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Another milestone: we launched our new alumni Website! We've worked hard for nearly a year to make it more informative, more interactive and more alumni-friendly. Many more features are in development. Our goal is to make it your one source on the Web for all things UMaine. We'd appreciate your feedback.

We're at [www.umainealumni.com](http://www.umainealumni.com). Special thanks to Cary Weston '94 and Sutherland Weston Marketing Communications for their generosity and expertise in making the new site possible.

Finally, we're gearing up for a bigger and better Black Bear Road Trip in 2011. Between January 25th and April 14th, we will host events at 21 venues from Maine to Florida and from Pennsylvania to Oregon. We're hoping to catch up with more Black Bears than ever! If you haven't been to an event at one of the UMaine local or regional Chapters or Affiliated Interest Groups, this would be an excellent New Year's resolution. Check our Website for a city near you.

Today's technology makes it possible to bridge great divides in time and space. Look to us to use all the means at our disposal — the Web site, the Magazine, Chapter events, Facebook, and more — to help us all Re-Maine connected in positive, productive, and fun-filled ways.

Be well! Be a Black Bear!

Todd Saucier '93, '97G



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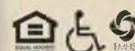
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Bill Smullen '62 has spent 5 decades in service toward making America a safer place for all. Now this former aide to Colin Powell is criss-crossing the country to spread his message on the changing role of America in the world.



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#### Vincent Andrew Hartgen: His Art and Legacy

In the 1950s, '60s and '70s, Vincent Hartgen was a favorite professor, fondly remembered by many alumni for his thought-provoking lectures on art. Hartgen's son, Stephen, reflects on his father's life and impact as a teacher and professional painter.

### 15 Alumni Newsmakers

#### Woman of the House

A woman's place is leading the House. Emily Cain '02, the dynamic new Democratic minority leader of the Maine House of Representatives, is the youngest woman ever to hold this post.

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Pamela Ann Murphy White '71 settles into her new post in West Africa, the first UMaine woman to be appointed an ambassador.



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Stephen Hartgen and his father  
at UMaine circa 1963.

### 20 Maine Lines

#### UMAA Launches New Website

It's been a year in the making. Now it's here: [www.umainealumni.com](http://www.umainealumni.com). It's more interactive, intuitive and alumni friendly. Go site-seeing and find out why this site is your source for all things UMaine.

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Dana Devoe '56, Senior Alumni president (left) and Sarah McPartland-Good of the UMaine Foundation congratulate Dr. Kennedy.

## Dr. Robert Kennedy honored

The establishment of the President Robert A. Kennedy Senior Alumni Scholarship Fund was announced during the Senior Alumni Luncheon at Homecoming 2010 in October. Funds will be used to provide scholarship aid for University of Maine undergraduate students.



## A New Presence in Southern Maine

**T**he new University of Maine Regional Learning Center, located at Tidewater Farm in Falmouth, will open its doors for the first time in April 2011.

The center will include university offices of the UMaine Foundation, the development office, admissions, and Cooperative Extension.

The center will also include a large indoor meeting space for UMaine alumni

## Banker to the Poor

**UMaine finance senior Rachel Hathaway is committed to a career in human rights**



An internship in Bangladesh, a country where nearly half the population of 135 million lives in poverty, solidified UMaine senior Rachel Hathaway's commitment to a career devoted to human rights advocacy.

She plans to do it using microfinance.

"When your senses are engaged, when you see children forced to beg in the streets, when you see women who are desperate to work but are told by their husbands and society they aren't capable, and when these women watch their children starve, you realize the injustice," says Hathaway, who spent 10 weeks in Bangladesh last summer as an intern with Grameen Bank.

Hathaway went to Grameen Bank to learn from the experts in microfinance, a strategy designed to help the poor out of poverty, typically by providing small loans to the rural poor in developing countries. She came away from the experience inspired by people's stories of the difference such a financial strategy can make and determined to help replicate the model elsewhere in the Third World.

Next summer, she hopes to return to Bangladesh to continue her research, exploring other microfinance models, including the Progress Out of Poverty Index, a Grameen Foundation poverty assessment tool. She isn't sure yet where she will work to replicate the Grameen model. She's currently considering South Asia or Africa.

"In times of financial crisis and bad banks, it's heartening to hear of bankers to the poor—that it's not about greed but how to improve the lives we're touching," says Hathaway, a financial economics and business administration major who grew up in Millinocket.

events with outdoor access to historic Tidewater Farm with its gardens, four-season trails, heirloom apple orchard, and breathtaking view of Casco Bay.

Additionally, it will be the site for UMaine speakers and arts and cultural events.

Of special significance to Southern Maine is that Cooperative Extension will now be able to offer educational programs in family gardening, landscaping, starting a home-based business, and raising healthy families with the potential for a community garden and farmer's market.





## Opening Doors to the Physical Sciences for Kids

Almost 50 Maine middle and high schools will have a chance to redesign their physical science curricula thanks to a \$12.3 million grant awarded to the University of Maine.

The National Science Foundation grant, which is the largest ever received by the UMaine-based Maine Center for Research in STEM Education (RiSE), will be used to form the Maine Physical Sciences Partnership and create 12 jobs, in addition to generating the curricula that will eventually be used in 12 high schools and 36 middle schools.

Through the Maine Physical Sciences Partnership, schoolteachers will be offered stipends to attend week-long summer academies focused on implementing the curriculum for the start of the 2011-2012 school year.

The curriculum will be tailored for students in grades 6-9, which are crucial years for students. The course of study would be organized so that students who reach ninth grade have a common background.

"A lot of students close the door on science and math in grades 6-9," says RiSE director, Professor Susan McKay '79G. "I think we can really set up students for success if we can take some of the research about how to sequence ideas and implement a curriculum using that research, so the seventh-grade teacher knows what the students have done in sixth grade."

The time is right for the partnership, according to McKay, because many schools in Maine are reevaluating their curricula following the recent wave of school consolidations.

## Research Grant Will Benefit Equine Industry

A recent grant of almost \$500,000 will help UMaine animal and veterinary science researchers create a unique project to advance the diagnosis, treatment, and understanding of equine strangles—a particularly problematic and costly disease.

The project focuses on the development and testing of new diagnostic kits. The first such kits will detect the bacteria *Streptococcus equi*, the cause of equine strangles. Once field tests are proven successful, Maine biomedical companies will be able to commercialize inexpensive diagnostic kits for the equine industry.

"There is no doubt that the market for this is potentially global," says principal investigator Robert Causey, a veterinarian and UMaine associate professor. "Wherever there are horses, there is this disease. No one has ever

tried this before. This puts Maine right in the forefront of equine strangles research."

Strangles in horses is similar to strep throat in people. It is a debilitating disease that results in serious complications in 20% of cases and death in 8%. Carriers often don't show symptoms, which leads to undetected infection spread through water troughs, fences, feed buckets, etc.

"If we are able to detect one hundred carriers, it could potentially save the Maine equine industry \$100,000 to \$400,000," Causey says.

On a national scale, earlier, quicker diagnosis could save the equine industry millions. Additionally, if only one percent of the nation's 10 million horses are tested each year, the sales potential could be worth \$3.5 million.

The grant was awarded to UMaine by the Maine Technology Asset Fund.

**Rachel Keating, fourth-year Animal Science major from Hanover, MA, with a Standardbred foal born last April at the Witter Center. The trotter filly is the foal of Honor Society, one of the UMares. She has been sold to new owners who plan to train her for racing. The filly, sired by Road Show Hall, soon to make his home at Witter, is Maine Sire Stakes eligible, one of the premier harness races in the state.**





## UMaine Pilot Program Helps Maine Businesses

**W**ith assistance from the University of Maine, a manufacturer in Passadumkeag has substantially increased its business in the past year with even higher expectations for the future.

Wallace Brothers Woodcrafters LLC makes handmade fish landing nets. With the help of a University of Maine pilot program called the Knowledge Transfer Alliance (KTA), the small company is in the midst of an aggressive marketing effort to expand their business.

Funded through a three-year, \$1.8 million federal Economic Development Administration grant, the program pairs university graduate students, professors, and other university resources toward improving all aspects of small northern Maine businesses.

And it's all free.

According to Hugh Stevens, director of the UMaine school of economics' office of special projects, the KTA collaborates with just about every area of campus.

"If somebody needs expert advice about something, anything, chances are we'll be able to get it for them," he said.

For the Wallace Brothers, KTA workers did a cost analysis, accounting and energy efficiency audits, and an analysis of production methods.

The KTA program has worked with more than 20 clients in the past year. Any business that would like KTA assistance can contact Stevens by email at [hugh.stevens@umit.maine.edu](mailto:hugh.stevens@umit.maine.edu) or by phone at 581-3111.

"We never turn anyone away," Stevens said.



**Ron Wallace of Howland saws wood in the Wallace Brothers Woodcrafters' workshop in Passadumkeag.**

From a story by Nick Sambides, Jr., courtesy of the *Bangor Daily News*.  
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# A Lifetime of Exceptional Service

From Soldier to Scholar



Coming full circle: Bill Smullen's journey returned him to Orono after a nearly 50-year career spanning war, peace and collaboration with Colin Powell.

By Jim Frick

**T**hirty years as an Army officer, including ten at the Pentagon and a stint at the State Department, gave Bill Smullen '62 a deep understanding of national security issues. Today, as director of National Security Studies at the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University Graduate School, he feels a responsibility to tap that understanding in an effort to raise awareness about the difficult challenges that lie ahead.

On October 6, Smullen brought his message to his alma mater, the University of Maine. His talk, "A Decade of Crisis and Correction," reflected on the lessons of the first 10 years of the new millennium.

"I'm an admirer of Winston Churchill," Smullen said. "Churchill believed, 'To look backward is to see forward.' Right now we need to look back in time and learn from history so that we don't repeat mistakes."

## Negative impact on U.S. reputation

Many of those mistakes, Smullen believes,

have led to diminished respect and admiration for America on the world stage.

"When the USSR disintegrated, we became the lone superpower," he explained. "I'm not sure we grasped our new responsibility when that happened. As things evolved in our new role, we quite frankly made decisions that weren't helpful in terms of how we were viewed by the rest of the world."

Among those poor decisions, Smullen believes, was the U.S. invasion of Iraq.

"Our 'brand' has been in decline since the invasion of Iraq in 2003," he noted. "We've suffered decreasing favorability ratings around the world—even with our allies."

Today's national security challenges—including declining resources, climate change, pandemics, and market fluctuations—can't be resolved militarily, he explained. They beg for international cooperation. The U.S. can't fix these complex problems alone, Smullen concluded. It needs to "lead by example."



## Influence of Vietnam experience

Leading by example is something Bill Smullen has done throughout his distinguished career.

Following graduation from UMaine (where he majored in business and economics) he went directly into the Army



a good feeling."

But the Vietnam experience did give Smullen a greater appreciation of things he had once taken for granted, including life itself.

"Your sense of mortality changes," he noted. "You no longer take for granted that



as a 2nd Lieutenant. His first tour of duty was Korea. It was there that he first considered a career in the military.

"It was soldiering 24 hours a day," he said, "and it's what led me to fall in love with the Army. I knew I wanted more of the military and the experiences it provided."

As a young officer in Vietnam, Smullen got a full dose. His first tour in 1966 was as an advisor for South Vietnamese troops, working in a remote area in the central part of the country.

"It was pretty isolated," Smullen remembered. "Our advisory team of eight men didn't get rations or supplies like regular Army units. We practically lived off the land."

Smullen's second Vietnam tour came in 1971, this time serving with an American unit. This experience was far different from the first and he returned home with a feeling of disappointment.

"I went to Vietnam thinking I would be part of a successful effort," he said. "But we weren't successful. It didn't leave me with

you are going to be around forever. You realize how important family and friends are." Smullen added that his war experiences helped him grow as a leader.

"You have to take a lot of initiative and accept a lot of responsibility," he said. "In a war there's not always someone there telling you how to handle a situation."

## Transition from war to PR professional

After Vietnam, Smullen asked the Army if it would send him back to school. He earned a master's degree in public communications from Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University and soon after became chief of media relations at the U.S. Military Academy. It proved to be an eventful and interesting three years of service at West Point. Smullen described it as "a real baptism under fire in public relations."

The year was 1975 and President Gerald Ford had just signed the bill admitting women to the U.S. service academies.

"That created a real cultural change at

West Point," he recalled. "We needed to put together an aggressive and effective media campaign to handle the challenge of recruiting women. I had to apply all the skills and lessons I learned at Syracuse immediately."

The admittance of women wasn't the only controversial situation Smullen had to deal with at West Point. The academy also underwent the biggest academic scandal in its history when some 200 cadets were found to have cheated on an electrical engineering exam. As the scandal unfolded, Smullen came to work every day to find reporters from New York's major newspapers waiting outside his office.

"It was a difficult situation, but I learned and grew from it," he reflected.

Smullen moved on from West Point and after a stint at Fort Carson, Colorado, and in Panama, he received the appointment he had long dreaded—duty at the Pentagon.

"I didn't want it," he recalled, "but I was told I owed it to the Army."

That was 1983. Smullen was a Lieutenant Colonel assigned to help create a new branch of public affairs, advising Pentagon senior leaders in media matters. After nine months, he was asked to take over the position of chief of media relations—the senior spokesman for the entire Army.

## Teaming up with Colin Powell

Smullen was at the Pentagon for 10 years and achieved the rank of full Colonel. He served, as his final assignment, as special assistant to two Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral William Crowe and General Colin Powell. And when Powell retired in 1993, Smullen—after 30 years of service—retired with him.

But it was far from the end of their working relationship.

"He [Powell] asked me beforehand if I would help him write his book and run his private office," Smullen recalled. "I agreed and remained in that role until the General took over the State Department in 2001, as Secretary."

The retired officers spent two years working on Powell's book.



"I did the research and a bit of the writing," Smullen explains. "The publisher, Random House was expecting big things and scheduled a five week book-signing tour in the U.S. and Europe—the most ambitious they had ever put together."

Those grueling five weeks really sealed the bond between Powell and Smullen. And the tour paid dividends. *My American Journey* became an instant bestseller.

During those years in private life, the two men also collaborated to create Powell's America's Promise Alliance, an organization that brings caring adults together with at-risk youth.

"That was probably the greatest challenge of my life," Smullen said. "How do you grow an organization like that? There was no blueprint. No funding. No staff. It was a daunting undertaking. But we did it, and it is still going strong today. That experience brought me a great deal of satisfaction."

The bond and trust between Smullen and Powell continued to grow. In 2001,

President George W. Bush appointed Colin Powell Secretary of State. Powell brought Smullen in as his chief of staff, responsible for monitoring and evaluating departmental policies and developing strategies on foreign policy matters. Smullen left the State Department in 2002 for academia. Although his tenure as chief of staff was short, it was eventful. He served with Powell at the State Department through the 9/11 terrorist attack and subsequent invasion of Afghanistan.

### New role at Syracuse

The call to academia came from Syracuse University. Smullen was invited to become the director of its National Security Studies Program at its Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs and faculty member in its S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications.

"When I was working on my master's, I remember walking around the Syracuse campus and speculating on how great it

would be to be a college professor someday—never really thinking that I'd actually get the opportunity," he remembers.

That early dream is now realized—and enriched by all that has intervened. At the Maxwell School, Smullen applies his experience and insight to prepare senior military and civilian leaders for national security challenges unimagined even a decade ago.

The world and America's role in it have changed dramatically since Bill Smullen left UMaine in 1962 to serve his country as a newly commissioned officer. His role, too, has evolved in those five decades—from soldier to scholar. The young Vietnam veteran Captain who once prepared green troops for combat now helps prepare leaders to deal with subtle complexities of 21st century national security. One thing has remained unchanged in all those years: Smullen's commitment to service—service toward making America safer and more secure. 🐾

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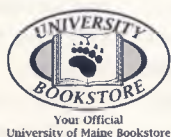
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# Vincent Andrew Hartgen

## His Art and Legacy

By Stephen Hartgen, Ph.D.

Maine's state motto, "Dirigo" (or "I lead") is most appropriate, for that is what Vincent Hartgen did in his more than 50 years in Maine art. He was a guide, a beacon, a leader, promoter and champion of Maine art as well as an active artist himself. In 2008, in their review of our book, *Vincent Andrew Hartgen: His Art and Legacy*, the *Maine Sunday Telegram* called him arguably the single most important figure in Maine art in the second half of the 20th century. That is indeed a high honor. No other individual in Maine art, the paper said, had such an impact in his work in those 50 years as a Maine educator, a museum director and artist.

### **Capturing the Power and Beauty of Nature**

With respect to his art, Dad's artistic styles evolved through several distinct approaches. But a defining constant was his appreciation and love of Maine's natural world, and how he saw nature in all its power and intimate, detailed beauty.

The origins of this appreciation went back to his own childhood outside Reading, Pennsylvania, in the 1920s, which was then far more rural than suburban. He recalled a childhood of collecting specimens in the fields and woods near his home. In a very real sense, Hartgen was first a naturalist who later became an artist.



Hartgen's creativity soared when he came to Maine in 1946 and found so much inspiration in its forests, coasts and fields. The enduring and yet eroding face of nature gave him endless material from which to work.

He would sketch the headland of Schoodic Point hundreds of times. But every time, he would say, he would see it differently, in varied color and light, in the detail of delicate curls of a fallen leaf, the weathering of ancient gnarled wood, or the infinitesimal erosion of the sea on black basalt and pink granite. That is what gives his work the timeless and enduring quality that admirers have treasured over the years. To anyone who has experienced the Maine outdoors, Hartgen's art seems to say, "See, this is essential, this is elemental, this is basic, this is Maine."

### Hartgen: The Artist of Nature

Here is what he had to say about his own work:

"The artist of nature, as I consider myself to be, is not only faced with the power and forces of nature, but also with its delicacy and solitude. The natural beauty the artist attempts to capture with paint is not the literal scene, but the sum of infinite scenes.

"The structure of nature is composed of extremely intricate parts and when these parts come together, forces are created. For example, the crackle of ice in a tree or the sun bursting through winter branches are poetic forces. So you have to be correct and yet make them work in a design, as a 'picture.' You have to take liberties with the tree, or branch or the sea. The idea of duplicating nature never occurred to me. That's not the job of the artist."

Through his long academic career in the '50s, '60s and '70s, Vincent Hartgen produced nearly 2,000 paintings, about 50 are included in our book. By the early 1980s, Vincent Hartgen was almost 70, the point when most people step back. Not so for him.

After his academic career ended in 1982, instead of "retiring," he went into the studio and produced hundreds of new dramatic drawings and many exceptional paintings. We've included quite a number of these in the book, recognizing that many people will see a Hartgen style and medium they never knew, since he was primarily known for his earlier watercolors. In retrospect, his resurgence in his final two decades and his new commitment to his art seems perhaps the most amazing turn in his whole career.

### Hartgen, The Renaissance Man

As a professor, Hartgen's many students still remember him with something approaching reverence. He was passionate about art but he also had a unique ability to "open people's eyes" to how and why art was important. The stories of his dynamic and fervent teaching style are too numerous to count. We know many alumni have stories of their own.

He was a unique personality, seemingly perfectly fitted to the university classroom of Maine in those mid-century decades. Today, some 50 years after he taught them, many students remember him simply as one of the best teachers they ever encountered.

As a person, Vincent Hartgen was a disciplined "Renaissance man," educated and conversational, social and intellectual, outgo-

ing and introspective, all at once. He was kind and generous of spirit to those around him, and to us, my twin brother, David, and myself, as well. He taught us to examine in detail, to appreciate and use the power of the English language, to see the beauty of the world around us. He gave us an appreciation for the benefits of education, not just for employment but in how it ennobles people with the dignity of knowledge.


Although neither David nor I live in Maine today, we both think of Maine as our native home and ourselves as her native sons. We have both maintained longtime friendships with people in the state, and with its university. Thus, when Vincent Hartgen died in 2002, we were pleased to give his papers and a large portion of his remaining paintings, drawings and sketches to the University of Maine as a teaching collection, from which we hope young artists may emerge. And in Mrs. Frances Hartgen's case, we gave the Fogler Library our mother's extensive private collection of materials on the British essayist and novelist, D.H. Lawrence, one of the best collections on Lawrence in any university.

We also are pleased to provide copies of our book, *Vincent Andrew Hartgen: His Art and Legacy*, to the University of Maine Alumni Association, which will benefit from sales of the book to help promote the university and its various endeavors.

For readers of the book who become inspired to purchase original Hartgen paintings and drawings, we note that these are available through art auctions and Internet websites from time to time, and we encourage purchasers to watch for auction postings of his work. One very nice painting came up in May and a small sketch was auctioned back in March. Both elicited spirited bidding.

### Hartgen's Artistic Legacy

As for Dad's placement in the ranks of artists, it is certainly too soon to know how his artistic reputation will be finally assessed. It is after all less than a decade since his passing. For many artists, years and sometimes decades pass before their works are seen with perspective and judgment.

Vincent Hartgen was a treasured part of Maine in the second half of the last century, a Maine he painted as timeless and enduring. That Maine faculty, staff and alumni have kept his paintings in their offices and conference rooms,\* dens, and particularly in their homes is testament to their devotion to the University which he and Mom loved so much. That, to David and me, is a legacy we treasure. 

**\*Note:** Buchanan Alumni House is proud to have several Hartgen paintings on permanent display thanks to the generosity of alumni.

*Stephen Hartgen, Ph.D., is a retired newspaper publisher in Idaho who now serves in the Idaho House of Representatives. This article is adapted from his remarks to the June 15, 2010, meeting of the Mid-Coast University of Maine Alumni Association at the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club. Copies of Stephen and David Hartgen's book, Vincent Andrew Hartgen: His Art and Legacy, are available for \$29.95 from the University of Maine Alumni Association office, Buchanan Alumni House, One Alumni Place, Orono, ME 04469.*



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## Emily Cain '02: Woman of the House

As the youngest woman ever to rise to House Minority Leader in Maine, this young alumna proves the power of positive thinking.

By Jim Frick

**N**ovember 18, 2010, was a date that Emily Cain '02 had circled on her calendar. It was the day the three-term Democratic legislator from Orono hoped to become, at the tender age of 30, Speaker of the Maine House.

But those hopes were dashed on November 2 as Republicans were voted into majorities in both the Maine House and Senate.

It says a good deal about Cain's character and personality that she allowed little time for negative thinking about her party's loss of power or her own thwarted goals. In typical fashion, she put her focus on making the very most out of the reality at hand.

And after all, being elected House Minority Leader, the youngest woman ever to hold that position, is quite an achievement.

"If you had ever told me when I graduated from the University of Maine that, at age 30, I would be the Democratic leader of the Maine House and a former chair of the Appropriations Committee, I would have said, 'Sure, that's a nice dream,'" Cain says. "In fact, I never would have dreamed that I'd be doing all the things I'm doing now. It's better than anything I could have imagined."

### Keep moving forward

Her positive attitude was fully evident at the State House one early December day. A small group of visitors seemed very gloomy about the Democrats' status as they greeted her outside the new minority leader's office.

But Cain refused to commiserate and immediately set a different tone.

"No, no, we're going to be okay," she told them. "We're going to keep moving forward."





Indeed, Cain strongly believes that she and her Democratic colleagues can work with the majority party and have a positive influence on what happens in the state during these difficult times.

After all, she notes, the new Republican leaders are the very same people she worked with successfully in the past.

"When I ran for the leadership position I told my caucus, that, as the minority, we will not be the party of 'no,'" Cain explains. "We will be a party which says 'well maybe not exactly that, but what about this?' And we will explain why. I want to have acceptable alternatives to any proposals we don't like."

The new Minority Leader's philosophy is simple and clear: "Quality leadership is flexible whenever it's appropriate and stands fast on principles."

Indeed, in her three terms in the legislature, Cain has earned a great deal of respect for her bi-partisan approach. She's very proud of that bi-partisan work, particularly in her last position as chair of the Appropriations Committee. In that role she is

credited with creating a working environment that made it possible for both Democrats and Republicans to reach a unanimous agreement on cutting hundreds of millions of dollars from the state budget.

"Emily was a wonderful appropriations chair," notes the current Speaker of the House, Republican Robert Nutting, who served with Cain on that important committee. "She was very fair and respectful—equally respectful of members of both parties."

Nutting says that he fully expects to continue a very productive working relationship with Cain as the new Minority Leader.

"I'm delighted to have her in the leadership position," he says. "Emily and I are both committed to doing what is in the best interest of Maine, especially as we face a major budget shortfall. There will certainly be times when we'll disagree, but at the end of the day we'll still be friends."

### Solid UMaine foundation for success

Cain credits much of her success in the legislature to her time at the University of Maine.

"There were really three experiences that gave me the skill set and confidence to take on this leadership role," she explains. "They were the University Singers, the Honors College, and serving as a resident assistant (RA)."

Being in the University Singers, she says, taught her about "being part of an ensemble and the importance of group dynamics with an organized purpose."

As the Singers president and assistant conductor under music professor Dennis Cox, she helped bring together people with very different personalities and talents to focus on a single outcome.

"And the only successful way of doing that is by respecting and honoring each person's individual talent," she adds.

Cain praises Cox as an important mentor during her days as a music education major. Cox, in turn, says he knew right away that Cain was a very special kind of student.

