

The *Portland Press Herald* announced in March that **Ralph Kilgore**, a former mayor and city councilor in South Portland, would run for the Maine Senate, District 30 seat. Ralph presently teaches political science, psychology, and human affairs at Southern Maine Technical College. Ralph lives on Coach Road in South Portland. Later the paper reported that Ralph lost the Republican primary to Linda Boudreau.

William "Bill" Bird sent a great bio telling that he played varsity football, was on the varsity ski team, and played varsity tennis when he was at the university. He was the 1952 captain of the tennis team, as was his dad in 1913. His son, Thomas Ward Bird, graduated from Maine in 1986. Bill's dad and son were both Betas and Bill was a Phi Gamma Delta. He married Joan in 1955 and they have continued to live in Winchester, Massachusetts. Their first of three children, Robert Cobb, lives in Syracuse, New York. Thomas Ward lives in Billerica, Massachusetts, and Anne Bird Telford lives in Kingston, Massachusetts. There are five granddaughters and one grandson ranging in ages from 6 to 17. Bill and Joan spent 15 years as United States Tennis Association and Grand Prix tennis umpires and officials. Bill was also active on boards and committees for

the town of Winchester. Joan, now retired, worked 20 years with Robert Kraft, the owner of the New England Patriots. Now Sanibel, Florida, and Boothbay Harbor, Maine, are where they spend most of their time. Bill has enjoyed visiting with his former football coach, Hal "Westy" Westerman in Florida, and Vincent Hartgen, his art teacher in Maine.

A June article from the *Portland Press Herald* states that **William Hall** was defeated in his run for the Yarmouth town council. William received 569 votes, which sounds good. Better luck next time.

Back to Reunion: On the evening of May 30, a lobster feast with all the mussels and corn on the cob that one could eat was served at the Bar Harbor Lobster Pound in Hull's Cove. That was topped off with blueberry cake. Service was fast and well organized. Now on to Orono where the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Buchanan Alumni House began at 2:00 on May 31. With sun beaming down on all of us, it was indeed an affair that made one proud to be among the University of Maine graduates in attendance. The student guides who showed us our way around during the Buchanan House tour were knowledgeable and caring.

Our Class of 1952 banquet was held at the Black Bear Inn where **Dorothy "Dottie" McCann** led us singing the "Maine Stein Song." Each classmate was given a set of four University of Maine glasses. The class picture was taken prior to the banquet.

On Saturday, June 1, a dean's breakfast buffet was served in the Buchanan Alumni House. Campus tour bus service was provided throughout the weekend. Gladys Baker Stais and I viewed the art exhibit in Carnegie Hall, Gump and Bill Ruby, and Ruth Drysdale Frazier attended an information session at Dirigo Pines with **Marilyn Harmon Saydah**, Bill Saydah, and **Thomas Harmon** and his wife Annette.

Our class luncheon was nicely served, and followed by our class business meeting, to inform us of many things including that our scholarship fund of \$50,000 had been reached. Next we were entertained by Dick Coffin. His singing and impersonations were hilarious. We indeed had a lot of laughs.

At five, our class attended a lovely reception at the President's House where Dr. Peter Hoff and Dr. Dianne Hoff were especially welcoming hosts. Many of us reminisced about the days when we

served there in our white uniforms for Mrs. Hauck's gatherings. **David Fox** and his wife Jeannette "Jan" Bishop Fox '54 were there. Jan and I had been in classes together at the Ellsworth Y.M.C.A., having no idea of each other's connection to the University.

Onward to Wells Conference Center for the all alumni banquet where nearly every table was filled. **Barbara Burrage Young**, **Marilyn Cockburn Leggett**, Helen Strong Hamilton '53, **Harriet McKiel Johnson**, Ruth Drysdale Frazier and I were honored to sit with Jeff '82 and Tammy Mills and Dr. Peter Hoff. A slide presentation showed that many alumni had given generously to support the University of Maine and must continue to do so just to maintain what has been built. That doesn't even include new building to keep up with the increase in student enrollment.

The fabulous Memphis Belles entertained us next in the McIntire room at the Buchanan Alumni House. Patricia Cummings '89, '44H, is a vivacious Memphis Belle as well as an enthusiastic former director of reunion giving. It may be a while before the McIntire Room is filled with so many happy people again. Then our class was off to the Russell Wooley lounge for an ice cream social and some good-byes. Many 50-year-old pictures on display were such fun to look and laugh at. It was nice to meet **Sarah Bourchard Pyne's** and **James Pyne's** daughter, Sharon, who lives in Woolwich, Maine.

Elwood "Woody" Beach '51, with his bagpipe, welcomed us to the Newman Center/Our Lady of Wisdom Parish for the Class of 1952 memorial service on Sunday morning, June 2. Inside we were welcomed by William D. Currie, co-president of our class, and pastor Reverend Joseph Koury. **Sumner K. Wiley, Jr.**, **Clarence A. Neal**, **Conrad Bosworth**, **Donald Burt**, **Marilyn Kilpatrick Burt**, **Alton Cole**, **Elizabeth Leighton Furlong**, **Roger D. Gould**, **Harry M. Easton**, **Paul E. Hand**, **Jack A. Merry**, M. Perry Hunter, **Nancy Knowles Moore**, Harriet Johnson Currie, **Joan Vachon Victor**, Ida Moreshead Wiley, Dorothy E. McCann, **Ralph A. Martin**, **Virginia Norton Beach**, David W. Fox, **John R. LaFlamme**, **Dorris Mayne Lindquist**, **Ronald A. Schutt**, **Mary Jean McIntire White**, William E. Whitehead, and **Donald A. Spear** read the names to honor each deceased member of the Class of 1952. As the bulletin stated:

they are all fondly remembered and sadly missed.

As we rode to Hancock, we said over and over what a perfect time and how much we all enjoyed our 50th! Many thanks to our classmates for being so super.

Last week I spoke with **Mary Snyder Dow**. She was in Reno, Nevada, to see her son in a race around Lake Tahoe in October. She and Stewart Coffin also visited with Ruth Drysdale Frazier soon after Ruth and Vernon returned from a September Elderhostel in The Peoples Republic of China.

Have fun, everyone, and get some news to me for the next column, please. Thanks.

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Make note of my new e-mail address above. I'm not very computer literate, as classmate **Lloyd Oakes** will tell you, but it's nice to have one, even if I don't get to answer my e-mail for weeks!

I just got back from a 10-day birthday holiday in Greece. We stayed at a villa that a German prince had rebuilt in Santorini on the edge of a volcano overlooking the sea. My daughter and family had rented it for the week. I had a wonderful time. My bedroom was on the lowest of four levels, so 65 stairs to street level! It had six bedrooms, five baths (plus baths in between levels), five kitchens, pool, maid, gardener, overlooking the sea. Need I say more? I certainly did enough climbing and walking (and didn't lose a pound)! I even rode a mule (we had four of them) up the mountainside. Then off we went to Athens for three days and home.

My daughter, husband, and four children (ages 2-14) are traveling the world for a year, but the children wanted to be home for Halloween. So home they came. They're being home schooled—headed off again November 14, back home for the holidays, and off again. They attend school here in Kennebunk when they're home. Enough about me. On to the university.

If you don't have a 2003 calendar yet, it'd be a good idea to go out

and buy one and mark the following dates in big, bold letters: May 28 and 29 in Bar Harbor, and May 30, 31, and June 1 (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) in Orono, up at our alma mater, UMaine. Our 50th Reunion is just months away and I hope to see many, many of you classmates there. I know you'll come, won't you? We're all counting on you. Just make plans now—don't age any more, take off any extra weight, and bring that appetite, camera, and of course that Maine spirit. I still feel like I did in college, don't you?

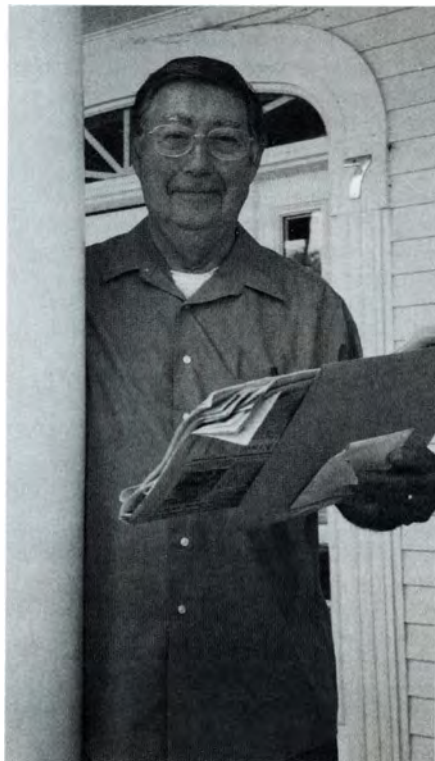
By now you should have received a few mailings from the university, so remember to put those on top of your bills, fill them out right away, drop them in the mail, and tack the others up where you'll see them. And please, if you'd like to be on the Reunion committee, or if you want to send along your ideas for the best 50th ever, call, mail, or e-mail **Frank Pickering**, our class president at: 18 Strawberry Hill Lane, Danvers, Massachusetts, 01923, Telephone: (978) 774-9524. E-mail: REPSplace@aol.com.

Frank, who retired 10 years ago, mentioned Homecoming October 25-27. He went to the inauguration of the Honors College on the lawn of Colvin Hall and said our plaque is up by the studio classroom. He also mentioned the 100th anniversary of his fraternity, Sigma Chi, and of course the game, etc., all in one weekend. Did any of you get up?

As Reunion chairman, **Helen Strong Hamilton** wrote in her letter to you, "If you are 'hoping' to see someone at the Reunion, call them or send an e-mail. If you don't know how to reach a classmate, call **Woody Carville** at (207) 866-4005. Woody is working on a list of people who have already indicated they will be attending."

Also, along with Helen's letter was a blue Class of 1953 Reunion information form to fill out and send back, along with a current picture of yourself for the Class of '53 memory book. Please fill it out even if you're not able to attend the Reunion. Also, your pledge card. Our class needs a lot of pledges made in order to meet our goal of \$250,000 when we meet for our 50th. We can do it with your help. Please send your pledges in as soon as possible. Thanks! You'll be getting the official Reunion registration form in April.

I had a voice mail the other day from Anne LaRochelle, my Lewiston High classmate. She lives in Wells, the next town over, and is married to



1953 class correspondent Nancy Schott Plaisted sent in this photo of classmate Zeke Mavodones. Zeke, who class members may remember as a campus mayor, now lives in Poughkeepsie, New York.

Don Larochelle. I called back and Don answered and of course I asked him how he was and what he was doing. Same thing, he said, clerk of the works for the new Wells Junior High, with a completion date of July 2003. However, there is (plural) something new in their lives. Their son, Steve, and his wife, who live in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, are the proud parents of twins, a daughter and a son, Jenna and Zachary, born October 11. They also have Christopher, age 3. So this makes 10 grandchildren for Don and Anne, who are parents of six. Congratulations to all! Anne and I still have to go to lunch some day soon with that gift certificate that I have, but something always comes up!

This Phi Kappa Sigma classmate is some "lively talker!" I had a great time on the phone with this St. Albans, Vermont, guy. I pictured him as a quiet guy, but no way! Up there, over there, they call him "Lumberjack," because he's always "playing" in his woodpile. When I called he was standing in front of his wood stove, which he calls "the hottest female in Chittenden County." His name? **Jack Curry.** He said, "I'm

not the man I used to be, never was. An old fellow across the street told me that."

Jack used to work summers at The Naragansett Hotel at Kennebunk Beach as a bell-hop and in the dining room at The Colony Hotel in Kennebunkport. Of course, this was in his younger days. And he liked UMaine, he said. "I was pretty active" and I guess he was: Senior Skull, president of his fraternity, vice president of the senior class, a member of the track team and the Intramural Athletic Association, and chairman of the Winter Carnival one year.

Now he owns property with his brother, Gordon '63, in Pine Point, north of Old Orchard Beach, Maine, their parent's old home where two units are rented and the third is Gordon's real estate office. Every year or so the two meet for lunch along with some other classmates, such as **Paul Remick, Al Smith,** and Don Larochelle.

Jack said his hair is a little gray and he's a little on the heavy side, 5 foot, 7, 160 pounds. "I've settled," he said and I said, "I'm 150 and I don't know where it went to," and he replied, "Maybe if you turned around, you'd find it." And this is how the conversation went! Oh, Jack.

Married to Josephine, some 41 years now, I asked him what makes for a long marriage. "Who knows?" he said, "Long life, no vices." Josephine is a secretary for Balfour, which sells high school and college rings and Jack works part-time at Fletcher Allen Health Care as an orderly/transporter, etc. "It's my twilight career," he said.

They have three children: Jason, 36, of St. Albans, father of Jake with another child on the way. Jason went to UMaine for two years and the University of Vermont (UVM) for three, and is now 1st lieutenant in the Army stationed at Fort Drum in Watertown, New York. Then comes Daniel, 34, who's completing a three-year master's degree in physical therapy at UVM; and Jonathan, 29, going back to school in social work in prison at Champlain Col-

lege, a four-year college where he's a junior.

Jack, who said he has gone to his South Portland High reunions but hasn't been to a UMaine reunion recently, said, "I've got to get to our 50th." Let's hope so. He also doesn't subscribe to the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. My, my! I told him to call and pay so he could read all about himself and his classmates.

I called **Fred** and Jackie **Tarr** of Framingham, Massachusetts, the other day and Jackie answered and said Fred is "doing pretty well, he's holding his own." Fred was scheduled for surgery (spinal) in mid-November at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, she said, and should be home for Christmas. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Fred.

I also called **Dick Breen**, another Lewiston High classmate of mine, of Las Vegas, and he's coming to our 50th! He and his wife, Vera, were on their way out and had a busy weekend planned, so he said, "There's always the next issue," and told me to call him for the spring one. I'll try and remember to call.

Here's a classmate living where it's "hot, hot, hot, upper 80s, and humid!" That's **Ann Grumley Lester, M.D.**, in Miami. She's a pediatrician "kind of retired, just barely practicing," she said. She closed her office several years ago, but kept her license and does some home care. She's married to Charles F. Lester, M.D., some 32 years, with whom she shared an office, and has a stepson, Charles W. Lester, a psychiatrist in Miami.

Ann went to grammar school in Millinocket (now torn down—"it was beautiful," she said) and Stearns High. She said she had to sort out where she's been. She hasn't been able to get to any UMaine reunions due to their work and probably won't make it to our 50th but said to say hello to everyone. She did get to Maine in 1985 when her mother died and saw a little bit of the campus, but that was the last time. However, her mother had eight of the UMaine blue and white Wedgwood plates so she sent them on up to Orono and said, "A little bit of me is up there."

Ann spoke of her brother Robert of Bel Aire, Maryland, Class of '47 and William who lives in Millinocket. And she said to say hello to high school and college classmate **Phyllis Noyes Scantlebury.** She and Phyllis both lost a very good friend in Portland this year. She also said to say hello to **Bob Wheeler.** Ann and he took pre-med together. He

was going to Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in Boston where she was and she hasn't seen or talked to him since. So, of course I called both and reached them. Cheers!

Ann spoke of her sophomore year in Colvin Hall and her junior and senior years in Balentine, rooming with **Cynthia Cowan Dunlap** all four years. (I'm sure her freshman year was in either East or West Hall where most of us were. Remember those Quonset huts?) Thanks, Ann, and hopefully with good luck you'll make it to our 50th.

This retired gal in Pompano Beach, Florida, said she "certainly" is coming to our 50th and hopes to go to Bar Harbor also. She's Phyllis Noyes Scantlebury and goes to Maine every summer for about a month to visit her brother and sister in Orono, visits the campus, and goes to Camden, Bar Harbor, and Sebago Lake. "My years at Maine were some of my happiest days," she said. "I really enjoyed my care-free college years. It was a fun time!"

This home-ec major was certainly active up at UMaine; president of Pi Beta Phi and Penhellenic Council, cheerleader her last three years, modern dance club, student senate, All Maine Women, and who knows what else.

Phyllis has been in Florida since 1957. She was in Miami for two years while Frank Beekman (her first husband) was doing his residency (when they were first married they lived in Boston where Frank went to medical school). Then they moved to Lighthouse Point. Frank, a family practitioner and neurologist, died in 1975 and 15 years ago she married Ted Scantlebury, a retired military pilot (a jet pilot in World War II who flew with the original Blue Angels). Ted, a Navy commander, was in the service for 20 years and then went into real estate with Southland Corporation for 18 years. He retired some 20 years ago and three years ago they moved to a condominium on the Intracoastal Waterway.

After graduation in '53 Phyllis went into merchandising and retailing with G. Fox in Hartford, Connecticut, becoming an assistant buyer. She married Frank and continued in that field for a couple of years when she became a homemaker and raised three girls: Lynn, 45, a University of Florida grad and mother of three, works for the post office and lives in Gainesville, Florida; Kristen, 43, a University of South Florida grad with one daughter is chief

financial officer for hospitals and lives in Lighthouse Point; and Lori, 39, a graduate of Florida Atlantic has three children, teaches kindergarten, and lives in Fort Lauderdale.

Phyllis, who also used to work summers at The Narragansett Hotel at Kennebunk Beach, said she sees her grandchildren quite a lot and in her spare time it's club work, charities, yacht club (big into boating, Ted was a former commodore of the Lighthouse Point Yacht and Racquet Club, where they met), women's clubs, gardening, and more. She spoke of **Fran Willett Foster**, her roommate in Balentine Hall the last three years (freshman year she lived at home in Orono). She keeps in touch with Fran, **Carole Griney Ford**, **Faith Taylor Diehl**, and sees **Carol Prentiss Mower** of Orono who lives two doors up from Phyllis' family home where her sister now lives. "It's nice to go home," she said. Phyllis also spoke of a long-time friend and classmate, **Jean Dolloff Kreizinger**. "I went to school with Jean first grade through college. We always kept in touch and planned vacations for the same time." She said to say hi to Ann Grumley. We'll see you in May!

This classmate, who "enjoys doing nothing," just got back from Las Vegas, the Grand Canyon and "all that." He also visited his grandson. An Edward Little grad living in Boothbay Harbor some 30 years, **Bob Wheeler** said he's very happy to be retired and play with his computer. He also swims at the Y, sings bass in the community chorus, and is married to Patricia. Grandparents of six, he and Pat have four children: identical twin girls (one a pharmacist, the other works at a bank), a son in insurance, and a son at Bath Iron Works.

Bob went into the Army for two years right after college and then pharmacy school for four years. "I wanted to be a doctor but I wasn't smart enough," he said. "I was very happy with pharmacy (where he was Kappa Phi) and I did very well by it." Bob was owner of Wheeler's Pharmacy in Boothbay Harbor and retired a couple of years ago.

Bob, who roomed at Hannibal Hamlin, said he went up to Orono a year or two ago to show his wife around. Pat went to St. Joseph's College in Windham, Maine, and is now a town clerk in Boothbay Harbor. He said she loves her work and Bob said to give his love to Anne Grumley.

A football and track guy who majored in sociology and "never,

ever, did anything related to the field" is ATO classmate **Glenn Folsom** of Bloomfield, Connecticut. He said he and his wife of 21 years, Mary Beth, got back Labor Day from their year-round house in Cape Cod. He said they're in Bloomfield until next June. He can't make it to our 50th (he's on dialysis every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday). However, his heart seems to be doing fine since a heart transplant 14 years ago.

Glenn sounded great and we talked for quite a while. He said he met Mary Beth at an automobile rally in Rhode Island and up until eight to 10 years ago, they competed all over the county. "Now we help others," he said. And when I asked him whether he was getting the *MAINE Alumni Magazine* and letters, etc. from UMaine, he said he's got a stack of paper labeled "Gimme," such as the heart and cancer funds. I hope he puts his alma mater papers on top. He said he gets a lot of e-mail (mostly jokes) from Lloyd Oakes and spoke of **Roy Lutz** of Bath, whom he knew from North Dorm. "Roy got me first interested in the field of medicine, partly the result of visiting him at the Pine Tree Foundation for Crippled Children," he said. However, Glenn was an insurance adjuster for a while, ran a recreation club in L.A., and then finally found stable work doing engineering writing.

Classmates' names rolled on: Glenn's roommate at ATO **Warren Moody**, and roommates **Dave Field** and the late **Dick Knight**, and **Ralph Applegate**, also ATO. "He's disappeared," Glenn said, but I don't think he has. I wrote about him at least once. I'll have to call him.

Glenn said he remembers lobster bakes on Mt. Desert Island and said it's pronounced like "it's deserted." Glen said he used to go up to Veazie when his mother and her husband used to live there, but now they live in Florida.

In the Army from '53 to '55, Glenn said he's a regular subscriber to books on tape, those 3 1/2-hour books, some 5,000 titles. (When I got a tape deck in one of my past Hondas, I didn't want to get out of the car! Some of the books were great!) Well, Glenn, we'll be thinking of you at your/our 50th.

This 1996 retired section head of the Canadian Department of Fisheries and Oceans, who lives in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada, spends a lot of time in genealogy, his and his wife Patricia's. He's **Richard Cutting**, who says to "stay

healthy." Dick got his bachelor's in wildlife conservation and his master's in zoology in '56 at UMaine. Pat went to Orono High School and is a receptionist at a medical clinic.

He and Pat are grandparents of seven and parents of four: Dean, a consulting geologist, and his wife, Rouwn, of Noranda, Quebec; Loreen, mother of three girls and a boy, of Dartmouth, Canada; Glenn, "cracker-jack auto technician" of Lower Sackville, Nova Scotia, has a girl; and Nathan, also of Lower Sackville, has a boy and a girl.

Dick says he's never been to a UMaine reunion, but has been to his high school ones in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, and "maybe" he'll get to our 50th. Let's hope so!

This turned out to be a funny situation. I called a number, left a voice mail, and this man called back. He was a Pendleton, retired, living in Buxton. He said he drove a truck for almost 30 years, for Maine Cement Productions, White Brothers Applicator Sales, tractor-trailers, running local, and was getting ready to go to Florida on November 23. (That should have given me a clue.) It seems he and his wife had a mobile home in Ocala for three years now. "I put up with shoveling snow as long as I've wanted to," he said.

Born in East Windham and a Hollis High grad (that should have given me another clue) he went into the service in '52 for four years. And when I finally asked what he majored in at UMaine, he said he never went to college at all! We both laughed! his name was Irving Pendleton and all the while I thought it was **Irvin Pendleton** of Dark Harbor.

When I called Irvin's number, the operator said: "The number you are calling cannot receive calls at this time." I've tried to call Irvin before, but have never reached him.

I've also called many others with no luck, such as **Robert Everhart**, **Duncan Pearson**, **Herbert Condon** (no voice mail), **Ralph Cunningham**, **John Curtis, Jr.**, and **David Crosman**. I left voice mails on others, and some would rather not be in the alumni magazine or no longer have an interest in the university due to a variety of reasons.

However, this classmate is only "trying to stay out of his wife's way." Married to Helen Canty Parkhurst '52, going on 52 years, **Bruce Parkhurst**, 75, of Bangor said Helen, who majored in dietetics and minored in teaching, is "just very patient and puts up with me." Both

have lived all their lives in Bangor, he said, and have had a camp at Pushaw Pond some 50 years now. In the winter he "mostly shovels snow." He has never been to a reunion at UMaine. He said it wasn't like a high school one. "I commuted from Bangor and I never got to know them" (his college classmates).

Prior to attending the university, he was in the Navy for almost four years, amphibious forces, landing craft, entering in 1945 when he graduated from Bangor High. "I figured they were going to draft me into the Army, but I didn't want that so I enlisted in the Navy," he said. "The war was pretty much over." After UMaine, he was into outside plant engineering, laying pole lines, "engineered cable stuff," he said.

He and Helen, both in good health, active, and bringing up grandchildren (two live with them part time), ages 11 to 28, have four children: Michael, 49, of Maryland, retired Navy man with a son and daughter; Christine, 47, of Bangor, a CNA at Bangor Nursing Facility, with two sons; Tammy, 43, of Rochester, New York, an engineer with Eastman Kodak, one son; and Dale, 41, of Bangor, with a son and a daughter.

As to coming to our 50th, "We'll try, we'll consider it," he said. Here's hoping they do!

This classmate of Eden Prairie, Minnesota, "loves to be out in the beautiful weather, hunting and fishing," and works with German short-haired pointer dogs. He's married to Mary, a woodcarver of basswood antique Santas, who has an outlet to sell them. He's **Paul Choiniere** who said he flunked out of the UVM medical school. "You've heard of women? That's what turned me around," he said. He was in ROTC at UMaine, and scholarships and three jobs paid his way.

After his year at UVM, Uncle Sam called him so it was the Army Infantry, in August 1954 for two years where he met his wife in Hawaii. She was an exchange teacher from Hopkins, Minnesota, (stationed at Schofield Barracks). Discharged in 1956, they were married and came back to Minnesota as Mary had to fulfill two years as part of her exchange contract.

Paul, licensed to sell securities, went to work for CIBA Pharmaceutical Company and called on doctors, dentists, and hospitals, but after seven years he was tired of being away from home more than 50 percent of the time, he said, so he studied to enter the insurance and



Among the alumni on hand at the Sigma Chi House (now Heritage House) during Homecoming to dig up a time capsule buried 50 years ago were (left to right): Stella Borkowski Patten '47, Brad Frost '53, and Len Clark '54. The capsule was buried in 1952 by Sigma Chi brothers who proclaimed that it be dug up at the fraternity's 100th anniversary in 2002.

investment business. He started with New England Life and retired in 1995.

Paul and Mary have three grown children: David, 43, and his wife, Lisa, of Long Lake, Minnesota, (12 miles away) parents of "one miracle child," Michael Paul. David is service manager of a medical company (anesthesia equipment). Joseph, 41, lives with Paul and Mary and manages his MS (multiple sclerosis) condition. He worked as a silk-screener for 17 years, was laid off at a major layoff in November 2001, and is now doing vocational rehabilitation for job placement. Camille Wiley, 37, and her husband David, live in Ramrod Key, 35 miles north of Key West, and have a girl Mariel, 3, and a boy, Loren, 10 months. Camille flies with American Airlines and David (he's Mr. Mom when she's flying) is a fishing guide.

Paul said they haven't been to any reunions, but did go to his high school's 50th at St. Johnsburry Academy. When he was at Orono he said he had three jobs: Maine Masque (Herschel Bricker got him a scholarship for UMaine); the cafeteria; and head proctor of Colby Hall. (He wasn't sure it was Colby, but said it was the twin dorms next to the cafeteria.) He also said he was in the barracks that burned, but "didn't lose anybody." He said he'll try to get back to our 50th if his back improves (two back surgeries in the past). Let's hope for improvement!

And last but not least was a SAE classmate of Lewes, Delaware, who was watching a game, Penn State, when I called. So I called later that night and asked him who won. They won, but he couldn't remember who they played as he was watching three or four games at a time! His name? **Jean-Paul Cyr**, an electrical engineering major.

Jean-Paul met his wife, Doris, of Biddeford, at a Christmas ball in Saco. "We hit it off right away," he said, and I guess they did for they've been married some 47 years. She was a telephone operator for a number of years and then an information operator for a jewelry chain and is now retired. He worked at the Portsmouth Navy Yard for three years, Vitro Laboratories in Silver Springs, Maryland, as a senior systems engineer for nine years, Systems Consultant in Maryland for 14 years, and Computer Systems in D.C. for about two years. He then formed his own company, Acquisitions Management in Virginia for eight years, then worked for Computers Systems Development Corporation for about five years, and retired in 1995.

Jean-Paul and Doris, who lived in Rockville, Maryland, for 32 years before moving to Lewes in 1995, are the parents of six: daughter Shawn, born in '55, mother of three (two adopted) is a dental hygienist living in Towson, Maryland; Jay Peter, born in '56, and his wife were killed

in a car accident 25 years ago; Anne Moira Sanders, born in '57, mother of five, is a registered nurse living in Virginia; Deidre, born in '59, mother of one daughter, is an MBA consultant for IT & T and lives in Virginia; James Michael, born in '61, lives in Raleigh, North Carolina, has three adopted children, and is a real estate broker; and Dennis Padric, born in '63, is a meat cutter living in Virginia and has a "harem" as Jean-Paul said, with five girls, ages five to 10.

In his spare time, Jean-Paul does a lot of reading and works around the house. I asked him about coming to our 50th but he said his older sister in East Millinocket isn't well, so probably not, but he did come to one recent reunion and also drove through the campus a couple of years ago. We hope you might find some way to make it, Jean-Paul!

And that's it for now. I do wish you all well and let's hope as many classmates as possible will make it to our 50th. We've got to be there, for one another's sake. I'll certainly try and I know you will too. Until the next issue in the spring, with plenty of Reunion news of who's coming, etc., I wish you happy holidays, good health, and wonderful memories. Keep up that Maine spirit. As one classmate put it, "Inside I'm in my 20s." I believe we all are.

Take care.

1954

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It's been confirmed! Put it down somewhere you'll remember. Our 50th Reunion dates are June 4-6, 2004. After we have participated in our many fun and interesting on-campus activities, we can opt to continue the merriment at the Samoset in Rockport on Sunday, June 6 and Monday, June 7.

By the time you get to read this you probably will have had a phone call from a classmate and a chance to reminisce and recall friendships and events while a student in Orono. **Mary MacKinnon Nelson** is heading up a large group hoping to contact all classmates. Sometime in February and March '03 we will all receive a request for personal information and a photo to be used in a book of memories. Be ready. It

would be wonderful to have wide participation.

In order to improve communication and facilitate information flow you can log on to: mainealumni.com. Please send in your own e-mail address. It would help us keep you advised of our reunion planning and we could communicate with you in a more timely fashion.

M. Bradford "Buzz" Hall sent along a nice note. His first wife, Jean Turner Hall '55, a South Estabrooke resident—he lost to lung cancer in June 1999. All their children are UMaine grads. Doug '81 with wife Deborah and three children live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Bruce '83 with wife Beth and their three children are in Houston, Texas, and Pamela Hall Twist '86 with husband Mark and two children are in Belgrade in "the good old state of Maine." Buzz's mother, Hazel Emerson Hall '29, is in Fryeburg at the health care center. Buzz and his new wife Lois plan to join us at Reunion. In the meantime they spend winter in Venice, Florida, and summer in Prince Edward Island, Canada. He plays trumpet in a Shrine band in Sarasota, Florida, and in a community band in P.E.I. Maybe he'll bring it along to Reunion. His e-mail is: loisbuzz@aol.com.

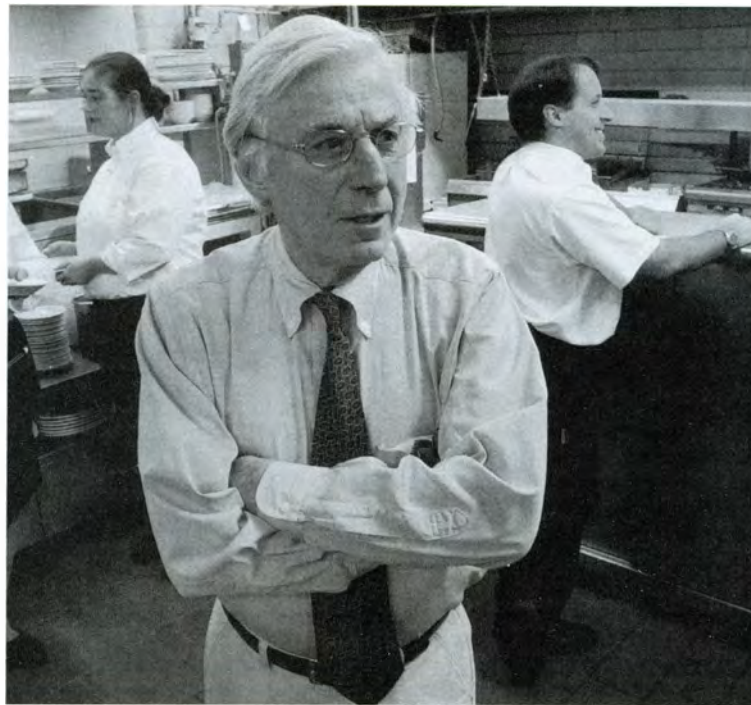
In an effort to watchdog municipal spending and hold elected officials accountable, **Joe Saunders** and a small group of residents of Southwest Harbor organized the Association of Concerned Taxpayers. Over the past three years their numbers have grown to over 200. They have had an impact on many areas from controlling the growth of the recycling budget to paying close attention to budgeting for renovation of schools.

After leading Down East Enterprise for 25 years **H. Allen Fernald** has announced that his son Robert A. Fernald has been appointed president and chief executive. Al will continue on as board chairman. The book of memories for our 50th Reunion will be published at *Down East Magazine* in Rockland as a result of a most gracious offer from Allen Fernald to volunteer his staff on our behalf.

Start looking for that photo or better still have a few snapshots taken just for the book of memories.

Be well,
Bev

Go Blue!



Bill Zoidis '54 closed his Pilots Grill restaurant in December after 62 years of operation as one of Bangor's best known institutions. The restaurant, which was opened by Bill's father in 1940, hosted many historic events, from end-of-the-war parties to political victory celebrations. Bill, who looks forward to retirement, hopes to sell the property to someone interested in opening another restaurant. (Photograph and information courtesy of the *Bangor Daily News*.)

1955

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As we all complained about the heat of last summer, we now have in front of us a predicted snowy and cold winter. Maybe the forecast won't be as bad as we think. We just can't stop complaining—it's either too hot or too cold!

I was extremely pleased to receive a phone call from **Al Noyes** who said that he was semi-retired. He and his wife spend seven months in West Palm Beach, Florida, and the other five months in Scarborough, Maine. It really doesn't make any difference where Al is, as he plays a lot of golf in both places. Al said that he saw **Liz Pierce Cross** at their 50th reunion from Cony High School a year ago and had a conversation with retired principal Buzz Knight who lives in Monmouth, Maine. Al indicated that **Joe Young** had been ill. We all hope

that you are doing much better now, Joe.

Erv Bickford, the perennial councilor from Yarmouth, won reelection to the Yarmouth town council. Keep up the good work, Erv.

In the event you haven't read our Class of 1955 site on the Internet, the students who received funds from the Class of 1955 Scholarship for the 2002-2003 academic year are: Jodi R. Thompson, a senior from South Freeport, Maine, majoring in wildlife ecology. Jodi is a repeat recipient having received a Class of 1955 scholarship last year. As mentioned in a previous article, Jodi is the niece of **Ruth Thompson Baxter**. Jonathan R. Bradstreet, a junior from Albion, Maine, majoring in construction management technology is a nephew of **Richard Dodge**. Emily E. Allen, a junior from Bristol, Maine, is majoring in nursing. She is the granddaughter of **Paul Cyr**.

At this very minute, Carol and **Bill Butler** are looking over my shoulder and critiquing this article, as it must be sent to the alumni office today. We all just spent a week at the Samoset playing golf, playing cards, shopping, and eating

lobsters while staying at one of Samoset's timeshares.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. My best gift of the holiday season would be to hear from you. Do send me a Christmas card with some news about you and what you are doing, etc.

1956

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This edition of our notes is very short. An executive committee meeting was held on October 8th at **Betsy Harvey Ruff's** house. We have some suggestions from the university that were sent to **Dana Devoe** regarding funding priorities (we are focusing on the library) for our 50th Reunion gift to the University of Maine. We also talked about setting up a schedule for our Reunion weekend.

I was at Homecoming this year with my husband, as was **Bill Johnson** and many Sigma Chi brothers. They dug up the 100th anniversary time capsule buried in 1952 in front of the former Chapter House. I hoped to see many of you on campus that weekend.

My one piece of class news is from the *Maine Sunday Telegram* of July 7th. **Everett Towle** was talking about the trouble foresters and landowners are having regarding the white pine problems in the state. The drought of 1995 and last year have put the white pine in trouble. Their shallow roots have not been able to penetrate the hardened soil and are dying off. This has not only affected newer and weaker growth, but also some of the older ones. The Maine Forest Service is actively pursuing this problem. One of Everett's woodlots in Hollis was used as an example. He is a past president of the Small Woodland Owners Association of Maine.

I hope I will have more news for you in the next column. I am always alert to your news either by e-mail or snail mail.

Thank you,
Jody

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1957

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Season's greetings to all of you! In this world that keeps changing, the important things manage to gain in meaning as we grow older, slow down a bit, and reflect. Take note of the encouraging new developments twice as often as you bemoan the lack of something from the past! New technology is not "beyond you." You just need a different, more patient instructor. Keep learning!

My batch of clippings for this column contained two, both of a political nature. **David Libby** failed to gain a seat on the town council in Falmouth, Maine, where the wetlands protection ordinance was an issue. In Cranston, Rhode Island, **Aram Garabedian** is finishing up his first term as a Democratic state senator and expects to run as the Democratic candidate for mayor. After his athletic scholarship here fell through, he hitchhiked to Maine anyway with \$35 in his pocket and worked his way to a degree. In the years since he has been active in business, starting as a salesman for the company that became Nature's Bounty natural vitamins where he has been on the board for 32 years and is currently the president of Bliss Properties, a business management company. He is also on the board of Meals on Wheels and the Holocaust Museum and has opened three medical clinics in Armenia. Keeping this man grounded are his wife Jane, two children, and four grandchildren.

Les '63 had to go up to a Department of Transportation workshop at the Hutchinson Center in Belfast (a marvelous building!) for a couple of days and I went along to see the Belfast Bears, acquaint myself with the extremely attractive town, and check in with **Connie Doe Leslie** in her retirement house, running into Gil Leslie '56 at the Chamber of Commerce office where he currently directs volunteers. Connie works for several of the Elderhostels in the Belfast area, and then there is the camp on a lake in Searsport where they host grandchildren often and the summer "girls' get-together" this year. The cottage was built on the footprint of one built by Gil's grandfather for his children at the back of

Chan Coddington '54 honored for community service

Last April, the Summit (New Jersey) Area YMCA presented F. Chandler "Chan" Coddington, Jr. with its most prestigious award, the Stuart Reed Memorial Award. It recognizes individuals "who have a long-term commitment to leadership and personal integrity and whose efforts have had a significant impact on the YMCA and the community."

Chan was born and raised in New Providence, New Jersey, where he currently lives.

For going on twenty years, Chan has been a tireless worker for the YMCA. Since 1976 he has served as a board member, treasurer, and president. He was instrumental in the organization's recent capital campaign for renovation and expansion.

The YMCA is not the only beneficiary of Chan's commitment to community service. In 2000 he and his wife, Jane, received Overlook Hospital's Lifetime Achievement Award for Community Service. Also in 2000 they were named "Citizens of the Year" by the United Way of Summit, New Providence, and Berkeley Heights.

Chan is now semiretired from the Bollinger Insurance Company, where he served as president. But he is still actively involved in new business ventures, including being founding director of the Hilltop Community Bank, Life Bank (a stem cell biotech search company), and the Huntington Brewing Company (a local microbrewery).



the farm. Attending this happy gathering were: **Janie Farwell Russell** of Orono and **Mary Ella Ginn Averill** of Bangor; **Janet Malcolm Logan**, Harpswell; **Barbara Coy Thaxter**, Warren and Townsend, Massachusetts; **Claudette Halle Higgins**, Yarmouth; **Janet Higgins Nolan**, Mount Vernon and Telluride, Colorado; **Lois Whitcomb** and Jean Partridge Mason '56, Augusta; **Margaret MacKinnon McGrath**, Stockton Springs and Wilmington, Delaware; **Doris White Smith** '58, Massapequa Park, New York; **Sandra Daley Denman** '58, Bath; **Pat Wade Fraker**, East Boothbay; **Judy Carroll Stockbridge**, Surry; **Nancy Carroll Mello** '58, Northport, Florida; **Sally Cosseboom Webster**, Green Lake and Carrabassett Valley; **Mary Flood Thompson**, Friendship and Hilton Head, South Carolina; **Marty Trefethen Clark** '58, Belfast; and me.

I went on up to Stockton Springs to call on Margaret MacKinnon McGrath in mid-July. She had just lost her husband Jack unexpectedly, shortly after their 40th wedding

anniversary. She has two UMaine graduate daughters and their husbands, the year-old twin grandchildren, and three boys, ages three to eleven, who were going to take her on a long planned camping trip to Katahdin the next day. A few weeks later the Portland paper carried the news that **Jean Frellick Roberts'** husband, Dodd '51, had passed away after 46 years of marriage. Her two UMaine graduate daughters and their husbands and the four grandchildren are within an easy drive, while her son is in Texas.

I received a long phone call from **Gloria Thorpe Bangs** of Rochester, New York, asking about Reunion and for a great list of you girls who did not come! We'll do better for the 50th—perhaps even Gloria will come as Richard '56 is to retire from Xerox this fall. In the meantime, because of the traveling they have been doing in connection with his job, she has designed a tote bag to suit herself with a two-way pop-up zipper with a padlock closing and eight inside pockets, a longer 30-inch handle and slash pockets on

the outside, and had so many queries and requests that it is now being sold in boutiques, B & Bs, and gift shops with the Gloria's Designs label inside.

When doing Christmas shopping, please check Down East Publishing for **Walter Macdougall's** "Remembering Dud Dean," which will be as good a read as was "The Old Somerset Railroad." This was a collection of tales his father, Arthur, collected and Walter enjoyed researching the locations a couple of years ago. Now he is at work on a Maine Masonic history. He teaches at Husson College one day a week as well as at the Colvin Honors Center. **Judith Dale Macdougall** is head librarian at the Milo Free Public Library, enjoys the grandchildren, crafts, and keeps things on an even keel on the home front. Judith said they had a pleasant dinner this summer at David '63 and **Ellie Small Williams's** home in Belgrade where they also saw **Chris** and **Joyce Lyon Fuller** of Stratford, Connecticut, and **Dave and Janet Griffin Maxcy** of Mapleton.

Starting in on the Reunion information forms, I was startled to read that **Norman H. Cogswell's** favorite memory of his university days was, "Painting of '57 on heating plant smokestack and on bell tower of Stevens Hall. The wooden black bear statue near the gym. Perch fishing at falls of river." I'm not certain that he is owning up to having actually "done it" as we certainly all have that incident as a memory. His most remarkable change since graduation is spending 32 years in Newark, Ohio. He took engineering physics at Maine after having been a World War II B-24 pilot in the European Theater with 50 missions and receiving the DFC, and being a bush pilot out of Nome, Alaska, from '46 to '48. He was in the Air Force Ready Reserve for 25 years and has a total of 46 years of federal service. He has maintained his interest in barbershop choruses, rose societies, geology, and Sigma Pi Sigma. While in Orono he was assistant scout master of the Orono scout troop. He has four boys, six grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren, and plans to come to the 50th Reunion.

Everett John "Jack" Hendrickson has retired from Ashland Chemical Company as purchasing manager in Columbus, Ohio, and enjoys reading, gardening, hiking, traveling, and genealogy with his wife Susan, their three children, and four grandchildren. Still operating Rainbow Valley Farm seasonally in Sidney, Maine, **Harland W. Bragg** was busy with his spring work. After graduation he worked on a farm and then sold fertilizer for chemical companies until he could buy the farm in 1968. He and his wife Shirley have four children and 11 grandchildren. He belongs to many community and agricultural organizations and was very privileged to serve in the 112th and 113th Maine Legislature. **Louis M. Leavitt** is in Caribou, Maine, where he received the 1991 and 1997 Distinguished Community Service Award from the Central Aroostook Soil and Water Conservation District, in a career that included radar operator in the U.S. Army for three years, fertilizer formulator for Maine Potato Growers for eight years, and crop needs sales for Agway for 30 years. He and Mary have four children and six grandchildren.

Harold "Hal" R. Tibbetts and his wife Elizabeth Lachance Tibbetts '56 are in Ellington, Connecticut, where he is retired from "an excellent job with United Technologies



Enjoying the President's Club Reception at Buchanan Alumni House are Keith Mahaney '57 (left) and Dick Collins '59.

Corporation" of Hartford. They have two children and four grandchildren and enjoy collecting antiques. He writes, "Enjoyed all my classes. The professors were great."

Dennis Rezendes and his wife Jacqueline are in Colorado with his favorite memory, "Walking through the campus during those crisp fall days with the foliage in full color and the inner excitement of the opportunity to learn so much." They had two children while at Maine and went on to have two more and now have three grandchildren. His most remarkable change since graduation is, "Learning the true meaning of the value of life, friendships, family, and other human relationships through the privilege granted me to have a leadership role in the development of hospice care throughout America."

1958

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Maine Mutual Group, the holding company for MMG Insurance Company headquartered in Presque Isle, has named **Hollis Irvine** to a new three-year term on its board of

directors. Hollis serves as the board vice chairman. Taking senior judicial status in January is U.S. District judge, **Gene Carter**. Gene, who has presided over the federal court in Portland for the past 19 years, plans to continue an active case load. Senior judicial status allows a judge to be active but with a reduced case load if desired. Gene was appointed to the federal bench in 1983 by former President Reagan. He was the 12th federal judge appointed for the state of Maine since the first judge in 1789. Chief Judge D. Brock Hornby said Gene was, "known as a tough but fair jurist" and oversaw many improvements in

case management for the state. He "believed that justice delayed was justice denied" and he was "anxious to move cases to resolution. He displayed the utmost fairness in the courtroom." U.S. Senators Olympia Bouchles Snowe '69 and Susan Collins in a joint statement said that Gene is "an outstanding administrator, relieving court backlogs and helping Maine's court earn recognition as one of the best run in the nation."

Richard Finley was reelected to serve as a sanitary district trustee of the town of Vassalboro this past June. Celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary last June were **Robert and Ellen Hargraves**. Bob is currently serving as a representative for the 1st Middlesex district in the general court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Bob was a secondary school principal for 25 years and served as a labor relations specialist for two and a half years before being elected to the general court in 1994. Some of the ladies from the class got together at the Samoset Hotel in Rockland for our annual luncheon in June. It seems that more and more of us are moving back to Maine including **Cyn Rockwell Wright** and **Herb and Judy Demerchant Cohen**. Again it was good food, a good time, but most importantly a chance to see good friends. Those of you who are in the area next June plan to join the group. Contact **Molly Inman Nagle**,

Debbie Plummer Luebbbers, Sandy Daley Denman, Ann Dunne Snow, or me for more information as to date and place. Also moving back to Maine following retirement are **Pat and Gordon Winchenbach**. They will be in Friendship. Gordon says that they will be living in a newly renovated home that has been in his family since his great-grandfather moved to the house from the Franklin Island light where he had served as light keeper in 1900. Gordon has retired following 33 years with a small agribusiness in Natick, Massachusetts, and Pat retired from Welch Foods in Concord, Massachusetts. They say visitors are welcome on Martin Point Road.

I want to take this opportunity to remind you that our 45th Reunion is fast approaching. President **Alan Merritt** and your class officers are trying to put together a great weekend for you—May 30, 31, and June 1, 2003. Any ideas or suggestions can be sent to me and I will pass them on. If each one of you would contact a classmate and arrange to meet at the university that weekend, we could have the largest attendance ever. For those of you who haven't been back to the campus recently, there are plenty of changes to catch up on. You will be receiving more info about what is planned—don't just throw it into "circular file 13" but use it to make your plans to be there.

Since it will be the holiday season when you are reading this, I want to wish you happy holidays and all the best for the new year. See you in June!

1959

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Greetings, '59ers! I'm told that by the time you read this it will be around the holidays. So—I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year. Seems strange to have said that as it is still beach weather here on Cape Cod as I write this in September. We went to Orono in June—I received the Hilda Sterling Class Correspondent Award which was a thrill. The awards ceremony was very well done and quite impressive, the new Alumni House is fabulous, and the

weekend was most enjoyable. Only problem was that we didn't see any other classmates. On August 31 we attended the Maine-Central Connecticut football game in Portland. The alumni association hosted a great pre-game reception and we saw several old friends including one '59er, **Dick Collins**.

I received a nice e-mail from **Anne Betts Schuurman** which I really appreciated. She congratulated me on the award and said she hoped others would be inspired to write news. I hope so too! She has been living in Arlington, Virginia, for 20 years after living and working in Venezuela for the previous 13 years. She has now retired and is a widow. She keeps in contact with her former roommate, **Jackie Gallop**, who has lived in Florida for approximately 25 years, currently in Port St. Lucie. They were planning to meet this summer and drive to Maine to visit classmates **Walt** and **Sally Owen Burlock** at their home on Dingley Island. She also says that the Burlocks spent the winter on Marco Island, Florida.

Bob and Judy Adams Gardiner who live in Old Saybrook, Connecticut, visited us this summer. They were planning to sail their boat to New York Harbor in September where they were to participate in a parade of sail as part of the 9/11 remembrance events.

Will Farnham was one of a group of outstanding community volunteers named to the Bangor Y.M.C.A.'s Hall of Fame last spring.

That's all for now. Again, I plead with you to send me your news—write, e-mail, call.

1960

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Donald C. Means of Bristol, Maine, announced his candidacy for the office of treasurer of Lincoln County in the spring of 2002. Don has been a resident of Bristol Mills for 30 years and retired in June from his position as senior vice president and senior loan officer of the First National Bank of Damariscotta, where he has been employed for 30 years. Don is married to **Mary-Rae Kellett Means** and they have two children, **Rae-Ann** and **David**, who are both graduates of Lincoln Academy in Newcastle.



Getting together for a summer reunion at Class of 1961 member **Charlie Gaunce's** camp were ATO brothers, front (left to right): **Paul McGuire '61**, **Ed Foss '61**, **Steve Files '61**, **Art Hansen '61**, and **Bret Russell '61**. Back row: **Jerry Durgin '61**, **John Longley '61**, **Bob Sween '63**, **Charlie**, and **Norm Twitchell**.

Charlie Gaunce, president of Central Maine Auto Group in Waterville, has been named to the Key-Bank N.R.'s Maine district advisory board.

James and Alice Keene celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 29, 2002, at the Village Inn in August.

Dwight Hunter, who was athletic director at Caribou High School for 41 years, has been replaced by one of his former students at Caribou High, **Dave Wakana '82**.