"It was immediately apparent when she auditioned for Singers that she was not

only a talented vocalist, but also a natural leader," Cox says. "She had excellent social skills and, in all things, she gave 100 percent to the organization. I knew that this bright young woman was going places, and clearly, that's been the case!"

As a four-year Honors College student, Cain learned that you do better and learn more when you are sitting around the table with people from different backgrounds and with different points of view.

"Every Honors College course I took involved students with a wide mixture of interests," she explains. "There were music majors, biology majors, history majors, English majors, and engineers all sitting around the table discussing the same book. I learned how powerful that can be—working with and learning from people with different perspectives. And you know it isn't that much different from sitting on a legislative committee with 13 people, all from different parts of the state and with different professional backgrounds."

And serving as an RA, Cain says she learned how to "really" listen.

"I had to do community building, deal with drug problems, family problems—just about everything," she says. "And I learned you have to connect with people from where they are at—not from where they need to get to. That skill has benefited me tremendously here in the legislature, especially in leading the bipartisan budget process last year."

### Learning leadership by committee

As an undergraduate, Cain also had the opportunity to gain real life experience as a student member of several important committees.

"I had tremendous opportunities to get involved with the university as a student," she notes. "UMaine president Peter Hoff put me on the student advisory committee—developing and advocating for university priorities. We were the first committee to begin looking at possibilities for a new recreation/fitness center." (Which she now utilizes three days a week at 5:30 in the morning.)



Emily Cain '02 was presented with the prestigious *Spirit of Maine Award* during 2010 Homecoming. Emily is pictured with husband, Daniel B. Williams '91, '94G, a planned giving officer with the University of Maine Foundation. Emily and Danny, who share vocal talents as well as devotion to their alma mater, met through the University Singers.



In addition, Honors College dean, Charlie Slavin, appointed Cain to the Colvin Hall (home of the Honors College) building committee during her very first semester at UMaine. As a part-time staff member at the Honors College, she's been able to see that project through to completion.

The result of her committee service at the university was a developing passion for higher education administration—a passion that led her to a master's program at Harvard, and to her current pursuit of a Ph.D. at UMaine.

"I feel like I have so much ownership in the University of Maine," she says.

Ironically, Cain had no intention of attending UMaine as a high school student.

"Frankly, I came because of financial considerations," she says. "In that regard, I think I'm like a lot of people who come to the university—because it's affordable."

She originally planned on transferring from UMaine after her initial year. But a funny thing happened in that first semester.

"I loved it!" she says. "By the end of that first year I was giving heart-felt admission talks about why students should come here!"

### Strong UMaine advocate

A decade later, Cain continues to advocate strongly for the university — now in the all important halls and chambers of the State House. And, she believes, the importance of the university to the state is becoming more widely understood and appreciated.

"Yes, it's heading in the right direction," she says. "My first term, I had weekly conversations about the benefits of research and development in the State House. Now, I spend much less time talking about why it's important and more time talking about what the potential for R&D really is—how far we can take it."

For her achievements in the legislature and for her work on behalf of her alma mater, Cain was awarded the alumni association's prestigious *Spirit of Maine Award* at a ceremony during Homecoming. The honor is given to a UMaine graduate who, within the first 15 years of graduation, has

demonstrated dedication, initiative, and innovation in his or her field.

Cain says finding out about the award left her speechless.

"To be honored for things that I just feel lucky to be able to do, by the institution that gave me the skills and experience to do it—well that was pretty amazing," she says.

Cain would like to see more people from her generation giving back to their alma mater. Her own sense of giving back came from experiencing how the generosity of donors like Len '50 and Renee Minsky '44H, Russ '46, '47G and Barbara Higgins Bodwell '45, Bill and Betsey Pullen Leitch '55, and the Class of 1944, meant to her own UMaine experience.

"Because of that, I now give back to the university financially and in service," she says. "I know how far every dollar can go in helping students and programs. And I hope more people from my generation take some time to reflect on their UMaine experience and on how much the gifts of alumni and friends benefited them. Those gifts make the special opportunities possible—opportunities that can help define the rest of your life."

### Where the road leads

And just how will the rest of Emily Cain's already impressive life be defined?

She'll be "termed out" of her house seat in 2012, but is considering running for what will be an open state senate seat in her region. Beyond that, her political ambitions are uncertain.

"I'd welcome an opportunity to run for higher office, but you can't plan your life around that," she explains. "There is really no plan in politics. Political office is really an opportunity you take if things all come together. It's a lot of luck and timing."

What Cain is sure about is completing her UMaine Ph.D. in higher education administration. That's her number one priority for the future. She sees it as an important step toward her ultimate career goal—becoming a college or university president.

Hmm, President Emily Cain—has a nice ring to it, don't you think? 🐾



### UMaine Alumni who are serving in the Maine House and Senate

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 Jane Stinchfield Knapp '71G  
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 Howard E. McFadden '89G  
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 James W. Parker '70  
 Kerri Longval Prescott '85  
 David E. Richardson '71, '90G  
 Peter B. Rioux '82  
 \*Richard W. Rosen '77  
 \*Thomas B. Saviello '74G, '78 Ph.D.  
 Roger L. Sherman '67 LLB  
 Sara R. Stevens '96, '99G  
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## Pamela Ann Murphy White '71 Becomes Ambassador

Pamela Ann Murphy White '71 was sworn in as ambassador to the republic of The Gambia in November by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. She is the first UMaine alumna to be appointed to an ambassadorship.

White's career in public service spans more than 35 years. It began soon after earning her journalism degree at UMaine, when she served two years as a Peace Corps worker in Cameroon. She later joined the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) where she's led programs improving the health, education, and economic well-being of people around the world, and particularly in African nations.

Her career at USAID began as a community liaison officer in Burkina Faso. She later worked in Senegal and Haiti, and from 1989 to 1998 she was the executive officer in Haitian, Egyptian, and South African missions. As deputy director for East Africa, White worked in Washington, D.C., on efforts that brought relief to numerous nations.

Later, while serving as USAID's mission director in Mali, she was recognized for her leadership role in reducing maternal and infant mortality and improving the lives of Malian citizens. She oversaw a project that brought clean water and improved sanitation to thousands of residents. During her tenure in Mali, vaccination rates for young children more than doubled, the number of girls in primary education tripled, and the number of elected women leaders rose 200 percent. For her extraordinary work, she was awarded the Knight of the National Order of Merit, the second American to ever receive the award (the other was President Jimmy Carter).

She was appointed USAID's mission director for Tanzania in 2005 and for Liberia in 2008. The *Lewiston Sun Journal* quoted a Liberian daily newspaper's editorial which praised her years of service in Liberia, especially her work with the country's educational system.



Ambassador White takes up her new post in West Africa with enthusiasm.

"Miss White, during her time in Liberia, was the personification of her country's aid for international development. There was a time when American aid workers were referred to as 'The Ugly American.' Pamela came and took the ugliness away from the American faces." Further, the editorial suggested, "we ought to name a training institute or library after Pamela White."

For all of her outstanding service, White received the alumni association's *Bernard Lown '42 Alumni Humanitarian Award* in 2007. In January 2010 she received the Foreign Service rank of Career Minister. 🐾

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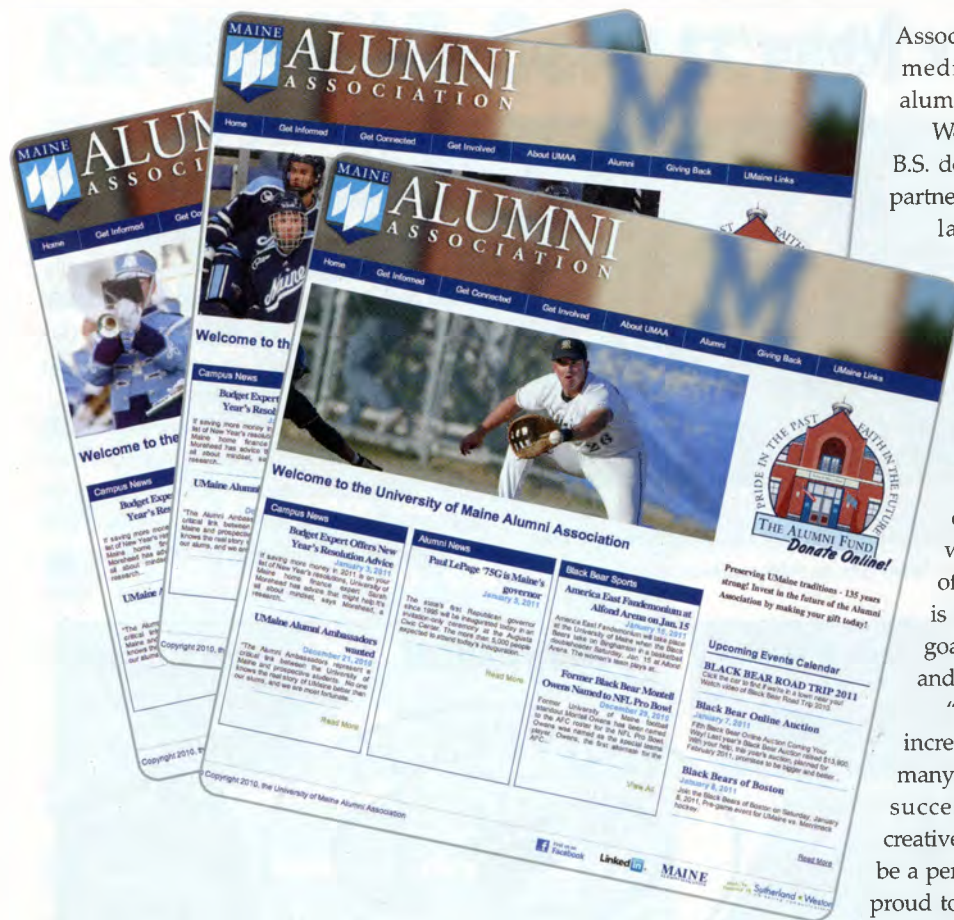
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## Alumni Association Launches New Website

**T**he new UMaine Alumni site, [www.umainealumni.com](http://www.umainealumni.com), now offers visitors a portal into "all things UMaine." Want to find out what's going on around campus? Want to see what alumni newsmakers are up to? Looking for Black Bear sports scores? You'll find all this and more through the new site in an easy-to-use, more accessible and inviting format.

"We are truly grateful to Cary Weston and the marketing firm of Sutherland Weston Marketing Communications for their talent and generosity in making the new site possible," said Todd Saucier '93, '97G, president and executive director of the Alumni Association. "They have developed an excellent communications tool for UMaine Alumni to use to get connected, stay informed, become involved, and stay involved with their Association, their classmates and UMaine. We now have tremendous flexibility and speed with which to deliver vital information about scheduled events in plenty of time for people to be able to attend. As we look forward, your Alumni

Association will be relying more heavily on online media to keep in close touch with our fellow alumni," Saucier emphasized.

Weston '94, who graduated from UMaine with a B.S. degree in business administration, and business partner Elizabeth Sutherland, APR, head up Sutherland Weston Marketing Communications (SWMC). The firm is a leading regional provider of marketing communications services, including web development, public relations, branding, video production, and search engine optimization.

"It's core to Sutherland Weston's mission to use its creative talents for the good of the surrounding community. With half of our company being University of Maine graduates, we clearly recognize the value and importance of the university in our region. Communication is essential for the alumni association to meet its goals of connecting with alums across the nation and the world," Weston explained.

"We saw a need for the alumni association to increase its online marketing capabilities. As with many nonprofits, budgets are tight and in order to be successful, organizations of all sizes must be creative," Weston continued. "We thought this would be a perfect way for our team to give back and we are proud to have helped the UMaine Alumni Association create a new web presence. We hope that it will foster greater communication and connections and help support an important and valuable educational and cultural asset in our community."

In addition to Weston, members of the SWMC web development team working on the UMaine alumni site include: Luke LaBree, agency creative director; Lawrence Whittemore '04, multimedia production artist; Amanda Blanchette '09, graphic designer; and Kristen Murphy Bell '04, web programmer. (For more information on SWMC, visit [www.sutherlandweston.com](http://www.sutherlandweston.com).)

### What's In It For Alumni?

There are many reasons to make [www.umainealumni.com](http://www.umainealumni.com) your portal for "all things UMaine." Here are just a few.

**The site is constantly updated.** Our Home Page features four categories of continuously changing information: Campus News, Alumni News, Black Bear Sports, and Upcoming Events. We cover the highlights and then link interested readers with online sources for more details. Spend as much or as little time as you want with individual stories.

**The site is easy to navigate.** A lot of thought and planning has gone into the design and execution of the site's navigation to make it easy for visitors to find just what they are looking for with a minimum of "clicks." Drop-down menus under each of the major category headings quickly reveal the content found in that section.



**The site links you to related sites.** A UMaine Links section brings visitors to the other major university-related sites without needing to remember URL addresses or to go through a search engine like Google.

**The site offers individual class groups and affiliated groups their own pages.** Want to find out what your local alumni group in Washington, DC or Atlanta, GA or Portland, OR has planned? Just go to their page on the site for a calendar and list of contacts. Looking for your class news? Every class also gets its own page.

**The site highlights opportunities for alumni.** Want to find a way to give back to "the college of our hearts always"? There are links to contribute to all the major organizations and campaigns, including The ALUMNI FUND. Think you might like to be an alumni mentor? There's a link for that. Want to find out what businesses are offering discounts and special deals to UMaine alumni? There's a link for that too.

### There's More Coming Your Way

The new site is a work in progress. Your Alumni Association has big plans for new features that will be introduced in coming months. These plans include a "Class Chat" feature in which alumni can upload their photos and news to share with classmates. We're working on an Alumni Business Directory, so you can find local UMaine alumni offering the products and services you want in your area. We're also seeking "nominations" of notable alumni to be recognized and featured in a new *Alumni ProFiles* section.

These are just a few of the improvements and additions we have planned to continuously upgrade the site and its functionality. We are also looking for your feedback. What features would you like to see on the site? You can send your comments and suggestions to: [susan.mullaney@umit.maine.edu](mailto:susan.mullaney@umit.maine.edu). We look forward to hearing from you. Enjoy your browsing! 🐾



The Sutherland Weston Green Team: (standing) Luke LaBree and Cary Weston '94; (sitting) Ric Tyler '87, Elizabeth Sutherland, Kristen Murphy Bell '04, Pauline Higgins, Jillian Piehler, Lawrence Whittemore '04, and Amanda Blanchette '09.

## How To Make Us Your Home Page

Both PC and MAC computers allow users to set up their browsers to go straight to [www.umainealumni.org](http://www.umainealumni.org) when they log on to the Internet. This lets you check out what's happening in Orono whenever you go online. (Of course, you can also "bookmark" the site for faster access, if you prefer.) To set the new site as your Home Page, here's all you have to do.

### If you have a PC running Windows:

1. Click on the "My Computer" icon.
2. Select "Control Panel"
3. From the drop-down icons that appear, click on "Internet Options" which will bring up the "Internet Properties" screen. Make sure you select the "General" tab, if it is not already pre-selected for you.
4. In the dialogue box entitled "Home Page," type in [www.umainealumni.org](http://www.umainealumni.org). Then select OK at the bottom of the screen to save your setup.
5. Now when you open your browser, the UMaine alumni site will be your Home Page.

### If you have a MAC:

You set your Home Page in your browser software.

Safari (represented by the compass icon at the bottom of your screen) is the built-in MAC browser. To change your Home Page to [www.umainealumni.org](http://www.umainealumni.org), go to "Safari" and click on the "Preferences" drop-down. Type in <http://www.umainealumni.org> in the box labeled "Home Page."

If you choose to use another browser, such as Mozilla Firefox, go to their "Help" feature and follow the instructions for setting up your Home Page.

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# Alumni News and Activities



Dean Dana Humphrey inducts Woody Beach '51 (left) into the Francis Crowe Society.

## Francis Crowe Society Member Woody Beach

Elwood "Woody" Beach was inducted as a distinguished member of the Francis Crowe Society during a ceremony at Homecoming 2010 in October. Beach, a general engineering major at UMaine, commented on how the breadth of his engineering education from the university helped him succeed in overcoming many diverse challenges he faced during his long career in the paper and related industries.

The purpose of the Francis Crowe Society is to recognize UMaine engineering graduates as they accomplish the formidable goal of completing their engineering degrees and to recognize others who have made considerable engineering contributions and honored the profession.

## Notice of Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the University of Maine Alumni Association will be held on Sunday, June 5, at 10 a.m. in the McIntire Room at Buchanan Alumni House on campus.

All University of Maine alumni are welcome to attend.

## CALENDAR

### Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Kennebec Valley Alumni Chapter

ROAD TRIP EVENT- Senator Inn, Augusta, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Join UMAA president, Todd Saucier '93, '97G, to see what's new on campus

### Thursday, February 17, 2011

Black Bears of Boston

Third Thursday Social Night

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### Thursday, April 14, 2011

Portland Alumnae

ROAD TRIP EVENT- at Keeley the Katerer, 178 Warren Ave., Portland  
12:00 noon

### Tuesday, April 19, 2011

Kennebec Valley Alumni Chapter

Lunch and meeting at Granite Hill Estates

### Tuesday, May 17, 2011

Kennebec Valley Alumni Chapter

Annual Meeting and dinner 5:30 p.m. Time and location to be announced

### June 3 & 4, 2011

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University of Maine campus

Classes of '36, '41, '46, '51, '56, '61,  
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There are 21 Road Trip events. Go to [www.umainealumni.org](http://www.umainealumni.org) for more information or call Cassie at: 207-581-1146.



## Traditions Garden Dedicated at Homecoming 2010

Back in 2006, Al McNeilly '44 was asked to speak to the incoming UMaine Class of 2010 about the traditions of campus life when he was a student. He took advantage of the opportunity to challenge the young UMaine students to get connected as a class and give back to the university.

Al knows a thing or two about giving back to his alma mater. He is a generous member of the legendary Class of 1944—a group which has given more than \$8 million in cash gifts and over \$3 million in planned giving to the university.

"I told the Class of 2010 that there were a heck of a lot more of them than there were of us, and that they should be able to do even more for their alma mater," Al remembers. "And I told them the Class of '44 would be right there to help them out."

Al's words and spirit inspired Class of 2010 members. They organized and spearheaded efforts to establish a Traditions Trail on campus. That plan was later modified to establishing a traditions garden at Buchanan Alumni House.

The garden was dedicated at Homecoming in October. It highlights Black Bear traditions such as the Maine Hello and the "Stein Song," and will provide an inviting spot for alumni to visit and reminisce.

Just prior to the ribbon-cutting, the alumni association announced the establishment of the Alvin S. McNeilly '44 Cornerstone Society. The Society will be for all those who make an outright or planned gift of \$10,000 or more.



Al McNeilly '44 with Class of 2010 leader Ashley Robinson at the dedication of the Traditions Garden last October.



### Arctic Wonders

UMaine alumnus Gary VanWart '57 (second from left) and his wife, Hatsy (far left), were among those joining UMaine Climate Change Institute director Paul Mayewski (holding banner) for a cruise to Greenland last summer.



# Black Bear Alumni Return for Homecoming 2010

In spite of the damp weather in Orono, thousands of Black Bear alumni and friends returned to campus for UMaine football, tailgates, reunions, post-game alumni parties, and Maine's largest craft fair.



Chi Omega alums get together at the football tailgate. Front row, left to right: Abbe Smith '10, Celeste Clarke '09, and Megan Barret '09. Back row: Lindsey Macdonald '09, Cortney Marsh '10, Rebecca Davison '10, Alayna Farley '09, and Karen Defilippo '09.



University of Maine Homecoming Queen Kate McLaughlin '11 joined her father, James McLaughlin '80, at the post-game alumni reception at Buchanan Alumni House.



Enjoying the Senior Alumni luncheon are (left to right): Earle Hannigan '63, alumni association board member Calista Wilberg-Hannigan '89G, Senior Alumni president Dana Devoe '56, and Doug Morton '50.



Celebrating despite the drizzle are (left to right): Chad Clarke '81, Carol Clarke '82, Dele Williams, and Tammy Williams.



Congratulating Baron Hicken '63 (right) on receiving his gold "M" Club pin is "M" Club president and classmate Guy Witten '63.



Enjoying the pre-game tailgate are (left to right): Colby Malcolm, Ben Morton, Matthew Berube, Ian Rollo, Ryan Clippert, and Joe Lewicki.



Class of 1966 members Jim White '75G, '78G and Ency Whitehill '92G sold their beautiful mineral pieces at the Homecoming Craft Fair.





# Reunion 2011

*Friday, June 3 & Saturday, June 4*

*Were you aware . . .* that University of Maine alumni who have passed their 50th MAINE Reunion are automatically members of Senior Alumni? They also remain a part of their graduating class, but combined Senior Alumni are more than 7,900 members strong!

*Did you also know . . .* that Senior Alumni provide opportunities for adjacent classes to interact and socialize during Reunion and Homecoming weekends, and at a scholarship award reception introducing Senior Alumni to student scholarship recipients.



*What we do . . .* We are committed to raising annual scholarship funds for deserving non-traditional students. During FY 2009/2010 we raised over \$84,000 in scholarship funds to benefit nontraditional students and top scholars.

*Join us . . .* Saturday, June 4, 11:30 a.m. at Wells Commons, Orono, ME for our annual luncheon. For more info about what we do, or ways to get involved, please contact: **Val Mitchell (207) 581-1144** or **(800) 934-2586**.



Congrats to the Class of **1941** celebrating their 70th Reunion. Please contact **Agnes Ann Walsh '41** at (207) 885-1414 for more info.



Congrats to the Class of **1956** celebrating their 55th Reunion. Please contact **Faith Wixson Varney '56** at fvarney@maine.rr.com for more info.



Congrats to the Class of **1951** celebrating their 60th Reunion. Please contact **Woody Beach '51** at elwoodmbeach@yahoo.com for more info.



Congrats to the Class of **1966** celebrating their 45th Reunion. Please contact **Dan Hillard '66** at micmac43@myfairpoint.net. Join us Sat. 6/4 for class business meeting, lunch & auction at The Bear's Den.

**Honoring alumni celebrating reunions in the classes of 1931, 1936, 1941, 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961 & 1966**

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# Classnotes

## Senior Alumni

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As I write this, it is Maine's most colorful season. UMaine looked so beautiful when all the students arrived back this fall. Although the campus is always busy, the change from summer students to fall is an overnight miracle. Such a beehive of activity!

Last issue I wrote about **Frank Knight, Class of 1930**, who was the tree warden in Yarmouth, ME. He faithfully cared for "Herbie," the town's oldest Dutch elm. He nursed it through 14 infestations of the Dutch elm disease, but Herbie succumbed to the chainsaw last January. Frank was awarded an honorary degree from Unity College last June for his faithful care of Herbie.

How proud we all are of **Carl Osgood '43G**, originally from Ellsworth, Class of 1938. After receiving a master's from UMaine, he went on to the University of Pennsylvania for another in metallurgy. He now resides in Richmond, VA, and summers in Surry, ME.

Working for RCA, Carl headed the group of engineers who designed and built the TIORS satellite, the first satellite in orbit. His crew is credited with the design and building of 92 of the 100 weather satellites. This led to new knowledge of meteorology and a greater understanding of Earth.

We at Dirigo Pines in Orono, where I live, are so proud that the Stillwater Society is honoring **Russ '46, '47G** and **Barbara Higgins Bodwell '45** for their generous support of UMaine. They not only "dig deep" but also attend events like the girls' basketball games.

We have many here at the Inn who earned their BS and BA degrees at UMaine, plus many who received advanced degrees there, and those who taught, headed research projects, and contributed much to UMaine.

**George Carlisle '35, '86 Ph.D.** (honorary) majored in forestry and went on to be the president of Prentiss and Carlisle Company. At 98 he still goes to the office occasionally. He is an inspiration to us all at the Inn for his fabulous memory. He reads many publications and books. Finding an unfamiliar word, he jots it down, looks it up, and then comes to dinner and challenges his dinner-mates with its meaning and usage.

There are so many of you out there who are doing or have done interesting and wonderful things. I'd so love to be your press agent!

## 1937

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Greetings, classmates! Please send a card or note. I'm hoping for news for the magazine.

## 1939

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When cleaning out stuff recently, I came across Tom Brokaw's book, *The Greatest Generation*. This is an amazing book, well worth a first and then several additional readings. You will come to realize that we, and many others of our age group, came of age between the Depression and World War II. Truly, there is much to be proud of. Looking back from my nineties, it hit me with a jolt. Well worth thinking about—

During my search, I hunted for a box of interesting dance programs, but with no luck. They well represent the long gown, big band era. When I find them, they truly will be museum pieces for younger persons to enjoy.

Changing the subject to nicknames, I recently learned about the popular nickname of one of our classmates. **Merrill Bradford**

became known as "Pappy" to all after his fraternity decided to bring it about. Using Poopdeck Pappy, the father of Popeye as their example, it was a big success.

Thinking about it gives me an idea. Send in nicknames. It will be fun to find out where they came from. I will be waiting.

ELD

## 1940

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After no news in the last alumni magazine, I had a letter from **Arthur Richardson**, who lives in Norway, ME. He lives a very active life. He owns a 24-foot mobile home and spends much of his time camping. He also goes on several samborees a year. He likes fishing at Sebago Lake too.