Diane Wiseman Linscott's husband, **Bill Linscott**, who passed away in 1988, was inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame on July 7, 2002, at the Holiday Inn in Portland. Diane and her late husband raised two sons, **Walt** and **Jonathan**. Today, Diane is a professional singer.

Fred Hartman is a retired wildlife biologist, who with wife **Patty**, has a gallery and studio off Route 189 in Trescott, Maine. Fred creates wildlife drawings and **Patty Hartman** does wildlife photography in addition to her drawings. Both have won numerous awards for their work.

Received a nice note from the **Reverend Dr. Charles Colwell**. He is the rector of the Church of St. Barnabas in Irvington-on-Hudson, New York. Charles writes that he is the founder of a newly created non-profit corporation, established in the

wake of 9/11; Ground 0 being only 20 minutes from where he lives. It is called The Center for Jewish-Christian-Muslim Understanding. The purpose of the center is to break down bigotry and prejudice and encourage the three faiths to get to know and respect each other. The center provides seminars, workshops, television interviews, and printed material. The center has a branch in Lexington, Massachusetts. Charles's church has a website—stbarnabaschurch.org.

1961

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I received an e-mail from **Baron Hicken '63** telling me about a "wicked good" weekend enjoyed by some of the brothers of Phi Eta Kappa that was held this summer on campus. Attending from our class were **Lee Akerley**, **Frank Bishop**, **Bill Goodwill**, and **Harold Hatch**. The brothers shared Pat's pizza, lobster, that foamy drink, and friendship. **Dick Dawson** sent a postcard from the Shangri-La Hotel in Qingdao, China, where he was doing some work as

the managing director of the U.S.A.'s National Food Processors Association international office. This fall **Dick** and his wife spent an enjoyable vacation in Canada's Yukon Territory.

Gingee Buckley Franco and husband **Vince '62** spent part of their vacation in Colorado and drove the scary 14,000-foot climb up Pike's Peak. When we were stationed in Colorado Springs in the '70s we could see the peak but never ventured up it. **Paul Talbot** retired in 1991 after 30 years as a municipal manager in Maine, Connecticut, and Massachusetts, but returned to work in 1996 as the administrator for the Cape Ann Transportation Authority in Gloucester. His two kids, **Kathy '80** and **Bob '82**, are UMaine grads too.

John Petzold recently retired from the Common Pleas Court in Montgomery County, Ohio. He still sits by assignment as a retired judge. John is a former president of the Ohio State Bar Association. He now keeps busy writing, playing golf, and enjoying his wife **Joyce**, seven kids, and 10 grandchildren. The Petzolds winter in South Carolina and summer in Ohio. **Les Lafond**, a Wells-Ogunquit school district committee member, organized a recognition ceremony for the district's staff member with more than 30 years of service. Les hopes this will become

an annual affair.

The New Jersey alum group held its Lobster Maine-ia in September and once again it was a big success. Please keep me informed when your alumni group has activities. The holidays are here again. Take a minute during this hectic time to reflect on how beautiful the campus looked during this special time of the year. Mother Nature certainly has a "favorite winter place" and it's spelled Maine.

1962

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More news from Reunion:

Patricia McCourt DiTata came to Orono from her home in Poland, New York. She still loves her job as librarian for the West Canada Valley School system in Newport, New York. To Pat's great joy, she and Tito have two children and six grandchildren who live close to them in the upstate area. During the summer the whole family spends time at the lakeside cottage that Pat enjoyed as a child. Speaking of librarians, **Elizabeth Ames Moran** became director of the Camden Public Library in 1990. She has overseen a major expansion of the library and has also been involved with the state system. Liz has served as president of the Maine Library Association and in 1998 was appointed by Governor King to the Maine Library Commission. She is now commission chair. Liz and husband, Andrew, live in Northport in a home that they renovated from their once "summer only" cottage. The Morans' oldest daughter, Heather, and her family live in Camden while youngest daughter, Melissa and husband, are in Maryland. Melissa plans to follow in her mother's footsteps as she just finished a degree in library science.

Mary Gay Baldyga is currently teaching first grade in Windsor, Connecticut. She says that retirement is not yet in sight, but she and husband, Wallace, would love to return to live in Maine someday. Presently, they live in a 250-year-old farmhouse that they lovingly restored. The Baldygas have two grown daughters. One is a teacher in Charlton, Massachusetts, and the other is a freelance photographer in



Earl A. Smith '62 has retired after 40 years of working at Colby College, including his last position as dean. Earl was a journalism major at the University of Maine and was an editor of the *Maine Campus*. (Photograph and information courtesy of the *Sunday Morning Sentinel*.)

Los Angeles. **Carol Lovejoy Gay** and husband, Freddie '64, are very busy alumni. Carol is a professor of cell biology at Penn State and in her spare time plays clarinet for the State College Community Band and enjoys downhill skiing. Freddie collects and restores trucks from the 1950s and writes the newsletter for the local truck club. Their son, Zach, and his wife both work at Virginia Tech.

Attending her first Reunion was

Gail Larkin. She said, "If they were all like this one, then I've missed a lot of good times with great folks!" She has traveled extensively since graduation, but still finds Acadia National Park one of the prettiest places in the world. (Having grown up in Bar Harbor, I must say that I agree.) **John Gagnon** has retired after 37 years with Union Carbide. He is looking forward to having more time to spend on his many hobbies including tennis, skiing, canoeing,

and camping. He and wife, Janet Stoddard Gagnon '65, enjoy gardening, bicycling, and their five grandchildren. John recently took up rowing and is looking for a scull.

Jim and Beverly Robbins traveled to UMaine from their home in Hoover, Alabama. Jim is semi-retired, so they get to spend most of the summer at their cottage in Cundy's Harbor. **Jim Wakefield** is planning his retirement from Fidelity this January. He has had the daunting job of constructing computer rooms for Fidelity in New York and New Jersey since 9/11. It has been both a rewarding and emotional task. He is looking forward to spending more time with his four grandchildren after retirement. **Peter Ault** and wife, Eloise, joined us once again from Wayne, Maine. Peter was a civil engineer for the Maine Department of Transportation from 1962-1995. Since then he has been very active in his hometown as selectman, town treasurer, and board member of the library association and historical society. He and Eloise enjoy traveling and have spent time in Sweden, Denmark, and most recently, England.

Other news:

The brothers of Phi Eta Kappa from the early '60s held a reunion of their own in July. **Bill Angevine**, **Dick Cattelle '64**, **Don Harnum**, **Bob Mahlman**, **Duane Mallett**, **Dave Rolfe '63**, and **Guy Whitten '63** were among those in attendance. The Phi Etas met at Pat's for pizza, held a meeting at the House, and stayed at the University Inn where they enjoyed a good old fashioned clambake. **Val Raymond Michaud's** husband, **Chubb Michaud '63**, was the main organizer of this very successful event.

Carl Winslow was elected to the Yarmouth town council in June. Carl is retired from the Yarmouth School System where he worked as both teacher and administrator. He also served the town as a volunteer firefighter for 44 years, 17 of those as the fire chief.

Stephen D. Murray was named ASCE Maine Civil Engineer of the Year this spring. Steve was cited for a career of outstanding service. He is employed by the James W. Sewall Company of Old Town. **Barry Mills** of Blue Hill has been reappointed to the Maine Civil Legal Services Fund Commission. The commission provides legal services to the poor and disadvantaged of the state. Barry is a partner in the Ellsworth law firm of Hale and Hamlin.

David Lamb has a new book



Getting together for lunch in Northborough, Massachusetts, last August were Class of '63 classmates, front (left to right): Joan Marshall Hanson and Marcia Roak Fitzgerald. Back row: Carolyn Vickery Burks and Elaine Murphy Burham. Taking the photo was class correspondent Barbara Fowles Allen.

out. *Vietnam, Now: A Reporter Returns* was published in May. David is the only newspaper reporter who covered the Vietnam War and later moved to Hanoi to cover the peace. The publisher notes: "David's journey is one that will change the way we think of Vietnam, and perhaps the war as well."

Mailbox:

Debby Lufkin Storrs sent me a nice letter this spring along with a picture of her two adorable grandchildren. Deb is still working, but says retirement is starting to look really good to her. Unfortunately, she was not able to attend Reunion but sent her best to all her friends. Barbara Fowles Allen '63 wrote to tell me that husband, **Doug Allen**, received the Distinguished Service Professor Award last year from the State of New York Board of Trustees for service to the college of environmental science and forestry, located at Syracuse. Doug does field work with graduate students as well as teaching at the college and is not even contemplating retirement. Congratulations, Doug.

Keep in touch, everyone. Put me on your Christmas list.

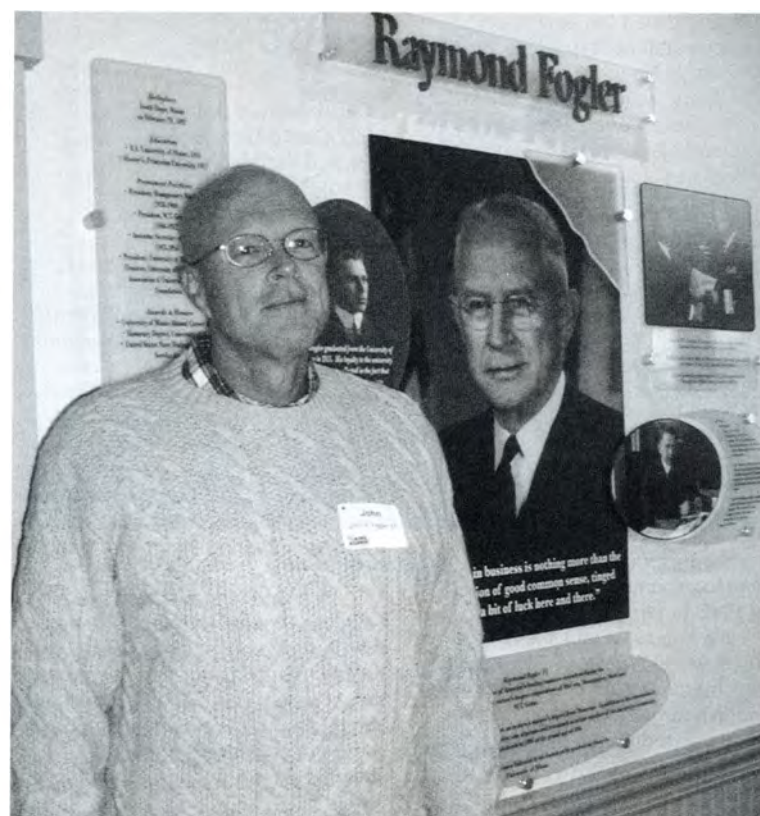
1963

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In August, **Elaine Murphy Burnham**, **Marcia Roak Fitzgerald**, **Joan Marshall Hanson**, and I had lunch at **Carolyn Vickery Burks's** home in Northborough, Massachusetts. It was an impromptu meeting with us arriving at Carolyn's door, sandwiches in hand! How could she turn us away? We talked of children, grandchildren, and the world in general. None of us can believe that it has been 39 years since college.

Jane Parmalee Harmes has written from her Placitas, New Mexico, home that she is in her sixth year as pastor of the Las Placitas Presbyterian Church. She is looking forward to a three-month sabbatical in 2004 and will retire from pastoral ministry in about six years. She says that she gets together with **Nancy Buckminster Lane** at least once a month.

Sandra Rich Rhoda has retired from teaching after 13 years of teaching mathematics in Millinocket



John Fogler '67 poses in front of a display of his grandfather, Raymond Fogler '15 at the new Buchanan Alumni House during Homecoming 2002. Ray Fogler is one of five outstanding UMaine alums who are recognized in the Alumni House's Andrews Leadership Hall.

and Medway. She plans to spend more time with her husband, John '62, and her mother. Traveling and seeing more of her grandchildren will be her priority.

In July, **Chubb Michaud** and **Baron Hicken** organized a reunion of Phi Eta Kappas. Some '63 classmates and their spouses participated—**Dave Greely**, **Parker Harris**, **Neal Harvie '64**, **Dick Jacobs**, **Pete MacPhee '64**, **Eldon Morrison**, **A.C. Taylor**, and **Don Wheeler**. Baron says, "They enjoyed the 'still great' pizza at Pat's on Friday night, a house meeting at Phi Eta, and an afternoon barbecue and evening lobster bake at the University Inn (now Academic Suites) for a thoroughly great reunion of old friends, classmates, and fraternity brothers." He also reminded me that Pete MacPhee was the first member of our class to be inducted into the University of Maine Athletic Hall of Fame for his feats in track and field.

Keeping with the reunion theme—our 40th is coming up on May 30, 31, and June 1, 2003! On August 27th, we had a conference call meeting of the committee to start the planning. We have re-

served 20 riverside rooms at the Academic Suites (former University Inn), and will have our class hospitality room there. We plan a bus ride to the Jordan Pond House in Bar Harbor for lunch on Saturday. Hopefully, you have gotten a letter from **Irv Marsters**, outlining most of what we discussed. Also, we are asking that you consider a donation to our class gift fund. There are over 600 class members and only 15% of those will ever give to their alma mater, so those of us who do give, need to dig deep to reach our goal of \$40,000! Two of the people in on the conference call have committed \$1,000 each, so we have only \$38,000 to go!

It's time to say "Happy New Year" again. May 2003 turn out to be the best one yet!

Be sure to renew your alumni association membership promptly

1964

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John Hayes, another transplanted Yankee, is living in Louisiana, where he has lived since 1968, when his company, Hercules, transferred him to a new plant in Plaquemine. He was there for 10 years when the company transferred him to New Jersey. However, he found he preferred the sunny south and went to work for Borden in their chemical facility in Geismar, Louisiana. After several career moves, John now does OSHA-related process safety management consulting in the area of hazards analysis and management of change. He currently works for Engineers and Constructors International with one client for the past six years, DSM Copolymer and DSM Elastomers Americas plants in the Baton Rouge area. John and his wife, Karen, have three children and four grandchildren. He is active with the Junior Chamber Senate organization and Louisiana State University Track and Field Officials Association. They get back to Maine every year at Thanksgiving. Thanks for your notes, John—it was great to hear from you!

Baron Hicken '63 wrote about a Phi Eta Kappa reunion (Classes 1960-66) which was held in Orono July 12-14 this summer. Members of our class in attendance were **Phil Brown**, **Kirk Hansen**, **Bob Kirk**, **Clem McGillicuddy**, **John McGonagle**, **Phil Soule**, **Larry Woodworth**, and **Pete Duncan '65**. The brothers held a house meeting at the fraternity house and then had a cookout at the University Inn at noon. A cocktail hour and clambake/lobster dinner was held that evening at the inn. According to Baron, it was a very enjoyable couple of days.

There was an article in the *Bangor Daily News* in May about **David Swett** of Orrington, who taught at Abraham Lincoln School in Bangor for all but three of the 38 years of his teaching career. He was hailed as one of the community's favorite teachers and was honored at an open house on the occasion of his retirement.

David Wiggin recently assumed the duties of the superintendent of the Appleton, Hope, and Lincolnville

schools. David has been in the education field since his graduation from UMaine.

Terrance Holmes, superintendent of the Wakefield, Massachusetts, school department has announced he will be retiring in June of 2003. Before coming to Wakefield in 1994, he served as superintendent of School Administrative Union District #55 in New Hampshire from 1987-1884.

Phillip Morse was featured in an article in the *Danvers Herald*, (Danvers, Massachusetts) in May, relative to his extraordinary business accomplishments and his association with the Boston Red Sox. He and his wife, **Susan Keene Morse**, live in Glens Falls, New York, and have three grown daughters, who all live in Boston.

My heartfelt condolences to **Robert Jordan** and his wife, Nancy Hiester Jordan '66, on the untimely death of their son, Seth.

1965

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Larry Coughlin has been a teacher, principal, athletic director, and superintendent since graduating and then earning his master's degree in education from UMaine. In May, he decided to accept a buyout as superintendent of S.A.D. 3 and is in semi-retirement until February. He and his wife Diane live in Troy.

Ted and Sandra Moores Blake Leonard have led the fund raising to move the University of Maine Museum of Art to Norumbega Hall on Harlow Street in downtown Bangor. I'm sure many of you remember the collection that was housed in Carnegie Hall while we were on campus. It was started in 1946 under the leadership of professor Vincent Hartgen and is now made up of over 6,100 works. Having the only art collection owned by the people of Maine within the cultural epicenter of eastern Maine is viewed as good for the university, the region, and for the residents of Bangor. For their effort, Ted and Sandra were honored with the annual Vincent A. Hartgen Award for contributions to the advancement of the arts at UMaine.

Charlie Little, M.D. has made a move from chief of emergency medicine at Mercy Hospital in Port-

land and joined the emergency services staff at Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway. Charlie and his wife, Mary, were planning to relocate to the South Paris area. They have two daughters: Vanessa is currently attending medical school at the University of New England and Matie is a pre-law student majoring in psychology at UMaine.

There was a photo and feature article on **Laurel Fish Gagne** in the Norway, Maine, *Advertiser Democrat* this summer. Laurel worked for 30 years as a school administrator, retiring in 1980. She then helped create Turner Rescue and establish an around-the-clock EMS service. She finds her continued participation as an intermediate EMT (emergency medical technician) and the chief of Turner Rescue as "energizing" and is recognized as the "grande dame of EMS in the Turner area."

We hope that you like the look of the new *MAINE Alumni Magazine* which enables our class notes to reach a larger population. Please keep supporting the alumni association and let me hear from you before the spring deadline.

1966

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We're in the middle of the dog days of August, with one scorching, record-breaking day after another. My garden can't even boast weeds anymore! If it weren't for air conditioning—Ironically, the next missive you'll receive from me will be filled with complaints about shivering in the bone-numbing cold. What can I say? I'm tough to please! I do love hearing from old friends, though, and then sharing their news with you.

First and foremost is my dear **Ursula Pickart Nelmes**. She has been a part of me since I was 17, and I thank God for her. There is no truer friend. Her business continues to thrive, and I've long given up any hope of convincing her that the Northeast is a far, far better place to

live than sunny California. But that doesn't mean I never get to see her. In fact, she winged her way back here for my daughter Gavi's November 9th wedding. My other best friend, **Minerva Monsulick Whitten**, flew down from Maine. And so, as I celebrated my daughter's happiest of days, I got to share it all with two people who mean so very much to me.

In the meantime, I received a wonderful letter from **Robert E. Harrison**. He writes that he has retired from the U.S. Army and is doing trial litigation with Marti, his wife of 33 years, in south central Kentucky. The best part of his letter came, though, when he added, "To remind myself of old fraternity days at the University of Maine, I am president of the Glasgow Highland Games and wear a kilt each year, as well as participate in the finest knees contest!" If I only lived closer! I also heard from **Paula Noyes Singer** who says that her daughter, Beth Goodrich, was married on May 25th. Beth's dad, Wayne Goodrich, graduated from Maine in '65. but, as soon as the cake had been cut, he, along with Paula, and daughter Samantha, left for Massachusetts; Samantha was graduating from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst the next day! What wonderful news!

Speaking of news, fourth grade teacher, **Martha MacCrae Stepp** went to the U.S. District Court in Bangor for a mock trial in May. She, along with her codefendants, was accused of giving her students too much homework! In case you're wondering, she was found not guilty! Also making school news is **Harold Tomah**, recognized for 30 years of service at the Wells Ogunquit Community School District's first awards ceremony. Said Harold, "It's gone fast, and I'm still enjoying myself. Actually, I think I have finally learned to teach very well." I wish him many more successful years in the classroom. I've also learned that **James White** has decided to retire after 17 years as principal of the Center Drive Middle School in Orrington, and I wish him well.

Then come two more bits of information to pass along. The first is that **Robert Stolt** of the Lipman and Katz law firm has joined the University of Maine at Augusta's board of visitors. Duties include three areas of responsibility: advising the president, reviewing proposed operating budgets, and helping raise money for the school. Congratulations are in order.

Don't Be Shy!

We know you enjoy reading about what your classmates are up to. Well, they would love to hear about you too! Please take a minute to fill out this form or e-mail your class correspondent.

Name:

Class:

Place of Residence:

Your News (marriage, children, grandchildren, work, volunteer work, activities, etc.):

Send to your class correspondent or to Alumni Publications, One Alumni Place, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469 (e-mail—abigail_zelz@umit.maine.edu).

Next comes word about **Stump Merrill** who will be returning to the Columbus Clippers as manager for the sixth time in 19 years. He is the "winningest manager in Clipper's history with a 564-461 record for a .550 winning percentage." His last time with that organization was in 1998 and he's now enjoying his 26th season with its parent, the New York Yankees.

Finally, it saddens me to tell you that **Nancy Hiester Jordan's** son, Seth, a graduate of Portland High School and Duke University, has passed away at the age of 27. I can imagine nothing more difficult or heartbreaking, and I, like you, will keep Nancy and her family in my prayers. God bless you all.



Enjoying the tailgate at Homecoming 2002 are friends Nancy Bishop Tracy '71 and Bill Freeman '76.

1967

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Season's Greetings. Nobody wrote me about their exciting plans for summer vacation. So, now "class," your assignment is to write a paper about "What I did last summer" and mail it to the above address. Maybe some of you have survivor-like destinations planned for this winter? News is scarce. Please share yours.

I've been thinking about the traveling quilts that raise awareness of one issue or another. I'm guessing that you've collected T- and sweatshirts or mugs printed with the causes of your life. I should start my own clothesline exhibit! What does your yard sale, closet, or cupboard say about you? Let me know what you find.

Remember I pointed out in the last column that many of us are retiring to run—for office, that is? The list grows: **Bill Berry** was vying for the Republican nomination for House District 53 in the Bowdoin area. He was successful in the June primary election and faced Deb Hutton in the November election. I don't have that outcome at this point (September). Bill has worked in the health insurance field for 30 years, has taught sixth grade and pre-algebra, and was a Bowdoinham selectperson. Thus he plans to focus on healthcare, education, and taxation if elected. Bill and his wife have lived in Bowdoinham for 10 years. They have five children and two grandchildren.

Walter "Pete" Smythe of Standish is president of Patrons Oxford Insurance Company of Auburn. Last summer, the Maine Chapter of Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters honored him with the Lee Allen President's Award for excellence. Bangor has lost federal judge **George Singal** to the Portland bench and the duties of chief judge for the district of Maine. The transition was set in motion by Chief Judge D. Brock Hornby relinquishing that position after six years effective January 2, 2003. **Jon Dawson's** plan for developing city property in Bangor was favorably received and endorsed by city councilors. Jon's plan was for more but less expensive housing in the estimated 66-week project.

1968

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Happy New Year, everyone! May you enjoy a happy, healthy, and peaceful year. Our 35th Reunion will be May 30-June 1, 2003. Hope to see many of you there!

Want to make
someone's day?
Write your class
correspondent today!

1969

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Have you visited the Buchanan Alumni House? If not, add it to the list of Reunion activities for 2004! I saw **Gretchen Harris Ramsay** at the grocery store. Both of us had read the last alumni magazine and we marveled at the picture of 16 alums at **Sally Shepard McBee Campbell's** wedding. We also recalled happy memories of campus and the hearty Maine hello. Think about getting groups of your college friends together to attend our 35th Reunion.

Peggy Alden Stout is co-author of *Wise Women Speak to the Woman Turning 30* and is working on a new book. Peggy spent the summer in Searsport after retiring from the Baltimore County schools after 33 years. She teaches part-time for Johns Hopkins University in the graduate program for special education. Peggy has hiked part of the Appalachian Trail and hiked on the trail for four weeks this fall.

Gerald Butts retired from Abbott Laboratories after 31 years to pursue a career change to financial planning with J.D. Stewart Financial in Saco. After 15 years as principal of Brewer High School, **Jerry Goss** has retired to devote more time to his family. **James Tierney**, former attorney general of Maine, returned to campus in May to speak to

honors students.

The Susan B. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation honored **Senator Olympia Bouchles Snowe** with the 2001 Connie Mack Award for Outstanding Achievement. Senator Snowe was recognized for her leadership in rallying bipartisan congressional support for increased research, education, screening, and treatment. **Richard D. Gleason** of Auburn, founder of the Gleason Radio Group and owner of five Maine radio stations, was the guest speaker at the 2002 graduation ceremonies of the New England School of Communications, an affiliate of Husson College. Dick is currently Maine's longest continuous owner-operator of radio stations, having started his venture in 1972.

Sergeant Charles Halsted III retired from the 1091st Air Refueling Wing of the Maine Air National Guard. Former state representative **Shirley Klimavicz Richard** of Madison is a member of the University of Maine at Augusta's Board of Visitors.

1970

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Seasons Greetings! It's time once again to catch up on the doings in some of our classmates' lives. First let me relate an occurrence that I had this summer while playing golf at Houlton Community Golf Course. It was a tournament and in my foursome was a familiar face that I really had to search the crevices of my mind to identify but was able to come up with her name. So finally after a few holes I asked Sally Leclair if she had attended the University of Maine and she said that she had. Then I asked her maiden name and she said she was **Sally Torrey!** And I said, "That's right!" We reminisced about our college days and the campus as we knew it. She is living in Belfast but is the principal of the Earle McGraw School in Hampden. (I think I was almost as pleased with myself for having remembered her name after all of these years as I was to talk to her!)

I was pleased to receive an e-mail from **Patsy Burnell Boisvert** who is the controller of Plasmaco, which is a research and develop-

ment company owned by Panasonic. She is living in Poughkeepsie, New York. This past summer, the Edgecomb (Maine) Congregational Church named the **Reverend Iris Burleigh Burnell** as its new pastor. This is a second career for Iris who was a teacher and guidance counselor in Maine schools for 20 years. **Dorothy Levasseur Pratt** stepped down from the principalship of Downeast School in Bangor, Maine.

Congratulations to **Gerry Palmer** on his engagement this past year to Susan Hawkes. He is managing partner of Palmer, Lee, and Grace, career and outplacement counselors.

Tabitha Spruce King '71 and **Stephen King** are donating \$1.1 million to build a new swimming pool in Bangor. The new pool will replace the existing pool in Hayford Park and will be named for Beth Panceo, a diver and graduate of Bangor High School who died in 1999 of leukemia. **Gene Benner** was inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. Since he stopped playing college football in 1970 he has played semi-pro football and has coached track and football for 13 years at Madison, Oxford Hills, and Edward Little. Since 1994 he has been the owner of Bessey Motors in South Paris, Maine. **Glenn Ross** became the acting sheriff of Penobscot County (Maine) upon the death of Sheriff Ed Reynolds. **Tom Sawyer** was named to the Bangor Y.M.C.A.'s Hall of Fame.

If you haven't visited the campus for 20 or 30 years you should do what I did this summer. I went to the Fogler Library and then to the bookstore in the Union. I got lost and could not find my way out. Then when I did get out of the Union, I was so turned around I was not sure I could find my car! What a lot of changes they have made and it is a great improvement! Try it some time!

1971

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How about some news to share with your classmates? You must have received a holiday card from an old UMaine friend. Please write and tell us some news—any news!



Black Bear super fan and alumni association board member Jeff Harris '72, '87G (left) once again took home a top prize at the tailgate at Homecoming 2002 in October. With Jeff is Steve Merrill '91.

1972

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If the last column was the feast, then this is the famine! Only two clippings from the alumni association came my way—all the more reason for you to contact me directly with your news!

Congratulations to Albert and **Norma Amero Trask**, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last June with an open house for family members.

Timothy A. Churchill is CEO and president of Western Maine Health in Norway, Maine.

Last summer, **Jan Lilley Additon**, **Cheryl Lavway Herland**, and I got together at Cheryl and **Bill Herland's** place on Middle Range Pond in Poland Springs, Maine. Cheryl, Jan, and I have been meeting annually for the past several years to enjoy the friendships we began in Orono. We can still end up in tears laughing about our days in Knox and Stodder Halls.

Have a cozy winter! And please drop me a note.

Stay connected!

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1973

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From **Allen and Patty Meyer Morrell**, co-presidents:

"It is hard to believe that next year will mark 30 years since our graduation. Our class officers, along with the alumni office, have begun planning the Class of 1973 Reunion celebration to be held during Homecoming weekend in October 2003. At our 25th the Class of 1973 had one of the largest reunion turnouts; we hope to exceed that number and see many more classmates and spouses next year.

"Traditionally, each reunion class works towards presenting funds to the university for a class gift. Your officers have selected to support the rebuilding and repair of one of the steps of Fogler Library as our class gift. The class also continues to maintain and add to the Class of 1973 Scholarship Fund that awards undergraduate scholarships, with a preference to descendants of the members of our class. Dozens of scholarships have been awarded from this fund, with five totaling \$1,600 for the 2002-2003 academic year.

"In the months ahead, class members will be receiving more information about the upcoming

reunion. In the meantime we will need many people to help to make this exciting event a reality. The class needs volunteers to serve on a nominations committee and a fund-raising committee and to serve as future class officers. If you are interested in volunteering to help in any of those capacities, please e-mail Allen or Patty Morell at: amorell@cox.net. Also check out the Class of 1973 website, www.mainealumni.com/1973."

Now on to the news. **Jim Walsh** is the new principal at Wells High School. His wife, Jane Brochu Walsh '95, graduated from the University of Maine School of Law, winning the Giroux Award for excellence in appellate advocacy. **Richard Cookson** won a seat on the Glenburn Town Council this past June. **David and Ruth Kent Doucette's** '74 son, Anthony, was second in his Brewer High School class. Mallory Brown, daughter of Edward and **Faye Barker Brown**, graduated as salutatorian of Old Town High School. **Dana Folsom**, principal of the George B. Weatherbee School in Hampden, was elected to the board of directors of the National Association of Elementary School Principals. **Ned and Carol Berce** and Berce Potato Company, have been named the 2002 Farm Family and Farm of the Year. **Dr. Ellen Howard** was awarded the Chiropractor of the Year at the annual Maine Chiropractic Convention. Ellen practices in Brewer. **Linda Cannell Bleile** is the interim principal of Wiscasset Middle School. **Richard Hunt** recently lectured on Canada and the U.S. at the Rochester (Vermont) Public Library. **Bart and Stephanie Bubar Knight's** daughter, Meg, a 2002 graduate of Colby College, recently began a tour of duty in Benin, as a Peace Corps volunteer.

1974

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Happy Holidays, classmates! It's brisk enough in North Florida to have a fire in the fireplace and the smell of wood burning waxes nostalgic this time of year. We turn on the weather channel to watch others shovel snow while we don sweaters

(or maybe a jacket) to walk the dogs and rake the perpetual oak leaves that fall in our yard. By the way, we rake until April! Tough job, but someone has to do it.

Thanks to classmate **Barbara Manuel Beers** for her kind word in the *Bangor Daily News* about the new Buchanan Alumni House. It sounds fantastic and perhaps a good reason to head to UMaine for a reunion in '04—although it can't be 30 years! **Nancy Speirs Dawson** and her husband, Jon '67, are keeping Bangor busy with real estate sales and development. Their latest project at Fairmount Park has been keeping them in close contact with the Bangor City Council due to some new restrictions in property development.

Congratulations to David '73 and **Ruth Kent Doucette** of Eddington. Their son Anthony had the second highest grade point average in the senior class at Brewer High School. He was involved in many school and community activities and played varsity baseball, soccer, and basketball and will be attending Penn State. Meanwhile in Hampden, **Charles and Vickie Bouchard Morris** have a son on the way to UMaine. Michael was salutatorian of the Class of 2002 at Hampden Academy. He played baseball, golf, and tennis and was a member of the math team, Spanish club, and jazz ensemble.

Bill Fairchild, baseball legend and head coach at Oak Hill High School, had an interesting year. He was injured two years ago breaking up a fight at school and later had neck surgery. Turns out he's as feisty as ever and in his own words this year was one to "coach the coaches and manage the game." For his efforts, Bill was named Baseball Coach of the Year by the *Kennebec Journal*. Good luck on a total recovery and keep up the great work. **Robert Konczal** was appointed town assessor in Freeport. Prior to this position, he served as assessor in Cape Elizabeth and did municipal revaluations for Falmouth, Gray, and Waterboro. **David Ray** was a write-in candidate for the school committee in Yarmouth.

I received an e-mail from **Chris Fisher Walker** who said she survived her first year of retirement. "My teenagers had said that they wanted me to retire so they could spend more time with me. What they didn't tell me was that the time would be spent driving them and their friends to various activities. Between church, Girl and Boy

Elizabeth Timm Greenstein '75 chairs bankers association

Elizabeth Timm Greenstein '75, president of Fleet Bank of Maine, was elected chair of the board of directors of the Maine Bankers Association last June. She became the first woman to chair the association in its 102-year history.

Elizabeth has been involved in banking in Maine all of her career, including serving as CEO of Citibank Maine. She has been at Fleet Bank for more than seven years, and was named president of Fleet Bank in Maine in 1999. In addition to her undergraduate degree from UMaine, she earned a master's degree from the University of Southern Maine.

The Maine Bankers Association represents 23 financial institutions in the state and provides advocacy and government relations services and education for member employees.



Scouts, band boosters, and volunteering at the library, I don't seem to have much in the way of free time. I do, however, still bagpipe and did compete with the band at the World Championship in Glasgow, Scotland."

That's all the news this time. Hope you are all enjoying the new look of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. Write or e-mail—your classmates

would like to hear about your life after Maine.

Don't miss a single issue of your alumni magazine. Renew your alumni association membership promptly!



Among the Class of '77 members who attended their 25th Reunion party at Buchanan Alumni House at Homecoming 2002 were (left to right): Craig Haggett, and Chris and Lynn Miller McHatten.

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Happy Holidays, everyone! How about making a new year's resolution to send me a note or e-mail? You needn't have headline-type news to share—a new puppy or address is fine. Or tell the class what you did during the holidays, even if it was just getting tangled up in the lights.

1976

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Hello '76ers! Apparently the wrong e-mail address was listed in our last column. Please resend any e-mails to me at the address above.

Steven Goodwin has been named associate dean of the college of food and natural resources at the University of Massachusetts. **Roland "Gil" Lacroix** has been named elementary principal in Glenburn. **Dan Vaillancourt** has been elected president of Daigle Oil Company of Fort Kent. **Jane E. Haskell**, an extension educator and associate extension professor, has been selected as the Small Business Administration 2002 home-based business advocate of the year in Maine. **Brian Gardiner** has been appointed vice president and commercial services officer for Katahdin Trust Company. **William Sprague** has been named to the University of Maine at Augusta board of visitors. **Robert Welch** has retired from the Bangor Police Department where he has been administrative lieutenant for the past 25 years. **Norm Labbe** was featured in the *York County Coast Star* in an article about his work as assistant superintendent with the Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, and Wells Water District.

I didn't receive any updates from '76ers this time around. Please drop me an e-mail and let your classmates know what you've been up to. Seasons Greetings.

1977

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Hard to believe, but I haven't received a bit of news for this column. Not from a single one of you out there! Nonetheless, I wanted to touch base and take this opportunity to pass along holiday greetings and wish you all a happy New Year. Hopefully I'll get word from some of you over the holidays and there will be something to report next time. So let me know what you've been up to, whether holiday get-togethers, winter vacation, whatever.

Until next time, Happy Holidays to one and all, and best wishes for a peaceful New Year.

1978

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Greetings, classmates. What a beautiful autumn day in Maine. And how 'bout our UMaine football team?! By the time you read this, let's hope they've been crowned National Champions!

Top billing this column goes to **John Carlson** of Avon, Connecticut, who sent an e-mail with his latest happenings. John is a vice president of annuity sales operations for Mass Mutual Financial Services. He and his wife, Nancy, have two daughters—Megan, a sophomore at Franklin and Marshall College, and Lauren, an Avon Middle School student. In his spare time, John is a member of the Avon town council and he serves on Hartford's United Way community campaign. Thanks again for the update, John, your check is in the mail!

Pam Collins Kenniston has been promoted to branch manager for Camden National Bank's Rockland location. Pam lives in Rockland, Maine, with her husband, Toby, and their two children, Casey and Brittany.



Showing off their amazing pet turkey at the Homecoming tailgate in October are Phil Roberts '77 and 9-year-old son Ian.

Franklin Savings Bank in New Hampshire has hired **Vincent H. Vieten** as a senior vice president and senior loan officer. Along with 20 years of lending experience, Vincent also has a long-standing record of community service. His activities include the Rotary Club, United Way, Chamber of Commerce, and the Y.M.C.A.



Richard Rosen '77 was recently honored by the Maine Merchants Association as that organization's 2002 Retailer of the Year. Richard is the third generation owner of the small family retail business located on Main Street in Bucksport.

Park M. Morrison is the public relations director at the Owls Head Transportation Museum. He lives in Rockport, Maine, with his wife and two daughters.

I received two rather inspiring articles from the clipping service this time. The first article appeared in a Waterville, Maine, paper in June and it was about **Valarie Sambrook Hudspath**. Valerie was a star athlete at Gardiner Area High School and then captained the swim team at UMaine. She joined the Air Force at 25 and retired last year as a major. Now, she's a physician's assistant at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. She also is training for

triathlons by running 25 miles a week, kayaking on the Potomac River, and swimming. As you can see, she is a strong advocate of exercise, and she said she can't understand when people don't even want to try it!

The second article was about **James Morse** who is the superintendent of M.S.A.D. 47 in Oakland, Maine. It outlines the twisted path

he took from being a high school dropout and street kid, to receiving his doctorate from the University of Sarasota in Florida. He has used his experiences to initiate a program at S.A.D. 47 designed specifically for seniors in danger of not graduating. The success of his program is measured by its almost 100 percent graduation rate. James and his wife, Janet, live in Unity.

Now for my parting thoughts—these were taken from an article titled, "What a Difference 30 Years Makes." "1972: long hair 2002: longing for hair 1972: KEG 2002: EKG 1972: disco 2002: Costco."

Send me your thoughts!

1979

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Seasons Greetings to one and all, and a wish for peace on earth in the new year! I hope you'll add me to your holiday card list (or your e-mail list), and drop a note with an update for your classmates.

Speaking of classmates: **Alan Stormann** was reelected to the Old Town city council; he is with the campus police department. Also on campus, **Sandra Caron** received the 2002 Presidential Public Service Award. She is a professor of family relationships and human sexuality, and has been a member of the university community since 1988.

Jayne Greer Hurley is in the spotlight again with a recent report on pizza (my favorite; some habits never change) from the Center for Science in the Public Interest. And **Randolph Sawyer** is an owner of Penobscot Eyecare of Bangor and Bucksport. He and wife Sandra have two daughters.

Elaine Fuller was elected to the board of selectmen in Manchester; she also represents the area in the state legislature.

1980

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Classmates, thank you for your phone calls, e-mails, and letters. If you haven't sent in your news recently, please do! We want to hear about where you are living, what you are doing for work, your family, and special hobbies and interests. Keep in touch!

1981

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I always struggle with how to begin my column since it will not go to press until long after I've struggled with it. After 20 years of columns, I guess I'm entitled to a little struggle! How 'bout some predictions? By the time you read this the UMaine football team will be conference champs and maybe a little more! The UMaine hockey team will have kicked off another season with a winning record! Homecoming 2002 will have come and gone, with a good time had by all! The first snow will have hit the ground in Maine! And maybe, just maybe, my Christmas shopping will be done! Since I'm no psychic, that's as far as I'm going with the predictions!

I'd like to predict that I'd have more news from all of you for my next column! Pretty slim pickings this time around. Remember to add me to your holiday card list and bring me up to date on your career, family, etc. On to the news—**Lincoln Sennett** of Albion has been appointed to serve on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Honey Nominations Committee. Lincoln owns Sennett and Sennett in Albion and raises bees to pollinate his blueberry fields. To learn more, check out the USDA's website at: www.ams.usda.gov/fv/rphoney.html.

Congratulations to **Bill Lucy** on his induction into the Bangor Y.M.C.A.'s hall of fame this past spring! Bill has been a tireless volunteer for the Y.M.C.A.! He is a vice president with Merrill Bank in Bangor. Congratulations also to **Lisa Wiley Kingsbury '86** and **Doug Kingsbury** of Hampden on the achievement of their daughter, Samantha, who was named valedictorian of the Class of 2002 at Hampden Academy.

Last column I told you that I'd be writing this one from a new address.



Class of 1977 members Kevin Bushey (left) and Mark Chase at their 25th Reunion party in Buchanan Alumni House after the Homecoming football game in October.

Our house moved in August, as the initial phase of our eight-lot subdivision. We're now at 5 Black Bear Drive! Since the Postal Service doesn't know about it yet, please continue to send mail to the address above. I hope before the snow flies, we'll have asphalt on the street and our mailbox will be in its new location and out of a pickle bucket! It's been an interesting couple of months, living partially out of a travel trailer. We forget how much we take

for granted these days. In the middle of all the commotion, we lost our 15-year-old dog, Bubba. Bubba had a UMaine connection, as he was found digging in garbage behind the Bear's Den one cold evening in November 1987. Bill brought him home and, thankfully, nobody ever claimed him. These furry critters become such a part of our lives and families and it's so hard to say goodbye. I'm sure many of you have been through it and I'm sure there

will be a lab puppy in our future, once the construction slows down around here! Here's wishing you and yours happy holidays and a peaceful and prosperous 2003!

1982

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Hope everyone enjoyed the Reunion! Twenty years is quite a milestone! Happy holidays to all!

Dan Buck retired from his podiatry practice two years ago and enrolled in the University of Maine School of Law. He also works part-time as an international climbing guide. He lives in Wayne with his wife and their 13-year-old son.

David Ennis (political science) has been reelected to the Windham town council.

Elanna Crowley Farnham was recently inducted into the Bangor Y.M.C.A.'s Hall of Fame for her outstanding work as a community volunteer.

Mark Gatti (sociology) was recently profiled in the *Portland Press Herald*. He is the proprietor of



A group of ex-Black Bear football players got together at the Homecoming tailgate in October. Left to right are: Steve Costello '88, Tim Cahill '86, '87G, Sam Spina '86, Dan Reilly '88, and Barry Buckley '84. The football alumni got to watch the current UMaine team rally to a dramatic come-from-behind victory over Hofstra.

Mark's Hot Dogs, a well known hot dog stand on the corner of Middle and Exchange Streets at Tommy's Park in Portland. After a brief stint with public relations in an insurance firm, Mark ventured into this business. He is now in his 19th year as a vendor.

James Trudel retired this past summer from the Maine Air National Guard following 37 years of military service.

David Wakana (physical education) has taken the position of athletic director at Caribou High School, his high school alma mater. His career in education has been vast and varied. He has served in the migrant program in Woodland, the phys-ed programs in New Sweden, Woodland, Caribou Middle School, and Caribou High School. During all of this he was also able to earn a master's degree in administration from the University of Southern Maine after which he served as assistant principal at the Caribou Middle School. David is also the commissioner for the Caribou Parks and Recreation Department, a team manager in the Caribou Little League, and is on the National Ski Patrol at Big Rock in Mars Hill.

Pamela Abbott Holland '80 co-authors her first book

A helpful guide to avoiding career mistakes

Pamela Holland '80 and co-author Marjorie Brody have put together a guidebook of practical career tips that you probably didn't learn in school.

Help! Was that a Career Limiting Move? covers topics such as what to wear and how to wear it, how to deal with corporate politics and office dynamics, manners, ethical codes we all should follow, and much more.

The small book is presented in short chapters and a lively, easy-to-read style.

Pam is currently chief operating officer at Brody Communications Ltd. in Pennsylvania. Her private time is dedicated



to her family and community. She serves on the boards of two Philadelphia area educational institutions and is a Sunday school teacher and children's choir director at her church.

Pam notes that she was motivated to work on this book because she has seen so many young professionals falter for lack of recognizing the "little things" about business behavior that make a big difference.

and vice president at MMG Insurance in Presque Isle. He previously served as assistant vice president and accounting manager, and joined the company in 1994.

Barbara Dionne Vereault's daughter, Sarah Anne, was recognized for her achievements at Bangor High School graduation last spring. She was one of four top graduating seniors and was the third place recipient of the Charles E. French medal. Sarah attends McGill University in Montreal.

1984

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Happy Holidays! I am your new class correspondent. I live in Southwest Harbor with my husband Jim Geary '96G and our children Maeve (6), and Teddy (3). As a family, we love to hike and bike in Acadia National Park. At UMaine, I was a

business major concentrating in accounting and finance. I did the accounting gig for some time, working as a CPA in Portland. Then I worked in healthcare finance. Until this past summer I spent eight years as vice president of finance and support at Mount Desert Island Hospital in Bar Harbor. I am now working part-time at home as a consultant. I made the change so I could be home with my children, and I am loving it!

I went to Homecoming in October. I did not see anyone from the Class of 1984 that I knew. Were you there? It was a cold, rainy day. Fortunately, the rain held off through most of the morning. We started with breakfast at the Corbett Business Building which houses the college of business, public policy, and health. I caught up with Dr. Robert Strong who has now been at the university for 19 years. Then, we headed over to the tailgate where we saw lots of people and lots of food. In addition to standard hot dogs and cheese and crackers, I saw one group of people cooking French fries!

Because of the weather and two tired children, we did not go to the

game. Instead, we headed over to Pat's and had some pizza. Despite the noise in there, my three-year-old was so exhausted that he fell asleep in the booth. (I'm guessing he is not the first person to pass out at Pat's.) The good news was that Maine came from behind in the fourth quarter to beat Hofstra. For those folks who braved the rain and cold, it was a wonderful reward!

Last summer when I was in Caribou visiting my parents, I spoke with **Julie Marshall Freeman**, who lives in Presque Isle. She is married to Kevin Freeman '83 and they have two children: Caroline (13) and Matthew (9). Julie is the business manager at North Country Auto. Julie and I had some classes together at UMaine but we had little contact after graduation. It was wonderful to reconnect with her after all these years.

I ran into **Sharon Bossie Wood's** husband Joe '91G at a healthcare conference in the fall. Sharon and Joe have adopted a second baby and now have two beautiful daughters: Emma (5) and Sophia (2). I got the distinctive impression that Emma and Sophia rule the Wood household!

Daina Valentino Nathanson of Scarborough has been appointed to the board of directors of Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Portland. She is a graduate of the University of Maine School of Law and is an attorney at Drummond, Woodsum, and MacMahon in Portland.

Donald Breton has been re-elected to a second three-year term on the Vassalboro board of selectmen. My husband has always served on town boards so I know what a commitment this is.

Amy Thayer Carlson is a licensed veterinary technician and operates Amy's Animal Care in Cape Elizabeth which offers pet sitting services. Amy is also involved with the Internet Miniature Pinscher Service (IMPS), a nationwide organization that rescues miniature pinschers (also known as min pins) that have been abandoned, surrendered by owners, or abused. Amy acquired two of her three dogs through the IMPS.

That is all the news I have for now, folks! I would love to hear what's new with you. Do you have a new child? New grandchild? New job? Have you been on an exciting trip? Drop me a line or send me e-mail and I will get your news into the next issue. Until then, enjoy the winter. I'm hoping for lots of snow!

1983

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Hello, classmates! Happy Holidays to you all. I'd like to include more news about the Class of '83, so here's an easy way for you to submit your information: if you do a holiday letter this year, please put me on your Christmas card list! My address is listed above.

By the time you read this, **Peter Cianchette** will either be governor-elect of the state of Maine or ready to live life as a private citizen, at least for now. As the Republican nominee for the Blaine House, Peter campaigned throughout the state during the summer and fall. He previously served as a state representative from 1996 to 2000.

Ricky Briggs is a co-owner of Blue Hill Pyrotechnics, a fireworks company. He is a former Hampden firefighter.

Michael M. Young has been promoted to chief financial officer

1985

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Seasons Greetings! I hope that 2002 was a good year for you! Please make a New Year's resolution to drop me an e-mail. Our class column seems to shrink each time I write!

Daniel Bourgoi, P.E. has accepted a position as a principal nuclear engineer at the Saint Lucie Nuclear Power Plant in Jensen Beach, Florida. He, his wife Cindy Harvey Bourgoi '79, and their daughter Christine-Marie reside in Palm City, Florida.

Maureen Duggan has been promoted to promotion manager of Maine Public Broadcasting. She writes on-air promotional material for national PBS and local Maine PBS television programming as well as radio programs and corporate initiatives. Maureen is also responsible for the external marketing of Maine PBS.

Candace Atkinson was reelected to the Glenburn, Maine, school committee. Congratulations!

Susan Hawkes and Gerry Palmer '70 have announced their engagement. They held a traditional Scottish handfasting engagement ceremony at sunrise along the banks of the Kenduskeag Stream last May. Susan is a registered nurse at Winterport Family Medicine, just south of Bangor. Wedding bells will ring in May 2003.

The board of Angostura International has announced that **Karen Leckey Foust** has been promoted to vice president of finance and administration. Karen was a buyer assistant with Progressive Distributors prior to joining C.V. Finer Foods of Winthrop, Maine, in 1990. Angostura acquired C.V. Finer Foods in 2000. Karen lives in Gardiner, Maine, with her husband and daughter.

Colonel Douglas Damon recently retired from the 101st Air Refueling Wing of the Maine Air National Guard after 35 years of service. Thank you for your service to our country.

Don '79 and I spend our free time being involved with our kids' activities, enjoying the company of our extended families and friends,



Celebrating their 20th Reunion at Homecoming 2002 in October were Class of 1982 members (left to right): Carrie Dunbar Kinne, Bananas, Kevin Ryan, Minna Babson, Steve Boyce, Alison Aldrich Andreassen, Steve Andreassen, Ken Miller '81, Nancy Baker Miller, and Jane Gamage.

and providing some service to our community. I bet that your family is much like ours—why not tell us all about it? May peace be yours this holiday season—and may your wishes come true in the new year!

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1986

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Hi, everyone!

It looks like summer is passing into fall. As we write this we are enjoying beautiful 70-degree weather with the anticipation of a colorful foliage season here in Maine. When you read this we should be starting into the winter ski and holiday season with our first snowfall.

Congratulations to **James Blanchette** of Bangor. He has won the Democratic primaries for the office of Penobscot County Treasurer.