One week after graduating as a mechanical engineer from the university, Arthur went to work at Pratt and Whitney testing airplanes. He eventually was sent to California to work on B-24s and did that at many, many air force bases all over the world during World War II. After the war, he worked for Westinghouse Electric Corporation and again serviced jet engines until he was transferred to the steam turbine division. He has led a very active life and, in his profession, has traveled all over the world.

After retiring at 62, he and his wife moved to New Bern, NC, until his wife of 53 years died. It was then that he moved back to Maine. Gorham is the ancestral home of his family, and he lived there until he moved to Norway. His address is 15 Mulberry Drive, Norway, ME.

**Margaret Steinmetz Mosher** emailed me that she had visited Maine again in the summer. Having two daughters here in Maine, it is a special trip for her. She also visited **Paul** and **Ruth Worcester Johnson** in Buxton while she was in Maine. Her sad news was that **June Phelps Dyson**, who had lived in White River Junction, died in late July. Our sympathy goes to June's family.

It was at a luncheon with University of Maine friends at The Highlands, the retirement community in Topsham, that I saw **Priscilla Thomas Perry**. This was hosted by four UMaine grads who live there. Priscilla lives at Piper Shores, a retirement community



Class of 1941 member Philip Young displayed his handiwork at the UMaine Alumni Association Craft Fair during Homecoming 2010 in October. Philip lives in Newburgh.



in Scarborough. She keeps very busy, is on the activity and library committees there, and often goes to her summer place at Panther Pond in Raymond.

The Kennebec Valley Alumni Chapter meetings continue. We meet about six times a year. Most of our meetings are right here at Granite Hill Estates and we have an annual dinner in the early summer. I keep looking for a member of 1940 but so far I am the only 1940 attendee.

I certainly thank Arthur and Margaret for getting in touch and hope some of you will write to me before our next 1940 column. It is so good to hear from classmates.

## 1941

70<sup>th</sup> Reunion

June 3-4, 2011

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A Maine Hello to all '41ers wherever you are! For the past two years most of us have been celebrating our 90<sup>th</sup> birthdays so here's hoping that this new decade is treating you well! Realizing that 1920 was a good vintage year, another resident at Piper Shores and I decided to check out our directory. Yes, there were 16 of us born in 1920, so we arranged a birthday celebration in June; it was a huge success and has started a tradition. In fact, every year all residents who turn 90 are honored with a corsage at our anniversary lobster dinner in August. It's great to be 90!

I'm including a letter which made a day in July very special—news from a classmate! **Sidney Goodrich**, Lambda Chi Alpha, wrote a note and this brief summary of his life after Maine. "I'm responding to your plea for material with my first-ever communication since graduation. My engineering degree launched me into an interesting life. Most of my working years were centered on Long Island, NY. During the '60s I worked in the L.A. area of California. Technical sales management was my field of expertise. I married a Long Island girl in 1947. This year we will celebrate 63 years of happy married life. Our two sons are college grads and live on the east coast. At age 57 I went into business for myself; then in 1987 I sold this business and retired to a golf community in Fort Myers, FL. In 2005 we moved into an apartment in the Florida Presbyterian Homes in Lakeland. The computer and reading take up my time. My email buddies include two U of Maine grads from the '50s. Over the years I have enjoyed the alumni news." Thanks for writing, Sid! Sid's address is 16 Lake



Alumni association president Todd Saucier '93, '97G (second from left) visited the Highlands in Topsham in late September to give residents an update on the university. With Todd are Highlands residents, left to right: Charlene Perkins Strang '41, Todd, Jeanne Patten Whitten '43, '64G, George Andrews '32, and Barbara Savage Thompson '42, '63G. George recently celebrated his 100th birthday!

Hunter Drive, Apt. B208, Lakeland, FL 33803.

The eighth annual fall luncheon for area U of Maine alumni was held at the Highlands in Topsham, hosted by **Charlene Perkins Strang**, Barbara Savage Thompson '42, '63G, Jeanne Patten Whitten '43, '64G, and Dan Hatch '49. They are residents at the Highlands as well as the 100-year-old George Andrews, Class of 1932, who was at the head table. In the roll call there were over 60 in attendance representing

## Glenna Johnson Smith '41 releases new collection



a warm and humorous look at the complexities, absurdities, and pleasures of life—from her childhood on the Maine coast in the 1920s and '30s to the joys and challenges of growing older in Aroostook County.

For information on how and where to purchase Glenna's book visit [book@islandportpress.com](http://book@islandportpress.com) or call 207-846-3344.

**C**lass of 1941 member Glenna Johnson Smith released a new collection of essays on November 12. *Old Maine Woman; Stories from The Coast to The County*, is a

classes from 1940-1970. The Class of 1941 was tops with five classmates present: **Joanna Evans Bardo**, **Joyce Ramsay Carter**, **Anna Verrill DeMunn**, Charlene, and yours truly. Joyce and I were the fortunate recipients of University of Maine gifts in the drawings. We have had two football games and one hockey game broadcasted here in southern Maine by mid-October. The exciting football game with New Hampshire resulted in a last minute field goal to give the victory 16-13 to Maine to return the rivalry's Brice-Cowell musket after an absence of eight years. The hockey team, ranked second in Hockey East and seventh nationally, will play in Portland on January 2, 2011. There will be about 10 hockey games broadcast nationally this season.

The Class of 1941 can be proud of assisting Breana Bennett and Aaron Lamoreau in their pursuit of higher education. Aaron, from Ellsworth, is a first-year student majoring in biochemistry, and he graduated from Mt. Desert Island High School in high academic standing. Breana, from Freedom, is a third-year Honors student majoring in biochemistry; this is her third year to receive our scholarship due to her high academic standing. Breana, the great-niece of the late **Frances Sawyer Alford**, wrote a most appreciative letter for the "generous contribution to my education here at the University of Maine." She is interested in research for a career; she has volunteered in a lab and will begin to conduct her own experiments, which will lead towards her Honors thesis.

The University of Maine Foundation held its annual meeting and luncheon on October 6, 2010. Dr. Mary Rumpho-Kennedy, professor of biochemistry and wife of our president, Dr. Robert Kennedy, was the featured speaker. Her speech about the research on photosynthetic sea slugs and the studies done on the spread of invasive plants in Maine made one realize the great accomplishments of her students: undergraduates, graduates, and post-doctoral associates. Two students spoke about why they chose Maine and their valuable research experiments. I'm also looking forward to a program in November in Freeport presented by three internationally recognized University of Maine scientists; Dr. Mary Rumpho-Kennedy is one.

The alumni van will be traveling down the east coast to Florida this spring. Watch for it in your area! Our 70<sup>th</sup> Reunion will be this June! How many of us will make it? As pictured in the summer 2010 *MAINE Alumni Magazine* **Martha Hutchins Schelling** of Florida attended reunion activities in June 2010; I guess that's a challenge!



## 1942

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There's not much news to report for the Class of '42. Barbara Wyman sent a note to inform us of the death of her husband, **Walter Wyman**. Like many classmates, Walter graduated after his college experience was interrupted by military service. After his discharge as Alaska Division Chaplain of the Air Transport Command, he earned his degree in sociology. He later served as pastor in United Church of Christ churches in Massachusetts, New York, and Maine until his retirement in 1984.

## 1943

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Best wishes for a good winter and a prosperous 2011. I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. At present, I have no news of classmates. Please send me some news so I can report on the Class of '43.

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by supporting The ALUMNI FUND.**

## 1944

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The highlight of our class news will be to touch on the Class of '44 summer get-together that was held on July 21 at the home of **Anita (H) and Charles Stickney** in Yarmouth, ME. Though **Joe** and I were unable to attend, as we were at our summer place in Perry with our family, we have heard nothing but kudos and compliments and what a great day it was for all in attendance. **Al Ehrenfried**, our president, has shared his notes from the Reunion with us, but plans to send out his own report to classmates.

We can tell you the classmates that attended that day but will pretty much leave the coverage of the event to Al. In attendance from the class: **Don Bail, Bob Beverage** '50G, **Russ** '47G and **Barbara Higgins Bodwell** '45 (H), **Pat Cummings** '89 (H), **Al Ehrenfried**, **Pete Farnum**, **Jim Frick** (H), **Dick Inness**, **Eva Woodbery Lekachman**, **Al McNeilly**, **Norm Putnam**, **Midi Wooster Roberts**, and **Charlie and Anita Stickney**. As Al pointed out in his letter to us, the Class of '44 may be the only class that is growing while others are declining because we have invited people close to our class to become honorary members. Among this group, at the Reunion, were newly designated members: **EdieAnne Young Hutchinson** '48, **Jo Blake Bail** '42, **Edith Farnum**, and **Doug Marchio**.

Read more about the summer fling from Al! Our last column was written in March so we did not know at that time of the unexpected death of our dear friend and classmate, **Al "Firp" Hutchinson**, who died on Easter Sunday 2010. After attending Governor Dummer Academy as a postgraduate, he became a proud member of the Class of '44. Al played fullback on the football team and was president of our class for

three years. He was a Senior Skull. Al married **EdieAnne Young** '48 of West Newton, MA, and is survived by **Edie**, two daughters and two sons, 10 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild, named **Alfred**. We will miss you, Al.

I had a nice note from **Mary Billings Orsenigo**, whose husband died in June 2009. Mary has sons and daughters-in-law as well as grandchildren who live nearby and are attentive to her. She planned a trip to Deer Isle last summer— "one last visit to the island I have always loved."

Though we missed the summer reunion, **Joe** and I did attend the band concert at Merrill Auditorium in April. The stage was shared by the UMaine Symphonic Band and the Mt. Ararat High School Wind Ensemble—a very excellent performance. We had a nice chat with **Russ** and **Barbara Higgins Bodwell**, who were there with their daughter, **Joanne Bodwell Ferreira** '73.

Our very best to all of you. Keep those cards and letters coming.

## 1945

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Hello, everyone! Christmas has come and gone! What a delightful surprise to find the picture from our 65th Class Reunion in the summer *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. But no names to go with the pictures and I'm so sorry. So I'm getting it at the end of this news column. I doubt you could identify us, as *tempus fugit*—time has taken a toll on us. We used to have smooth skin and colored hair—mostly some shade of brown with everything from a light blond to black! However, under the wrinkled skin and gray to white hair



Class of 1944 members enjoyed their annual summer celebration at the home of classmate **Charlie Stickney** in Yarmouth in July.



are the same friends from the good old days! Each one of us will be named at the end of this column. I hope this will be a help.

We had 15 of our classmates return for our Reunion—many with a family member or close friend. It's always great to see one another again. This year it was condensed into 10 hours! We met at noon at Wells Commons for our class luncheon. Unfortunately, our tables were separated, but president **Jim Donovan** had requested a separate room for our class meeting afterwards. The photographer popped in, taking our picture right away, and then the meeting started.

The artist who had designed our memorial on campus had alerted Jim to the need for some important repair. President Jim suggested we use the monies left in our class account and we all agreed. One important suggestion was to make certain that this area is not to be used as a picnic area. This could lead to damage to the monument.

Next Jim said it was time to get to the new officers for the next season. He said this was the end of his tour of duty: and he said it was time now for our vice president, **Bob Chase**, to take over—and he asked **Bud Hale** if he'd take over as the vice president, and Bud agreed! Then came the time for treasurer and he asked **Pete Calott**, "Pete, how about continuing as our treasurer," and Pete's answer was positive. "If it's no more work this time then it has been, it's fine with me!" This was what Jim wanted to hear, and then he said, "**Charlie**, how about you taking care of the secretarial responsibilities—" and I said I'd be glad to—and he also reminded me to keep up my duties as class correspondent, and I agreed. And that was that! Quite a formal affair!

At 6 PM, we returned to Wells Commons for dinner, a pleasant meal so happily enjoyed with classmates! There's nothing better than being able to find a good friend of years ago! Once together you're back in the good old days and the "remember whens."

On a different note, congratulations to **Hubert Ranger**, who recently published *The Last Bugler: Experiences of a Private in the 79<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, Europe, World War II*. The book covers his experiences from basic training through combat and eventual postwar duties. To get a copy, interested readers can contact Merriam Press in Bennington, Vermont, or email ray@merriam-press.com.

I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas holidays with some of your family. We always long for a white Christmas until it becomes a travel problem. And we usually manage to get together in one way or another.

Classmates at the June 2010 Reunion, shown in the summer *MAINE Alumni Magazine* on page 28 are, front row (left to right): **Bob Krause**, **Connie Carter Lamprell**, **Carolyn Chaplin Grant**, **Barbara Higgins Bodwell**, **Doris Emery Spencer**, **John Wilbur**. Back row: **Bob Hall** '57G, **Ben Warner**, **Peter Calott**, **Bud Hale**, **George Morrill**, **Dick Sjostedt**, **Jim Donovan**, **Bud Lyford**, and **Bob Chase**.

## 1946

65<sup>th</sup> Reunion June 3-4, 2011

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Any news of the Class of '46 is included in the Senior Alumni column.

We look forward to seeing you at the Reunion in June!

## 1948

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Each September our beloved University of Maine welcomes a new freshman class to its Orono campus. I'm always reminded of the history of that time in 1944 when we began our college journey. Allied Forces were fighting bravely across central Europe in France and Belgium. The war at that time touched me very personally as my brother, Crawford W. Carter, a private in the US Infantry, was reported missing in action two weeks after my arrival at Orono. He had been captured in a skirmish near Metz in France and was reported a prisoner of war two months later. Students from all classes at Orono that year were affected by the war in many different ways. There were shortages of gas, tires, sugar, and meat. Rationing of these items was in effect. Many of our high school friends had enlisted before starting college. I give thanks for the sacrifices and service of the brave soldiers of our generation.

Thankfully, my brother returned safely after his interment as a POW and graduated from Maine in 1950.

Once more the alumni office informed me there were no news items from the Class of 1948. However, I have been fortunate enough to join classmates at two spring and summer get-togethers and to glean a little news. The first was April 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Muddy Rudder in Yarmouth. Those present were classmates **Pauline Parent Jenness** '54G, **Millie Morris Stengel**, **Aletha Meade Blackmore**, **Ruth Preble Finny**, **Marguerite Sullivan Powers**, **Barbara Sullivan Knowlton**, **Lancy Carter Bradshaw**, and **Kay Kennedy Nickless** '49. Table talk gave me a few news tidbits. **Mary Healy Leach** has moved to Kittery Estates and is enjoying it there. Her grandson's wife, Katherine, is a TV spokesperson for the Boston Bruins. Mary's sons were very involved with professional hockey careers. Marguerite Powers has a new

grandson. Daniel Powers was born in Kuwait. He was welcomed by a brother, Alex (6), and his proud family. Sulli's son, Robert, teaches in the American School of Kuwait.

At our summer luncheon at Granite Hills in Augusta on July 13<sup>th</sup> we had a good attendance from our '48ers and several from other classes. We enjoyed an excellent luncheon arranged by Millie Morris Stengel with the Granite Hills chef. It was fun visiting with **Robert Buck** and wife, Janet Malcolm Buck '57, **EdieAnn Young Hutchinson** '44H, **Barbara Sullivan Knowlton**, **Al** and **Mary Marble Burgess** '46, **Aletha Meade Blackmore**, **Marguerite Sullivan Powers**, **Will Moulton** '45, **Millie Morris Stengel**, and yours truly. Guests included **Cynthia Bean**, **Gladys Clark McLeary** '43, **Ginny Pease Dogherty** '40, **Richard** '49 and **Betty Jane Durgin Banton** '47, **Margaret Stratton Greenhalgh** '75G, **Kay Kennedy Nickless** '49, and **Will Moulton's** sister, **Leah Moulton Nelson** '50. Over our coffee I learned a few interesting things about the comings and goings of this group. In the awesome department I learned that **Mary** and **Al Burgess**, our inveterate travelers from Oklahoma, were in Utah in April and hiked to the rim of Zion. Now that deserves a wowza!

**Cynthia Bean** spends the winters in Tucson, AZ. Lucky! **Robert** and **Jan Malcolm Buck** had a temperature potpourri during this past winter—they found it freezing in Florida, headed to Barbados for a warm-up, headed back to Florida for another freeze-up, so came to Portland for a record 66 degrees in March. My last item is to tell you how saddened we are to lose **Al Hutchinson** '44 on April 4. Al always came with **EdieAnn** to our '48ers gatherings. He was a wonderful Maine man and will be missed by so many.

## 1949

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Happy winter, Class of '49!

A February 23, 2010, clipping from the *Bangor Daily News* reports that Gov. John E. Baldacci '86 announced the nominations of several people to the University of Maine System board of trustees. **Paul Mitchell**, a current board member, was nominated for reappointment. He has already served one term, so by now he is well into his second term. Congratulations, Paul.

On April 1, 2010, several '49ers represented our class at the Portland Alumnae potluck luncheon. The group included **Verna Wallace Andrews**, **Joan Wakefield Moore**, **Barbara Thompson York**, myself, and **Pauly Parent Jenness** '48 '54G.

In mid-April a letter from **Evelyn Ellsworth Dearborn** '86G contained a novel idea. Here is the beginning of her letter—"Sometime ago, **Priscilla Thomas Rines** called and we talked at



length. She was hoping people would write to you about living in fraternity houses at UMaine when we were freshmen because it was quite unique! We learned a lot fast. In many ways it was good for us as freshmen girls to be all together. Certainly we made lifelong friends. Some of us were quite naive and I think it was helpful to have friends or roommates in the same situations so we could learn together. Now we realize that we were under fairly strict rules but at the time it was great just to leave our homework and go down to the Spruces mid-evening, but it wasn't good for our waistlines! Most of us learned very soon that a good education was a great asset and a lot of work. Our housemates widened our vision and our horizons. When **Lois Nicholson Healey** sang 'Ave Maria,' I thought it was the most beautiful thing I had ever heard. So many things were special. I am glad so many of us have kept in touch through the years. And we miss those who have left us." Evelyn's thoughtful letter illustrates how special those days were. I will have some memories to share and hope that other '49 fraternity freshmen will also. Please start remembering....

When visiting **Libby Tufts Goodrich** recently, I got to see a very interesting 100-year-old book entitled *Maine University Songs* printed by Dirigo Press.

Still in fine condition, it contained over 100 songs including the "Maine Stein Song" with the original arrangement by W. A. Sprague. The words were written by Lincoln Colcord '05. We discussed the original and compared the two arrangements.

**Fred Haggett**, in proper blue and white bike helmet, was seen pushing his scooter with a seat up the last part of his driveway, and laying it down as we always did bikes before they came equipped with stands. He was no doubt on a quest for his daily paper. Fred is now 88.

It was sad to learn of the death of **Merrill Evan Cobb** '53G on June 18, 2010, in Smyrna Beach, FL. He was born in Lincoln and served in the US Navy during WW II as a Radioman 2<sup>nd</sup> Class. He then earned his bachelor's degree at UMaine and a doctorate in education from the University of Massachusetts. Merrill had a distinguished career in education. He served as a superintendent of schools in Littleton, MA, for 35 years. He then served as professor of education at UMaine. We extend our sincere condolences to his wife, Wilma, and family.

We also sadly note the death of **Caroline Strong** '50 on August 5, 2010. Caroline was not a member of our class but was a good friend of all '49ers. We honor her for her top-level achievements in athletics and for the humanitarian impact of her work with young people around the world. We send our condolences to her family.

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Class of 1949 member **Ronald Striar, MD** (center) received the **University of Vermont Medical Alumni Association's Service to Medicine and Community Award** last June. The award recognizes alumni who have performed outstanding community service.

## 1950

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The last column, written before our 61st Reunion, contained an overview of what we anticipated would happen in early June. We did have a wonderful time of it despite rain on Saturday afternoon and were so pleased that some 40 classmates (plus spouses) were in attendance including **Bill '49** and **Polly Clement Barron** who live in Hampden, **Dave Hale** from 149 Eastside Drive #261, Concord, NH, **Gerald** and **Mary Davis MacLean**, **Pat Ward Kilpatrick** '81G, **Maitland Richardson**, and **Elizabeth Brown Calkins** '57G who hails from Orono and was elected treasurer of the Senior Alumni. We were delighted to see **Imanuel** and **Betty Friedler Wexler** from Storrs, CT, and **Marland Tripp** from Cape Elizabeth. **Sue Dartnell Hodge** and **Ellie Hansen Brockway** were roomies at the University Inn and many others of our crew stayed there also. The classmate who came the furthest distance was **Boyd Fuller** from Waseca, MN. **George Gonyer** won the prize for the most grandchildren—13! The award for the classmate with most alumni members in the family went to **Martha Fogler Hobbs** from Bar Harbor with eight-plus! **Henry Saunders** was elected vice president of the class and **Doug Morton** was named to the Class of 1950 executive board. Doug and **Joyce Wilson Morton** do a great deal of volunteering for the alumni association and in the Orono area, and are great ambassadors of our class!

We were distressed that **Dick Marston** of Winter Haven, FL, and **Orland, ME**, was registered for Reunion '10 but never arrived

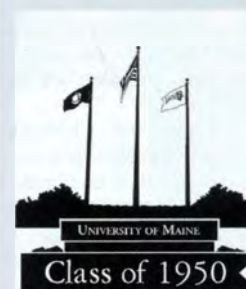
on campus. All were stunned later to find that he had been seriously injured in an automobile accident in Connecticut en route to Orono and was hospitalized in Hartford. He was making a good recovery and was scheduled to be moved to a rehabilitation facility in late summer when he died very suddenly. Our sympathy goes to **Dick's** family, including his wife, **Erika**, and his sister, **Janet Marston Bodwell** '55 and **Bill Bodwell**, who still live in Brunswick (23 Ocean Drive, Brunswick, ME).

We missed **Caroline Strong** at Reunion as well, for she was battling the ravages of cancer and was in a rehabilitation facility in the Augusta area. She died on the 5th of August. She was

an extraordinarily talented physical education teacher and worked for many years for the Department of Defense, teaching youngsters in France, Germany, Spain, Japan, Turkey, and England—with side trips to skiing venues throughout Europe. When she returned to the US, **Caroline** worked with handicapped skiers in Maine ... always encouraging students with her very special skills and reassuring smile. Sad also to report the deaths of **Carl Hill**, who was a physical education teacher and coach in the New London, NH, area, and **Rudy Violette**, who retired in the Portland area and charmed many with his skill playing the harmonica and guitar—when he wasn't attending a Boston Red Sox game!

We were able to add \$15,000 to the Class of 1950 Scholarship Fund, which is specific to descendants of classmates who are attending the university on the Orono campus. Though

### Attention Class of '50 Members



The Class of 1950 is looking for classmates who are veterans of World War II, Korea, or Vietnam who may qualify for the Greatest Generation Award. The award is given to those who served with

distinction and valor in combat while in the military during these wars, and is presented at a special service at Reunion weekend.

If you know of any members of the Class of 1950 who may qualify for this award, please contact **Alton M. Hopkins** 603-889-8766, **Richard Fairfield** 401-246-1065, or **Henry Saunders** 941-966-1118.



the addition of alumni donations to the fund could not impact this year's award, the 2011-2012 scholarship awards will reflect that funding increase. We are pleased to announce that five recipients of the 2010-2011 scholarships each received a total of \$762: Benjamin Bartlett, grandson of **Sanford Bartlett, Jr.**; Jacquelyn Borlawsky, granddaughter of **Richard Adams**; Robert Hood, grandson of **Clyde Grant**; Nathaniel Jacobs, grandson of the late **Dana Jacobs**; and Ellen Juskewitch, granddaughter of **J. Walter Allen**. Just a quick reminder that it is the individual's responsibility to make his/her relationship to the Class of 1950 known to the Office of Financial Assistance at the time of the scholarship application.

**Dick Kelson** from Bridgton recently was selected to join other veterans of WWII on an Honor Flight to Washington, DC, so that they could visit and experience their memorial(s). The Honor Flight honors veterans from Korea and Vietnam as well and takes them to many stops in the DC area, from the Air and Space Museum to Iwo Jima and Air Force memorials, and so much more. Dick, who is retired from Central Maine Power Company, had a magnificent time of it with his daughter Susan. He was especially moved when the group was issued specially designed T-shirts that noted, "We Can All Be Heroes" on the front ... and on the back of the shirt, "If you can read this in English, thank a Veteran" and more! Dick was in the Navy and saw action in the Pacific Theater of Operations. Proud of you, Dick!

Don't forget that we will continue holding our mini-reunions on the Orono campus come June 3 and 4. We have secured a block of 10 rooms at the University Inn, 5 College Avenue in Orono, overlooking the beautiful Stillwater River. If you are interested in joining us (we are planning our annual Memorial Service—we hope at the Class of 1950 Flag Plaza!) make a reservation by calling Tracey at 207-866-4550, and please plan to join us in Orono. We are proud of the fact that we are loyal members of the Class of 1950 as well as Senior Alumni of the University. Write soon ... Ruthie

## 1951

### 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion June 3-4, 2011

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The Class of '51 met for its annual summer lunch at the home of **Milton** and Joan Vachon **Victor** '52 in Saco on August 4. Twenty-four members and spouses attended as well as four representatives from Orono. Nelson Carson of the Class of 2011 presented plans that his class is working on to build an outdoor amphitheater



Members of the Class of 1950 gathered with alumni association and UMaine Foundation staff members at Warren's Lobster House in Kittery on October 4 to discuss plans for their 2011 Reunion. The class also made a generous donation to the alumni association's Fourth of July Society.

on campus that would provide a venue for concerts, plays, and lectures. The students have reached the fundraising stage. We act as alumni sponsors of this project.