The town of Wiscasset has just named their first town manager. **David Kinney** was chosen from 41 applicants for the position. Dave had previously been the town's engineer and had recently gone back to the University of Maine to teach and attend classes. Good luck to Dave in this new position.

Samantha Kingsbury, the daughter of **Lisa Wiley Kingsbury** and her husband, **Douglas '81**, was named valedictorian for the 2002 class in Hampden. She plans to attend Holy Cross.

David Raymond received the President's Award at the graduation ceremony for Northern Maine Technical College in Presque Isle. David is a faculty member in the general education department of NMTC.

Richard Meyer was married to Judith Ann Castagna in Laie, Hawaii. The couple stayed in Hawaii for the honeymoon also. The bride is the owner of Family History Photography in Laconia, New Hampshire. The groom is a mechanical engineer



Black Bear fans of all ages braved the damp, cool weather to enjoy the Homecoming 2002 tailgate. Front row, left to right are: Jason Cooney (future engineer), Lynne Cooney (future singer), and Jeffrey Cooney (future spy/engineer). Back row: Sara Littlefield Downey '93, Lisa Littlefield Cooney '82, and Woody Littlefield '57.

for Moore North America in Dover, New Hampshire. The couple resides in Alfred, Maine.

Joseph Pratt has been appointed president of Bar Harbor Trust Services. Joseph has been with BTI Financial Group for over two years and has served as vice president of business development and most recently as interim president of Bar Harbor Trust Services.

York County Technical College in Wells, Maine, announced their faculty member of the year. This honor went to **Peter Harvey**. This award recognizes extraordinary contributions by a faculty member in the areas of academic activities, campus participation, and service to the college and the community. Peter is a science faculty member and teaches introductory biology, marine biology, and environmental science.

Representative Donna Loring is one of the newest members of the board of directors of the Maine Community Foundation. Donna is also a member of a task force to study the economic and social aspects of a casino in Maine.

Jeffrey Spring is a co-owner of the family business in Queens, New York. The business is the Modern Art Foundry which was started by his grandfather in 1932. The foundry has about 100 artists on its client list and usually has about 300 to 400 jobs going at one time. A recent client is Joseph Query of Swanville, Maine, who has been commissioned to sculpt a Joshua Chamberlain statue that will be set up in Brunswick, Maine. The foundry makes bronze statues from wax sculptures.

Governor-elect **John Baldacci** was recently awarded the Humane Legislator Award from the American Humane Association. The award was to recognize his commitment, dedication, and advocacy in the 107th Congress to safeguard and protect the lives of children throughout America. The American Humane Association was founded in 1877 and seeks to prevent cruelty, abuse, neglect, and exploitation of children and animals.

Take care! Hope to hear from you soon—in fact, drop us an e-mail now so we know what you are up to.

Happy Holidays, everyone,
George and Donny

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Alpha Gamma Rho brother Jeff Bartley '87 and Katherine Foy Bartley '87 enjoy the Homecoming tailgate in October. Jeff and Katherine were college sweethearts at UMaine.

1987

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Hello, everyone. I'm sorry that I did

not get this article filed last time around. I was in the process of installing a DSL modem and my hard drive crashed. Between trying to retrieve my data, giving up, and then getting a new computer, I could not make the deadline. Much of this news is from the spring and may have been reported before. Unfortunately, all of my previous articles are on a crashed hard drive.

There are two births to report:



Trying to keep themselves and their clarinets dry at Homecoming 2002 are Alumni Band members Heather Stewart '87 and Ellen Rutter Rust '75. The band performed at halftime of the Homecoming football game.

Jonathan Milne and his wife Julia had a little boy, Nathan Andrew Hanauer, February 15th, 2002.

Sharon Laflamme and Daniel Morrow had a little girl, Meghan Danielle Morrow, March 22, 2002.

Jeannine Forest Landry released a CD of 15 lullabies that she wrote for her children. The songs are about the joy of and love for her four children, now ages four to 12 years old. In career news: **Rick Elder**, vice president of retail services at First National Bank of Damariscotta, has been promoted to The First's Executive Leadership Team. Rick has been with the bank since 1993 and lives in Edgecomb with his wife Monica Russell Elder '89 and their daughters, Hannah and Gretchen.

Kelly Overlock Robbins, math and science teacher at the A.D. Gray Middle School in Waldoboro, has been appointed to the Knox-Lincoln soil and water conservation district board of supervisors as associate supervisor. She lives in Waldoboro with her husband and two children. **Luke Labbe** has been appointed president of St. Joseph's Credit Union, Biddeford. **A. Ray Bolduc** has been appointed to associate at WBRC Architects/Engineers.

Ruth E. Kinne has been promoted to vice president at Bangor Savings Bank. **Gary Lapierre** has been hired as a vice president and loan officer at Kennebec Savings Bank. **Marta Robbins**, a teacher at Bangor's James F. Doughty school, toured China for two weeks this spring as part of a China studies program in the Bangor school district.

Lauree Gott, a middle school science teacher in Veazie, studied and taught in Kenya from July 20 to August 25 this summer. She is participating in a program sponsored by the National Science Foundation that sponsors outstanding science teachers and helps them develop programs for their school districts. **Darlene Wells Paine** was selected as principal at Searsport Elementary School in S.A.D. 56. Previously she had been the district's dean of students. **Eleanor Gulick Courtemanch** was appointed director of development at College of the Atlantic this spring. She will oversee the development effort of C.O.A. including annual giving, major gifts, capital campaigns, corporate and foundation contributions, and special events. **Nora McPherson Thombs** retired from the Cape Cod Hill School in New Sharon near Farmington, Maine, last spring.



Among the Class of 1987 members (and family) who celebrated their 15th Reunion at Buchanan Alumni House during Homecoming 2002 were, sitting (left to right): Bonny Thibeau Rollender, Rodney Mason, Anna Ley Mason, Alden Mason, Kate Gardner Wagner, Leslee Canty-Noyes, and Julie Albert Kohl. Standing: Theresa Joyce Lee, Melinda Pawloski Pray, Tracy Fredricks MacMillan, Andrew Chebishev, and Chris MacMillan.

David Gonyar resigned his position as head coach for varsity basketball and baseball at Bucksport High School this spring. He said that he wanted to be able to spend more time with his wife and three children.

Donna Pelletier Madore, an Augusta school department speech clinician, is taking a leave of absence to become the system's assistant special education director. **Jennifer Riefler**, a high school environmental science teacher at Mount Desert Island, spent two weeks in the Rocky Mountains under a Victor Astor Incentive Grant.

That's about it. Have a great holiday. My new e-mail address is: Andrew.nagelin@verizon.net. Send me a note and let your classmates know what you have been up to.

Don't miss a single issue of your alumni magazine.
Renew your membership promptly.

1988

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Hello hello hello. I certainly hope you enjoyed autumn before we find ourselves in snow.

As always, good luck and fortune to several of our former classmates as they change jobs/careers, receive awards and participate in sports:

Peter Arno is the new deputy chief at the Bangor Police Department. This position is the second-in-command of the police force. Peter has been with the department since 1987 and was assigned to the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency as a special agent for three years in 1990. Peter has an excellent educational background, extensive supervisory training, and the respect of his peers within the department. His

personality fosters a cooperative spirit according to his new boss, Bangor police chief Don Winslow.

Mike Bordick continues to dominate the sports page but since most of his news is dated, we'll just fill you in on the big picture stuff. Mike is known as the best fielding shortstop in baseball. He is currently with the Baltimore Orioles and as of this writing, leads all major league shortstops with a .998 fielding percentage. His 383 consecutive errorless chances ranks third in baseball history among shortstops but is on course to improve his already superb ranking.

Matthew Dunlap, state representative for the Maine 121st Legislative District, was selected last spring to join six other political figures from across the nation as delegates to the Russian federation to participate in a two-week political study program. The American Council of Young Political Leaders, a bipartisan non-profit organization located in Washington, D.C., sponsors this program. The program provides the delegates the opportunity to travel the countryside and

interact with rising local, municipal, and national leaders, business communities, and civic groups. The bilateral exchanges help promote awareness and understanding of common problems, opportunities, and challenges that face the international community. Over 90 nations have participated in the exchange program which has been endorsed as an important source of education on key foreign policy issues for rising Americans and foreign political leaders.

Nathan Jone's dream of one day owning his own motorcycle business is no longer a dream but an ever-growing reality. Nathan and his wife, Tamara, have a motorcycle shop in Scarborough named Custom Hawg. Not only do they service Harley Davidson bikes and sell them used, they also sell new bikes by the Texas-based American IronHorse. Business has been very good. They are the only seller of factory custom motorcycles in the state of Maine. The growing big-bike market has led them to open a second Custom Hawg shop in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Theolyn Arnold Staples is the new principal of Downeast School in Bangor. Previously she held principal positions at the Leroy Smith School in Winterport for seven years and the Newburgh Elementary School for a year and a half before that. Theolyn began her career in Bangor 22 years ago as a first and third grade teacher. She has two grown daughters, who have also become teachers. She has a bachelor's degree in elementary education, a master's degree in language arts, and a certificate of advanced study in literacy, all from the University of Maine.

Jeanna Tuell of Orono is the elementary principal for the Herbert Gray and Jefferson Street schools in Old Town. She spent the previous six years as the teaching principal at the Adams School in Castine. Going to a larger school system will be one of the major challenges of her new job but she is confident in her ability to adjust. Jeanna also taught reading, writing, and math to special needs children in Castine. She served as chair of the Union 93 Professional Development Committee, established a foundation to solicit private donations for education, and served as the Adams School's athletic director. She is currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program in educational leadership.

1989

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Hello, everyone!

News is a bit brief this time around, which should remind everyone that they should write and not be shy! Everyone has news, even if it's not "new" news. Let us know where you live, work, or who you still hang out with from our class. If you've never written, now is the time! Make it a New Year's resolution!

The Brewer police chief, **Steven Barker**, was recently recognized for his 25 years of service with the department, having served as chief for the last six years. Among Barker's most notable accomplishments was a yearlong stint in Bosnia as a police monitor for the United Nations International Police Task Force.

Dr. Parise Dufour Chamber-



UMaine professor emeritus Charles Rauch and Diana McCurdy Russ '89 enjoy the President's Club Reception at Homecoming 2002 in October.

land is one of only a small number of Maine optometrists to receive an enhanced license to independently treat glaucoma. This allows her to practice eye care at the highest level. She practices in Lewiston with Dr. Lee DeRosa, and lives in Winthrop with her husband and three children.

Max Egenhofer, who received his doctorate with us in 1989, is the recipient of the University's Presidential Research and Creative Achievement Award. Max is the director of the National Center for Geographic Information and Analysis, the college of engineering's Libra professor, a professor in spatial information science and engineering, and cooperating professor in computer science.

Randy Metevier is an account manager with Applied Materials in Orono. This is the largest supplier of materials to the global semiconductor industry. Randy recently presented a check for \$10,000 to the University's department of electrical and computer engineering to be used for scholarships.

Alan Comeau is community relations and development director at Acadia Hospital, and was recently honored for his volunteer services.

William Bennett has one of the most interesting jobs I've come across in a while. He is a clown with the Shriners! He attended Clown College, and, portraying his character Willie, has taken part in

the Shrine Circus, many parades, and many visits to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Boston where he has brightened many peoples' days. His advice to everyone? "Lighten up and enjoy life. This is not the dress rehearsal." Bravo, Will!

On a personal note, thank you to all of my friends from Maine who have supported me following the death of my husband Michael in September. The many cards and calls have been a great comfort.

Happy, healthy, and peaceful holidays to all.

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I hope you are all enjoying your holiday season. This year it is quite different for us as this is the first holiday season for our daughter, Kayla. We are thankful that we are able to spend it in New England again with our families and friends.

Joseph Slowinski is representing Maine and New Hampshire in the master's bowling competition in Nevada in January 2003. At this competition he will be competing against professional and amateur

bowlers from throughout the world. If you are interested in sponsoring him so that he can attend this competition, please contact him at: jomoslow@earthlink.net or at Vinalhaven School, M.S.A.D. # 8, RR 1 Box 112, Arcola Lane, Vinalhaven, Maine, 04863. His phone is (207) 863-4800 and fax is (207) 863-4572.

As of this school year, Joseph is the principal of Vinalhaven, a unique K-12 school on the island of Vinalhaven, off the coast of Rockland.

The second unofficial UMaine Reunion was held last May in Boston. It was held at Hurricane O'Reilly's in Boston and an estimated 400 people were in attendance. Former University of Maine women's tennis players, Wendy Semonian '92, Kristin Regis '92, Valerie Mariani '91, and Kathryn Morse '92 organized the event. Thirty-two hundred dollars raised at the event was donated in memory of Shawn Walsh to UMaine Athletics.

Brian and Barbara Quine Roy moved to Florida. Their daughter, Jessica, started kindergarten this year. **Steve Watt** is back in the United States. He has been teaching English as a second language overseas for many years.

Patricia Spencer Duran is in her second year as superintendent of Hermon Schools. Her contract is until 2004. **Kathryn E. Elkins** is the curriculum director for S.A.D. 17. In 1997, Kathryn earned a certificate of advanced studies in educational administration with an emphasis on curriculum development from Orono.

Matthew R. McHatten was promoted to vice president and marketing director at MMG Insurance in Presque Isle. Previously, he was assistant vice president and marketing director.

Peter Burke was elected first selectman of Isle au Haut. His priorities as first selectman include the renovation of the town landing if he can secure grant funding; addressing the dangerously low school population; advancing the relationship between Isle au Haut and Acadia National Park; identifying uses for the jointly-owned Colwell Ramp in Stonington; and increasing the town's fire preparedness. Peter studied landscape architecture at the University of Massachusetts, and runs his own garden design business.

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Hi, all! Hope you all are having a happy holiday season. If all is going as planned, I am having my first warm Christmas away from Maine. My husband Andy and I are visiting the in-laws in South Africa, and I'm giving scuba diving a try. So, enjoy the snow without me.

Some classmates have new career adventures to report.

In May, **Ritchie Hafford** traveled to Colorado with other Maine forest service rangers to fight the huge blazes. As a strike team leader in charge of 25 firefighters, he responded to critical hot spots primarily along the fire perimeter during his 13-day stint near Naturita, Colorado. By the time he returned to his home in Lincoln, Maine, the fire was under control.

Brent Hall has been named commercial lender at Gardiner Savings Institution. He has been with the bank since 1992. Brent serves as the treasurer of the board of the Gardiner Main Street Program, is a member of the board of the Kennebec Performing Arts Company, and is an active member of the Kennebec Valley Humane Society. He and his wife Kimberly Pelletier Hall '92 live in Gardiner.

The Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Rockland is excited to have **Kathleen H. N. Towns** as their new pastor. Kathleen most recently served seven years at First United Methodist Church in South Portland, and also worked part-time with Catholic Charities of Maine serving families and the elderly.

Have you ever heard of the Maine Highlands? You will soon, if **John Holden** has anything to say about it. He is the new point person on a broad-based marketing effort among several Chambers of Commerce and other organizations to turn Penobscot and Piscataquis Counties into a bustling four-season tourist destination. John is a senior development specialist at the Bangor-based Eastern Maine Development Corporation and president of the Penquis Tourism Coalition, the group behind the Highlands initiative.

Our best wishes to classmates with new additions to their families. On April 30th, **Thomas** and **Mary**

Attorney Walter McKee '89

A proud member of the "legal infantry"

Walter McKee '89 thinks of himself as being on the front lines of the legal profession—a member of the "legal infantry," as he puts it. On any given day he could be seeing alleged robbers, rapists, murderers, drunk drivers, or drug dealers.

In an age where an increasing number of young people see law school as a necessary step to success in the corporate or political world, Walter McKee is something of a rarity. There just aren't that many attorneys who make a career primarily out of criminal defense work.

"No, not many lawyers do criminal defense work," McKee admits. "Most do it on a court appointed basis. But I've carved out a niche doing it—retained criminal work, both federal and state. Every day I'm in court for something or other."

McKee doesn't do criminal law and litigation because he has to—he genuinely likes it.

"I couldn't sit down and spend my day drafting contracts. That stuff would kill me," he says. "I really like the idea that I represent people rather than corporations or organizations. I deal with real life stuff, whether it's a lawsuit, because half my work is litigation, or dealing with criminal cases from speeding tickets to murder. I deal with ordinary people who are involved in not-very-ordinary circumstances. I deal with the stuff that happens on the streets and sidewalks of society. I might get dirtied up a bit but that's part of the deal. It keeps life interesting."

McKee says he didn't think about becoming a lawyer until his senior year at the University of Maine. Like so many other UMaine graduates who went on to law school he was influenced by professor emeritus Eugene Mawhinney '47.

"I kind of stumbled into political science at Maine," McKee says. "When I was there I was very influenced by Gene Mawhinney. He was the kind of professor you want to work hard for. Even at law school, I don't think I ever had another professor of his quality."

Just five months after graduating from the



University of Maine School of Law, McKee got right into the thick of things by trying his first criminal case. He argued an appeal to the Maine Supreme Court while still in his first year of practice, and he tried his first murder case at the age of 29.

McKee joined the Augusta firm of Lipman and Katz in 1995, and became a partner less than three years later. His name was added to the firm name last year.

A good part of McKee's success as a trial lawyer is his disciplined hard work, his

drive to be the best, and his total dedication to his clients.

"I like to stand up for people," he says. "When people are in trouble, they need someone to get in there and fight for them. I've been successful in that respect. I like to fight for people—I'm aggressive, I like to mix it up in the courtroom. I don't like to fold. And in criminal law, that serves you well—after a while people know that you mean business."

McKee says his motivation comes from putting himself in his client's position. "I know I would want my lawyer to know everything possible—to have the edge, to not leave any stone unturned," he says. "That keeps me going."

In fact, McKee's motivation and self-discipline are somewhat legendary. He rises at 3 a.m. every week and is at the office by 3:30. He goes for 13 hours until 4:30 p.m. (unless he's in court). That schedule allows him to address his heavy work load, but still have time with his wife, Kristin Aielo (also an attorney) and their children.

McKee also tries to keep his weekends free for family and to pursue his impressive list of interests. He is an avid hunter and mountaineer (just back from a trip to the Grand Tetons), and a licensed private pilot. He's also a captain in the J.A.G. Corps of the Maine National Guard, and he co-hosts a local cable television show called "Looking at the Law." In addition, he runs five days a week and goes to the gym three days a week.

Bradley Caron welcomed a daughter, Abigail Patricia, to their Bangor home. **Jennifer Taylor** and her husband, Robert Atanda, are the proud parents of a son, Noah Tunde Atanda, who was born on March 18th. The family lives in Alexandria, Virginia.

Christopher and **Kim Shea Berg** announced the birth of their daughter, Meghan Marie Berg, on August 29, 2002. The family lives in Marion, Massachusetts.

Please note my new address. Andy and I bought a house this summer and are busy decorating and getting it ready for all the company we will have visiting us in Kansas (hopefully).

That's all the news I have for now. Remember to drop me a line and confess those New Year's resolutions or at least tell us how much fun you had breaking them. May you and yours have a happy and healthy 2003.



Among the Class of 1992 members who celebrated their 10th Reunion in Buchanan Alumni House at Homecoming are (left to right): Mike Roberts, Andy Goodwin, Mark Uchneat, C.T. Cote, Brenda Zollitsch, and Jennifer Bishop Mains.

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Hello, everyone! It's time for another update on our classmates. It's hard to believe that it's been 10 years already! I haven't received much news so I'm hoping that there will be a lot to report after Homecoming events. **Charles Neely** is recently engaged to Heather Guy. They are planning a wedding for April 2003. There are also a couple of births to report this time. Patrick '93 and **Tracey Boutin Hartnett** had their second child, Margaret Mullen, on May 1. She will be welcomed home by her sister Hannah. Charlotte Jane was born to **Richard** and Allison Holt **Spies** '94 on April 28. Deb Greenberg Genthner '91 and **Chris Genthner** report that they have two children now—Alexander Stephen born February 8, 2000, and Jacqueline Pauline who was born November 8, 2001. The Genthners say that they have kept in touch with **Scott Marcellino** and **Tom LaNigra** and their families.

This past June, one of our classmates was able to help out with the fires in Colorado. **Doug Huettner**, a forest ranger from Greenville, spent time in Alaska as well, acting as a field observer. **Scott J. Bell** has

been appointed the new assistant principal for Hall-Dale High School. He was chosen from a field of 24 candidates for the job.

Wendy Saba Dunbar teaches third and fourth grade at the Lee-Winn Elementary School in Winn, Maine. Wendy and her husband, Eric, have a two-year-old daughter, Ashton, and live in Lincoln.

That's all I have to report this time around. Happy Holidays to everyone!

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Happy Holidays. It's hard to believe that the winter season is upon us. I hope you are enjoying all the holiday festivities. Thank you once again for all the e-mails and letters. I have some fun news to share.

David Miller and Sara Gardner



Jennifer Bishop Mains '92 looks at her yearbook during the class's 10th Reunion party at Buchanan Alumni House during Homecoming 2002.

'96 were married on August 3rd, 2002. Sara is a second grade school teacher in the Hermon school district and David is employed by the law office of Theodore S. Curtis, Jr. and is also attending the University of Maine School of Law in Portland. Congratulations also, to **Kathleen Stevens** and David Walker who were married on September 14th 2002. I received an e-mail from **Jennifer Donohue** with news that she and Ken Lloyd recently became engaged. Congratulations! They are planning for a fall 2003 wedding.

Exciting baby news—**Patrick** and Tracey Boutin **Hartnett** '92 became parents for the second time to Margaret Mullen born on May 1st. She is a little sister to Hannah.

I received an e-mail from **Emily Bridges Roysdon** and her husband, Jason, who live in the San Francisco Bay area with their two children. The family recently participated in a "nurse-in" in Berkeley. Over 1,100 women nursed their babies simultaneously to raise awareness about breastfeeding. Emily was quoted in the *Los Angeles Times* coverage of the event. I also received a card from **Anne Marie Ayotte** who is still living in Plattsburgh, New York. She has just bought her first house and is spending a lot of her time fixing it up.

Congratulations to Air Force Captain **Kelley A. Thibodeau** who has been awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal. This medal is awarded to members of the U.S.

Armed Forces, as authorized by the secretary of defense, who have distinguished themselves while assigned to multi-service, joint activities of the Department of Defense. Kelly is currently assigned as the chief of public affairs for the 366th Aeromedical Dental Squadron at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. Congratulations to **Robin Wrisley** who has joined the firm of Devine, Millimet, and Branch, as a member of the Workers' Compensation Group.

I hope you all enjoy the holidays and I look forward to more news!

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Hello, classmates! We hope all is well with all of you, and that you are all enjoying the holiday season. Since we are typing this in October, you'll just have to wait for the next issue for a complete account of **Patrick Doak's** annual Christmas blow-out, where each year, your class correspondents spend quality time attempting to spot fellow UMainers doing or saying silly things that we can exploit in this column.

As you may notice from the change of address above, one of your faithful correspondents has moved. **Beth** recently (July) bought a house (really more of a money pit than a dwelling) in Philadelphia and is making her move there permanent. Her newest hobby is contracting for home repairs and devising creative ways to get the general contractor to return her phone calls. (For those of you new subscribers, Beth moved to Philadelphia in the fall of 2001 to work for Dechert, a Philadelphia-based law firm.) As you can see, **Stacey** is still in D.C., complaining bitterly about traffic, cities, and people in general, but will likely never leave.

Believe it or not—one of you actually contacted us directly (yes, really) to give us some news. **Mike Taylor** writes that he is working for a brokerage firm in Portland, but also drives a zamboni and a limo from time to time. We're just jealous



Alumni Band member Marcia Rogerson Gillis '92 comforts her daughter Valery in the cool, damp weather during Homecoming 2002. The band played at halftime of the Black Bear football game.

because our modes of transportation are very boring in comparison.

Making headlines in the Portland area is **Grant Samson** who opened the first Smoothie King franchise in Maine this past summer. The store, located on Temple Street in Portland, is only the second to open in New England. **Chris Downing** was hired in June to be the principal of Searsport District High School. Chris has previously worked as a principal at Skowhegan and Vinalhaven high schools. **Ellen Holmes** was awarded the 2002 Excellence in Education Award by the Maine Education Association. Ellen teaches fourth grade at the Fairmount School in Bangor and is also an adjunct faculty member in the University of Maine's pre-service education program.

Jennifer Daigle is engaged to Mark Smith. As of the writing of this column, an October 2002 wedding was planned. **Larry Meggison** and his wife Tammy welcomed a new addition, Teagan Shay on April 26, 2002. **Allison Holt Spies** and her husband Richard '92, had a daughter, Charlotte Jane, on April 28, 2002.

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Happy Holidays to everyone and Happy New Year, too! I hope this finds you all in the spirit of winter and enjoying all that the season change has to offer. I'll put my plug in early for you to keep in touch with your fellow alumni by sending me your updates on what is going on in your lives.

Hampden Academy has lost its assistant principal and athletic director, **Tim Reed**, to Bangor High School where he is the new assistant principal. Tim's wife, Tina Waltz Reed '92, works at the Fairmont School in

Bangor, and Tim has said that the position with Bangor High School is his ideal job.