Plans were made for our 60th Reunion on June 3-4, 2011. We will have a pre-reunion event June 1-2 at Kimball Terrace Inn in Northeast Harbor on Mt. Desert. The inn is on the shore with opportunities for recreation and sightseeing. **Claire Shirley** is in charge of arrangements. Send in your reservation promptly as the block of rooms will be held for us until February. **Jack Ryder**, who traveled from Virginia to attend the lunch, is class agent.

**Jim Vanites** and his wife, Nancy Packard Vanites, have moved to 102 Evans Street, South Portland, and are happy to be near all the greater Portland cultural activities. They met while in the Community Chorus of Biddeford-Saco and continue to enjoy singing. Nancy, a Westbrook College alumna, is the sister of Albert Packard '59.

In 2009, **Dick** and Connie Lincoln **Sweetser** '52 and their daughter, Cathy, joined a Maine Audubon group for a trip to Hudson Bay to view the polar bears. The huge bears in their habitat were very curious about "Tundra Buggies." In May 2010 Sweetser's Apple Orchard LLC was awarded First Place for the 2010 Maine Small Family Business Award by the Institute for Family Owned Business. It was a great honor for Dick, Connie, and their son Greg, along with Eben Sweetser, the sixth generation on the farm and a sophomore at Orono.

**Mary Hastings Dumas** and husband, Bruce Folsom '49, in March 2010 flew to Santiago, Chile, and then boarded a Norwegian ship for a cruise through the Chilean fjords to Tierra del Fuego. They concluded their cruise with a stay in Buenos Aires for six weeks.

Congratulations to **Bryce Bayer**, who received the Progress Award from the Royal

Photographic Society in London. A retired Kodak research scientist, Bryce invented a color filter array that enabled digital imaging sensors to capture color. The color filter that bears his name (the Bayer Filter) is incorporated in nearly every digital camera and camera phone on the market today. Bryce and his wife, Joan, live in Brunswick.

Congratulations also to **Elwood "Woody" Beach**, our class president, who was inducted into the Francis Crowe Society at a reception at Buchanan Alumni House following the Homecoming football game in October 2010.

**Dr. William Mouradian** has retired from his dental practice in Bangor.

Retired teacher **Mary Franklin** of Ellsworth celebrated her 100th birthday on April 14, 2010. Mary taught for 34 years in Winsted, CT. Ralph Nader was one of her pupils. She moved back to Ellsworth and taught for seven more years. She still lives at home and attributes her longevity to peanut butter.

**John I. Moore** passed away on June 9, 2010, in Green Valley, AZ. He was also a graduate of Harvard Business School. Following service in the Army, John and his wife, Nancy Knowles Moore '52, settled in Exeter, NH, where he founded Moore Insurance Agency. Upon retirement they bought a summer home on Lower Suncook Lake and spent their winters in Arizona.

**Harold E. Kilbreth, Jr.** passed away on August 15, 2010. Following service in the Marines in WW II, he received a B.S. in forestry at UMaine and later his M.S. in chemistry from UNH. He was employed with the Maine Forest Service and the Maine Park Commission. He also taught math and science in Maine and New Hampshire high schools. In 1988 he retired as training administrator at the Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant in Seabrook, NH. In retirement he and his wife, Louise, lived in Topsham, ME.



# '52ers Cruise to the "Castles on the Rhine"

For the fifth consecutive year, a group of Class of 1952 members set off for another world adventure. In September, the '52ers embarked on a nine-day Rhine River cruise to view the ancient castles lining the Rhine and the famous scenic vineyards, along with several shore excursions.

Most of us rendezvoused at Boston's Logan Airport for the flight to Basel, Switzerland, via London on British Airways. In London, we were met by UniWorld representatives and escorted to the waiting ship, *The River Ambassador*. The ship is 361 feet long and can carry 125 guests.

En route to Strasbourg on the third day, we enjoyed a full-day excursion tour along the Alsatian Wine Road that hugs the foothills of the Vosges Mountains. Charming villages, pastoral landscapes, and lush vineyards producing white wines line this winding scenic route.



That evening we all enjoyed the Captain's Welcome Dinner. Strasbourg is known as the crossroads of Europe, being located halfway between Paris and Prague. It is home to the magnificent Gothic cathedral and many beautiful half-timbered houses. A Strasbourg canal cruise was a featured excursion.

The cruise continued northward with stops at Speyer and Rüdesheim, where we stayed overnight. This gave the passengers an opportunity to visit the nightlife of Rüdesheim and to stroll about this quaint village. A featured excursion included a tour of the Castle Vollrads and a wine-tasting experience at one of the world's top wine estates for Rheingau Rieslings.

Leaving Rüdesheim we cruised along the breathtaking UNESCO World Heritage-designated middle Rhine Valley with its more than 40 castles and the famous Lorelei Rock, arriving at Koblenz where the Rhine and Moselle Rivers come together.

On day eight we arrived at Cologne, home of the city's most famous landmark—the Cologne Cathedral, which is considered one of the most important Gothic churches in Europe. It took 632 years for Germany's largest cathedral to be completed. The evening was capped with the Captain's Farewell Dinner.

We arrived early the next morning in Amsterdam, where we disembarked and transferred to the Schiphol Airport for our return trip to Boston via London. It was another fun trip with great classmates and friends.

-Bill Currie





# 1952

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Your class officers held a meeting on August 25th, which was very well attended. We held the meeting at our daughter and son-in-law's home (**Kathryn Pease Foss '79**) as our retirement home in Camden could not hold the sizeable group, plus the fact that they are on a hill in Rockport with a great view of Penobscot Bay. Unfortunately, the view was obstructed by heavy rain—a real downpour—in the middle of an otherwise glorious sunny week! We hosted 32 in all!

Everyone on the board attended and we had lots of good conversation along with our business meeting. We had four representatives from the university, two from the alumni association, and two students from the class we are mentoring. **Bill Currie** led the meeting and **Ginny Norton Beach** did her usual good job as recording secretary. The students from the Class of 2012 explained their plans for their class project, improving the area in front of the Memorial Union. It was great to see their enthusiasm.

It is always great to see our classmates and spouses and we are well into the planning stages for our Reunion in 2010. **Don Spear** regaled us with stories and reminded us of past campaigns for mayor during our time in Orono. Everyone brought food for our lunch and I am sure we parted being very well fed! We have some excellent cooks in our class!

I am sure you will be hearing from **Bill Currie** about reunion plans soon and we all look forward to that event. The dates are May 30 and 31 at Northeast Harbor and June 1 and 2 at Orono. The plans are for the class to rendezvous at the Kimball Terrace Inn at Northeast Harbor for a special cookout, and to enjoy area sights at Bar Harbor and Acadia National Park. Then we will journey to Orono for the class banquet, memorial service for departed classmates, and our class meeting. Also there will be the Senior Alumni luncheon and the all-alumni dinner.

Mary MacKinnon Nelson '54 wrote to say that, "Chuck '54 and **Beth Leighton Furlong** have three generations of family members who have attended the university. Another granddaughter who lives in Michigan enrolled in the University Honors College to study engineering this past fall. Her grandparents will enjoy visiting her and then will go on to spend time at their camp in Washington County. Their home is in York, Maine."

We just learned from our local paper of the death of classmate

**George H. Ames**. I recall talking to George and his significant other, Muriel Pinkham of Thomaston, at our last Reunion. George worked for American Can Company, retiring as comptroller of research and development. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta.

Many of the bios have been received and it is gratifying to read of the life events of our classmates (and shocking to learn of the incidence of Alzheimer's disease in so many marriages). Your return of these bios is greatly appreciated. Please take time to complete yours and send it to the alumni office!

From **Bill Currie**: "We have nine more descendants receiving financial aid for the current year. We have to put in a plug for scholarship support. Our endowment fund has not supplied any support for the last two years due to market conditions—so to support this effort we had to pull funds from our class treasury and we need to build up our fund. We appreciate your support at whatever level you can. Thanks."

# 1953

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Some 61 years ago, we were freshmen at the University of Maine. Now we're "seniors" everywhere. What's happened in between? Where are you, my fellow classmates? I know

you're out there. Please write/call/email/visit. Each year our summer gathering helps, but we need more of you to come. You're invited to come to Camden in September 2011. Details later.

Last September we had a great time at lunch on a beautiful day at The Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport. Present were: **Helen Strong Hamilton**, class president; **Charley** and **Sibyl Plumly**; **Dorothy Booth Dimitre**; **Claude** and **Ann Twombly Bonang**; **Don** and **Evelyn Waterman**; **Woody Carville '54G**; **Tom Laskey**; **Al Smith**; **Doris Ramsay Smith**; **Peggy Given White**; **Roman "Whitey"** and **Phyllis White**; **Harold "Hutch"** and **Barbara Hutchinson**; **Don** and **Doris Bohlin Cannon '54**, and **Carol Prentiss Mower**. **Ann Twombly Bonang** has a new email address: [abonang@comcast.net](mailto:abonang@comcast.net).

I called **Charley Plumly**, a Beta man from Georgia, who came to the gathering. Originally from Portland, he was in our class but left in '51 to attend the Naval Academy ("Korean War, time to serve your country," he said). He got that orange postcard and was coming this way to go to his 55th at Annapolis the weekend before; then Boston to visit his sister, **Judith Plumly Gale '51**, a Phi Mu; to our gathering on the 15th; off to Newport, Rhode Island, for a reunion of the first of seven ships, the *USS Monssen* (DD-798); and home to north Georgia. He retired from the Navy as captain in 1980, and stayed in the ship repair business until 2000. He and **Sibyl** have two children and five grandchildren who live in Atlanta.

**Charley** mentioned his Beta brother, the late **Doug Kneeland**, and North Dorm men **Ted Tocci**, **Pete Shumway**, and **Tommy Case**. Also the late **Dick Breen** and **John '52** and **Bill Harvey**. **Charley** lives at 363 Etowah Drive, Ellijay, GA 30540-0652, tel: (706) 636-5309.

I called **Ted Tocci**, a busy SAE man from Hampton Falls, NH, who with his wife, **Marietta**, spent last winter in Vero Beach, FL, followed by a three-week trip to Germany, France, and the Czech Republic with an Elbe River cruise. Right now, he's "up to his neck" in his Mac'NTocci Orchard, bringing some to the food shelters.

**Pete Shumway** and **Kay**, Moose Mountain Lodge owners in Etna, NH, decided to take off their innkeepers' hats the end of October 2010, in their 36th year, but will stay there and continue with their tree farm, "basically a cross-country ski trail through it," he said. A North Dorms man, he laughed: "An experience. Once was enough!" **Pete** mentioned **Hans Thoma** of Hardwick, MA, so I called **Hans**, a North Dorms and Phi Gamma Delta man. **Hans**, who had a small company that made automobile parts, retired 18 years ago. "I sit on my tractor and mow fields—210 acres." He and his wife, "Ginna," are parents of three and have a summer house on Martha's Vineyard.

In memory of **Frank Pickering**, a new test cell facility, the **Frank Pickering GE 38 Test Cell** (used to



Among those attending the 1953 summer gathering at the Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport on September 14 were, front row (left to right): **Helen Strong Hamilton** and **Nancy Schott Plaisted**. Second row: **Ann Twombly Bonang** and **Carol Prentiss Mower**. Third row: **Roman "Whitey" White**, **Tom Laskey**, **Woody Carville**, **Charles Plumly**, **Harold "Hutch" Hutchinson**, **Don Waterman**, and **Al Smith**.



test aircraft engines) was dedicated in July at GE Aviation in Lynn, MA. Pat Cummings '89, '44H emailed me the story from the College of Engineering newsletter. Frank, who died March 3, 2009, "worked at GE for nearly 40 years, creating systems that would be used in many types of military and commercial aircraft. He encouraged the investment of new testing facilities and was an advocate for the 'flying test bed,' which will be used to develop the GE 38 engine, the most technologically advanced engine in its class.

"Pickering was remembered for his stellar design work, attention to detail, ability to solve problems, good nature, and knack for remaining calm under fire."

"My father often advised us to 'act like a duck on the water. Be calm on the surface and paddle like crazy underneath!" said Larry Pickering '77, who serves as laboratory manager at Winchester Hospital. Diane Belanger, Frank's daughter, said, "Growing up, I remember one of my Dad's favorite sayings was, 'make it happen.'"

"Classmate Woody Carville said the dedication turned out to be something of a revelation. 'We knew Frank was a good engineer and leader. It is wonderful to learn how good!'"

Frank, we miss you.

Until next time, live your lives well.

## 1954

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A few weeks ago we had a call from **Jean Grindle Carville**, who had been on her way to her summer place at Toddy Pond, telling us of having recently met one of our classmates in Belfast, ME. Although not immediately recognizing Jean, as they talked a little, **Ron Dow** '60G remembered Jean's voice well from a class they had shared early at Orono. Jean's visit revealed a huge current hobby of Ron's, raising and propagating hosta.

We called Ron and discovered that he had been born in Perham, ME, and after completing UMaine, he returned to Aroostook and taught school. After several years he moved his residence to Easton, ME. He spent most of his career at the University of Maine at Presque Isle teaching English. During those years, Ron received further education at Boston University and earned a doctorate. He retired in 1991.

At the age of 27, Ron got into some blacksmithing and began raising Arabian horses, starting with an import from Europe. Over the years he raised 125 foals and won three national titles. In 1986 he began raising

hosta in Aroostook County. After his retirement he moved his hosta to the Belfast area and reestablished gardens there. His mother, with whom Ron had lived, passed on; and he sold and bought another place nearby. His retirement hobby resulted in Ron selling over 250 plants over the two-day weekend that Jean visited him.

Ron tells us that he has been very lucky in his life from several pleasures; he loved teaching, music—he's been a church organist and choir director for a number of years—his years with the horses, and now with his hosta hobby. He also looks back to good friends he made at Orono as roommates—Ed Lyons '55, **George Ricker** '68G, and **Everett Dalrymple**.

On a sadder note, many may recall a story from our last class column that brought all up to date on **John T. Hackett** '59G, a member of the highly successful Hackett family from the Milo (Derby), Maine area. John had served proudly in World War II, been a lifelong educator, and now has passed on in a Bangor, ME, nursing home. He is missed by a large extended family as well as his classmates.

We were pleased to hear from **Jen Bishop Fox** '79G and her husband, Dave '52, who were in Maine for the summer. They have been living in New Smyrna, FL, since 1981 and come back to their cottage in Hancock, where they stay from June through October. While here, she does a lot of kayaking and Dave is on the golf course. They both volunteer at the Ellsworth Hospital, which is very rewarding. Dave is involved in valet parking and she works in outpatient surgery. Previous to retirement, the Fox family spent their working lives in the Bangor area, Dave with his trucking company, Fox and Ginn, and she teaching middle school kids.

When in Florida, Jen plays tennis and bridge and volunteers at the local museum while Dave continues with his golf. He is also a commodity-trading advisor. Their children all live outside of Maine—daughter and family in northern California, oldest son in Florida, and youngest son and family in Seattle. There are three grandchildren. All come to Maine each summer. Jen says that for the most part they have been blessed with good health and have been married for 56 years!

There have been a number of gatherings of '54ers this summer, among them with **Lou Hilton** and his wife, Bea. They hosted the annual summer Sigma Chi gathering on Moosehead Lake on the steamship *Katahdin* in August. They enjoyed a lobster feed and the highlight was a singing of "The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" to all the ladies. Counting wives and guests, the group numbered 26. Attendees included: **Dave Cunningham**, **Jerry Smith** '55G, **Lou Hilton**, **Al Bancroft**, **John DeWilde**, **Neil McGowen**, **Al Bingham**, **Lew Clark** '56G, **Bill Johnson** '62G, **Bob Weatherbee**, **Anne Burns Lavery** (widow of Stan Lavery '55), and **Priscilla Sims** (widow of **Brian Sims**). Also attending were John Knowles '55 and Perk Gould '53. Next year's gathering is planned at the retreat of Bob Weatherbee at Little Deer Isle.

In August **Peggy Thompson Homans** '70G and Harrison '52, Roger Atwater '55, **Jeannie Leveille Hannan**, Bob Weatherbee,

**Madeline Clements** '61G, **Bud** '59G and **Val Kewley Weiland**, **Mary MacKinnon Nelson**, and Robin Ouellette met for a seafood feast at the Union River Lobster Co. in Ellsworth. The Homans reside in the summer at their cottage in Northport and in the winter at Sun City in Florida.

Again, with mixed emotions, we note that Bud and Val Kewley Weiland left their gorgeous home built on Branch Pond in Ellsworth, ME, and moved to Maryland last fall. They are near their son, Ross, his wife, Jeannie, and the two Russian children they adopted some time ago and who live in Washington, D.C. Their new address is: 3210 North Leisure World Blvd, Silver Springs, MD. Another Weiland name that should be watched is that of granddaughter Jennifer, who figured prominently this summer in the Maine women's golf circuit. She has previously attended a school of instruction under noted Hank Haney and is now attending Belmont Abbey in North Carolina, where there is a strong golf program.

Finally, Al and Jody Owen Bingham '55 continue to be extremely active, even in retirement, in the Portland, ME, community and particularly in the Woodfords Congregational Church. Al is chairman of the Real Property Committee and Jody manages the financial affairs. They live at 9 Acorn Lane in Scarborough.

## 1955

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Our 55<sup>th</sup> Reunion has ended and the summer of 2010 was so beautiful in this grand State of Maine that it is difficult to realize that you will be receiving this edition of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine* when you are probably looking at five feet of snow!

However, we do have wonderful memories of our Reunion, which began on Friday of Reunion weekend with tours of the campus. Yes, some things have changed even since our 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion, and there were various open houses in many of the buildings. Paul and I were unable to attend the Friday night banquet, but we heard that it was an exceptional evening.

Following the Senior Alumni Luncheon on Saturday was our class meeting at which our president, **Marion Bugbee Mannheim**, presided. Almost 80 people, of whom 45 were classmates plus significant others, were in attendance. The following is a list of officers elected at this meeting: President, Marion; vice president, **Paul Butler**; secretary, **Nancy Cameron DeWilde**; class correspondent, **Jan Bishop Butler**; and treasurer, **Dick Eustis**. **Mary Atkinson Johnson** is continuing on as class agent, and members of the Reunion committee are: **Janet Marston Bodwell**, **Reg Bowden**,



**Bill Mannheim, Don McAllister, Ron Sheay, Jon and Lois Pratt Pulsifer, and Sally Carroll Fernald.** Dick Eustis, our treasurer, reported that we exceeded our goal of \$55,000 for the class fund with a total of \$95,000. Thanks to all classmates who contributed and thanks to Mary Atkinson Johnson for the great work she did as class agent. The All Alumni Banquet on Saturday evening was very well attended by the Class of 1955.

A small group gathered on Sunday morning for a great and fun breakfast at Dysart's Restaurant, and then it was off to Bar Harbor where 22 people had a fun time at a lobster bake, having lunch at the Jordan Pond House, touring the island with Dick Eustis as our very knowledgeable resident guide, playing "Mexican Train" in the Bar Harbor Inn lounge, and enjoying a great dinner at the inn. I told this wonderful group that "we might be few in quantity but we had an overwhelming amount of 'quality.'" Paul and I had a great time in Bar Harbor and hope that Jon and Lois Pratt Pulsifer, Drew and **Will Reed**, Allison and **Ralph Keef**, Lorraine and **Bill Tiedemann**, Bill '56 and Mary Atkinson Johnson, Mary Ann and **Ray Gendron**, Betty and **George Palmer**, Dick Eustis, **Tom Sullivan**, Peggy '53 and **Pete Standley**, and Ivan and **Betsy Parker Enstrom** did also. Many thanks to the alumni association—Val Mitchell '09 and Chris Corro—for their unheralded help in our successful 55th Reunion in Orono.

Peggy and Peter Standley have been back to Orono for almost every reunion since our graduation. Great to see them and to learn that they are still traveling quite a bit. Peggy is very involved in making a miniature dollhouse with very authentic materials. It is a copy of the house in which Peggy grew up and is really something to see. From the pictures Peggy showed, it was enticing to see the "real" thing, but I guess we'd all have to go to Connecticut to see that.

I really enjoyed seeing Ralph Keef and meeting his wife, Allison. Allison is an Alaskan by birth. She met Ralph in Alaska where he went to work after graduation. She said that they followed the pulp and paper industry over the years in Maine, Oregon, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia; and northern New York. Ralph and Allison have been back in the Bangor area since 1994, which they enjoy.

Congratulations to Dick Eustis for receiving one of the three Eastern Area Agency on Aging George Hale Silver Frame Awards. He earned this award in the Life-Long Learner-Entrepreneur category. Please read my article on Dick in the last issue of this magazine to see how he was so worthy of this award.

We missed seeing **Joe Benedetto** over the Reunion weekend, as he had a graduation to attend. He talks with **Joe Kneeland** every few weeks. He said that Joe is in the process of trying to build a tissue mill in Jamaica, but he lives near Toronto, Canada. Joe does a lot



Alumni association president Todd Saucier '93, '97G visits with Jonathan '55 and Lois Pratt Pulsifer '55 at a Mid-Coast alumni event in Boothbay Harbor on June 15.

of running and is a member of the Tidewater Strider's Running Club in Virginia Beach, VA. He runs quite a few times a year but his favorite place for running is in his local area and along the Potomac River and the C & O Canal in Washington, DC. He and his wife are world travelers, having recently visited Rome, Italy, and Switzerland and on another trip to St. Thomas and a couple of months later they went to Egypt. He is "semi-retired" as president of TFC Recycling, Chesapeake, VA.

Recipients of The Class of 1955 Scholarships for the 2010-2011 academic year are as follows: Ryan Lindamood, grandson of **Dexter Earley**; Megan Stevenson, granddaughter of the late **Dana Stevenson**; Matthew Maberry, grandson of **Harry Wilson**; Joshua Young, grandson of **Abbott Mosher**; and Benjamin Mason, grandson of **Joan Mason Lane**. Other recipients are Cassandra Robinson, granddaughter of **Lawrence Robinson** '51, '55G; Sara Johnson, granddaughter of **Bill Tiedemann**; and Courtney Knight, granddaughter of **Edward "Buzzy" Knight**.

Pursuant to receiving notification of these students, I received a lovely letter from Courtney Knight, who thanks our class for her scholarship. She wrote a very interesting letter, which I wish I could share with you all, but space prevents my doing this. But I will tell you that she was a very busy person who was involved in many activities at the university. Courtney did her student teaching in the fall of 2010, which was her last semester before graduating. Buzzy Knight must be extremely proud of his granddaughter, whose career at the University of Maine was so outstanding.

And today, I received a nice thank-you letter from Megan Stevenson, who graduated from Windham High School and who is now a freshman in the athletic training program. She was a three-season scholar athlete during her four years of high school. She said her granddad would be pleased to know that his

support, combined with others from the Class of 1955, is helping her to attend UMaine.

Please keep me on your list to send me some news about you or other classmates. I always look forward to hearing from you in any way that you can transmit it to me—by phone, email, regular mail, or however you can get it to me.

## 1956

*55<sup>th</sup> Reunion  
June 3-4, 2011*

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Greetings, '56ers.

Thank you so much for your notes. This is a condensed version. You will find more at [www.umainealumni.org](http://www.umainealumni.org). On the web site, click on Get Connected and then look for Class Pages. Our 55th Reunion is June 3-4, 2011 (accent on Saturday, June 4). When you receive that letter requesting money, think of the following grandchildren of our classmates: Ethan Hawes (**Robert Hawes**), Ryan Lindamood (**Gloria Trafton Earley**), Laura Pirruccello (**Patricia Fortier Doten**), Gabriel Vachon (**Evelyn Whitney Foster**), Joshua Young (**Kay Fletcher Mosher**), Jonathan Desmond (**Natalie Earley Desmond**), Benjamin Mason (**John Lane**), and Paul Holyoke (**Vaughn Holyoke**). A contribution of \$3,612 of your scholarship money was divided among these students. The Reunion goal is \$56,000; 70 percent to our '56 scholarship fund and the rest divided among the Senior Alumni Fund, the Memorial Gym renovation, and the alumni association. Many of us received scholarships during our schooling. Now it's payback time.

**Gilles Auger** spends much time with the Sanford and Springvale Historical Society. **Ed** and **Sally Gay Blodgett** are very active in the Brooksville Historical Society. She is archivist and he, vice president. Ed serves as host/docent most Wednesdays during the summer. On a trip to Montana to see their daughter they visited with Mel and **Judy MacPherson MacDonald** in Austin, MN. They met Mel in Alaska when they were assigned to Fort Richardson outside Anchorage in 1963-1966. Judy and he were teaching in Anchorage. After a few years of Christmas cards the contact was broken. It took an article in the *MAINE Alumni Magazine* to renew that old acquaintance. Judy wrote that they keep busy with projects plus they have a son and two grandchildren in Minnesota. **Gordon Allard** reestablished contact with **Ed** and **Christine Harris Farnan**. Gordon and Ed worked at Caterpillar together in the late



1950s.