Ted Chapin has a new position with Woodard and Curran in Portland as a GIS project developer for the firm's information technology team. In his new position, Ted provides support to the firm's municipal and industrial business centers. Woodard and Curran is an environmental consulting firm with other offices in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Florida, and Illinois.

SMRT Architecture Engineering and Planning in Portland has named **Dan Tibbetts** as an additional owner of the company. Dan is an electrical engineer and joined the company in 1996. The Small Business Administration has named **Susan Sanborn Hammond** as its 2002 Minority Business Advocate of the Year. Susan, a member of the Penobscot Nation, was recognized for her leadership in facilitating and encouraging economic and business development opportunities for Maine's American Indian communities.

John Zinckgraf completed his doctorate in cell biology from the University of Connecticut where his research focused on the development and delivery of human genetic vaccines. John continues this research with a post-doctoral position

at Epimmune, a biotechnology company in San Diego where he works on research for vaccines for AIDS.

Rick Shaw, Jr. wed Karrie Davis in October. Karrie is employed by American Express Financial Advisors in Kennebunk while Rick is employed by Olympia Sports in Yarmouth. **Nichole Robertson** and Adam Goodspeed were wed in August. Nichole is the elementary school principal for the Princeton School Department and Adam is employed as the director of the Greenland Point Center at the Maine Conservation School.

And, last but not least, I have much to update on **Clinton Deschene**—he had a very eventful summer! In July, Clint started a new position as town manager for Hermon, a community of 4,800 with a municipal budget of \$42.2 million. Then, at the end of August, Clint wed Jennifer Bennett, formerly of Caribou, in a lovely outdoor ceremony at the Presque Isle Country Club, which I had the distinct honor of attending. There were many UMaine alumni in attendance at the wedding, several of whom were fraternity brothers of Clint's from Beta Theta Pi.

That's about all I have to report this time around, unfortunately. Enjoy the winter months and as always, we hope to hear from you soon!

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Hey, everyone, what's happening? Maybe you were too busy enjoying the glorious fall to write, but with winter arriving and a new year beginning, how about a postcard or an e-mail message? Whether you have a new or old job, car, address, pet, or UMaine memories, we want to hear from you! Any news is good to share with your class.

Your classmates want to hear from you. Write or email your class correspondent today.

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Greetings, Class of '97. I hope the holiday season found you celebrating with friends, family, and loved ones. With 2003 upon us, I wish you all health, wealth, peace, and friendship in the coming year. I look forward to reporting your happenings to the class. Please take a minute and fill us in on what you have been up to! Congratulations to **James Verrill** on his appointment to the position of principal/technology leader of the Viola Rand School in Bradley. Classmates **Lara Littlefield Rand** spent her summer continuing to run races and **Carroll Conley, Jr.** spent part of his summer playing baseball alongside his son Nathan in the new Bay League.

Ray Quenneville is a systems analyst at MIT Lincoln Laboratory in Lexington, Massachusetts. He has been with the lab for over five years.

Robbin Lanpher is a bridge engineer for the Maine Department of Transportation, working on projects in Downeast Maine. He lives in Bangor.

That's all for now, folks. What have the rest of you been up to? Drop us a line and let us know.

Cheers to a wonderful New Year!



Alumni Band members **Melissa Wiona '00** and **Jennifer Stubbs '98** enjoy a reception at the Buchanan Alumni House prior to performing at the UMaine football game.

Augusta office of Guertin Elkerton and Associates as a bridge engineer.

Joseph Howe and his wife, Tia, welcomed a son, Hunter, in May 2002. The family lives in Durham, Maine. Joe is a structural design engineer for T.Y. Lin International in Falmouth.

Atlee Mousseau and his wife, Kristen, welcomed a son, Ethan, this spring. The family lives in Auburn. Atlee is employed by the Maine Department of Transportation in Augusta. Also working at the Department of Transportation is **Karen Gross**.

Mary C. "Kay" Voyer and **Lorraine Ravis** both completed the 2002 Maine Writing Project at the University of Maine. The intensive summer institute focuses on writing and the improvement of student writing. Kay teaches in Milford at the Lewis Libby School and Lorraine is at H. L. Cottrell School in Monmouth, Maine. **Kelly Chandler-Olcott** is assistant professor of reading and language arts in the school of education at Syracuse University. She previously taught English and social studies in southern Maine.

Georgette Childs is the new Bridport Central School principal in Vermont. She previously worked in Brookline, Vermont. In Old Town, **Eric Kelley** is an educational technician in special education at the middle school.

We are seeking a new corre-

spondent to write this column every quarter. Our grateful thanks go to **Melissa Grella** for her good work as class correspondent during the last several years.

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Happy Holidays, everyone! While you are sending out your holiday cards, why not send the alumni association a little news about yourself?

My co-author, **Lindsay Porter**, has had many changes this year. She's taking a short break from writing the column this time to enjoy life as a newlywed! She married **Andrew Harmon '00** at a ceremony in Old Town in September, shortly after becoming a hall director at Eastern Maine Technical College and a social studies teacher at Hampden Academy. The couple is planning an April honeymoon, possibly in Europe!

Congratulations are in order for several other happy couples who are planning to be or were recently married. **Mary Forbush** tied the knot with **Robbie Henderson**. Mary has lived in Texas since shortly after graduation and the newlyweds relocated this summer to Corpus Christi. **Leslie Keith** married **Jonathan Grant '98** in August. The couple honeymooned in the Dominican Republic and resides in Canton, Massachusetts. **Charley Martin** married **Jacob Berry** on Curtis Cove Beach in East Blue Hill in August. They live in Sedgwick.

Cassie Magoon married **Jeremy Byrd '01** in May at the Lakewood Theater in Skowhegan. The wedding party included several UMaine grads, including the maid of honor **Sara Barron**, bridesmaid **Amy Anzels '00**, best man **Phil Platt**, and groomsman **Chris Perry**, who both graduated in 2001.

Angela Howard and **Ryan Seely '00** recently announced their engagement. Angela is working on a master's degree in forensic computer investigation at the University of New Haven in Connecticut. **Jonathan D. Maynard** is engaged to **Lyndsey Cheney**. He is a pharmaceutical sales representative for Merck and Company. **Nicole Travis** is engaged to **Jim Smith**. They live in Braintree, Massachusetts.

Jaret and **Susan Herrick Lizotte** celebrated their first wedding anniversary this summer. They live in Old Town. Susan is employed by the Veazie Community School and Jaret works at the Glenburn Elementary School. **Randy** and **Gretchen Clayton Fournier** relocated from Athol, Massachusetts, to Madawaska, Maine.

This fall, **Mickey Fein** joined the Black Bear coaching staff as the receivers coach. Last season, Mickey was the starting quarterback for the Norfolk Nighthawks of the Arena 2 Football League. He's excited to be back in Maine and involved with coaching a nationally ranked football team.

Over the summer, **Stephanie Bunker** was elected to the Maine Community Foundation board of directors. She received her MBA from UMaine in 1999 and is currently the human resources manager for Guilford of Maine. Stephanie is also an active member of the Maine Army National Guard. **Leslie Sherburne** is attending graduate school in Ohio majoring in environmental engineering. **Lynnette Whitney** is president-elect of the Vermont Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers. **Amy Hamilton** is teaching seventh grade at Hopkinton Middle School and spends her summers working on a master's degree. She lives in Hopkinton, Massachusetts.

I recently joined the Manchester, New Hampshire, office of the Louis Berger Group as a transportation engineer/planner and I serve as the volunteer webmaster for the New England Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers. This is my fourth job since graduation, but I think that I've finally found the right place for me!

Some of you may be wondering how we get our news for the column. Representatives of the alumni association scour newspapers and press releases for announcements of weddings, engagements, births, and career moves. Some classmates send their news directly to the association or to Lindsay and me.

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Hey, Class of '98, what's happening in your lives? Seen any classmates recently? Please send in your news—where you're living, working, and what you do for fun.

Keith Wood recently joined the

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And sometimes, we get updates through the grapevine. While most of the news we report involves a milestone of some sort, please don't feel that you have to wait for a major accomplishment to share your news! We'd be happy to write about your latest vacation, your new car, your volunteer activities, or how many times you've moved since graduation. Occasionally, we can also work in a photo of you and other UMaine grads having fun! Please send your news to one of us soon—our next deadline will be approaching as you read this.

Best Wishes for 2003!

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Happy 2003! 'Tis the season to be merry and ring in the New Year. It is also that time of the year we are busy writing out our Christmas cards to old friends and family. This probably includes several old college friends from UMaine. Lost touch with some of these friends and want them to know what is going on in your life? Keep them updated with your class notes.

Some of our classmates are starting the new year with weddings and engagements. **Ryan Seely** just got engaged to Angela Howard, Class of 1999. Ryan received his master's degree in technical communication from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in December 2001 and is currently employed as a technical writer for Standard-Knapp in Portland, Connecticut. Classmates **Judy Williams** and **Seth Prentice** married on August 31, 2002. Judy is employed at Unum Provident in Portland and Seth is also employed in Portland at Fairfield Semi Conductor.

Wedding bells were ringing on October 15 when classmate, **Michael R. Poulin** married Shelly Newhall '02. Mike lives in Newport, Maine, and he is employed by EPRO in Augusta. I also attended the wedding of **Jason Bradeen** and **Kathleen George** on September 7, 2002, at Jason's parents' house in West Paris, Maine. Many classmates were in attendance including the whole 129 Main Street crew and Hart Hall gang. Jason and Kate now reside in Portland, Maine.



Actor Tim Simons '01 was the subject of a feature story in the *Lewiston Sun-Journal* in September. Tim was a member of the summer stock company at the Theater at Monmouth last summer. He was the only Maine native in the company. He was looking forward to finding more acting work in Chicago in the coming year. "I guess I really couldn't imagine doing anything else," he said. (Photograph and information courtesy of the *Lewiston Sun-Journal*.)

Congrats go out to all of the couples.

Other classmate news is that **Diane Perry** has joined Dragon Cement and Concrete as the director of purchasing. Diane is residing in Stanford, Maine. Also **Vanessa McGowan** (former UMaine track star) is still busy running. She participated in the 22nd Walter Hunt Memorial Fourth of July 3K in Bangor, Maine.

Happy Holidays to all and a happy 2003! May the coming year bring many blessings to all.

2001

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Another year has passed and much has changed. Many of us have

begun new careers and some of us have embarked on new life journeys. Although we're all very different people, doing many different things, let's all share a cup of holiday cheer this year together in spirit.

Many of us are going to the chapel this year and have tied the knot. **Shanna Jackman**, a former communications major, will marry Mark Lloyd in a 2003 wedding ceremony.

August 2 brought joy to **Danielle Pelletier** and her new husband, Terrence Robinson, as they tied the knot. Danielle works at WBRC Architects. **Carybrooke Fowlow** and **Gabriel Perrow** were married on August 3. She is currently working as a reading teacher in Dexter and he is working as a teacher's assistant at our alma mater. Also on August 3, **Danielle Shay** and William Godley said, "I do." Danielle is currently working at the Enfield Station School in Howland as a speech therapist. Megan Hutchinson '00 and **Sam Cronkite** also said their vows this past August. On

August 24, **Aaron Prill** wed current UMaine student Lindsey Gray. Aaron currently works at General Electric in Bangor. On September 7, 2002, **Matthew Dewkett** and myself, **Bonnie Richards**, tied the knot in Brookfield, Connecticut.

Congratulations to those of us beginning new careers. **Susan Hayhurst** has recently joined the Gulf of Maine Aquarium. She will serve as a science translator. **Melik Khoury** is now the residing admissions director for the University of Maine's Fort Kent branch. National Semiconductor welcomed **Benjamin Austin** as a new member of its equipment-engineering department.

Jana Wardwell has been serving her community well. Serving as a Vista volunteer she has written two successful grants, organized a health and fitness expo, and written two resource directories. Jana will continue her volunteer work until May of 2003.

On a different note, **Josh Conover** has decided to go back to his roots and return home to Islesboro to haul traps. He loves his work and home and is proud to be his own boss.

As usual, we'd love to hear from more of you and your life's adventures. Please direct your stories, joy, and triumphs to the alumni association or myself at the address above. Again, Happy Holidays and best wishes for a joyous and healthy new year!

2002

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Happy Holidays, everyone! This is our inaugural column in the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. We are seeking a class correspondent to write this column four times a year. If you are interested, please contact the alumni publications office at the above address.

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Kathleen Lignell Ellis '88

CC Marimbo Communications, 2001

Maine poet, Kathleen Lignell Ellis, has published her sixth book. She has written one book of fiction, *The*

White Buffalo, four books of poems, and co-edited *The Eloquent Edge: Fifteen Maine Women Writers*. Originally from California, she now lives in Maine and is a part-time instructor of English at the university. Here is an excerpt from the poem "What Is at Fault."

What Is at Fault

This record of a tremor: sudden onset, spasm. The trochee

of the earth earth offers of itself: what falls between the cracks comes with a price—

To order this book write to: CC Marimbo Communications, P.O. Box 933, Berkeley, California, 94701-0933.



CORONATION OF GLORY THE STORY OF LADY JANE GREY

Deborah Meroff '73G
Inheritance Publications, 1998

Meroff, a Maine native, has written a fictional account of Lady Jane Grey, a Tudor, fifth in

the royal line of succession after King Henry VIII. This novel is set in the political and social unrest of the sixteenth century when a power shift occurs in the royal family. Jane, at age sixteen, is thrust into the political arena where she struggles to do the will of God in the face of those who would manipulate her for their own ends. Critic Elisabeth Elliot

writes, "She has succeeded in making me believe this is what really happened." To order this book or others written by Meroff write to: Inheritance Publications, Box 366, Pella, Iowa, 50219.



LOGGING AND LUMBERING IN MAINE (2001)

MAINE'S HUNTING PAST (2001)

GLIMPSES OF MAINE'S ANGLING PAST (2000)
Donald A. Wilson '65
Arcadia Publishing

These three volumes in the Images of America series of pictorial histories of communities provide a rich look back at Maine hunting and fishing as well as the logging industry in the state. Author and Maine Guide Don Wilson has selected an assortment of images from the late nineteenth and early 20th centuries and provided brief captions to describe the processes involved, as well as a way of life, that no longer exists. This visual trip to another era shows vacationers participating in outdoor recreation, logging taking men away from home for months at a time, and related industries growing to meet the needs of these outdoor activities. To obtain books written by Wilson e-mail Arcadia Publishing at: <http://www.arcadiapublishing.com>.



WARNINGS

Paul Bodurtha '52
TEA Printers & Publishers, 1999

This is a book of poems and three short stories written by Paul Robert Bodurtha who has worked as a licensed Maine Guide for the past fifty years. He is of Scottish-Irish-Welsh heritage which is expressed in many of his poems. Bodurtha was recently inducted into the

International Society of Poets.

Here is a sample of his observations on wildlife.

The Kinglet

A kinglet found a northern shrike
impaled upon a thorn;
The kinglet helped the northern shrike
so loved ones would not mourn.
A woodsman found a kinglet
impaled upon a thorn.
The woodsman thought a northern shrike
had visited at dawn.

To order this book write to: TEA Printers & Publishers, Rockland, Maine, 04841, or Paul Bodurtha, 56 Cobb Road, Camden, Maine, 04843.



**THE HOUSE OF LORDS
AND IDEOLOGICAL POLITICS: LORD SALISBURY'S
REFERENDAL THEORY AND
THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY,
1846-1922**
Corinne Comstock
Weston '41
American Philosophical Society, 1995

This study of ideological politics in Victorian and Edwardian England centers on a referendum theory promoted by the great Lord Salisbury when he opposed William Gladstone's Liberal governments. It was later carried forward in the form of the referendum by Salisbury's son-in law and ideological heir, the second Lord Selborne.

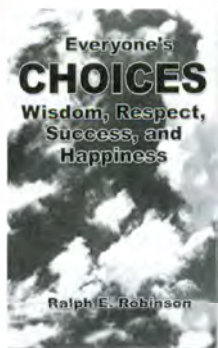
The late Corinne Weston, professor of history at Herbert H. Lehman College of the City University of New York, traces this ideological debate and the political rivalries that accompanied it.

This is Volume 215 of the Memoirs of the American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia.

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EVERYONE'S CHOICES

WISDOM, RESPECT,
SUCCESS,
AND HAPPINESS
Ralph E. Robinson
'48, '60G
1st Books Library,
2002

Robinson has written a novel describing mental maturity

in terms of thirteen attributes. He states that they are all learned and they are independent of wealth, social class, chronological age, or race. His book is divided into two parts, "Personal Quality of Life" and "Global Quality of Life," to offer, "what people can do to become happier and be better world citizens."

To order this book or others by this author e-mail: www.1stbooks.com.



LADIES FIRST—SAINTS

ALL
Philip B. Turner '48

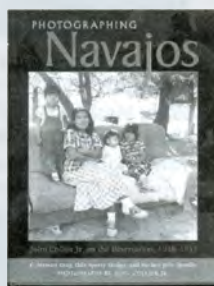
Philip Turner employs a series of fictitious diaries to tell the story of Bessie Raworth Gray, the wife of a Methodist minister in Maine. The first diary begins with the obser-

vations of the 16-year-old girl in 1889 and the final entry in the series is that of an ailing woman in 1919. Tracing Bessie's marriage to Reverend James Gray, her work with the church, the ups and downs of daily life, and local, national, and international historical events, Turner creates a believable series of diaries of a turn of the century woman.

Philip Turner has written numerous historical novels, including: *Affie: The story about people who were the Aroostook Federation of Farmers*; *Rooster: The Story of Aroostook County*; *First John: King of the Mountain*; *I AM General Eaton!*; and *A New Day Dawning—Yet They Hung Her in Hartland*. They are available from Philip Turner, P. O. Box 202, Caribou, Maine, 04736.



The editor and authors of *Photographing Navajos* (left to right): Elizabeth Hadas (editor), UMaine professor emeritus C. Stewart Doty, Dale Sperry Mudge '93, and Herbert John Benally.



PHOTOGRAPHING NAVAJOS

JOHN COLLIER, JR. ON THE RESERVATION, 1948-1953
C. Stewart Doty, Dale Sperry Mudge '93, and Herbert John Benally. Photographs by John Collier, Jr.

In the early 1950s, the great anthropological photographer John Collier, Jr. made nearly 1,000 photographs documenting Navajo life in Fruitland, New Mexico, near the Four Corners. These photographs were missing for many years—spread out in archives far from the Southwest. The authors of this book,

Photographing Navajos, have collected a selection of some of Collier's best photographs, showing the changes in postwar reservation life.

Two of the book's authors are people with close connections to the University of Maine. C. Stewart Doty is a UMaine professor emeritus of history and Dale Sperry Mudge, an independent scholar and documentary filmmaker, is a Class of '93 graduate.

The book was published in connection with an exhibition of 50 of Collier's silver gelatin prints at the Albuquerque Museum this past fall. The exhibit will eventually travel to other museums around the country, perhaps even to the university's Hudson Museum. Both Doty and Mudge were involved in the exhibit, with Mudge serving as curator.

This wonderful collection of Collier's photos shows people working, cooking, weaving, eating, and generally involved in the activities of everyday life. The images capture the period when cash-crop agriculture began to replace the traditional pastoral life centered on raising sheep and weaving wool.

Both Mudge and Doty contributed essays to the book. Hers focuses on Navajo farming practices, while his looks at Navajo tradition and history as well as background on Collier's role in the Fruitland project. A third essay is by Diné College professor Herbert Benally.

Weddings

1967

Rosita Marsha Gagne to Ronald Anthony Friel on July 20, 2002, in Auburn, Maine. They took a cruise to Alaska.

1973

H. Wayne Daniels to Christina Bowden on April 20, 2002, in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. They reside in Cape Elizabeth after a trip to St. Martin.

1983

Wendy Barrett Blethen to Robert B. Maselli, Jr. on June 21, 2002, in Dedham, Maine. They honeymooned in Bar Harbor and Nova Scotia and reside in Brewer, Maine.

1984

Carolyn A. Mehlman to Marc R. Jacques on July 25, 2002, in Old Orchard Beach, Maine. They live in Old Orchard Beach.

1986

Kiersten Pendleton McKenney to John J. Byrnes on July 26, 2002, on Grand Manan Island, New Brunswick, Canada. They live in Brattleboro, Vermont.

1988

John R. Cadorette to Julann Joy Vadnais on June 7, 2002, in Biddeford, Maine. They took a trip to St. John, Virgin Islands, and reside in Biddeford.

1989

Daniel Elliot to Jill Swaim in Harwich Port, Massachusetts. They honeymooned in Yucatan, Mexico, and reside in Boston.

1990

Michael John Chonko to Kimberly Ellen McKeon on June 22, 2002, in Harpswell, Maine. They took a wedding trip to Hawaii and live in Topsham, Maine.

Mary-Sue Goss to Dr. Chris Massey on July 21, 2002, in Christianburg, Virginia. They live in Slidell, Louisiana.

1991

Gary S. Atwood to Krista Beth Gary on May 11, 2002, in Auburn, Maine. They took a trip to Newport, Rhode Island, and reside in Holbrook, Massachusetts.

Frederick A. Alexander, Jr. to Heather M. Baughman on August 24, 2002, in Plymouth, Michigan. They took a honeymoon cruise to Jamaica, Haiti, and Mexico, and reside in Wixom, Michigan.

1992

Lisa McGillan to Stephen O'Toole in Hamp-



Kathleen Alicia Stevens '93 and **Francis David Walker** were married on September 14 at St. Mary's-by-the-Sea in Northeast Harbor. They had their reception at the Asticou Inn. Kassie, who recently received her law degree from the University of Maine School of Law, is currently the executive assistant to University of Maine president, Peter Hoff. David will receive his law degree next spring. Lots of UMaine alums attended the wedding, most notably, Kassie's parents, **Patricia Mills Stevens '65** and **Winfred Stevens '65**, and her sisters **Amy Stevens Brook '94** and **Sara Stevens '96, '99G**.

stead, New Hampshire. They took a wedding trip to Hawaii and live in Hampstead.

Rebecca Anne Dwelley to Liam Edward Anderson on August 3, 2002, in Ellsworth, Maine. They spent their honeymoon in St. Andrews, New Brunswick, and the Caribbean and reside in Ellsworth.

1993

Christopher Beckwith to **Rachel James '00** on June 28, 2002, at Littlefield Gardens at the University of Maine, Orono, Maine. They spent their honeymoon in the Bahamas and reside in Hampden, Maine.

Geoffrey Simonds to Sara Katherine Noonan in Boothbay Harbor, Maine. They live in Wilder, Vermont.

Jennie Marie Curran to Ian Stewart Robinson on June 21, 2002, in Scarborough, Maine.

They reside in Gorham, Maine, after a trip to St. Maarten.

1994

Joseph Downs to Sarah Hunt on August 19, 2002, in Gardiner, Maine. Following a wedding trip to San Francisco, they live in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Michael J. Werts to Laurie A. Grandmaison on May 25, 2002, in Portland, Maine. They live in Portland after a trip to Maui and Ohau, Hawaii.

Holly Ryan Garland to Stephen Grant on June 23, 2002, in Northeast Harbor, Maine. They took a wedding trip to the White Mountains, New Hampshire, and reside in Ellsworth, Maine.

Dana Marshall Gray to Rosa Amalia Tapia on August 3, 2002, in Waterford, Vermont. The couple took a western Caribbean cruise and resides in St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

John M. Reddy to Andrea J. Barbour on August 10, 2002, in Topsham, Maine. They live in Towson, Maryland.

Victoria Vermette to Brian Cabral on June 8, 2002, in Middletown, Rhode Island. They reside in Newport after a trip to Martha's Vineyard.

1995

Christopher Koza to Tara Sullivan on August 24, 2002, in Andover, Massachusetts. They took a honeymoon along the East Coast and live in Durham, North Carolina.

Patricia Jean Farrell to Thomas Michael McLeish on June 28, 2002, in Scarborough, Maine. The couple took a trip to Aruba, Key West, and Mexico, and resides in Holliston, Massachusetts.

Robert A. Strong, Jr. to Amy L. Lerman on August 24, 2002, in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. They live in Portland.

Josh Stone to Hyo-Eun "Chris" Kim on August 12, 2002, in Orange, California. They live in Orange.

Jennifer Elizabeth Nietzsche to James Daniel Sullivan on April 6, 2002, in Wilbraham, Massachusetts. They took a wedding trip to Maui.

Katherine Madeleine Huhn Lane to **Shane Patrick Duigan** on September 21, 2002, on Elihu Island in Stonington, Connecticut.

1996

Amy Yerxa to **Douglas J. Robinson '97** on June 29, 2002, in Orono, Maine. They reside in Laughlin Air Force Base, Del Rio, Texas.

David Anselm Irving to Sarah Elizabeth Cook on September 22, 2001, in Baileyville, Maine. They honeymooned at Moosehead Lake and live in St. Louis, Missouri.

1997

Thomas C. Hall to Molly Haskell '99 on June 21, 2002, in Portland, Maine.

Elizabeth "Betsy" Moon to Raymond Fox on June 28, 2002, in Gorham, Maine. The couple honeymooned in Virginia and resides in Westbrook, Maine.