**Howie** and **Nan Jackson '62** spend their summers at Lake Keywaydin in western Maine and snowbird to Florida in the winter. **Merle** and **Ann Keyo Lounsbury** stay in Rangeley, ice fishing in the winter. **Richard "Doc"** and **Betty Brockway Nevers** were in Patten during the summer, and then took a seven-day bus tour around Lake Michigan. They drove from Milwaukee to Springfield, across Pennsylvania and back east.

Katie Lewis sent a note that **Stan Lewis** passed away in May. **Alan Hamilton**, his old Sig Ep roommate, sent the obituary to Maine.

**Dick** and **Dena Jewett Ackerman** went to the White Mountains and then drove over through Rangeley and to Greenville by Moosehead Lake touring the lake on the *Katahdin*. **Hank Brodersen** is still volunteering with old smokejumpers. They rebuilt a horse and mule corral and some log worm fence in the Sawtooth Valley along the Salmon River. He's still playing tuba in the Southern Maryland Concert Band.

**Betsey Harvey Ruff** enjoyed the summer on Lake Piseco in the beautiful Adirondack Mountains.

**Linwood "Woody"** and **Myrilla Daley Carson** have moved to northern Colorado and are near their girls. Woody is treasurer of the local Gideons South Camp, has a big garden, and is teaching a young neighbor how to keep bees. Rilla is a speaker for Stonecroft Ministries, a member of their church's prayer team, and tutors some home-school neighbor kids.

**Carl Anderson** sends regards from Redman, OR. Our 55th might be a good reason for him and his new wife to come to Maine. **Dick Griswold** suggests a direct link to the web site (see above). **Don MacKinnon** was in the hospital for a few days after his fourth heart attack. Ah, the Golden Years! It's time to slow down and watch the grass grow (once the snow is gone). Let someone else cut it.

**Margaret "Maggie" Smith Hoogerheide** wants to find Sally Anderson. Can anyone help? Maggie and John spend much of their time traveling. John is an avid birder.

**Meryle Cronkhite** wants to get in touch with classmates. I can't print all your emails but if you send me your email address and the name of the person to send it to, I'll do so if I can.

When you change providers, please tell me. Put "UM email" in the heading.

I was elected to the Falmouth Town Council.

Folks, the alumni association needs each and every one of us—as loyal members and as financial supporters. I know, it's more begging, but if the alumni association weren't there we wouldn't be here. Give to our class gift and 10 percent will go to the alumni association.

Happy Holidays!  
Faith

Express Your Black Bear  
Pride. Support The  
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## 1957

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You have been polled on your desires for a 55th Reunion gathering and the results show that a good-sized group of '57ers seems willing to commit to coming to meet and greet their classmates in 2012. The preliminary schedule, to be enlarged upon as plans become firmed up, has us starting with a Jiggs Open golf game Friday morning, our class meeting and dinner Friday evening, participation in university events all day Saturday, leaving for our after-venue Sunday morning, with a gathering and dinner Sunday afternoon/evening, and Monday breakfast and departure. By the time you read this, the occasion will be a year away and you might want to start planning for your trip! The reunion members that attended at the Cecchini camp "On Golden Pond" to review the poll results and take part in a brainstorming session in July were **Lois Whitcomb**, **Pat Wade Fraker**, **Jiggs '63G** and hostess **Bev Cecchini**, and **Les '63** and **Liz Hibbard Smith**, carrying input from those who could not make the trip. Further meetings are to be held at the more accessible Muddy Rudder in Yarmouth. You can contact Pat if you would like to have some input.

Our Class of 1957 scholarship went to Emily West, a junior mechanical engineering tech major from Abington, MA. She is the granddaughter of **Hank** and **Carleen Stone Morton**.

**Lois Whitcomb's** older daughter, **Robin Karvo**, works for an international telecommunications company and had been transferred from Paris to Shanghai in 2009 for a two-year period. Robin's daughter, **Ellie Karvo**, was the right age to enter a Chinese preschool program when they arrived and will probably reach age five with grounding in three different languages. **Lois** and her older daughter, **Laurie Holm**, went to visit this past June, enjoying a personalized tour of the area and a lot of time with **Ellie** and **Robin**.

**Judith Dale Macdougall** was honored at an open house on her retirement as librarian from the Milo Free Public Library where she has seen many changes in the use of the institution since 1976.

It was pleasant to join the "Ladies who Lunch" at the Round Pond summer place of **Cyn Rockwell Wright '58** and get to see so many of the '58 girls. To the best of my memory, the '57 group attending included **Pat Wade Fraker**, **Charlotte Bourret Hart**, **Barbara Swann Pineau**, and me. This year's categories to qualify for included: wearing panty hose that warm day, having all our original body parts, causing some quibbling about if a crown on a tooth would disqualify, and the upper arm fitness bit.

The Jiggs Golf Tournament group enjoys the occasion and has resolved to play or gather through to at least 2013, making it 30 years.

The '57 girls were pleased to get together

at **Janet Higgins Nolan's** cabin in Readfield, with GPS directions no less! Some of us were so programmed on "following the blue" that the orange balloons marking the driveway were missed, though official UMaine signage could be additionally seen there. **Claudie Halle Higgins** and **Connie Doe Leslie** assisted. As usual, everything tasted great, as someone else had prepared the food, and the company was super, as was the weather.

**Margaretmary McCann '66G** was pleased to host **Judi Smith Davis**, who had planned her summer to include this date. She enjoyed **Lois Whitcomb's** snapshots of her trip to Shanghai, as did anyone else who had an interest in China—that area of the porch was always crowded. **Barbara Coy Thaxter** was up for an extended period, getting various things attended to in state. **Jan Malcolm Buck**, **Caren Frazier Skolfield**, **Ann Dingwell Knowles**, **Pat Wade Fraker**, and **Janie Barker** all were glad to be present. Adding to the group were **Jean Partridge Mason '56**, **Connie Atherton Martin '60**, and the '58s—**Cyn Rockwell Wright**, **Berta Wyer Morrill**, **Marilyn Graffam Clark**, **Barbara Hasey Andrews**, **Carole Buzzell Ranco**, **Doris White Smith**, and **Sandy Daley Denman**. We hope to meet in the Portland area next year.

## 1958

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Since I am not sure just when the winter issue will be delivered, I am going to wish you all the best for the holiday season and the New Year.

Author of the book, *A Forest Environment*, is **Stephen Law** of Dover-Foxcroft. Steve takes us back to the log drives on the river from 1913 to 1923. His father's journals gave Steve a good idea of life in the Moosehead Lake region, not only the logging but also fishing and hunting. Hearing stories from his father led Steve to the US Forest Service, where he was stationed in the White Mountains at first and ended his career in South Tongass National Forest in Alaska. The book is not only full of his father's stories but also some from Steve relating to black bears, skiers, Mother Nature, and mankind.

**Walt Abbott '58G**, who retired after spending 55 years at the university, first as a football player, then as an assistant coach, head coach, athletic director, professor, and director of the outdoor leadership program, is spending his retirement helping people. Walt has been helping people all his life through his coaching, and his work with the leadership program taking students for one or two-week trips on the Penobscot River, where they learned survival techniques.

Honor Flight New England, a nonprofit organization "created solely to honor America's veterans for all their sacrifices," is providing **Edward Hendrickson** with a "flight of a



lifetime.” Honor Flight will fly Ed and some of his fellow veterans to Washington, DC, to view the memorials on the National Mall which have been built to honor them. Ed, who was a naval dive-bomber in WWII, has never seen the WWII Memorial that honors the “greatest generation.” Much of Ed’s time these days is spent on the slopes of Sugarloaf USA, Sunday River, and Loon Mountain. He began skiing as a teenager and has spent many of his 89 years flying down the slopes. Ed and his wife (also a UMaine grad from the nursing school who died in 2007) lived in East Millinocket, where he taught industrial arts at the high school and Presque Isle, where he was dean of students at the Northern Maine Vocational Technical Institute and his wife was a nursing instructor. Ed has two children—both avid skiers. His daughter is a competitive alpine master skier and his son teaches skiing at the high school in Presque Isle.

**Bobby Carmichael** dropped a note to tell me of the newest addition to the Carmichael clan—great-grandson Robby—the fourth to bear the name of Robert Carmichael. **Milton Friend** was honored by receiving a Doctor of Science honorary degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison this past May. Milt received his Ph.D. from the university in veterinary science/wildlife ecology. In 1973, faced with a disease that killed thousands of wildlife, Milt developed the idea for the National Wildlife Health Center, which today is a unit of the biological resources division of the US Geological Survey. Milt has received many honors for his work as a scholar, author, scientist, and educator. He has developed curricula in his field for many universities and schools. Although Milt retired in 2005, he is an adjunct professor lecturing in several courses at the university, and he volunteers his services at the National Wildlife Health Center.

The Honorable **David Griffiths** and his wife, Roberta Duncan Griffiths ’59, were awarded Doctor of Humane Letters degrees for their work in the Presque Isle community and at the University of Maine at Presque Isle.

**Patti Dessler Ewen** and I had a great time at the annual Ladies Who Lunch on the fourth Friday in June gathering this year. Some 30 classmates gathered at **Cyn Rockwell Wright’s** in Round Pond for eats and a lot of chatter.

Remember that our 55th Reunion will be coming up soon. Send any ideas that you may have regarding the Reunion to Prexy **Herb Cohen**.

Keep sending me info on your activities!

## 1959

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Hello, ’59ers! As I write this in early September on Cape Cod it has quickly changed from a hotter-than-usual summer to instant fall. You



## High Speed Thrills

Last February, David Sleeper ’58 set a goal. The Realty of Maine owner wanted to go 200 miles per hour on a motorcycle. So he began researching on the Internet and in the media. He learned that there were organized speed runs for cars and motorcycles throughout the country, and one was scheduled for August at the Loring Timing Association’s track in Limestone, Maine.

Dave began riding when he was 32, and raced in the woods with a dirt bike. He got back into riding about 12 years ago, and favors Harleys. For this speed challenge, however, he needed a new bike that was designed for speed. He bought a Kawasaki ZX14 and made some alterations to make it faster and safer. As spring came, he familiarized himself with his new bike, riding nearly 2,000 miles in a few months.

With the bike in a trailer, and his wife and bike mechanic accompanying him, Dave arrived in Limestone for the event.

He made numerous high speed runs. On his final run, Dave raced at more than 180 miles per hour.

“My goal is still to go 200 miles per hour,” he says. “I suspect I am one of the oldest guys in the country doing these speed runs on a motorcycle.”

will be receiving this after the holidays. I wish you a joyful, healthy New Year.

**Rudy Stoczek** has been presented with the Award of Professional Excellence from the UMaine wildlife program. The award is given to those who have distinguished themselves through contributions to wildlife ecology and forestry. Rudy is a retired wildlife biologist and bald eagle specialist and has conducted research on the eastern cougar, osprey, common loon, and the bald eagle in New Brunswick, which he has studied for over 30 years. For his book, *Through the Eye of an Eagle*, he was awarded the 2007 Independent Publishers Award for best regional nonfiction. Previously, he was given the Professional Merit Award of the Atlantic Society of Fish and Wildlife Biologists.

Another of our classmates has recently had a book published by the University of Maine Press. **Sally Kyle Rooney** ’69G and several colleagues have collaborated on *The Plants of Acadia National Park*. The book has been given a five-star rating and is available on Amazon as well as the UMaine Bookstore. I understand it is beautifully done and very user friendly.

**Mary Coffin Sturtevant** enjoys serving on the board of Senior College at the University of Maine in Augusta. She has taken several courses, taught two on nature writing, and assisted in teaching one on tree and wildflower identification.

The “AOPI ’59 group” met in Bangor for their annual lunch in July. **Jean Ulmer Tompkins**, **Judy Ward Marshall**, **Mary Coffin Sturtevant**, **Merrill Warren Clukey**, and **Sally Kyle Rooney** have gotten together annually for many years. Judy Marshall and husband, **Dave**, who reside in Massachusetts, were in Maine celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

Have seen **Lynn Anderson McLeod** recently. She and husband, Don, love to travel and participate in many church activities in Tolland, CT.

Just this morning, **Bob** and I had breakfast with **Judy Adams Gardiner** here on Cape Cod. She is planning a trip to Africa in a few weeks with some UMaine friends. Judy had recently returned from visiting grandchildren in Virginia, the newest additions being two-month-old twins.



In June, **Leith** and Donna **Wadleigh** and their family celebrated the 50th anniversary of the founding of their popular restaurant, Governor's. Starting with the first restaurant they opened in Old Town, the enterprise has grown to six restaurants across the state. The restaurants have always been synonymous with homemade comfort food using Maine ingredients. Throughout the month all the restaurants offered daily specials culminating in 50th birthday parties at all locations on June 18. Leith and Donna greeted patrons at the Old Town location.

**Walter "Eddie" Oakes** was honored by the Penquis Valley schools by having the high school gymnasium named for him. Eddie retired last year from full-time teaching. He taught for short times at Danforth and Milo High Schools but spent the majority of his career in the Penquis schools. The dedication citation honored him for half a century of meritorious service as a teacher and contributor to countless athletic endeavors at Penquis Valley High School.

**Roberta Duncan Griffiths** received the Doctor of Humane Letters degree from the University of Maine at Presque Isle at the May 2010 graduation.

**Milt Huntington** was recognized by the Augusta Kiwanis Club for being a member of the club for more than 50 years. He previously served as president of the club.

Justin Ouellette, a senior from Poland, ME, majoring in management and marketing, is the recipient of the Class of 1959 Scholarship for 2010-2011. Justin is the grandson of classmate **Maurice Ouellette**.

## 1960

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Wishing you all a very happy and healthy new year!

First of all, again many thank yous to the officers of the class. Enough cannot be said for the time and effort put in by the co-class agents **Stephen Howe** and **Bob Sterritt**. Asking for money during an economic recession is a daunting task. **Joe Dion**, our new president, has been tidying up loose ends and we have \$21,000 left in class funds. All in all \$32,000 was raised and we had \$11,000 in expenses for the 50th and some prior commitments from the 45th. Lastly, while kudoes are being passed out, **Nancy Morse Dysart** deserves a bunch for her September letter, which is a wonderful diary of the 50th Reunion.

While speaking of details in a mailing, Nancy mentioned that **Sally Wakefield** would not be attending Reunion, as her husband was not able to travel, and that it would be great if they received 50 cards of congratulations as they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary! They live in Dunedin, FL, and received over 90



**Class of 1959 members got together at the Sea Dog in Bangor last June. Left to right are: Judy Ward Marshall, Merrill Warren Clukey, Sally Kyle Rooney '59G, '69G (with her new book), Mary Coffin Sturtevant, and Jean Ulmer Tompkins.**

cards! Sally and Sarge rented a lovely home in the Blue Ridge Mountains in Georgia, and their two daughters and grandsons all came for a nine-day visit.

**Fred and Diane Tatlock Pierce**, who celebrated their 50th anniversary with family on an inland Alaskan cruise with their families, asked **Rick Lloyd** to send his DVD to Sally and Sarge. They were thrilled to watch it and mailed it to **Nancy Small Russell** (and Jim '59) in Cape Elizabeth, ME, and then Nancy mailed it to **Mary Davis Schlotter** in Medford, OR. Nancy and John enjoyed their 50th anniversary in August with all five children and nine grandchildren present. Best wishes to all of you who also experienced a landmark 50 years of wedded bliss.

The "ladies of the lake"—**Sandie Page**, **Nancy Morse Dysart**, and **Gail Rae Carter**—had their annual get-together to celebrate Sandie's birthday at her camp in October. They journeyed to Portland and spent Saturday evening with me, and we attended a wonderful jazz concert. **Gail Mallett Rae** continues to preserve Lee, Maine, history and is housing two foreign students from Brazil and the Czech Republic for this winter's term at Lee Academy at Done Loggin, her former B & B. Gail also enjoyed a west coast trip in October to San Diego, San Francisco, and Palm Springs with her west coast son, who is a computer guru designing security systems in many European countries. Sandie reported that she also visited **Janet Grover Payson** while visiting friends in Higgins Beach. Janet winters in Naples, FL, and summers on the Cape, and has two sons and two grandchildren. Janet, we missed you at Reunion and hope you and others who could not attend make efforts to attend the 55th.

**David Trefethen** and wife, Janice, traveled to New Hampshire for a football game to visit with son Joseph. They traveled Thanksgiving to visit son Stephen, near Santa Cruz, CA, and youngest son, John, at Fort Collins, CO. Naturally, several grandchildren are a magnet for visits of many of us. David has been retired for 10 years.

A big thank you to **Dick Dudley**, who sent detailed news of many of the Phi Kappa Sigmas. **Dick Jack** and **Steve Dice** '63G came to their gathering at the Lucerne Inn, but did not come along to Orono. Dick Jack spent his entire career with Texaco, and they travel and see a lot of the country with their fifth wheel. Dr. Steve Dice (Ph.D. University of Washington) came from Federal Way, Washington, where he worked for the Army Corps of Engineers from '63 to retirement, mostly doing environmental management, including testifying before congressional committees on a number of environmental issues. Steve has done tool appraisals on

"Antiques Roadshow" and it was his first Phi Kap reunion.

My deadline is passed so more on the Phi Kap news in the next column. Meanwhile, Tyrone is safe from the hunters and his saga continues. He has not arrived at **Betty Colley Shibles's** bakery café in Wilton yet! Stay well—send news!

All the best, Gail

## 1961

**50th Reunion**  
**June 3-4, 2011**

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Our 50th Reunion will be here soon! **Anne Adams Collins** and **Meg Thompson Villarreal** (reunion co-chairs) have some pointers:

- Block out dates on the calendar—June 1-4 for both pre-Reunion and on-campus events.
- Make reservations at Point Lookout, Northport, for pre-Reunion activities ([www.visitpointlookout.com](http://www.visitpointlookout.com)) June 1, 2, and 3 (leave for Orono in AM). Make sure you note you are with UMaine Class of 1961.
- Make a reservation at the Black Bear Inn in Orono/Old Town for on-campus Reunion events—June 3 (noon) and 4. Phone 207-866-7120.
- Watch for mailings about Reunion. Check out Facebook—University of Maine Reunion Class of 1961.



- And finally words from **Peter** and **Gail McLain Berry**, class agents. The goal for our class gift is \$100,000 and donations can be made to anything connected with the university and will be counted towards the class total. Just make sure the contribution somehow identifies the giver as a member of the Class of '61. Class prez **Larry Schiner** '62G adds that Bananas, our Black Bear, is hungry and wants all of you to "feed" him with as much as you can give.

**June Toulouse Heintz** and Meg had a great visit at a camp June had rented on Little Ossipee. June is keeping busy with her many gorgeous grandchildren, but was enjoying a couple of weeks just relaxing by the lake. Meg was in Dresden, Germany, the beginning of December. Her company worked with a documentary TV group out of Canada to plan and execute part of their international conference. They had 30 sessions to pull together using international broadcasters, producers, and distributors. Meg laments, "It's very much like herding cats to get them all organized, but it is fun and I love the conversations with folks from all over the world. Having too much fun to think about fully retiring!"

Father **Bud Welch** retired from the Navy. He reports, "As a priest of the Diocese of Portland I am remaining in Harpswell. I do not plan to retire from the priesthood. I plan to be a 'supply' priest, which means I temporarily relieve an active priest so he can take a vacation or sabbatical, as the only way a priest can get away is if he finds his own replacement." Bud and **Nancy Woods Rearick** have agreed to plan the Memorial Service at our Reunion.

**Andy McGarry** visited with Barbara and Larry Schiner at their home in Bluffton, SC. The next day, Larry and Andy enjoyed a round of golf, discussions of the Reunion, and certain facilitating beverages to mark the occasion. Andy was en route from Florida to meet his wife, Mary, at the Lambsburg, VA, home of Mary's parents where they were married one year ago with Larry and Barbara, **Vince** '71G and **Peggy Hersey Wills**, and **Paul and Frances Daly** in attendance. Vince and Larry were instrumental in assuring that the pre-wedding reception was properly supplied. Andy looked forward to hunting deer for a week with Paul Daly in Maryland after Thanksgiving as they have annually for the past 11 years. No word on how successful the hunt was.

Peter and Gail McLain Berry took a 9,526-mile trip across America last spring. Highlights were the Grand Canyon, Zion, Yellowstone, Badlands, and spending their 49th anniversary in Coeur d'Alene; then on to the Grand Tetons, Air Force Academy Chapel, and a Chicago Cubs game before returning to Maine. **Etta Libby Davenport** spent July in Africa, visiting Botswana, Namibia, Zimbabwe, South Africa, and Zambia. She did game drives in Chobe, Mudumu, and Hwange National Parks, rode in a makoro (dug-out canoe) in the Okavango Delta, and got wet at Victoria Falls. At night she heard the animals that she had seen during the day.



Seventeen Class of 1962 members attended a "Fabulous at 70" party at Millie Simpson Stewart's camp in August. Front row, left to right: Kay Fraser, Vicki Waite Cannell, Joan Schott Wiebe, Sue McNeary Billings, Marti Haskell Collins, Val Raymond Michaud, and Millie. Back row: Debbie Lufkin Storrs, Ginny Dyer Bousum, Jean Britton O'Brien, Myra Cram Willson, Marcia Hansen, Trudy Chambers Price, Jan Stone Hanson, Brenda Freeman Kuich, Midge Munroe Reed, and Pat Smith Ranzoni.

**Jane Petherbridge Ives** and Cliff '60 enjoyed the summer at their lakeside place in Winthrop. Their three married children and seven grandchildren visited often. Cliff and Jane visited Panama City, Panama, in November. Jane is doing some contract work for the church, promoting and resourcing marriage and family ministries. She continues to meet for lunch with college classmates **Norine Hunt Clarke**, **Anne Wescott Dodd**, **Cynthia Tanous Marx**, **Jeanne McNeary Woodard**, and **Joan Woodman Bishop**. **Ann Coffin Hicock** '63G and Bob joined this group for an annual couples' picnic in August.

**Wallace Hinckley** wrote that he still owns one Subway. Wally claims to have coined the slogan, "Eat fresh" at a Subway meeting seven years ago. In the winter, he manages his business from a house near Greenville, SC. Summer home is in Augusta. Wally delights in keeping tabs on his oldest granddaughter, who is now a USAF airman. She is stationed at Hickam AFB, Hawaii, but traveled to the Far East to get engaged to another airman. Sweet!

**Lois Hamilton Tourangeau** writes that she is active in a quilt guild that presents a quilt to every child in a family going through the Families in Transition program in Manchester NH. Many of these families reach the shelter with only the clothes on their backs. This has been an ongoing mission for the guild for the past 10 years, donating close to 1,000 quilts. Lois recently moved to Bedford, NH, an active 55 and older community, with lots to do and places to go. The people are friendly and interesting, with the usual smattering of curmudgeons and sourpusses. Lois says, "Days when I feel like that—I just stay home inside my condo and blast the music."

Heard from **Pete Gammons** and wife, Linda, that they enjoy being full-time Mainers after many years in Massachusetts. Pete, whose alter ego is Norbert Twitchell, says Norbert still keeps him out of trouble. Most recently, Pete

and Norbert entertained the Franklin County Co-Op Extension Homemakers at their annual spring "dinnah." He says his health has been good. "Two years ago I fell off a pickup and broke a wrist. With the help of a steel plate all the damage was repaired. Best part of the accident was when the 911 dispatcher described me as a '50-year-old man.'" Pete enjoys making piles of sawdust in his shop and every once in a while a table or a blanket chest pops out!

## 1962

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### Septuagenarian! Imagine!

*We had to grasp  
What life would bring, what we would face.  
We had to grasp,  
Born to World War, what would be asked.  
What might be meant by "age with grace."  
Polestar women to be embraced  
We bless our grasp!*

This beautiful poem was written by classmate **Pat Smith Ranzoni** '76G to celebrate the "Ladies of '62 Birthday Party" hosted by **Millie Simpson Stewart** this past summer. On August 6th, 18 of us gathered at the Stewarts' camp on the shores of Phippsburg to reminisce, eat summer salads, lobster, and birthday cake. Three Massachusetts residents joined us for the day. **Midge Munroe Reed** traveled to Maine from Barnstable. She told us about the wonderful 45th anniversary that she and Bud recently celebrated in Hawaii. The couple also travels each year to Moldova to volunteer at a



camp for orphans and inner city teens. **Debbie Lufkin Storrs** has her home in Foxboro, where she is fortunate to live near her son and his family. Deb loves all beach activities, especially biking and kayaking along the seashore.

**Jan Stone Hanson** lives in Attleboro. She works part-time for the Community Health Network, coordinating health programs for 12 communities clustered near Route 128 in her area.

**Marti Haskell Collins** is back in Maine after spending the last 25 years living on Manhattan's Upper East Side. Marti practiced massage and healing therapy in NYC, and developed a teen relationship curriculum for the city schools. She now lives in Woolwich near her youngest son, Craig, and his family, helping them with their organic farm, and "enjoying great veggies and fresh eggs." **Ginny Dyer Bousum** lives in Kingfield near the slopes. Ginny skis all winter and lives aboard a sailboat in the summer, cruising along the coasts of Maine and New Brunswick. She has five granddaughters, who all share her passion for ski and sail. **Joan Schott Wiebe** lives in Readfield. While retired, Joan stays very busy making and selling her beautiful crafts, and of course enjoying every moment she can with her grandchildren. **Myra Cram Willson** splits her year between Charleston, SC, and Falmouth. She is busy writing her family's memoirs, and learning to line dance. **Val Raymond Michaud** is another classmate who spends half of her year in Maine. Val travels from California each June to spend her summers in Boothbay Harbor. **Sue McNeary Billings** lives in Brunswick, but she and **Lin '69G** spend as much time as possible each summer at the family home in Blue Hill. Sue says that morning coffee tastes best sipped on the porch with a beautiful view of Blue Hill Bay. Also joining Millie, Pat, and me for the celebration were **Jean Britton O'Brien**, **Brenda Freeman Kuich**, **Vicki Waite Cannell**, **Kay Fraser**, **Marcia Hansen**, and **Trudy Chambers Price**. (Updates on these classmates mentioned in my last column.)

Several members of the class reunion committee met in Orono in late August to start plans for our 50th, scheduled to take place on campus June 1-2, 2012. In addition to the activities on campus we are planning to extend our time together with a two-day stay on Mount Desert Island prior to the weekend. A lobster dinner, lunch at Jordan Pond, a boat ride, and activities within Acadia are just a start. So save May 30 through June 2, 2012, on your calendars now. While plans are coming along, we still need your help. In addition to ideas, we are looking for talented classmates who might provide music at some of the events, and a tech guru who can set up a web page where classmates can enter information and photos for an online Memory Book. Contact me or class president, **Nancy Nichols Hogan '65G**, with your suggestions. Nancy's email is: mrsfins@aol.com. Happy New Year to you all!

Go Blue!

## 1963

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A letter from **Irv Marsters '71G** has provided items for the column. Thanks for the help, Irv!

**Guy Whitten** has been elected president of the "M" Club, which provides major support to UMaine athletics.

The Fourth of July Society exists to generate additional funds for the UMaine Alumni Association. The alumni association is a completely independent non-profit organization and receives no funding from the University of Maine. The Fourth of July Society, so named because it recognizes the importance of independence, includes people who have donated \$1,000 in a year. Irv Marsters is one of the driving forces behind this effort. Other '63 classmates included as donors are **Willard Bishop, Jr. '65G**, **John Bridge (G)**, and **Earle Hannigan**.

**James Goff** was elected chairman of the Bangor Savings Bank board of directors. Jim has also been named a trustee of Husson University. In addition to Jim's duties at Bangor Savings Bank and Husson, he is also the new chair of the Board of Visitors at the University of Maine. I hope all of you will get behind Jim in the planning of our 50th Reunion in 2013. Send suggestions to: goffmaine@myfairpoint.net.

**Lee Bingham '66G** writes, "I keep busy with my consulting business working mainly in Central America. Right now it amounts to about half my time. I'll be back in Alaska at the end of August for a week of fly fishing."

I wish there was more to report, but my UMaine folder is very empty these days.

## 1964

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**Janet Musselman Kearin**, whom you smart folk can now find in South Portland, ME, wrote me the most interesting letter about her life. In 1966 Janet moved to South Portland to help her mother with Janet's new brother, David. She was offered a job teaching English and loved it, but in '72 she married Richard Kearin and moved to Massachusetts near Tanglewood and was only able to get work there as a teacher's aide. She returned to Maine in '75 and became Ms. rather than Mrs. Kearin. Jobs were scant back in Maine at that time, but she found work at Goodwill of Maine and is still there.

A few years later she met the love of her

life, Ed Nielsen. She was able to be present for her parents when they needed her. Her brother David is now in LA doing electrical work and lighting for movies and TV. In 2000 the whole family went to LA to David's wedding and had a wonderful time.

## 1965

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Thank you to those who sent bio forms before the Reunion. If you missed the deadline, please forward your form to me for future use. Horace's view on the Reunion, my secretary's report, and a longer column will be posted at: umalumni.org in the 1965 class pages.

An \* on the names below indicates those who attended Reunion activities.

**Sandy Arbour\*** volunteers at UMaine Augusta with the French program, for political campaigns, and is a board member of the Friends for a Heritage Center at Mill Park in Augusta. She remembers being a pledge trainer for Alpha Chi Omega and the funny skits they created. She earned her M.A. and retired in 2005 after teaching high school for 40 years, 38 of them at overseas schools. sandyarbour@awi.net.

Sociology major **Catherine "Katie" Bosse\*** lived at home in Old Town. She was a community organizer with VISTA, construction worker, and earned a second degree in soils and geology in 1987. Retired in 2009, she is building a house of her own design. She teaches art in Greenbush, where she lives. bosse@maine.edu.

**Dave Brooks** continues to teach as professor of oceanography at Texas A&M; but "summers in Maine!" Dave has too many favorite memories to list ("and I don't want to incriminate anyone"). He received an M.S./Ph.D. at the University of Miami. Dave already has our 50th on his calendar. dbrooks@ocean.tamu.edu.

**Harry Ellsworth\*** received his M.Ed., then taught 16 years at Boston Latin School. His favorite memory at UMaine was running for campus mayor in 1964 as Teddy Roosevelt. Harry emphasized that he is NOT retired, but is now in Orleans with Kinlin Grover Real Estate, the largest vacation rental company on Cape Cod. hellswor@comcast.net.

**Pam J. Gay Donehower** could not get to Orono because she had an animal-sitting job in Virginia. Pam hopes to do this in the northeast—where she hopes to relocate by 2012. Pam would appreciate this being known among UMaine alums. Pam graduated from George Washington University. She can be reached at pampac99@yahoo.com, voice mail (703) 749-8047, or PO Box 1565, Middleburg, VA 20118.

**Pat Hayden Herrick\*** has retired as



school librarian and teaches adult education when needed. She went on a marvelous trip to Australia, New Zealand, and Tasmania. pherrick1@maine.rr.com.

Neither our class president, **Horace Horton,\*** nor his wife, **Barbara Waters Horton,\*** have plans to retire. He is an attorney with Drummond and Drummond, Portland. She sells real estate. bhre77@myfairpoint.net and hhorton@ddlaw.com.

Christine Gilbert, currently studying international affairs with a minor in German, is the first recipient of the Class of 1965 Scholarship. She is the granddaughter of **Raymond Jean**, a Sigma Chi engineering major who climbed the corporate ladder and became CEO of two publicly traded companies. His latest gig is chairman and CEO of Quanex. He plays lots of tennis and golf. Raymond and his wife, Louise, reside in Marco Island, FL, but June to October they live in Scarborough, ME. rajeanveracruz@yahoo.com.

I was pleased to see my Chi O sister, **Suzanne Koch Leonardi-Cattolica,\*** who flew up from Katy, TX. She retired in April 2005 and her days are now spent playing tennis, volunteering, theatre, and travel. We like you as a blonde, Suki!

We can always count on Dr. **Charlie Little,\*** a Lambda Chi Alpha, and his wife, Mary, attending Reunion. Before retiring in 2008, Charlie was emergency department physician at Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway. He has accumulated three Model T and two Model A Fords in various stages of restoration on which he enjoys working. He is also interested in the Civil War, especially the Lincoln assassination. He also skis at Sunday River. A favorite memory is the late Dr. Ted Holmes '54G bringing his white poodle to classes. cwlittle@earthlink.net.

**Dick McNeary\*** is a Delta Tau Delta mechanical engineering major who received his MBA from RIT. Between 1965 and 1998, Dick held a variety of engineering and engineering management positions with Eastman Kodak in Rochester, NY. Dick is a dedicated board member of the UMaine Alumni Association, and also volunteers with disaster relief and support of Kenya Friends. He and his wife, Tina (Forrestine Abbott McNeary '66), reside in Webster, NY, and live in Blue Hill, ME, from June-October. dick.mcneary@gmail.com.

Chi O sister, **Roberta Roak-Foltz,\*** was responsible for my being able to attend our 45th Reunion. Roberta, a home ec/nutrition major, worked as a dietician in hospitals, private companies, and became a nutrition labeling consultant for Nabisco Foods. Roakie and her husband, Art, reside in Grants Pass, OR, and travel in a motor home to Venice, FL, where they live December to May. Bertie enjoys traditional rug hooking, sewing, and making snap purses and denim bags under the label "LinBertie Original." bertiesfloorcloths@earthlink.net.

**Winston "Win" Robbins\*** was the Reunion committee co-chair with Beth Wiley Chapman. Thank you, Win, for

## Class of '65 Celebrates its 45th Reunion

*A Homecoming dinner in October at the Alumni House was a time to get reacquainted with classmates and learn about UMaine's pioneering work in developing deep-water offshore wind power.*



UMaine president Robert Kennedy and his wife, Mary Rumpho-Kennedy (left), talk with Charles and Mary Little.



1965 class officers, left to right: Harry Ellsworth, Horace Horton, Elizabeth Wiley Chapman, and Win Robbins.



Visiting at Buchanan Alumni House are (left to right): Roberta Roak-Folz, Horace Horton, Suki Koch Leonardi-Cattolica, and Barbara Waters Horton.



Dick McNeary (an alumni association board member) and his wife, Tina Abbott McNeary '66, (left) with Bob and Becky Nutting Hamilton '72.

helping to make our 45th Reunion a fun time to remember. Win received his Ph.D. and began working for Exxon Research and Engineering in 1969. Retiring in 2003, he does consulting with Ohio University and Florida State University. Leisure activities include building rock walls,

furniture, and mission trips to Mexico and Nicaragua. win.robbin@comcast.net.

**Norm Viger\*** and his wife, Dorothy Claverie Viger '68, live in Plymouth, ME. reondo@midmaine.com.

**Lisbeth Wiley Chapman\*** was the Reunion committee co-chair with Win Robbins. Thank you, Beth, for making our 45th Reunion memorable. Beth has had a full 44 years: marriage, two sons, divorce, twin grandgirls, and starting her own consulting firm, Inkair, 20 years ago. Leisure activities include: singing six concerts a year with the Outer Cape Chorale, exploring prose and poetry, and publishing six or seven memoirs about growing up in South Truro, MA. beth\_chapman@inkair.com.

By now, most of you are probably familiar with my medical and health care issues over the past six years. I am very grateful to and thank Roberta Roak-Foltz and Horace Horton for establishing the Sylvia A. Tapley Special Needs Trust (c/o Roberta Foltz, 487 Lehigh Rd, Venice, FL 34293 or rrfoltztrustee@earthlink.net). Once again, thank you to all of you who have made donations and expressed concern and caring.



Alumni association president Todd Saucier '93, '97G presented Sylvia Tapley with the Hilda A. Sterling Award at Homecoming for her outstanding work as Class of '65 correspondent.



## 1966

45<sup>th</sup> Reunion  
June 3-4, 2011

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When you read these notes we should be right in the middle of winter, but there is much to share. Just a few short months from now we'll return to Orono for our 45th class Reunion! Save the dates: June 3 and 4. You asked for it—and we got it for you. The Courtyard Marriott in Bangor is holding a block of rooms for the Class of '66 until May 13th. You have a choice of two queen beds or one king-size bed to a room at the price of \$99 a night plus tax. I encourage you to call now at 207-262-0070. If you have any special requests, or wish to have adjoining rooms, make your wishes known now. Pat's Pizza will reserve the red room for our Friday night gathering and we will have to lock that in once we have a better head count.

On Saturday, we'll have our raffle and auction to raise funds for our class scholarship fund. **Emil Swift** asks that you try to bring some neat items such as old jewelry, antique artwork, coin collections, and cases of live lobsters that will bring in the big bucks! You get the idea!

**Neil Harmon** stopped in at Pat's last summer and said, "Absolutely nothing has changed." He thinks Pat's son or grandson still runs the place. Neil also realized for the first time that there is a back entrance with a nice big parking lot. He's kidding, right?

We are pleased to announce the recipients of our scholarship fund for the current academic year. This year we provided \$1,114 in scholarship assistance to Nicholas Fiore, a senior majoring in new media, and his sister, Kimberly Fiore, a sophomore majoring in management. Both are from Bangor and are the grandchildren of **Bruce McGray** (G).

Thanks to classmates who contacted me directly with bits of news—**Ellen F. Toomey** was elected chair of the Harpswell Democratic Committee at the spring caucus. She retired to Harpswell in 2003 after nearly 40 years with foreign affairs agencies in Washington, DC. She says, "The Pat's Pizza in Yarmouth, while not up to the 'Mother Church' location in Orono, is pretty good if you can't make the drive north!"

**Ursula Pickart Nelmes** goes back and forth to Germany four times a year to look after her 96-year-old aunt, who still lives alone. Ursula's daughter, Erika, is getting married next year. Her son, Peter, went backpacking and kayaking in the Denali Wilderness and other remote areas of Alaska last summer. Their herbal business has gone international with clients in Korea, Japan, Puerto Rico, and other countries.

**Karol Wasylshyn** still consults, addressing executive development and succession planning issues. She continues to publish articles in

Carol Jesraly Josel '66

## Woman of the Year



Carol Jesraly Josel continues to write a monthly online newsletter, *The School-Wise Newsletter*. She was recently named Woman of the Year in Education by the National Association of Professional Women. Carol also authored a booklet as well as three books. She currently consults, supervises student teachers at Gwynedd-Mercy College, and also writes about education issues for [examiner.com](http://examiner.com). Carol served as 1966 class correspondent for 15 years. To sign up for her newsletter visit: [www.schoolwise-books.com](http://www.schoolwise-books.com).

professional journals and write poetry. She took a one-month writing sabbatical last June and completed the book *Behind the Executive Door: From Remarkable to Downright Dysfunctional Leaders . . . and What You can Learn from All of Them*.

Karol also wrote, "The Southeastern Chapter of The American Red Cross is awarding me its President's Volunteer Service Award for over 4,000 hours of service."

**Bob Kittredge** is looking forward to our Reunion. After retiring (for the second time) as chief engineer for Raytheon's largest sonar project, Bob is enjoying retirement, and is the proud grandfather of two. "Was watching the 'Today Show' August 11 and during the 8:30 spot when they meet and greet the crowd, lo and behold, as they panned the camera down the long line of fans, out pops this smiling guy who was the spitting image of **Sarge Means**. Needless to say, I did a triple take and was able to replay many times thanks to the digital signal, and convinced myself that it just had to be him. So I grabbed a couple of pix, and then called the dude himself—five minutes later he called back and the rest is history. He said Steph decided not to play tourist so he went it alone! You just never know who you're going to see!

## Class of '66

See you at our 45th Reunion  
in June!

## 1967

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After 43 years of working as a computer programmer, the last 25 years for Lockheed Martin out of Denver, **Cheri English Day** retired on July 31, 2010. The last two and a half years she telecommuted from Ranchos de Taos, NM, where she and her husband live. They are now looking forward to a three-month "drive" across the country and down the east coast. Safe journey, Cheri!

Dr. **Charles Belisle** of North Yarmouth was honored as Family Physician of the Year at the annual meeting of the Maine Academy of Family Physicians. A lieutenant colonel in the Maine Air National Guard, he works in the Maine Medical Center Family Medicine Residency Program and has spent 33 years teaching family medicine. Some of his former residents include 87 doctors who are currently practicing in Maine.

At the 39th annual spring conference of the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association, **Al Ibarquen** of WKTJ-FM of Farmington received a media award for electronics.

In October the Maine Sports Legends inducted **David Ames** '68G into its Hall of Honors at Alford Youth Center in Waterville. As many of you remember, Dave played baseball and was undefeated as a pitcher for three years. He worked for the university for 33 years as an instructor, assistant professor, director of recreational sports, and associate director of athletics. He was also a member of the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials and served as president, member of the executive committee, and board representative to the state basketball council.

**Bob Poulsen** wrote to say how much he enjoyed the latest issue of the alumni magazine and sent along some gorgeous scenery photos of a recent trip to Colorado for a Navy-Air Force football game.

The Class of 1967 Scholarship for the 2010-2011 academic year has been awarded to Ian Maines and June Roberts. Ian is a first-year student majoring in computer engineering from Abbott. He is the son of **Steven Maines**. June is pursuing her master's in intermedia. From Auburn, she is the daughter of **Barton Roberts**.

Congratulations to Ann and **Wayne Hanson** for receiving the Big "M" Award from the Maine State Society of Washington, DC! Wayne and Ann have been active members of the group for many years, serving on the executive committee and assisting with numerous projects. Wayne has been active in the Arlington National Cemetery Wreath Project, where, for the past 19 years, several thousand volunteers place Maine wreaths on the graves. Among other projects, Wayne has also coordinated the annual US Capitol Wreath Ceremony, and works on the



preservation of Maine Civil War monuments at Gettysburg.

## 1968

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**Bill Roberts** wrote: "In 2004 I retired from the US Naval Reserves as a captain but still continue to work for EMC as I have for the past 12 years. We plan on moving to Florida to The Villages. In February we purchased a home down there and will move next year as soon as our house in Annandale, VA, sells. We plan to travel both within the US and overseas, visiting some countries we haven't seen before such as Argentina, New Zealand, and Turkey. We also plan to use the many amenities there such as swimming and golf along with all the social functions. I wish everyone well—thanks to you and the Johnsons for making the 40th Reunion such a treat."

**Donne Pineo Chubbuck** retired as town tax collector for Enfield, ME, as did **William Chubbuck** '78G, who retired as the RSU 67 director of guidance.

**Gary** and **Linda Withers** of West Gardiner celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Linda was employed by Togus Veteran's Hospital in Togus and Gary was employed by Xpedx of Portland. They have two children.

**John Rohman** was nominated to the new board that will oversee Maine's energy conservation program, the Efficiency Maine Trust. John is the chairman of the board of WBRC Architects and Engineers and former Bangor City Council member and mayor.

**Susan Greenleaf Flynn** writes that **Jim Flynn** '70G retired for a second time from Abraxas Corporation this spring. They are looking forward to summers on Lake Hebron in Monson and winters in Virginia near their three grandsons, ages eight, six, and three.

**Briane Coulthard** (G) is the new superintendent and business manager of Alternative Organizational Structure 97, the newly consolidated school district of Fayette and Winthrop schools.

**Michael Pearson** assumed the role of town manager at Enfield. Michael is the former Old Town city council member and a state representative and senator who represented Old Town and Indian Island area for 20 years.

**Keith Weatherbie** has been named a recipient of the 2010 Larry LeBrie Award by the Maine Principals Association. Keith, athletic administrator at Cape Elizabeth High School for 21 years, served on the MPA's cross-country, ice hockey, and tennis committees. He is also a site director for the state ice hockey tournament.

**Bill Horner** writes: "My daughter, Katie, graduated from Middlebury College in May. She majored in environmental studies and is



Alumni association former chair, **Suzanne Hart '68**, visits with current chair **Kurt Marston '74, '79G** at Homecoming in October.

now working at the Earth Institute at Columbia University."

**Peggy Basso Hoffman** writes: "My time at the University of Maine seems so long ago—maybe because I haven't lived in Maine since I graduated. I have worked at the Kennesaw State University Foundation in Kennesaw, GA, for 12 years. My husband, Jeff, works for Northrop Grumman. He now travels to Army bases all over the world. Our oldest son, Eric, is in the Navy and he and his family live in Sicily, Italy. We will all spend Christmas with them again this year. Our daughter, Heather, is a civilian schoolteacher for the Dept. of Defense in Okinawa, Japan. She teaches the children of active-duty military. We will visit her again this year for Thanksgiving. Our youngest son, Alex, is an aerospace engineer for the Navy and lives in southern Maryland. As you can see, our family is very spread out but we love getting together in various places all over the world. Life is good! Hopefully, full retirement is in the works for me and Jeff soon."

**Joy Jewett Johnson** writes: "I am still on the executive committee for the Midcoast Maine Alumni Association. We had a wonderful event at the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club this spring. Vincent Hartgen's two sons presented a retrospective of his life and art. Many attendees brought their original Hartgen paintings, which provided the backdrop for a very interesting evening. We chatted with **Jane Walker Woodruff** Saturday night. She and husband, Rick '67, had just returned from a sailing trip to Turkey with fellow UMaine grads **Fred** and **Beth Hobbs Quivey** '69. We'll be on campus homecoming weekend and hope to see some fellow alumni—go Black Bears!"

## 1969

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Greetings, classmates. Our Class of 1969 scholarship recipient this year is **Lucas Cote**, son of **Donald Cote**. Lucas is from New Sweden and is a senior majoring in civil engineering. **Jim** and **Pat Kusnierczyk Keir** of Wisconsin have welcomed the arrival of their second granddaughter. **Bennett** joins sister, **Sydney**, as the newest member of the Keir family.

We have no other news for this issue, but we are sure that others would be interested in knowing where classmates are living and what is happening to them. Please drop us a line or send your news to the alumni office. Remember—our next reunion is only four years away.

## 1970

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Where did that beautiful summer go? For those of you who don't live in Maine anymore, we had a gorgeous summer with warm (hot) days and nights, but now it is gone! I was pleased to receive an email from **Jack Anderson**, who now lives in Woodstock, VT. He reports that life is good in Vermont and that he has a daughter getting married this summer. It was nice to hear from Jack and bring back some old memories that we shared in our college days! **George Smith** has stepped down from his position as executive director of the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine. He stated that he wanted to spend more time hunting and fishing. Sounds like a good plan to me. **Steve Juskewitch** threw his hat in the race for district attorney for Hancock and Washington counties (ME) and ran as an Independent. **Stephen King** '87 LHD published a novella called *Blockade Billy* early this past year. It is well known that Stephen has a great love of baseball, especially the Red Sox.

**Joline Hart** '72G has been appointed vice president of human resources for Franklin Community Health Network and previously she served as director of human resources for the Portland (ME) School System. **Cheryl Stitham White** has retired from her position as principal of the Morse Street School in Freeport, ME. She was in education for 40 years and at the Morse Street School for 20 years. **Jeffrey Strout** has been named outdoors editor for the *Bangor Daily News*. Jeff has been with the BDN nearly 40 years and has worked as city editor, state editor, business editor, and city hall reporter.

**Julie Shepardson Brownie** and her husband, Dale, have returned to live in Maine. They have donated an agricultural easement on 126 acres of their land to the Maine Farmland Trust. The land has been in Julie's family for seven generations. This easement prevents non-farm development on the property essentially forever.



## 1971

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Hope you're all enjoying the winter weather, wherever you are. I don't get information from many of you, but would love a simple update about you and your friends and family. An email is a quick and simple way to get all of us updated, and we truly do love to hear about each other! This is retirement year for many of us who came in 1967 to UMaine fresh from high school. If you are retiring, let me get your exciting plans to share with your old college friends.

**Cathy Kindbom Lewis** '95G has received the 2010 Nancy Gentile Humanitarian Award from the Hancock County Children's Council. She is currently principal at Beech Hill School in Otis. Over 39 years she has served as an educator in early childhood education, as an administrator, and as a college professor.

**Theresa Moran Laliberte** of Bangor has received an award in the Fitness Enthusiast-Adventurer category from the Eastern Area Agency on Aging. She plays the violin, piano, and drums, and she sings and dances at many of the nursing and retirement facilities in her area.

**Dennis Kiah** '93G of Brewer received a Special Achievement Award from the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association for his work in the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference. **Edward Lavery** '72G of Milo was nominated by Gov. John Baldacci '86 for reappointment to the state's wilderness zoning board. Gov. Baldacci also announced recently that **Dennis King** '74G has been reappointed to the Maine Community College System's board. **Thomas Abbott** of West Gardiner, dean of libraries and distance learning at the University of Maine at Augusta, has been named the 2010 recipient of the Routledge Distance Learning Librarianship Conference Sponsorship Award.

So many wonderful achievements for our classmates! Please send along anything you or another member of our class has done lately. I'd love to hear from you, and your classmates would love to read about you. Don't forget us. We will be having a Reunion in 2011, believe it or not. Forty years? It all seems like yesterday, but please count on coming when the plans are finalized. Until then, let me know what you have been doing all these years!

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**President Robert Kennedy and his wife, Mary Rumpho-Kennedy (left), visit with Eugene and Joanne Bodwell Ferreira '73 at the president's brunch during Homecoming 2010 in October. Joanne is a leader in the Alumni Chapter of Southern Maine and serves on the alumni association's board of directors.**

## 1972

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Last summer I had the pleasure of attending a surprise 60th birthday party for **Bill and Cheryl Lavway Herland** in Yarmouth at the home of **Jan Lilley Additon**. Cheryl and Bill's older daughter, Tessa, planned the whole event with help from their younger daughter, Allie. They lucked out with a perfect summer evening. I saw lots of faces I hadn't seen in 38 years. What fun! Many of us turned 60 recently, so happy birthday to all of us!

I received notification that the recipient of The Class of 1972 Scholarship for the 2010-2011 academic year at the University of Maine is **Alice MacDonnell**. Alice, a senior majoring in civil engineering, is the daughter of our classmate **Paul MacDonnell**.

**Paula Fuller Gagnon** '73G was recognized for her leadership as she ended nine years of service on the board of the Maine Commission for Community Service. She is also vice president of academic and student affairs at York County Community College.

**George MacLeod**, owner and chef at his Bucksport restaurant (aptly named MacLeod's Restaurant) has retired after 30 years in business. The newspaper clipping recounted a classic tale of modest beginnings that led to success. George had \$1,000 to invest in the project when he opened the restaurant in 1980 in a building that was an eyesore. The mayor threatened to shut the place down if there were any reports of trouble. Thirty years later, the place is still going strong, and George is happy to report that the building "looks a little better." He continued to manage the restaurant while he looked for a successor.