Douglas James Bennett to Jennifer Lynne Christiansen '98 on July 5, 2002, in Saco, Maine. They reside in Bethel, Maine.

Charla Powers to Ryan Lowell on April 6, 2002, in East Millinocket, Maine. Following a wedding trip to Aruba, the couple resides in Medway, Maine.

Jodi L. Turner to Jeffrey T. Powell on July 27, 2002, at Sugarloaf in Carrabassett Valley, Maine. They honeymooned in Antigua and live in Portland, Maine.

1998

Brendon R. Cates to Katie Gardner '02 on May 18, 2002, in Cutler, Maine.

Holly Jill Carignan to Joshua David Kerr on June 15, 2002, in Somersworth, New Hampshire. The couple honeymooned in Newport, Rhode Island, and lives in Sacramento, California.

Michaela Clark to Kern Kelley '00 on July 6, 2002, in China, Maine. They took a short honeymoon to Cape Cod as a prelude to a honeymoon in Italy next summer. They reside in Hampden, Maine.

Michelle Christine Francis to Andrew Dabney Brodeur on May 26, 2002, in New Haven, Connecticut.

Shannon Marie Blake to Cory A. Johnson '01 on June 29, 2002, in Augusta, Maine. Following a wedding trip to Disney World in Orlando, Florida, they live in Old Town, Maine.

1999

Tammy Lynn Dupuis to Anthony Robert Kvedar '00 on August 3, 2002, in Lewiston, Maine. They live in Windham, Maine, following a wedding trip to the Dominican Republic.

Jennifer Eileen Moore to Jon Brooks on June 22, 2002, in Bangor, Maine. They spent a honeymoon in Flagstaff, Arizona, and live in Pittsfield, Maine.

Kenneth James Levesque to Angie Marie Dube '00 on June 21, 2002, in Biddeford, Maine. They took a honeymoon trip to Montego Bay, Jamaica, and reside in Killeen, Texas.

2000

Keith R. Hinds to Jennifer Brill '02 on May 31, 2002, in Bath, Maine. The couple resides in Bath.

Aaron Goodeill Boone to Lee Ann West on July 27, 2002, in Yarmouth, Maine. They spent their honeymoon in California and Nevada and reside in Carrabassett Valley, Maine.

2001

Brooke West to John Williams on June 29, 2002, in Cumberland, Maine. They reside in



Lots of UMaine alums were in attendance when Amanda Garvey '98 and Todd Lake '96 were married on July 27, 2002. Back row (left to right): Shianne Wheeler '96, Jon Hawley '94, Emily Ann Cain '02, and Steven Grives '94G. Front row: UMaine professor Curvin Farnham, Ann Homola '91, Jeff Priest '85, Amanda Garvey Lake '98, Todd Lake '96, Daniel Williams '91, '94G, Maria Broy '01, Jennifer Christiansen Bennett '98, and Douglas Bennett '97.

Summit, New Jersey, after a trip along the Maine coast.

Monica Ann Kane to Matthew Clifford Johnson on July 27, 2002, in Orland, Maine. They spent



Bonnie Joy Richards '01 and Matthew Ryan Dewkett '01 were married on September 7 at Saint Joseph's Church in Brookfield, Connecticut. They honeymooned in Disney World.

their honeymoon in the Bahamas and reside in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Ryan Eric Turcotte to Jenni Gretchen Furness '02 on June 8, 2002, in Hinckley, Maine. They took a Caribbean cruise and reside in Manchester, New Hampshire.

Debra Lee Hatch to William Wesley Bell '02 on August 17, 2002, in Old Town, Maine. They live in Bangor.

Bonnie Joy Richards to Matthew Ryan Dewkett on September 7, 2002, in Brookfield, Connecticut. After a wedding trip to Disney World, they reside in Topsham, Maine.

2002

Lacie Ellen Halfacre to Bo Enoch Kennedy on June 29, 2002, in Gorham, Maine. They reside in South Portland following a trip to Jamaica.

Bobbi Jo Dyer to Nicholas Timothy McCrum on August 3, 2002, in Presque Isle, Maine. The couple resides in Topsham, Maine.

Lindsay Brooke Fields to Aaron Matthew Keegan on June 22, 2002, in Wilton, Maine. They took a trip to Walt Disney World and reside in New Vineyard, Maine.

Elizabeth Holmes to Peter Baker on September 1, 2002, in Dedham, Maine. They reside in Niantic, Connecticut.

Edith Folwell Hudson to Douglas Prime DuBois on July 20, 2002, in Northport, Maine. They spent a honeymoon in Ireland and live in Bar Harbor.

Deaths

1920

Walter Whitmore Chadbourne, October 5, 2002, from North Palm Beach, Florida, and Orono, Maine, at 103.

1925

Elwood Noyes Osborne, September 26, 2002, from Fairfield, Maine, at 99.

1927

Marion Adelaide Farrington Gero, August 18, 2002, from Orrington, Maine, at 96.

1928

Hazel Beatrice Lindsay Brainard, July 21, 2002, from Middletown, Connecticut, at 101.

1929

Merton Francis Morse, August 27, 2002, from Boothbay Harbor, Maine, at 94.

Wendall Earl Mosher, October 6, 2002, from Norristown, Pennsylvania, at 96.

Carleton Dearborn Staples, August 2, 2002, from Eliot, Maine, at 93.

1930

Irvin Carroll Mason, October 15, 2002, from Nova Scotia, Canada, and Machias, Maine, at 98.

1931

Frank Harding Wright, September 19, 2002, from South Portland, Maine, at 93.

1932

Rebecca Tarbox Spencer Files, August 4, 2002, from Cañon City, Colorado, at 91.

Anthony James Gatti, July 31, 2002, from Cape Elizabeth, Maine, at 93.

Elsie Mary Crowell Holt, October 15, 2002, from Corinna, Maine, at 93.

1933

Henry Wadsworth Raye, August 5, 2002, from Topsham, Maine, at 90.

Ashley Burr Wood, Jr., October 2, 2002, from Bangor, Maine, at 91.

1935

Helen Twombly McAleney, October 4, 2002, from Cumberland, Maine, at 93.

1936

Vivian Jennie Dow Spruce, October 23, 2002, from Orono, Maine, at 87.

1937

Elmer Francis Crowley, August 1, 2002, from Clearwater, Florida, at 88.

Robert Ellison DeWick, August 23, 2002, from Woolwich, Maine, at 90.

1938

Amasa Stanley Getchell, September 22, 2002, from Orono, Maine, at 86.

June Clement Scamman, October 1, 2002, from Chebeague Island, Maine, at 86.

Vincent Dickey Strout, February 14, 2002, from Bradenton, Florida, and Georgetown, Maine, at 86.

James Douglas Thompson, October 29, 2002, from Belfast, Maine, at 85.



Merton Francis Morse '29 died on August 27 in Boothbay Harbor. He was 94. Merton was employed by New York Telephone Company and Bell Laboratories for 44 years and was widely recognized for his expertise in telephone traffic studies.

Anna Jean Mitchell Turner, August 9, 2002, from Bar Harbor, Maine, at 85.

1939

Iris Allan Lowe, September 10, 2002, from Brooks, Maine, and Zephyrhills, Florida, at 89.

Berenice Maude Leighton Morrison, August 5, 2002, from Forest, Virginia, at 85.

1940

Helengrace Lancaster Brown, date unknown, from Seattle, Washington.

Douglas Harold Carr, September 29, 2002, from Barefoot Bay, Florida, at 87.

Franklin Wheeler Gerry, August 7, 2002, from Citrus Springs, Florida, at 85.

Orman Pearl Hunt, October 21, 2002, from Skowhegan, Maine, at 85.

John Albert Rand, August 1, 2002, from Falmouth, Maine, at 85.

1941

Madeline Smart Beardsell, September 7, 2002, from Camden, Maine, at 84.

Margaret Alma Gray Libby, October 26, 2002, from Sandy Point and Belfast, Maine, at 83.

Oscar Walter Riddle, August 28, 2002, from Rangeley, Maine, at 83.

1942

Virginia Rae Lombard Olsanski, September 27, 2002, from Meddybemps, Maine, at 80.

Donald Phillip Ross, October 20, 2002, from Old Town, Maine, at 84.

1943

Arthur Walter Beverage, Jr., June 13, 2002, from Ballwin, Missouri, at 80.

1946

Clara Willetta Leeman Abbott, August 6, 2002, from Bangor, Maine, at 77.

1947

Lindley William Godson, September 9, 2002, from Greenville, Maine, at 81.

Muriel Anne McAllister, October 23, 2002, from Augusta, Maine, at 84.

1948

John Isaac Seekins, Jr., October 5, 2002, from Kennebunk, Maine, at 80.

Richard Preston Tardy, August 5, 2002, from Falmouth, Maine, at 78.

1949

Arthur Fred Cunningham, date unknown, from Bangor, Maine, at 76.

Charles Edward Day, October 9, 2002, from Lewiston, Maine, at 73.

Harry Sawyer Fish, September 29, 2002, from Jonesport, Maine, at 81.

Arthur Murch Sadler, October 13, 2002, from Silver Spring, Maryland, at 84.

Clifford Maurice Winter, Jr., January 11, 2002, from Daphne, Alabama, at 76.

1950

Lewis Charles Berce, October 15, 2002, from Houlton, Maine, at 76.

Robert Leonard Cunningham, August 17, 2002, from Salem, Massachusetts, at 76.

Laurence Addi Gardner, August 11, 2002, from Fort Fairfield, Maine, at 84.

Samuel "Skip" Everett Jones, Jr., August 12, 2002, from Augusta, Maine, at 77.

William Leighton Parker, September 11, 2002, from Machias, Maine, at 73.

Chester Allen Ring, February 27, 2002, from Plainfield, New Jersey, at 74.

Bob Gene Slosser, September 13, 2002, from Virginia Beach, Virginia, and Orono, Maine, at 73.

Bernard Cecil Thompson, September 23, 2002, from Limestone, Maine, at 82.

Emery Albert Tillson, May 14, 2002, from Jacksonville, Florida, at 76.

1951

John Raymond Crosby, May 9, 2002, from Torrance, California, at 75.

Norman Gregory Rush, August 24, 2002,

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from Brewer, Maine, at 72.

1952

Leon Julius Berkowitz, August 7, 2002, from Portland, Maine, at 72.

James Edwin Bradley, May 4, 2001, from Fairfax, Virginia, at 71.

Moody Walter Flint, October 3, 2002, from Winslow, Maine, at 89.

Howard Matthews Foley, September 29, 2002, from Cumberland Foreside, Maine, at 74.

Samuel Douglass Lloyd, August 31, 2002, from Pittsfield, Maine, at 76.

Scott Bryce Weldon, October 6, 2002, from San Mateo, California, at 74.

1953

George Albert Ameer, September 13, 2001, from Santa Ana, California, at 70.

John Wilson Keene, October 11, 2002, from Belfast, Maine, at 71.

1954

Paul Morse Bennett, August 6, 2002, from Buckfield, Maine, at 68.

1956

James Robert Moore, September 21, 2002, from Fort Kent, Maine, at 67.

Aubrey Bert Palmer, Jr., July 22, 2002, from Minot, Maine, at 68.

1957

Alfred Carl Lange, Jr., September 8, 2002, from Vernon, Connecticut, at 67.

John Henry Wright, October 23, 2002, from Bangor, Maine, at 73.

1958

Walter Lyman McIsaac, August 14, 2002, from Groveland, Massachusetts, at 68.

1959

James Franklin Blatchford, Jr., August 11, 2002, from Lynn, Massachusetts, at 69.

Frederick Brooks King, July 24, 2002, from Epping, New Hampshire, at 73.

Albert Marshall Lowe, August 17, 2002, from Jackson, Maine, at 64.

1960

Marie Probert Stewart Gilman, August 15, 2002, from Farmington, Maine, at 79.

Brock Paul Maher, October 17, 2002, from Barnstead, New Hampshire, and Naples, Florida.

Robert Anthony Woodhead, January 21, 1998, from Wayne, New Jersey, at 67.

1961

Rae Parady Brock, August 17, 2002, from Lewiston, Maine, at 84.

Ruth Farrand Huber, November 15, 1995, from Lancaster, Pennsylvania, at 84.

Thomas Leander Vassar, September 23, 2002, from Lady Lake, Florida, at 68.

1962

Ann Marie Feehan Christie, September 13, 2002, from Farmingdale, Maine, at 68.

Eugene Wallace Rittall, September 22, 2002, from Woolwich, Maine, at 63.

1963

Calvin Wadsworth Gray, August 20, 2002, from Beverly Hills, Michigan, and Sedgwick, Maine, at 61.



Charles E. Day '49 died on October 9 at the Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. In 1954 Charles became president and director of the Benson & Sullivan Company (a wholesale distributor). In 1955 he founded the National Vending Company, and in 1959 he founded Value House in Lewiston. In 1974 he moved to Florida and founded three more companies. In 1983 he returned to Maine and became the president of Lewiston Raceways, closing the track in 1990 to develop the area with his children. Charles served as president of the Florida Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association, and is a member of the New England Harness Writers Hall of Fame. He is survived by his wife Sylvia Benson Day '49.

Mona Smith Miller, September 13, 2002, from Hampden, Maine, at 89.

1964

Peter Joseph Deane, October 17, 2002, from Peaks Island and Rangeley Plantation, Maine, at 64.

Millard Clair Hayden, August 15, 2002, from Litchfield, Maine, at 68.

Jerome Leigh Webster, October 18, 2002, from Limestone, Maine, at 62.

1965

Charlotte Bragdon Alexander, June 25, 2002, from Belfast, Maine, at 85.

Robert Ashley Bigelow, August 15, 2002, from New Vineyard, Maine, at 62.

Dawn Tozier LeVan Lambert, September 8, 2002, from Hopkins, South Carolina, at 71.

1966

Robert Edward Dempsey, August 30, 2002, from Portland, Maine, at 58.

Arlene Bradstreet Jackson, October 26, 2002, from Freedom, Maine, at 91.

Warren "Pete" Lloyd Myrick, October 27, 2002, from Guilford, Maine, at 58.

1967

Brian Anthony Barnes, August 1, 2002, from Middlebury, Connecticut, at 61.

Bertha Coombs Reed, October 20, 2002, from

Southwest Harbor, Maine, at 77.

1968

Priscilla Emery Bissell, September 26, 2002, from Apopka, Florida, at 84.

James Vance Neithercut II, August 6, 2002, from Saco, Maine, at 58.

Ronda Carol Fifield Sanders, September 19, 2002, from Falmouth, Maine, at 55.

1969

David Charles Rayner, October 29, 2002, from Pittston, Maine, at 55.

1970

Cary Francis Butterfield, September 22, 2002, from Brewer, Maine, at 54.

John Edward Platt, September 24, 2002, from Carrollton, Ohio, at 82.

1971

Kathryn Varney Lothridge, October 25, 2002, from Augusta, Maine, at 74.

Carl Newell Rollins, October 25, 2002, from Burnham, Maine, at 67.

1972

Julianne Quimby Sturgis, August 6, 2002, from Scarborough, Maine, at 66.

1973

Jane Ellen Butterfield King, August 13, 2002, from Lincoln and Lewiston, Maine, at 51.

1974

Roger Arthur Hunnewell, August 17, 2002, from St. George, New Brunswick, Canada, at 58.

1975

Arthur Leon Burnell, July 3, 2002, from Portland, Maine, at 58.

Alasan Demba Cham, October 15, 2002, from The Gambia, West Africa, at 49.

Virginia Lucas Littlefield, died in 1999, from Fairmount, West Virginia.

Mark Halfred Otterson, September 4, 2002, from Boston, Massachusetts, at 52.

1976

Ronald George Littlefield, August 29, 2002, from Fairmont, West Virginia, at 64.

1979

Mark Leonard Covello, October 10, 2002, from Bangor, Maine, at 49.

Eugene Joseph Paradis, October 7, 2002, from Old Town, Maine, at 79.

1982

Gisa Wessels, October 7, 2002, from Hermon, Maine, at 73.

1983

Robert Yost Forsythe, August 9, 2002, from Bangor, Maine, at 41.

1984

Gregory Paul Francoeur, August 17, 2002, from North Yarmouth, Maine, at 39.

1985

Laurel Ann Davidson Anderson, October 23, 2002, from Glastonbury, Connecticut, at 40.

1997

Jane H. Heart, May 18, 2002, from Machias, Maine, at 54.

2002

Partick M. Belknap, July 8, 2002, from Troy, Michigan, at 24.



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John Baldacci '86 Begins Term as Governor

Democrat John Baldacci '86 won a convincing victory in the 2002 Maine governor's race on November 5 and began his four-year term on January 8. He has served as Maine's Second District Congressman for the past eight years. His biggest challenge is sure to be balancing the state's budget in light of a weak economy and huge deficits.

In an interview with the *Maine Sunday Telegram* following the election, Baldacci stressed that he is committed to coming up with a balanced state budget without increasing taxes.

Assisting Baldacci in his transition from congressman to governor are a good number of Maine alumni (including wife Karen Baldacci '83). Tabitha Spruce King '71 served as vice chair of his transition team. John Cashman '73, Richard Davies '69, Kevin Mattson '97, and Jim Good '71 were part of a six-member team formed to gather information and look at some of the challenges facing the new administration. And in December Baldacci named Jane Lincoln '76 as his chief of staff. She had most recently served as Governor Angus King's acting commissioner of transportation. She had replaced John Melrose '73, '75G, who received widespread praise when he resigned as commissioner in the fall.

Baldacci's first nominee for his cabinet is also a UMaine alumna, Rebecca Wyke '84. She is the new governor's choice for the post of commissioner of finance and administration.

Baldacci is a Bangor native and was immersed in politics at an early age. His parents owned and operated Momma Baldacci's Restaurant which became a gathering place for local political figures, as well as an important stop for visiting state and national leaders. He served as city councilor and a state legislator before becoming a highly popular congressman. In his last election, he received over 70 percent of the vote.



Royal Honor

Prasad Yonzon '89 Ph.D. (right), team leader of Resources Himalaya, was awarded The Order of The Golden Ark by Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands last March. He was honored for his outstanding conservation work in Nepal, Bhutan, and Vietnam.

Gregory Snow '78 Awarded Two Emmys

Gregory Snow '78 recently received two regional Emmy awards. Snow, who is executive director at WCCO Channel 4 Minneapolis, received the awards at a ceremony on October 5. He shared the technical



Gregory Snow '78 holds his Emmy.

achievement award for "Space Shuttle Kids." The production linked school kids with NASA and the space shuttle *Columbia* as it orbited Earth.

"It was an amazing experience," Snow told *The Weekly*, "to stand up in front of 300 of my peers, in the bright lights. I work behind the scenes—I'm not used to being in front of the cameras."

A native of Orono, Snow started his television career as a broadcast engineer at Maine Public Broadcasting Network. While he was still an undergraduate, he worked at WABI-TV.

In addition to his job at WCCO, Snow is the owner of Blizzard Video Productions, a company he established in 1983. Among his clients are ESPN, the U.S. Ski Team, and America's Cup yachting. (Information courtesy of *The Weekly*.)

Hampden Honors Mike Bordick '88

Veteran Major League Baseball shortstop Mike Bordick '88 was honored by his old high school, Hampden Academy, in November. "Mike Bordick Day" included a banquet and the naming of the school's reconstructed baseball field in his honor.

The tribute was timed well. This past summer, Bordick set a Major League record for consecutive games without an error for shortstops in 2002. He did not make an error in his final 110 games with the Baltimore Orioles. Late this fall he signed a contract with the Toronto Blue Jays.

The dedication of the new Hampden Academy field was a surprise to Bordick.

Hundreds of Hampden residents, local officials, and Bordick friends turned out to honor the Winterport native.

Becoming a Consistent Winner

The University of Maine football team fights through adversity to complete a record-breaking season.

By Jim Frick

When Jack Cosgrove '78 took over as head coach of the University of Maine football team in 1993 he made it clear that his primary goal was to make the Black Bears a consistent winner. With two straight record-breaking seasons, back-to-back appearances in the NCAA Division 1AA Tournament, and first round victories in the tournament each year, he seems well on his way to reaching that goal.

The team's best-ever 11-2 record and national sixth place ranking this season are even more impressive when you consider the adversity the team had to overcome.

First, there was the suspension of star wide receivers Paris Minor and Stefan Gomes, for allegedly sexually assaulting a female student last June (see sidebar). Not only was it a big loss on the field—it was emotionally draining for the players off the field too.

"There was so much support for those

two guys on the team," Cosgrove says. "And it was tough for me dealing with the team, because in my mind the guilt is still in question. You have to do the right thing and say the right thing. You have to support the university, but you also have to be true to your own principles and values."

Cosgrove adds that for a long time, members of the team believed that Gomes and Minor would return. "But when they lost the appeal and it became clear they weren't going to be part of the team, that was the toughest," he says.

Then came the injuries. First, All-American linebacker Stephen Cooper missed two games with an ankle injury. Then, four-year starting quarterback Jake Eaton went down for the season with a knee injury on November 16 in a game against Richmond. If that wasn't bad enough, backup quarterback Chris Legree was later injured in the same game.

So with third-string quarterback Jon

Above photo: Quarterback Jake Eaton in action against William and Mary. Unfortunately, a knee injury ended his great career a few games sooner than he would have liked. Photo by Toby Hollis.

Meczywor calling the signals, the Bears adjusted their game plan and continued to win.

"I don't like the word 'adversity,'" Cosgrove says. "I like the word 'challenge.' When I lost my receivers, my mind set was 'all right, the next guy is in the game.' You're the coach, you better have a guy ready. The injuries and the off field stuff of young men making a wrong decision—that's all part of what you buy into in this business. In football, there is no looking back and saying 'well, we didn't have this guy or we didn't have that guy.'"

Cosgrove has high praise for the Bears defense, which with three star offensive players out of the lineup had to realize it could not give up points early and then



count on the offense pulling out a victory with a fourth-quarter rally. Earlier in the season, with Eaton as quarterback, that's just what had happened against several teams, most notable the amazing Homecoming game in which the Bears scored 21 unanswered points in the fourth quarter for a thrilling victory. Unfortunately, due to the cold rain and the lopsided Hofstra lead, few fans were left in Alford Stadium to savor it.

But it's the offense Cosgrove is particularly proud of.

"They had to make adjustments with the loss of the wide receivers and then the loss of Jake (Eaton)," he explains. "We had to approach the game differently. We weren't as explosive, but by sticking to the game plan we were productive enough to win 11 football games."

That was very evident in the Black Bears' win over Appalachian State in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. UMaine's stingy defense held the opponent to 13 points while the offense ground out just enough, 14 points, for the victory.

Cosgrove is also very pleased with the fact that the Bears went into the season with high expectations and did not disappoint.

"As a team we had tremendously high expectations for achieving at a high level," he says. "And the expectations from the outside were also very high. We were picked to finish second in the conference in the preseason poll. Last year we snuck up on opponents. But this year we were labeled, we didn't sneak up on anyone. What made me feel good as we got

well into the season is that we were doing what we were supposed to do, winning football games."

He notes that other top picked teams, such as William and Mary (preseason number 1 pick in the Atlantic 10) and Northern Iowa, didn't win games they

were supposed to win and as a result didn't make it into this year's playoffs.

"But we answered the bell," he says proudly.

As a result, UMaine football has a new found respect. And according to Cosgrove, it can all be traced to being provided the needed resources by the university.

"People ask me what we're doing differently," he says. "I say 'nothing—we have just been provided what we needed to win.'"

The first big step was the completion of Alford Stadium in 1998. Then the team reached its full compliment of 63 scholarships a few years later. Cosgrove says that it's no coincidence that winning followed.

"The first year we were able to have 63 scholarships was 2001, the year we earned a piece of the A-10 title and the year we went to the playoff," he says. "That's not a coincidence."

Now, with two of the best seasons in UMaine's football history under his belt, Cosgrove wants to maintain and improve on the team's success.

"We have made that jump up and it's a great jump," he says. "It's a great feeling to be at that level, but the challenge now is to stay there."

As a model, Cosgrove looks to another UMaine sport.

"We're known as a hockey town. The hockey team has a great reputation—the reputation of a champion," he says. "We would like to be known in the same way in football. And with the 1AA playoff system the way it is, and with only 123 teams competing for playoff spots, we have a chance. Being the national champion is a legitimate goal."