And now for some "sweet" news. **Sara**

**Brooks**, a teacher at Ashland High School, was enlisted by **Amos Orcutt '64** to support his measure, in a mock legislation session in Augusta, to recognize whoopie pies as Maine's state dessert. As part of the Maine Youth in Government Program, the students—led by **Sarah**—traveled to the capitol to debate with fellow students from around the state. And mark your calendars: the fourth Sunday in each June has been proclaimed **Maine Whoopie Pie Day!**

News was scant this time. (I've chosen not

to include the clippings I received about car accidents, foreclosures, and job terminations, although my sympathy goes out to those of you in those categories.) If you'd like to see more news in this column, please drop me an email! Happy winter.

## 1973

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**Marshalyn Wing Baker** '77G, math teacher at Messalonskee Middle School, was one of 220 teachers from 17 countries to win a scholarship to attend the Honeywell Educators @ Space Academy at the US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. **Steve Cottrell** (G), retired superintendent of Winthrop schools, has become a consultant working the Continuous Improvement Priority Schools program. He will spend about 80 days each year working for the program, leaving him and **Marsha** lots of time to travel, snorkel, and read. **Gail D'Agostino** was elected to the board of selectmen in Dover-Foxcroft.

**Barbara Sirois Babkirk**, founder of Heart At Work Career Counseling, Portland, received the master career counselor designation from the National Career Development Association. **Ron Cote** has retired after 37 years of coaching, first in Old Town, then Brewer, and finally Biddeford High.

Steve and I are excited about welcoming two of our daughters home for the holidays after their sojourn of over two years of travel and work Down Under. Our California daughter and her husband will be on hand to celebrate as well.

Let us hear what you all have been up to lately. Cheers.



# 1974

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Greetings, classmates. I was able to attend my 40<sup>th</sup> reunion at Brewer High School last August. We had an excellent turnout thanks to **Beth Boudreau Husson**, my classmate since sixth grade! Other '74 University of Maine grads in attendance included: **David Ellis**, **Bruce Larson '78G**, **Debbie Adams Sprague**, **Judy Mullen Rowe**, **Patsy Langlais Beaulieu**, **Barbara Bartol**, and **Keith Bowden**.

Congratulations to pastor **Ruth Small Guerette '91G** on earning her master of divinity degree from Bangor Theological Seminary. She serves as pastor of Kenduskeag Union Church.

**Della Leach Martin '04G** is the new principal at Blue Hill Consolidated School. A teacher there since 1986, she had previous positions at Morrison Memorial School in East Corinth, Central Middle School in East Corinth, and Brooklin Junior High School. In June, Della was awarded the Maine Preserve America History Teacher of the Year Award. This prestigious award is given by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and the Maine Historical Society. Della will compete for the national History Teacher of the Year Award.

Life still moves at a fast pace for 90-year-old **Katherine Musgrave (G, Ph.D. '06H)**, a registered dietician for a physicians' office in Bangor, professor emeritus at UMaine, Lifelong Learning instructor, and radio personality. Oh, and she runs the nutrition program for some corporate wellness programs. Phew! She has an honorary doctorate of science from UMaine and in 2002 was named the New England University Continuing Education Association Faculty Member of the Year. She is looking forward to more big birthdays!

**Dave Anderson '89G** is wearing two hats these days—principal of Holden Elementary School and superintendent of both SAD 63 and Consolidated School District 8. I wonder if he still wears a baseball hat occasionally.

We have a Pulitzer Prize-winning classmate in **Bettina Boxall**. In 2009 she shared the Pulitzer Prize in Explanatory Reporting with *Los Angeles Times* colleague Julie Cart. She was on campus last spring to lecture about journalism as part of the Distinguished Honors Graduate Lecture series.

There is a great big world to explore and **Brian Cushing '95G** is doing just that as geography and social studies teacher at Lake Region High School. And the trips aren't just for him and to make him a better teacher; he took a group of students to China in 2007. He loves East Asian studies and he also teaches other educators about geography.

## GO BLUE!



Class of 1975 members **Lisa Halvorsen (left)** and **Vicki Page Wood** attended the Homecoming alumni gathering in October. Lisa and Vicki met their first week as freshmen at the University of Maine and have been good friends ever since.

# 1975

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As I write this, the first signs of fall are beginning to appear here in Ithaca. The leaves are just starting to turn and the mornings are cool. We have just returned home from a wonderful vacation back to the Maine coast after far too many years away. Our 35<sup>th</sup> Reunion took place in October. I hope some of you were able to make it. How could so many years have passed? We all should have so much news to share. Please let me know what you and your family are doing.

**Elaine Willis Morin** writes from California that she is in her 20th year of teaching reading. Most of her students come from Mexican farm working families. Her own family is growing. By next July, all four of her kids will be married. Elaine and John love all the new family members and adore their two grandsons. Elaine and John love coming back to Maine each summer and hearing from old friends.

It was good to receive news from **Bob Duquette '76G**. Bob recently retired from Ernst and Young after 30 years. For 20 years he led their Philadelphia mergers and acquisitions tax practice. He is helping the next generation of students entering tax-consulting careers by becoming a part-time professor of tax at Lehigh University. There he is emphasizing the ethical responsibilities in tax planning and the practical application of tax laws in the workplace. He is still active in professional societies and continues to give speeches across Pennsylvania on the need for federal tax reform and the implications of our federal deficit on future tax policy. He and Kathy have been married for 32 years and have three wonderful children.

By the time you read this, **Paul LePage (G)**

will have been sworn in as Maine's governor. Paul, the Republican candidate, was previously mayor of Waterville, and a manager at Marden's.

After 25 years of coaching at Bangor High School, **Tom Tennett '86G** has stepped down. He will be replaced as girls' basketball coach by **Katie Clark Herbine '00**.

**J. Hilary Billings** has been hired as an assistant federal public defender for the district of Maine.

News of **Ken Dunton** just made it in as I prepared to send this article off to UMaine. He is a professor in the Marine Science Institute at the University of Texas at Austin, and is involved in arctic research. He was looking forward to spending a week this past fall along the Maine coast where he

planned to cycle and enjoy lobster. Ken says that the only University of Maine graduates that he sees much of are **Martha Robus Kopplin** and **Jan Townsend Hanscom '74**, both living in Fairbanks, Alaska.

**Wilson G. Hess (G)** will be returning to Maine as president of the University of Maine at Fort Kent. He is president emeritus of both the College of the Marshall Islands and Unity College, where he also held various teaching and administrative positions.

**Susan Denison** retired this past August after 31 years with the FBI in Washington, DC, and is returning to Maine to fix up her "new" 140-year-old house. Enjoy the adventure!

**Colin Roy** has recently been selected to become the first player to be inducted into the newly formed Maine Amateur Softball Association Hall of Fame. Joining him in the induction will be long-time umpires **Norm Davis** and **Dick Smith**. Colin is also finishing out his term as president of the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association, and has started his 23rd year as an athletic director, and 37th year in education. The last 16 years he has been the AD at Mt. Ararat High School in Topsham.

My best wishes to everyone. It is great to receive news of everyone. Please do keep me informed of what is going on in your lives.

# 1976

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Hello, '76ers,

The autumn colors are just starting as I write this column. It makes me think back to 1972 when we were all freshmen at UMO. Can you remember meeting your roommate for



the first time, buying textbooks, finding where your classes met, and going to your first class? Please send me an email to let your classmates know what you have been up to over the past year or past 34 years!

I received an email from **Steven Snow**, who writes that he has been active in master's track and field since 2006. At the Penn Relays held in April 2010, his 4x400 relay team won a bronze medal in the 50+ age group. Steven also won a gold medal in the 2009 National Senior Games in California for the 4x400 relay and a silver medal in the 200m dash. Well done, Steven.

The '76ers in the news include **Brian Gardiner**, who has been named senior vice president, commercial services officer for the Katahdin Trust Company in Bangor. The *Bangor Daily News* announced that **Tim Allen** has been named city editor. The Ellsworth Chamber of Commerce has chosen **Bob Merrill**, president of Merrill Furniture, as its Citizen of the Year, citing his work with Maine Coast Memorial Hospital's capital campaign. **Kathy Smith Constantine** recently joined Southern Maine Medical Center as controller. **Cindy Eaton Shepley** was named Bangor's 2010 Teacher of the Year and nominated to participate in the 2011 State of Maine Teacher of the Year program.

I look forward to hearing from you. Have a great winter.

## 1977

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Here it is, winter again already! I hope all is well for you as we usher in 2011. It's still not too late to make a New Year's resolution to let your UMaine friends know what's going on in your lives. Lest I start repeating myself, I have just a few items to report at this time.

**Harris "Butch" Arthers** '95G has taken a position as residential director at Lee Academy. Most recently he served as principal at Belfast Area High School as well as longtime football coach there. Replacing Butch at Belfast High is **Stephen Fitzpatrick**, who has left the superintendent position at SAD 29 but relishes the move to Belfast in order to be closer to his children and grandchildren.

Since the late 1980s **Laurie Brubaker Schweikert** and her husband have operated The Grasshopper Shop in downtown Bangor. They also own and operate Grasshopper Shop satellite locations at Bangor International Airport and Searsport. Now they say it's time to "slow down from retail a bit." After the holidays they plan to close the downtown shop in order to focus their efforts on the Searsport and airport locations. Laurie and her husband live in Searsport.

And as the proverbial saying goes, that's all she wrote! I hope you all have a wonderful

winter. Personally, I'm setting my sights on springtime. Drop me a note anytime and let me know what's happening. Incidentally, with a little help from my kids I am now on Facebook, but could use more friends (hint, hint!).

## 1978

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Happy winter, everyone. There must be something to report regarding your job, kids, home, travels, or activities. Don't be shy—we really want to hear from you! Please send an update or a message for the summer magazine. The Class of '78 needs news!

## 1979

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Happy 2011! Hope you are all snug and cozy and your new year is off to a good start! I am hoping it will bring an improvement in our economy for everyone who has been suffering from a lack of work.

On to class news—

**Bob Whalen** '86G, head baseball coach at Dartmouth for the past 21 years, has achieved a milestone with his 400th career victory. He has passed Jeff Tesreau (1919-46) as Dartmouth's all-time winningest coach. Prior to his arrival at Dartmouth, Bob was an assistant coach at UMaine from 1982-89 and was promoted to associate head coach in 1987. Under his tenure, the Bears advanced to the College World Series from 1982-84 and again in 1986.

**Don Winant** was elected to the Pacific Northwest Swimming Hall of Fame last July. As a member of the northwest's Totem Lake Swim Club, Don was ranked ninth in the world in the 400 individual medley. Don also had a 32-year-old 400 individual medley record at UMaine, which was broken last year. If what I read on the Internet is true (!), Don has had an amazing career, which includes work with the Space Shuttle and a Hawaiian Iron man race. I would really enjoy hearing more about his adventures and would like to share them with the rest of our class. (hint-hint)

**Dean R. Churchill** has been named the business-cooperative programs director for the USDA Rural Development Agency. This group provides grants and loans to support and encourage rural businesses. Dean has been with

the agency for 32 years. He was named Maine's 2006 Financial Services Champion by the US Small Business Administration. During his career he has assisted more than 500 businesses and saved and created approximately 2,100 jobs in rural Maine.

Retired US Army Brigadier General **Robert G. Carmichael, Jr.** and two other officers spoke in Bangor in June in response to the report titled "Ready, Willing and Unable to Serve," which contained some alarming statistics about the lack of future preparedness of many young people. They encouraged preschool education as a way to improve this situation. General Carmichael is a member of Mission: Readiness, which is a nonprofit, bi-partisan organization led by senior retired military leaders that calls for "smart investments in the upcoming generation of American children."

We wish to express our sincere condolences to **Lauren Hilliard Cormier** and her family on the loss of her son Garrett. Garrett passed away in June as the result of an automobile accident. Lauren is a teacher at Lyman Moore Middle School in Portland.

## 1980

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What a Reunion we had on Homecoming weekend! Our 30th is something we will remember for our entire lives. The spirit we shared as we sipped on lobster bisque at our lively tailgate continued throughout the football game, and on to the post-game reception at the Buchanan Alumni House.

There is nothing like a college reunion to soften the passage of time! Friendships were renewed, and laughter filled the day, as we remembered and shared college memories. Even the rain didn't dampen our 1980 spirit!

So wonderful to spend the weekend with college roommate, Barb Brown Dalton '81, and husband, **Bill**. We have so much news from our classmates, many who were here for our Reunion!

The ATO fraternity had a strong presence at Homecoming. Class president **Rick Knowlton** and wife, Leslie, are living in Camden. Rick has served as vice president of Aqua Maine, a private water utility that serves 20 Maine municipalities, since 1984. They have three children: Kyle '09, Abby, and Jay. Rick notes that, "We spend most winter weekends in Sugarloaf skiing with a great group of UMaine alums!" Rick volunteers on several municipal committees and boards, and enjoys hiking, biking, boating, and playing golf.

After graduating from UMaine, **Stephen P. Maroon** earned an MBA from Columbia University. He is presently serving as the director of marketing for the Export-Import Bank of the





Members of the Class of 1980 celebrated their 30th University of Maine Reunion at the Buchanan Alumni House during Homecoming 2010 in October.

United States, and lives in Metro Washington, DC. His wife, Patty, owns a senior care company. Steve notes that he is still playing ice hockey, and is involved in local politics.

**Rick Ray '90G** is teaching school in Augusta.

Following graduation, **Jim Hewes** earned a law degree at Michigan State University, and now practices criminal law in Portland. Jim and his wife, Mayumi, have three children – ages 20, 18, and 15. Leisure time activities for Jim include: sailing, tennis, swimming, and skiing.

Many former Knox Hall residents lived things up at our tailgate and after-party! College roommate **Gail Deabay Rucci** and husband, **Mike**, are living in Millinocket. Gail is a Reading Recovery and Title One teacher at Opal Myrick School in East Millinocket. Mike is an intermediate EMT for the Millinocket Fire Department. They have three children: Beth, Paul, and Mark.

**Steve Norris** and his wife are just entering their 20th year operating The Pines Lodge, a traditional Maine sporting camp ([www.thepineslodge.com](http://www.thepineslodge.com)). They have been married for 27 years and have two children, ages 13 and 16. Steve is the past president of the Maine Sporting Camp Association, and serves as director of the Maine Professional Guides Association. Steve reports that he had a "great time at our 30th Reunion with old friends and classmates."

**Ed Connors** and his wife, Jeanne, whom he married in 1984, have lived in Hermon for the past 24 years. After spending many years working in the paper distribution business, Ed now works for C & L Aviation Services in Bangor as manager for materials and procurement. Ed enjoys biking, hiking, camping, and cross-country skiing. He has traveled with fellow

UMaine alums to the Orange Bowl, NCAA Final Four, and to the Caribbean to celebrate 50th birthdays. Ed notes that he keeps in touch with many UMaine friends, and never misses Homecoming!

**Terri Hart Hamilton** lives and works in Norwalk, CT, where she has taught high school physical education for the past 11 years. She has three daughters—Laura, a senior at Skidmore College; Rachel, who attends Lafayette College; and Jeanette, who is in high school. The family also includes two Schipperke dogs.

**Cindy Peacock Gaylord** teaches fifth grade in Westfield, MA. She has three sons—one a Tufts engineering grad, one at the University of Virginia, and one still in high school. Cindy has been a very loyal Class of 1980 reunion attendee through the years!

**Kim Randall McBride '83G** is teaching middle school in Windham. She teaches in a gifted and talented program. Kim and her husband, Jim '82, '84G, have two children.

**Brenda LaRoche Whitney** and her husband, Chris, have an 11-year-old son, Tucker. They love to boat and fish. Brenda enjoys volunteering for her son's school and social activities. She has been working in real estate for 27 years, and is a realtor with RE/MAX in Yarmouth. Brenda notes, "We still live in the house we built in the ice storm of '98 and feel very fortunate to be on an island in Maine that you can drive to!"

I'm enjoying life in greater Nashua, NH, and find the balance between city and country life wonderful. Working as a nurse practitioner with college students reminds me every day that a positive college experience is a lifelong gift. Seeing UMaine friends this Homecoming is a memory I will always cherish.

You don't have to wait another five years to see members of our class! Our class will debut

its annual pre-game tailgate next fall at 2011 Homecoming. Please join us! More details to follow in upcoming columns. Send me your news now. What you are doing is important to so many. Take care!

## 1981

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Thirty years—can you believe it?! As you read this, we're fast approaching the 30th anniversary of our graduation from UMaine! And now, it's time to kick our Reunion planning into high gear, as the months until Homecoming 2011 will fly by! We need to rally the troops, so send me any emails you have and let's make this one a record-setter! Many of you are now empty-nesters, so no excuses—mark your calendars now!

I primed myself for our 30th back in October, by attending the Class of 1980's Reunion with my old roommate Rosemary Hydrisko Dougherty '80. She picked up our old pal Steve Maroon '80 at the Manchester airport and they arrived late Friday night. I think I laughed for 24 hours straight! We reminisced with all sorts of old friends, including a strong contingent of ATO brothers. We even ventured into Hart Hall to see who was now inhabiting our old room on 3 South. (I'm not quite sure what that young man thought of us!) What a great time we had and she promised to come back next year to



share my Reunion. So many of us had friends in adjoining classes and it's always fun to crash those reunions to see who you know!

**Stephan Ouellette '98G** is principal of Madison Area Memorial High School. He was most recently a half-time assistant principal and half-time athletic director at Monmouth Academy. **Lynda Martin Rohman** became the first full-time director of development for Acadia Hospital Healthcare Charities in Bangor this past year. **Bill Nason** was appointed president and chief executive officer of PM Construction in Saco. Bill has been with the company since 1992 and they have grown to become one of the largest general contractors in the state. **John Lortie** is vice president at Stantec, an environmental consulting firm in Topsham. He received an Award of Professional Excellence from the University of Maine's Department of Wildlife Ecology. This award celebrates graduates of the wildlife program who have distinguished themselves throughout their careers.

A record three emails this time around! Come on gang—about 1,700 classmates and I get THREE emails! You don't have to have anything to brag about ... just give us a quick update on your job, family, etc. Kudos to **Marcia Green** for being the first to volunteer to help with our 30th Reunion next fall at Homecoming! Both of Marcia's children have graduated from college—her son, Joe, from Illinois State and her daughter, Katey, from UNH. Marcia is assistant clerk magistrate for the Worcester District Court in Worcester, MA. **Carl Fischer** writes that he received his Ph.D. in educational communications and technology last May from the University of Kansas in Lawrence. Carl retired from the Army in 2005, and since then has been working as a senior military analyst at the Battle Command Battle Lab in Fort Leavenworth, KS. **Jean Bingham** sent a note and also some great photos of a bunch of her UMaine friends who got together last winter ... the same bunch who went to Fort Lauderdale for spring break in '81! She also sent a couple of photos of the women who started ice hockey at Maine. They reunited in May of '09 and are keeping in touch on Facebook—check it out!

Okay, let's start spreading the word on our 30th Reunion at Homecoming 2011! Please let me know if you're willing to contact any of your old gang—dorm buddies, Greeks, band, athletes, or just classmates in your area. We can pull names and addresses for you or you can search online. And we also need to beef up our class fund or it will be a pretty dull party. How 'bout sending along 81 dollars for the Class of '81! Fifty dollars for our scholarship (which needs a good jolt, too!) and 31 dollars for our class fund to help with Reunion expenses. If you can't do both, send one or the other—your choice! Time does fly by way too quickly, so don't let another reunion go by without attending. Our years at UMaine were truly some of the best and certainly did shape the rest of our lives. Come, relive those wonderful years ... if only for a weekend!

**GO BLUE!**



**Alumni association chair Kurt Marston '74, '79G presented Alicia Johnson Nichols '82 with a Block "M" Award at Homecoming 2010. Alicia has built a network of former UMaine women's hockey players and organized the first women's hockey alumni reunion.**

## 1982

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Many of you may have heard about the young man from Orono who lost his life this past June in Afghanistan. Staff Sergeant Brandon M. Silk of Orono was the son of classmate **Lynn Ronan Silk** and her husband, Mark Silk, of Orono. Brandon attended Orono High School and besides his parents left two brothers, David and Blaine. Brandon was serving his fourth tour of duty and had turned down a promotion because he did not want a desk job. Please join me in offering Lynn and her family our condolences while thanking her from the bottom of our hearts for her son's sacrifice!

It is important that we all remember what these young men and women are doing in order to keep us safe. Our thoughts are with you and your family.

## 1983

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Another Maine winter is upon us as you read this edition of your class notes. However it is being written on a September morning, after attending a very exciting development for University of

Maine alumni who live in the greater Boston area. Last night I attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the University of Maine Club, located at the UMass Club on Franklin Street in the heart of Boston's financial district. President Kennedy was on hand to cut the ribbon along with President Wilson of the University of Massachusetts as a nice crowd of 50 or more alumni looked on. This agreement with the University of Massachusetts provides Maine alumni with a physical club to use for events, or simply for members to bring colleagues or their significant others to when enjoying a night out in Boston, and provides panoramic views of Boston Harbor, as well as the North and South shores. Call Cheryl Hoffman at the UMass Club (617.287.3030) to find out more!

Classmate **Jerry Traub**, who was a member and captain of the swim team under Coach Alan Switzer and won several New England Championships during his days in Wallace Pool, was honored by his high school. Jerry was named to the Torrington High School Hall of Fame in April in Torrington, CT. Jerry and his wife, Lisa Clough Traub '86, now live in the Torrington area and are the parents of three. Their son Eric was a champion swimmer at Torrington, who graduated this year and was on his way to Columbia University. Jerry works as an engineer with O & G and he and Lisa, who also swam for Maine, reflected fondly on their Orono days in the report in the local newspaper.

Another classmate who was a proud parent in the spring of 2010 was **Valerie Blanchard Kane**. Valerie and her husband, David '77, were on hand at Husson as their son Joseph was named the valedictorian of the class of 2010 at Husson. Joseph received a B.S. degree in accounting and a M.S. in business while maintaining a 3.981 GPA. Valerie and David reside in Bradford, where Joseph attended Central High School.

Here is something I don't have the opportunity to write that often: a marriage announcement! Classmate **Scott Warchol** of Buxton was to wed Laurie Lester Mooney in Jackson, NH, at the Wentworth Inn in October. Scott works as a project administrator for the Maine Turnpike Authority.

Finally, I appeal to all of you to share your stories or trials and tribulations by simply emailing me at [rdfitta@gmail.com](mailto:rdfitta@gmail.com). Here's to a wonderful winter season to one and all and hopefully a trip to St. Paul for our hockey team this April. See you at the rink!

## 1984

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Hello, classmates!

What a beautiful summer and fall we had here on the coast of Maine! The weather was



warm, even hot at times. My vegetable garden thrived, and I had a bumper crop of tomatoes. I hope you all had a pleasant summer and fall as well. I received emails from a couple of classmates. It is such a thrill to see those in my inbox and I'm looking forward to more of them (hint, hint).

**Bob Gordon** has been living in San Francisco since 1993. He and his partner, Juan, live in the heart of the city. Since 2004, Bob has been the director of the California LGBT Tobacco Education Partnership, which recently helped pass the first tobacco-free pharmacy ordinance in the United States. Although far from Maine, Bob says, "life here agrees with me."

I also heard from **Pat Dunn**, who apologized for missing our 25th Reunion a year ago. He has joined Consonus Technologies as principal consultant/disaster recovery and business continuity planning. He works out of his home in Flowery Branch, NC, but has been busy speaking on disaster recovery topics at conferences and user group meetings around the country. He is active with the Black Bears of Georgia alumni group. His daughter, Catalina, is a freshman at Flowery Branch High School where she is a competitive rower and swimmer, and is also in the marching band. (He sounds like a proud papa.)

**Bob McPhee** sent along the news that he has just published his second book, *It Could Be Worse, the Rest of the Story*. The book chronicles his life before being paralyzed during a high school football scrimmage in 1976 and then through his rehabilitation and years at UMaine. He has been a sportswriter at the *Lewiston Sun Journal* since 1987 and the *Rumford Falls Times* since 1996. He has been inducted into the Maine Amateur Wrestling Hall of Fame and the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. The book has been published by USA Wrestling and is on sale now.

Speaking of the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame, 13 new members were inducted in July, including **Jeff Paul** '94G. Jeff was a three-time All New England Division I team member who played in four consecutive College World Series for Coach Winkin from 1981 to 1984. You may recall from my last column that Jeff was also recently inducted into the Orono High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Another of our classmates has been recently honored, this time as a volunteer. **Keith Gray** was named the 2010 Citizen Volunteer of the Year by the Maine Recreation and Parks Association. He has dedicated his time to the Yarmouth Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts since 1997, as well as to the Yarmouth booster groups for softball, basketball, and hockey. Congratulations, Keith!

**Joseph Nesin** received some more press coverage of his windmill. He lives in Chester and uses wind power to supplement the electricity used at his home and veterinary practice. He has a 10-kilowatt turbine set up on a 140-foot tall tower. The turbine went into operation in September 2009 and Joseph says it produces about 90 percent of the power needed for his approximately 2,000-square-foot veterinary office.