Bangor Daily News photograph

Paris Minor (left) and Stefan Gomes at an October press conference

Successful Season Started with Controversy

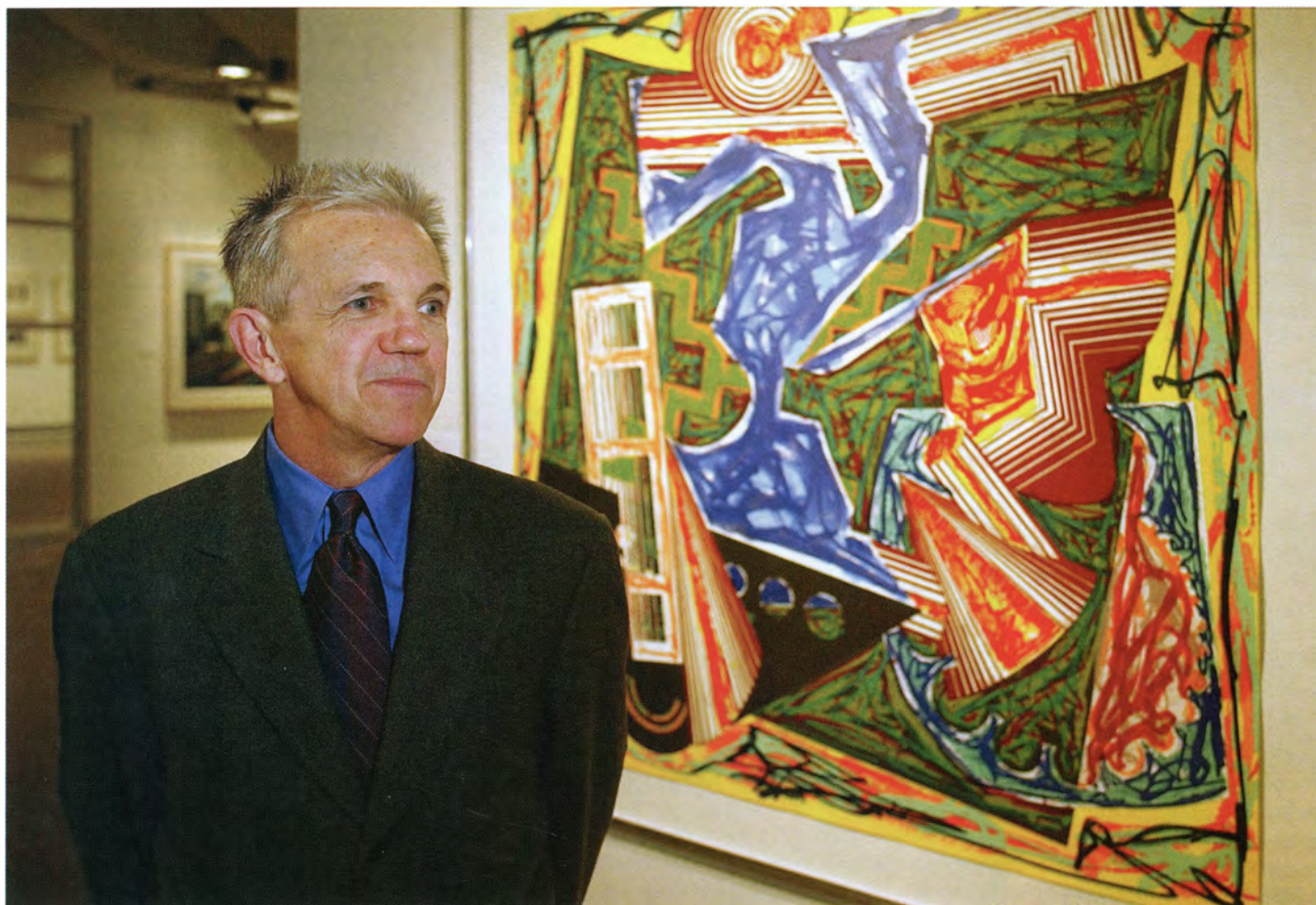
There was a good feeling among the UMaine football players as they entered the 2002 season. Then came some shattering news.

In September, the university's Student Conduct Code Committee suspended the team's two best receivers, juniors Paris Minor and Stefan Gomes, for violating the school's student conduct code. The incident involved an alleged sexual assault against a fellow student in Old Town last June. The players were not charged by Old Town police but the case was forwarded to the Penobscot County District Attorney's office.

Throughout, Gomes and Minor have maintained their innocence, and they appealed the suspensions as allowed by UMaine policy. Both appeals processes upheld the suspensions.

The code under which the suspensions were issued was developed by the UMaine System board of trustees in the 1980s. Part of the controversy surrounding the incident was generated by the fact that the university's conduct code committee does not necessarily function under the same procedures as the criminal justice system.

In a completely unrelated incident, All-American senior linebacker Stephen Cooper pleaded guilty in December to possessing anabolic steroids. Cooper denied having taken any of the drugs during his college career, saying he obtained them to use after the season to put on muscle in hopes of making the NFL. The star player had passed all drug tests throughout his career.



A New Era for UMaine Art

A collaborative effort between the University of Maine and the city of Bangor gives the Museum of Art an exciting new home.

By Lee Lehto '02G

Photographs by Michael York

The University of Maine has long had an impressive art collection. You might not have known it, however, because the institution never had the space to show or even properly store the works. This past December, all that changed. The opening of an off-campus location in the first floor of historic Norumbega Hall on Harlow Street in downtown now provides the space and ambiance to showcase the museum's permanent collection as well as present exciting traveling exhibits.

A luminous sign on the wall of the building boldly projects the new museum's presence and begins the transition from the tasteful early twentieth century exterior to the very contemporary interior. Once inside, you travel down broad stairs to the central lobby where spaces are separated by frosted glass panels with brushed stainless steel frames that are reminiscent of Japanese screens. The spacious galleries have high ceilings with exposed pipes and wiring that have been painted white. High tech, modern, urban, and clearly 21st century.

All of this serves as a dramatic introduction to the art housed inside. The first work of art that you encounter is a large scale brightly-colored Frank Stella print which is mounted in the central lobby. Across the room is a Richard Estes silk screen, "D Train," which eerily includes the intact twin towers in the New York skyline. These selections set the tone.

The university owns more than 6,000 works of art, most of which are 20th century pieces collected by recently deceased UMaine art department chairman and museum founder and director, Vincent Hartgen (see story on page 7). Some of the works have previously been displayed in Carnegie Hall, and in buildings throughout the UMaine campus. But most of the works have been kept in storage, inaccessible to students and the public. The new museum contains three times the display space of

Carnegie, and can offer modern high tech amenities that were not possible at Carnegie.

One of the great advantages of a new facility is the opportunity to employ the current technology for fire suppression, security, and environmental control. This not only serves the collection, but opens up many possibilities for access to traveling exhibits like the one that was chosen to open the museum.

The inaugural show is an interesting juxtaposition of two vastly different sensibilities. The first is a selection of black and white photographs spanning the 60 year career of Mexican photographer Manuel Alvaro Bravo. Delicate, intimate photographs from the 1930s to the 1990s are displayed on the walls of the outer gallery of the museum. The finale is a 1993 self-portrait of the photographer in which he seems to reach out to beckon you in. These are accompanied by the work of Bravo's wife and fellow photographer, Collette Urbajtel.

Around the corner of the central gallery walls one is surrounded by large scale color prints by Joel Meyerowitz of the rubble of the World Trade Center. Meyerowitz was invited to photograph the aftermath of the September 11th destruction by the Museum of the City of New York which loaned this show to the University of Maine Museum of Art. The photographs propel one into the scene. Many visitors were heard to comment that the photographs "put you right there." They are arranged chronologically, and represent the year that workers spent deconstructing the piles of debris.

Selections from the permanent collection are displayed in the gallery on the outside wall. The current selection is an overview of the kind of work found in the collection, and includes a number of well-known artists who reside in Maine, or who created their works while visiting the state.

There is an impressive etching from 1887 by Winslow Homer entitled "Eight Bells," that is displayed across the wall from a colorful Waldo Peirce painting. Many of the pieces are landscapes, and show a wide range of responses to the Maine environment. Paintings by Andrew Wyeth, Emily

Muir, Childe Hassam, and one of Vincent Hartgen's own paintings entitled "Katahdin Summer" are included in the initial show. All are elegantly displayed.

The gallery has a view of the Kenduskeag Stream, and the artwork is visible from the street level city park and walkways outside. The small sample of the collection now on display will be constantly changing. Director Wally Mason expressed his intention "to discretely move the pieces and to change one or two at a time." In this way much of the collection will be visible and the museum will always offer fresh opportunities to view new pieces.

Because the collection contains primarily works on paper, which are extremely sensitive to relative humidity and temperature, the stewardship is a major objective of the museum. State of the art storage facilities have been included. In addition to the pieces on display, approximately 400 of the works in the collection will remain on campus. Approximately 1,250 pieces are now on display in offices and other facilities on campus.

The new museum has been in the works for a number of years. The university began negotiations with the city of Bangor in 1998, and was initially planning to move in to the old Freese's building. The project changed direction in the fall of 2000, when the first floor of Norumbega Hall became available. Initially the museum was scheduled to open November 15, 2002. After a three-week delay caused by problems with the exposed ceilings, the museum opened the week of December 6th with a pair of galas. University of Maine president Peter Hoff commented on the "excitement that I see for the opportunity to see good art." Current museum director Mason credited "the vision and punch of Vincent Hartgen's 40-year tenure with laying the foundation for the current museum." Bangor mayor, Nichi Farnham, shared the spotlight with former mayor, John Rohman '68, under whose tenure in October of 2000 the city of Bangor offered a matching grant of \$400,000 in support of the museum project. Rohman is CEO of WBRC Architects. Both commented on the importance of cultural institutions

Opposite page photograph: University of Maine Art Museum director Wally Mason.

like the University of Maine Museum of Art to the revitalization of downtown Bangor.

Also among the honored guests were UMaine alumni Sandra Blake Leonard '65 and her husband Ted Leonard '65 who led the capital campaign which succeeded in raising the balance of the \$900,000 which was needed to make this dream a reality. Sandra Leonard remembers telling Mason five years ago that, "the people of Bangor would love a chance to be patrons of the arts." She was initially enlisted to help the museum acquire the final furnishings that would be needed to facilitate a move into the Freese's building. When that idea was abandoned and the current location selected she found herself with a vastly larger capital campaign.

"I saw the new museum as a win, win, win, situation for all involved—the museum, the university, and the city of Bangor, and a wonderful way to bring new friends to the university," she says. "This important collection, that belongs to the people of Maine, could not be seen or conserved properly without this new facility."

She is clearly delighted with the way the museum turned out and says that she and her husband both continue a strong involvement as regular visitors and as members of the advisory council.

"This is a unique collaboration between the community and the university and Bangor has supported the project wholeheartedly," Leonard said. "It is a wonderful sign of the acceptance of the city when an art museum opening is on the front page of the region's paper."

The large attendance at the public opening suggests that Bangor will embrace this new cultural institution as its own. The crowd milling around the gallery spaces included quite a cross section of Bangor and university communities. Families



A fair share of the credit for making the new UMaine Museum of Art in Bangor a reality goes to Ted and Sandra Blake Leonard '65. Ted is a lawyer at Eaton, Peabody and Sandra is a broker at A.G. Edwards. The couple is heavily involved in the Bangor community as well as the university. Last year they were awarded the Vincent A. Hartgen Award. The award recognizes those who have made outstanding contributions to the arts at UMaine.

brought their children, clusters of UMaine students stood around in circles discussing the large scale photographs in the Meyerowitz show. Business people from downtown offices stopped in after work.

But it's only the beginning.

"I see the long-term goal of the museum to really embrace a wider community that includes a 50-75 mile radius of the city, and to include educational classes, children's art camps, art history courses, and lectures so that it expands to become more like an art center than just an art museum," says Mason.

He hopes to have an education director on staff by June or July 2003. A large room centrally located off the main lobby of the museum was designed to house classes and workshops. The museum already sponsors a children's art camp and will plan to expand that program in the new location.

"One of the ways to involve people in the museum is through the children—suddenly everyone in the family is involved," Mason said.

He plans to build upon the expanded

audience and take advantage of the central location, designated parking, and the fact that the museum is easily accessible by the interstate.

"Delivery of culture today is often combined with dining, shopping, and other social activities," Mason says.

The downtown location suits this new style. Mason also thinks that the partnership between the city of Bangor and the University of Maine offers positive additions to the identity of each entity. The museum is a dramatic addition to Bangor's downtown, and a bold step for the University of Maine.

"Its physical presence says, 'Here's how modern Bangor can be, and that the university is more than just the confines of a campus,'" Mason exclaims.

It will also be Mason's responsibility to guide the course

of acquisitions and shows. He intends to continue the focus on works on paper and to expand this focus to include more photography and photography-based prints. In late January two new shows will open. "Migrations" is a traveling show of photographs made available by the Aperture Foundation. The photographs depict human migration all over the world. The companion show, "Perpetual Motion," will include large scale contemporary works from the permanent collection and will be an "ironic intellectual treatise about motion," according to Mason.

With this great facility, Wally Mason's vision, and support from alumni and friends in the greater Bangor community, the University of Maine Museum of Art promises to quickly become one of the cultural treasures in the state of Maine. Museum hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 9-6. Sunday 11-5. Closed Mondays. Admission \$3. University of Maine Museum of Art, 40 Harlow Street, Bangor, Maine, 04401-5102. 207-561-3550.

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A Patent for Success

Presque Isle native Scott Stimpson '86 has combined his engineering education at UMaine with a degree from a top-flight law school to rise to the top of the field of intellectual property law.

By Alan Comeau '89



Scott Stimpson '86 knows a lot about a wide range of subjects—diapers, pig vaccines, laser beams, digital assistants, cleaning chemicals, and orthopedic equipment, just to name a few. For Scott, it's all part of life as a patent attorney, which happens to be at the New York City law firm of Pennie & Edmonds, LLP, where he has been practicing intellectual property law since 1989.

A partner at Pennie & Edmonds for the past five years and now chairman of its mechanical technologies group, Scott, 38, has worked on high-tech cases representing companies in the United States, Europe, and Asia.

According to John Normile, co-managing partner for Pennie & Edmonds, "Scott is not only one of the stars of the firm, but of the entire field of intellectual property law. It was obvious very early in Scott's career that he was going to be an excep-

tional lawyer. His partners and our associates enjoy working with him because of his positive attitude, and his dedication to clients. He was one of the youngest people we ever named partner at the firm."

And success as a patent lawyer for the world's second largest intellectual property law firm has strong connections to Aroostook County and the University of Maine.

Fairfield, Connecticut, where Scott lives with wife Lori Hutchinson Stimpson '88, and three boys, Don, nine; Tyler, seven; and Dillon, five; does not resemble Scott's hometown of Presque Isle, Maine, in the least. But one of the secrets to Scott's success has always been his ability to adapt to the pace and challenges of a big city lifestyle while maintaining his Maine-grown work ethic and sense of humor.

Growing up in Presque Isle may not seem like the most likely place to foster a high-powered New York City lawyer, but

Scott thinks it served him well. Like many Aroostook County teens, he got his first taste of hard work in the potato fields in and around Presque Isle. "I remember the potato picking season to be cold and tough work," recalls Scott. "It was part of The County tradition to have the fall break and work in the fields. It was also my first taste of working hard and earning my own money."

Presque Isle High School provided Scott with the opportunities he needed to study his favorite subjects, math and science. It also gave Scott the chance to further develop his social and leadership skills, as evidenced by his being selected class president and class flirt his senior year.

"I was interested in math and science, but I also began to develop an interest in political science and law while I was in high school," says Scott. He found a career goal for those diverse interests one fateful day while at the family camp.

"One of our neighbors was Ted Grant. He was an officer at the local electric company. When I talked with him about my struggle to pick an area of study that included science, math, and law, he suggested patent law. As soon as he said it, I knew that was what I wanted to do- and I never once wavered from my goal."

The decision to attend the University of Maine was made easier when Scott's father, Don Stimpson '55, became the chairman of the animal and veterinary sciences department at the university. With his parents moving to the Orono area and with many friends planning to attend, Scott chose to study engineering at UMaine.

"The University of Maine was a natural choice for me," says Scott. "The engineering program has an excellent reputation and it was very affordable."

His first two years were spent living at Hancock Hall, where he roomed with his friend from Presque Isle, Alan Britton '86, also an engineering student. Sharing a room with Alan helped Scott combine studying hard with enjoying his college experience.

While many professors challenged Scott as he pursued his mechanical engineering

degree, two very different instructors come to mind when he considers lasting impact.

"Heat transfer was a great class. Jim Sucec wrote the text and taught an excellent course. I keep his book in my law office to this day," Scott says.

The other professor was, somewhat surprisingly, not in the college of engineering. "I had Eugene Mawhinney '47, '49G for political science. He had a very interactive class in the Socratic tradition. It was a bit scary at times, but it really helped me prepare for the realities of law school," says Scott.

Professor Mawhinney, retired now after over 40 years in higher education, remembered Scott as a "very stimulating stu-

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dent, eager to learn. I recall he was very analytical and handled interpreting Supreme Court cases in class with real ability."

After graduating from Maine with distinction, law school was the next step in Scott's ultimate goal of becoming a patent lawyer. It was Professor Mawhinney's recommendation that led Scott to apply to, and be accepted by, the prestigious Washington and Lee University Law School-one of the top twenty in the country.

"It was a challenge to transition to law

school. Maine taught me to think and write like an engineer, very concise," Scott says. "Law school taught me to write in a more comprehensive manner."

According to Scott, the law school experience had some resemblance to the show, *The Paper Chase*. "I had to be very well prepared for class or risk being embarrassed. At the time I remember thinking, 'What's the point of putting people on the spot like this on a daily basis?' When I began my law career I quickly learned it was vitally important to have had that type of preparation," admits Scott gratefully.

Scott maintained his sanity during his law school years in part by teaching Shorin Ryu karate. He had started studying while a student at UMaine, and actually obtained his black belt during his first week at Washington and Lee.

"I began instructing at Washington and Lee and eventually had over 20 students in class," says Scott.

Karate helped keep him in shape physically and focused mentally. "Having an activity apart from studying law on a daily basis gave me some balance in my life," says Scott.

Getting through law school is a major accomplishment in and of itself, but Scott took on an even greater challenge during his third year of law school. It was then that he decided to prepare for and take the patent bar exam, knowing full well that there was only a thirty percent pass rate. Scott's bold bid for acceptance into the patent bar paid off-he passed on his first attempt.

So, with law degree in hand and patent bar qualifications earned, Scott was ready to finally begin the career he had wanted since he was 16 years old. His search led him to Pennie & Edmonds, a firm with the reputation and opportunities that Scott had envisioned.

His first year as an associate at Pennie & Edmonds, Scott joined 10 other new associates at the firm, which now employs over 220 lawyers specializing in the patent and trademark field.

"When I began there I was supervised by a mid-level associate and spent a lot of

time doing legal and factual research," Scott remembers.

The practice of patent law involves litigation, patent procurement, and general patent consulting. Scott found himself working long hours, writing briefs and supporting the clients' efforts to obtain, protect, and maximize the value of their intellectual property.

In his first encounter with the court, Scott became involved in litigation on a breast prosthesis patent at the International Trade Commission in Washington, D.C.

"I quickly realized that I loved the litigation aspect of patent law. To have a really good opponent on the other side—a really good litigator—is a thrill. I enjoy the experience of being in court, being in front of a jury, and the challenge of helping them understand the technology and why my client is right. From the time I took my first witness at a trial, I haven't lost a case," says Scott.

He adds with a smile, "I need the guy on the other side of the table screaming at me if I'm going to have any fun at all."

But there was a long road ahead before Scott could expect to be in the driver's seat for a court case.

"You come out of law school thinking you know the law, but the real learning begins at the law firm. It all comes down to practical experience," says Scott. "In my first year at Pennie & Edmonds I learned so much so fast, but I knew I still wasn't ready to run litigation myself."

Patent law is highly specialized, primarily due to the nature of acquiring and protecting patents, the background and aptitude needed to understand the patents, and the fact that patents can represent many millions of dollars potentially gained or lost for a company. A patent lasts for 20 years after the date of application, and it takes roughly two to three years from application to issuance. A patent is crucial to companies involved in research and development because it gives a company exclusionary rights to a product.

Today, Scott says one big challenge in the area of intellectual property law is determining what is and what is not subject

to patent protection.

"Clearly, if the subject of an issued patent or pending application was already exactly known in the 'prior art' then it is not subject to patent protection," Scott explains. A trickier question, however, and one that is frequently in litigation, is whether patented subject matter would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill, "in the art," at the time of the alleged invention.

Scott has recently worked on a series of such patent validity cases including the growth of a previously unidentified pig virus on a monkey cell culture; clamps for external fixation of broken bones; personal digital assistants with handwriting and audio features; products that transmit information by infrared beam; and chemical compositions for cleaning substrates for semiconductor chips.

In our age of fast developing technology and instant access to information, intellectual property law undergoes frequent changes in an effort to keep up.

"These changes and refinements in intellectual property law, particularly when applied to what is often cutting edge technology, make this field particularly challenging and exciting," Scott says.

Scott and other lawyers at Pennie & Edmonds work with companies on many different aspects of patent law. One is making sure that new designs are not infringing upon valid existing patents. A second is evaluating products to see if they are worthy of a patent, and if so obtaining the patent. Finally, if a Pennie & Edmonds client is sued by another company for patent infringement or sees a need to defend one of its patents, the law firm would handle litigation.

Scott's second litigation case involved two large Japanese firms. This one took four years and involved high-level technology and a lot of travel to Japan. "My involvement in that case was an eye-opener for me," says Scott. "I got to experience an entirely different culture and develop strong relationships with individuals who work for technology-based Japanese corporations."

Developing client relationships is central to a law firm's financial well-being, and it is something at which Scott excels. Just ask Jessie Hill, in-house counsel for Synthes (USA), one of the country's leading manufacturers of orthopedic fracture fixation devices. She is unabashed in her praise of Scott's skills and personality.

"I am so appreciative of Scott's technical expertise and his knowledge of our products and the intricacies of patent law," says Hill. When asked to explain why Scott has been so successful, Hill provides a quick and honest appraisal.

"Scott is articulate and easy to work with. He is unfailingly respectful of my knowledge as an attorney and he is extremely gracious in that regard. Finally, he has a delightful sense of humor."

And those personal traits, together with Scott's commitment to combining his engineering education from the University of Maine with the practice of law has led him to the pinnacle of his profession.

"Scott is one of the top young patent litigators in the country," says Brian Poissant, Chairman of the Pennie & Edmonds Litigation Practice Group. "He has a blend of expertise and enthusiasm, which makes him so successful both inside and outside the courtroom."

Of course all that success doesn't come without a price. While Scott acknowledges the challenge of balancing job demands with family time, he also expresses a commitment to make it work.

"I get up at 4:20 a.m. every morning and I'm the guy who turns on the lights at the office every day. That way I get to come home and spend the evening with my family. I go through spurts, but overall I feel good about that. If I couldn't get home on time and see my wife and kids a majority of days, I wouldn't be able to do this."

And somehow it all comes back to Maine, the state, and Maine, the university. Scott says, "I feel like I'm so well prepared because of my UMaine education. I deal with cutting edge technology on a daily basis. Without my strong engineering education there is no way I could do my job. It's the basis of everything I do."

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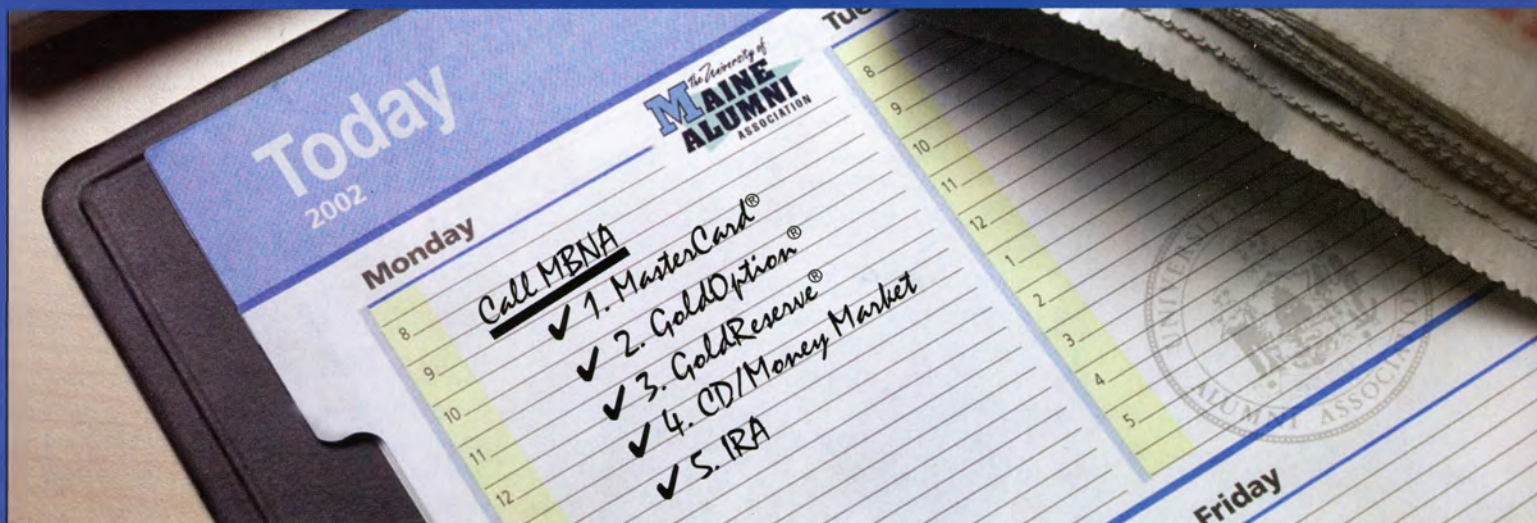
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