**Donald Bolduc** has decided to stay on as Millinocket's police chief. He announced his

intention to retire as chief about a year ago and had planned to become a patrolman as soon as the town found a new chief. After the winter, he announced to the town manager that he was feeling recharged and would stay on as chief if town officials wanted him to. Don had received high marks as chief and his offer to remain was accepted.

This is all I have for this issue. Please email me your news!

## 1985

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Happy 2011 to you all! I hope you had a holiday season filled with family, friends, and food—and much to be thankful for.

Congratulations to Kevin Price of Winslow, son of **Kyle Price** '01G. Kevin received this year's UMaine Class of 1985 scholarship of \$810. Kevin is a senior majoring in political science and economics. Kyle is president of Sigma Phi Epsilon and president of the Senior Skulls Honor Society. Kevin sent a very nice thank-you note and enclosed a photo taken at a family reunion with six of his family members, all UMAINE grads (parents, grandparents, and great aunt and uncle). Again, congratulations!

**Jim Emple** has been named weekend editor in addition to his duties as assistant display desk chief at the *Bangor Daily News*. Jim has been with the BDN since 1985 when he began his career at the copy desk.

**Marty Clark** has retired from coaching the Old Town High School varsity boys' basketball team where he has been a fixture for the past 22 of 23 seasons. Marty's teams reached the post-season tournament 11 times, winning a State Class A title in 1991 and reaching the Eastern Maine finals in 1993. Marty will continue to teach social studies and coach tennis at Old Town High School.

After 24 years, **Joan Naulyn Merriam** recently retired from teaching fourth grade at the Miles Lane School in Bucksport, ME.

**Lisa Pomella Finklestein** has worked at Pratt & Whitney for nearly 25 years and recently was appointed to the position of director, mobility and surveillance systems-military engines. In her new role, Lisa leads all aspects of the F117 and JSTARS engine programs to meet military requirements and will work to secure future US Air Force and international program opportunities for Pratt & Whitney. After graduating from UMaine, Lisa earned a master's degree in mechanical engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and an MBA in finance from the University of Connecticut.

I received news of the July 2010 death of **Tim Richter** from his Knox Hall roommate **Jon Vongher**. Fellow Knox Hall resident **Steve Hall** spoke of Tim this way at his memorial service:

"Tim knew how to have fun—kayaking on the Stillwater, sledding in a five-foot plastic Molson beer bottle down Margin Street in the middle of winter, or driving that Subaru Brat up Sugarloaf Mountain. All of this ... just elements of his adventurous style. Easy-going, thoughtful. He had the love of his parents, friends, and the special relationship shared between a man and a woman. The overwhelming memory I have of Tim was when he, with all his band regalia, played the Maine 'Stein Song.' It went something like this:

'Fill your hearts to our friend Tim  
Shout till the rafters ring  
Stand and share a toast once again  
Let every loyal friend of Tim sing.  
Yearn for all those happy hours  
Remember those unbelievable days  
Toast to Tim our alma amicus  
Our friend always.'"

My next column will include news from our 25th Reunion (hope I saw you there!). This column was due prior to Homecoming '10, so those updates have to wait. Best to you in 2011! I look forward to hearing from you.

## 1986

### 25<sup>th</sup> Reunion at Homecoming

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Hi, everyone, what's up with you? It's a new year—and even if you've broken all your new year's resolutions, it's not too late to do one good deed—send along an update. Your classmates want to know where you're living, working, and what you do outside of work. Do you play hockey or simply cheer on the Black Bears? Do you make killer chili or just like to eat it? Are you practicing your juggling techniques or simply juggling the various demands of your life? Whatever the scenario, we want to hear from you!

Here are a couple of updates:

**David J. Roy** has been promoted to chief risk officer, a newly created position, at Kennebec Savings Bank. David has worked at the bank since 1996. As chief risk officer, he will oversee the bank's risk management function, coordinate independent audits and examinations of the bank, and develop policies, procedures, and controls. David lives in Waterville with his wife, Kathleen, and children, Ben and Lydia. He is active in the Waterville community and has volunteered as a youth hockey coach for many years.

Governor **John Baldacci** was honored for community leadership in the public sector by the Portland Region Chamber last fall. **Jon Sorenson** was recognized for contributions to his alma mater. Jon is involved in the Black Bears of Boston alumni group, among other organizations. His professional consultation,



done though his work at Competitive Energy Services, helped UMaine save millions of dollars in energy expenses.

## 1987

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Hello, Class of '87 and welcome to the winter edition of our class notes. As I write this article, it is a warm and humid August afternoon and I've got a pot of tomatoes on the stove boiling down to some homemade sauce, or gravy, as my Italian mother-in-law would say. I recently accepted a sales position with InterSystems in Cambridge, MA. InterSystems is a database software company that focuses on the healthcare and manufacturing sectors. Previously, I had been with Hewlett-Packard for about eight and a half years.

**Gregg Palmer '99G** will be the new principal at Falmouth High School this fall. He had been principal at Searsport District High School since 2002 and had instituted a standards-based educational program and intervention system that helped students thrive. The school has done so well under Gregg's leadership that it has been studied regionally as a model.

In April, the Maine Principals Association named **Mike McCarthy (G)** as the 2010 Middle Level Principal of the Year in Maine. He is one of three finalists for the 2011 National Middle School Principal of the Year. This award was to be announced in October in Washington, DC. Mike has been principal at the King Middle School in Portland for the past 22 years. In 1996 Mike was named Maine's Principal of the Year, and was one of four finalists for the national award in 1997. Mike's reputation as an expert on school reform has only grown since then. He has lectured in 31 states, Canada, and Bermuda. He has also hosted educators from Ireland, England, Sweden, Australia, and Japan who were interested in King Middle School's success. Mike is an adjunct professor of educational leadership at the University of Southern Maine and a national faculty member for expeditionary learning, the teaching model followed at King Middle School.

Congratulations to Gregg and Mike.

Unfortunately, there is sad news to report.

**Joyce Ledoux Bridger** passed away in August at her home in Virginia after a courageous battle with cancer. She majored in chemical engineering at Orono and worked for Union Camp/International Paper for 22 years as a supervisor in the paper mill and the pulp mill. She belonged to St. Jude's Catholic Church. She is survived by her husband, Frank Sterling Bridger; daughter, Haley; and son, Seth. We extend our sympathy to her family.

Have you recently accepted a new job, received an award, or done something amazing? Let us know about your career and life accomplishments.



### Three Generations of Black Bears

The Price family got together for a family reunion last summer. Among those attending were three generations of UMaine graduates. Left to right are: Robert Price '68, Marty Parry Price '68, Karen Schaedler Price '86, Kevin Price '11, Kyle Price '85, '01G, Trudy Chambers Price '62, and C. Ronald Price '62.

Kevin, a UMaine senior studying economics and political science, is currently receiving a Class of 1986 scholarship (his mother, Karen's, class). He would like the class to know that, "I'm extremely grateful that you were able to offer me financial assistance as I continue to experience all that UMaine has to offer me."

## 1988

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Hello, Class of 1988! As you read this column, may you remember the winds of winter whipping down the University mall as you walked to class. Oh, those were the days. Today, we pursue other activities, some of which I will share here. If you don't see your news here and you want to share, please drop me a line and let me know what you are doing.

On the medical front, in May of 2010 **Jeanne Skehan Wypyski, LCSW, CCS** was promoted to the position of director of inpatient and consult services for The Acadia Hospital in Bangor. Also at the Acadia Hospital from the Class of '88, in July of 2010, **Karen Johnson Clements, RN**, was named as the chief nursing officer. Continuing in this vein, I am pleased to mention that in June of 2010, **John Ronan** was named

vice president, clinical and support services at Blue Hill Memorial Hospital, a position in which he had been serving on an interim basis since February 2010. Maine Coast Memorial Hospital in Ellsworth announced in July the addition of **Wendy Zimmer Gignoux '94G, FNP-C** to the medical staff of the Eleanor Widener Dixon Memorial Clinic in Gouldsboro, ME.

Now switching to sports, the Class of '88 finds several alumni making the headlines.

**Andy Nickerson** was awarded the Larry Labrie MIAAA Distinguished Service Award-Statewide, Outside the Field of Athletic Administration at the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association meeting in the spring of 2010. This award recognizes a school/community person who made significant contributions to interscholastic athletics statewide. Andy, from Brewer, works for Wight's Sporting Goods.

Congratulations are sent to teacher **Jeff Owen '03G** and his student Daniel Lesser for paddling together in the 34<sup>th</sup> annual Souadabscook Stream Canoe Race as part of an outdoor club excursion. They ended up winning the event in April of 2010.

**Daniel Crocker '04G** and wife, **Christine Ocana Crocker '01G**, made the headlines in June of 2010 because they were the parents of Alex Crocker, who at the time was a junior at Orono High School. At the Class C state track and field championships, Alex Crocker won the 300-meter hurdles event, something her mother

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achieved her senior year at Mattanawcook Academy in Lincoln, before moving on to compete at the University of Maine. It should be noted that Daniel Crocker is not outdone by his wife and daughter; he, too, participated in track and field while in high school and at the University of Maine, and was a member of a record-setting shuttle hurdle relay team and set a collegiate state meet record in the triple jump. Congratulations to all.

Finally, in July, **Gary Dube** was inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame at a ceremony at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland, ME. The *Bangor Daily News* reported that, "Dube led Biddeford High School to its first-ever state baseball title in 1984 and went on to be a standout player for the University of Maine. He played 15 seasons in the Portland Twilight League and Northern New England Semipro Baseball League." His wife of 21 years, Candice Dube, tells me that Gary has been with Tyler Technologies for 18 years. She and Gary have two toddlers. He is currently the National Director of Sales for Student Systems.

That is all the news I have this time around. Congratulations to all on your accomplishments.



**Suzanne Goulet '90 thanks attendees at the "M" Club breakfast at Homecoming in October. Suzanne, a former softball player, was an "M" Club silver honoree (25 years). She is now a high school art teacher.**

**Roland Narofsky** has joined the team at Maine Savings Federal Credit Union as the regional vice president in charge of the Bangor-Brewer market.

Enjoy the winter season. Please send along some news for the new issue of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*! You can catch me on Facebook or email at [ksilsby@gwi.net](mailto:ksilsby@gwi.net).

new position at Syntiro, formerly known as the Maine Support Network, based in Readfield. He will work in the education division. Rick will visit with teachers in Maine schools to train and work with them to promote college access.

In January 2010, **Barbara Steller** was recognized in the *Bangor Daily News* as the third annual George Hale Silver Frame Award winner. Barbara thinks it is important to have goals in life and one of her goals was to travel once she became a senior. Between her 60<sup>th</sup> and 72<sup>nd</sup> birthdays Barbara has traveled extensively. She has traveled to Alaska; visited five European countries (Spain, France, Italy, Greece, and Italy) in five days; and visited China.

**Josh Tardy** was in the state legislature for eight years and the minority leader for his last four years. After the legislature adjourned last spring, Josh left the state legislature because of term limits. He is currently working in his law practice. He was previously a high school basketball coach and also plans to get back to coaching.

## 1989

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Greetings, fellow UMainers!

I have many exciting pieces of news about our class to share with all of you. I hope the season has been joyous for you and your loved ones.

I have been enjoying my new job as the assistant principal at Cony High School.

Lt. **William Harwood** shared the new capabilities and procedures at the Maine State Police Laboratory at the summer meeting of the Maine State Bar Association.

**Matt Rossignol** is returning to his hometown as Van Buren's new girls' basketball coach. His daughter will be on the team that he is coaching!

GrayRobinson attorney, **Brent C. J. Britton** was recently named in the annual referral guide, *The Best Lawyers in America* 2011 list. Brent focuses on technology law and works in Tampa, FL.

**Paul Knowles** (G) retired as the superintendent of Regional School Unit 11 to assume a two-year teaching position in the educational leadership graduate program at UMaine.

As a broadcaster for 31 years, **Richard Kimball** of WAEI radio of Bangor was named one of the Maine Co-Sportscasters of the Year.

Col. **Jack Mosher** plans to run 550 miles starting in Kittery and ending at Arlington National Cemetery. He called his effort the One Life Resiliency Run.

## 1990

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Happy 2011! I hope you had a great holiday season.

This past summer I saw classmates **Brian** and **Barbara Quine Roy**. They live in Virginia with their daughter, Jessica. Brian has one more year in the Air Force and is stationed overseas for a year. Please email me any news you would like me to share in this column.

**Betty Moore Morrell** (G, '94G) retired from the Maranacook area school district. The Maranacook school district includes the towns of Manchester, Mount Vernon, Readfield, and Wayne. As the curriculum coordinator, Betty oversaw curriculum, testing, and professional development in the 1,400-student district. She was in this part-time role for a year. Previously, she was the principal at Readfield Elementary.

**Rick Wilson** (G) also retired from the Maranacook area school district. Most recently he was the principal of the Manchester and Mount Vernon Elementary Schools. In 1983 he started as a music teacher in the four elementary schools—Manchester, Mount Vernon, Readfield, and Wayne. He became the principal of Manchester Elementary School in 1992 and last year added being the principal at Mount Vernon Elementary School. In his career, he directed 52 musicals at the elementary school. Rick took a

## 1991

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I hope the New Year has brought you renewed energy, enthusiasm, and focus to make the most out of 2011. It's been 20 years since we left UMaine, and it is not too early to start making plans for a Reunion on campus in the fall. If you haven't been back to campus in many years (or even if you were there last month), wouldn't it be great to see all the old special places where you made those college memories? Of course, some of the fun will be seeing all the changes. Make a plan, invite your old roommates, and bring along your family.

**Waldo Caballero** was recently named head coach for the Orono High School boys' soccer program. For the past 10 years he has been sharing his soccer skills and experience as the assistant coach for the Red Riots. Waldo grew up playing soccer in his native Bolivia, and at one point the midfielder competed professionally. Multitalented, he also teaches music in the Orono school system, serves as Orono High School's orchestra director, and plays viola with the Bangor Symphony Orchestra.

Last spring, **Catherine Haskell** '94G was hired by the University of Maine at Augusta to serve as executive assistant to the college's president. She previously worked at Junior Achievement of Maine, a Portland nonprofit organization aimed at preparing students for the workforce. Catherine lives in Waterville.

**Angie Helton**, the president of Northeast Media Associates, was awarded the Member Volunteer of the Year Award by the Greater Portland Convention and Visitors Bureau. The award recognizes her work in marketing Greater Portland and the Casco Bay region.



**John B. White** was admitted into the partnerships of Deloitte LLP as a principal. He joined Deloitte in 2005 as a senior manager working in the public sector division. Before joining Deloitte, he worked as vice president at Covansys Corporation for five years in Columbus, OH, and three years before that as vice president with Digitas in Boston. John currently lives in Harrisburg, PA, with his wife, Kathy, and sons, Tyler and Jake.

**Jeff Tuttle** has been named special projects and business editor for the *Bangor Daily News*. He will oversee investigative stories and political coverage, along with health care and other topics. Jeff has held numerous positions during his 12 years in the newsroom and has won several awards in Maine and New England for his reporting and editing.

Congratulations to **Jeff Holmes** and his wife, Melissa, who welcomed a baby boy, Calvin, to their family on July 11, 2010. Big sister, Charlotte (3) is thrilled. The family lives in Wakefield, MA.

Think about that Reunion in the fall. I hope to see you there! M-A-I-N-E, Gooooo BLUE!

## 1992

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Many thanks to **Michelle Bouchard**, who wrote this column for many years. She did a great job keeping classmates informed on jobs, kids, new homes, etc. Michelle has stepped aside, so the Class of '92 needs a class correspondent to write a column for the magazine twice a year. If you like knowing what's going on with your classmates, this job is for you! Contact the alumni association at the above address if you are interested.

**Patricia Rollins Jones** (G) ran for her third term representing Belgrade, Fayette, Manchester, Mount Vernon, and Vienna, ME. Patricia retired from the Maine Bureau of Health after 25 years of managing public health programs. She has also served as chair of the Maine Dental Access Coalition.

**Debbie Brown Fitzpatrick**, a director at Madigan Estates Health Care Facility in Houlton, married Jeff LaCombe last June at their camp on East Grand Lake.

Congratulations are in order for several classmates for their accomplishments. Sergeant **Richard H. Smith** was recognized last spring for his dedication and service to the Brewer Police Department. Kudos also to **Doug Kulis** of Georgetown, who received an exemplary service award from the Maine Warden Service during the annual recognition banquet last spring. Doug is a Maine game warden who has "earned the respect of the hunting community and the department." **David Morris**, an assistant coach with the Bangor Comrades, has



New Hampshire Governor John Lynch (right) presents Cheryl Bentley '92, her husband, John, and their daughter Kelly with a commendation for their work on the Lilac Project.

## Cheryl Bentley '92 Recognized for Lilac Project

After the tragic death of their four-year-old daughter, Katie, in 2007, from complications of pneumonia, John and Cheryl Allen Bentley '92 turned their grief into a positive venture and established the Katie Bentley Lilac Project. As the family planted flowers at her grave in their Salisbury, New Hampshire, town cemetery, they considered ways to honor her memory. Purple was Katie's favorite color, and lilacs bloomed during the Memorial Day weekend. Lilacs are also the New Hampshire state flower.

The Bentley family was inspired to plant hundreds of lilacs. Partnering with a nursery that specializes in lilacs, they worked with the cemetery trustees and town selectmen. The New Hampshire governor's office even got involved. The project has become a way to not only honor loved ones, but also promote lilacs and beautify the landscape. For more information, visit [www.katiebentleylilacproject.com](http://www.katiebentleylilacproject.com) or email [katiebentleylilacproject@gmail.com](mailto:katiebentleylilacproject@gmail.com).

been named the team's new head coach.

**Brent Scobie** '97G was promoted to vice president and chief of clinical services at Acadia Hospital last winter. Brent earned his master's in social work in 1997 and is also a board-certified clinical supervisor.

Katahdin Trust Company has announced that **Barrett Potter** (G) is vice president and commercial services officer. He works in commercial lending and development in southern Aroostook County.

The Old Canada Road, which once extended from Solon through Jackman, and on to the Quebec border, was once lined with thriving communities and local businesses. Now the quiet, northern Somerset County area bears little evidence of its lively past. Historical objects from the area now have a home at the Old Canada Road Historical Society in Bingham. **Barry Rodrigue** (G), '00 Ph.D., authored *Backwoods Globalization: The Canada Road Frontier, a 500-Year History*, which was released last summer.

**Tim Whitehead's** (G) contract has been

extended, so he will oversee the UMaine hockey team for another several years. He has been behind the Maine bench for 10 years.

That's it for now. If you want to continue to see news of '92 in the alumni magazine, please consider becoming the class correspondent. It's easy, doesn't take much time, helps your class stay connected, and is a great way to help the UMaine Alumni Association.

## 1993

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Nearly a dozen alumni were recognized at this year's Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrator's Association when they held



their 39th annual spring conference at the Samoset. Among them were several members of our class. Congratulations to **Dennis Kiah** (G) and **Rich Buzzell**, who both received Special Achievement Awards.

**Justin Wardwell** was a runner-up in the 34th annual Soudabscook Stream Canoe Race.

**Christopher Farmer** was named the new general manager of Saddleback ski area. He was promoted to the position after serving successfully as their director of real estate, planning and development, and legal counsel.

**Andy Sheaff** '99G successfully completed Level 1 National Cave Rescue Commission training earlier this year. This is a volunteer program developed to train and track cave rescue operations throughout the country.

**Jonathan Nicholson** has been promoted to assistant vice president and business relationship officer in the Bar Harbor office of The First. He has also been active in the community, serving as president of Kebo's board of directors, and a past board member of the MDI YMCA.

**Jim Montgomery**, whom we all remember for his hockey exploits, continues his coaching career, and was recently named head coach of the Dubuque Fighting Saints.

**Andi Vigue** '98G was named to the board of trustees of Maine Central Institute.

**Amy Stacey Curtis** recently completed her sixth solo-biennial in Biddeford's Pepperell Mill. She has developed an ambitious schedule of these art exhibits. Each large-scale interactive installation takes place in a different Maine community's abandoned space; exploring chaos, order, and repetition through a specific theme, while requiring audience participation. Amy was the 2005 Maine Arts Commission Individual Artist Fellow for Visual Art.

History contest. Russell was nominated by the Tisbury Manor Chapter, DAR in Monson. Chapter members were particularly impressed by Russell's effort to have every student graduating from PVHS do a family genealogy.

**Dianne Waters** (G) is the new principal at Trenton Elementary school. Dianne previously served as principal of the Beech Hill School in Tremont. **Tim Archambault** has been appointed vice president of new media and digital operations at MaineToday Media. Among the papers MaineToday Media publishes are the *Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram*, the *Kennebec Journal* in Augusta, and the *Morning Sentinel* in Waterville. **Rowena Griffin** was hired as the new program manager at the Bangor Area Homeless Shelter. Her duties will be to oversee the day-to-day operations of the shelter.

**Shane Cote** was recently promoted to deputy chief of police in Farmington. Shane has worked for the department full time for 14 years, and recently worked on a project that found solutions for improving the police department's aging records system.

**Patricia Moulton Hopkins** (G) is the new superintendent of Regional School Unit 11, which serves Gardiner, Pittston, Randolph, and West Gardiner. Patricia was previously superintendent of schools in the Camden-Rockport area. **Todd Livingston** received a Special Achievement Award from the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association at the group's 39th annual spring conference at the Samoset Resort in Rockport. **Christopher Madden** was elected to a three-year term on the Greenbush school committee. **Theresa White** '05G is engaged to Shane Whiting. Theresa is a special education teacher at Holden Elementary School.

be walking next.

Central Maine Motors Auto Group recognized **Jeff Leclerc's** 10 years of service as the Toyota sales manager with a large advertisement in the *Kennebec Journal* in July. Jeff resides in Vassalboro with his wife, **Karla Stansbury Leclerc**, and two children, Cole and Sophie. Congratulations on 10 years, Jeff!

**Cherrie MacInnes** (G), a third grade teacher at Washington Street School in Brewer, completed a 50-state web-based field trip with her students. The project started as a way for the students to stay connected to a classmate who moved to Minnesota. She called the project Chatting Across the USA and enlisted the help of teachers from all 50 states. In addition to the chat, the students kept journals of what they learned during the meetings, and placed state flag stickers on a map in their classroom after they visited a state. Each student got a chance to ask a question or tell a Maine fact during the 20- to 30-minute Internet learning sessions. In addition to the benefits to the children, the Brewer technology team has set up a website, *ClassChats.com*, for other classrooms to connect to each other easily.

I'll close with my own announcement. I was promoted in May to president and chief operating officer at FHC. FHC manufactures and internationally markets neuroscience and neurological devices used to monitor brain cellular activity. The company is based in Bowdoin, ME, and has offices in Romania, Colombia, and Pennsylvania. I am very excited to be working with such a fantastic Maine-based company. I'm always happy to discuss what FHC does, so feel free to contact me there at [kseitz@fh-co.com](mailto:kseitz@fh-co.com).

That's the extent of my notes for this time around. I hope this finds you well and that I'll hear from you soon!

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Hello, classmates! At the time of writing, summer is drawing to a close and kids are headed back to school. It is pretty hard to believe it's been 20 years since so many of us were arriving at UMaine for our first year! Time flies. In the meantime, here's what some of your classmates have been up to:

**Russell Carey** (G), who teaches history at Penquis Valley High School (PVHS), was selected as the Maine state organization Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Outstanding Teacher of American History. Russell subsequently placed third in the National DAR Outstanding Teacher of American

## 1995

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Here at the closing of a great Maine summer, it seems so odd to be writing notes for the winter. But with such a wonderful season behind us, I am hoping we'll be experiencing a great winter, too, as you are reading this. I don't have too much to write about this time around, so I hope to hear from you soon. Speaking for myself, it is great to hear what you alumni are up to.

**Ruth Porter Susee** has been an active volunteer over the years with the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure event, a 60-mile walk. Ruth is a breast cancer survivor herself, and has participated in the walk each year since 2004. Ruth was diagnosed in 1998, is 59 years old, and resides in Kenduskeag. This year she acted as a crew member for the Boston event, then walked as a participant in the Denver and Washington, DC, events. She was excited to act as a crew member as, "it will give me a different perspective." Ruth, your commitment is amazing and I can't wait to hear where you'll

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**Tarren Bragdon** is executive director of the Maine Heritage Policy Center, a conservative Portland-based think tank.

**Shaienne Wheeler Priest** '08G directs the Leonard Middle School Jazz Ensemble. The group won first place in Division II at the State Jazz Festival last March. Leonard Middle School has won first place at the festival for 17 consecutive years. Congrats!

**Darin Hammond** and Jasmine Redlevske were married in June. Darin is the senior manager of farm operations at Jasper Wyman & Son in Deblois, ME. And **Ray Corson** and Stacy Nightingale were married in January 2010. Ray is a national sales representative for Fugro EarthData. The couple lives in Rockport.

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## 1997

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Hello, Class of 1997!

I hope this finds you well. Many of you know I still help out with Chi Omega. I was pleasantly surprised to learn I received the Lifetime Achievement Award during the 2010 Greek Awards. Definitely a collaborative effort, as I've enjoyed my opportunity to work with the vast number of actives and alumni and the friendships formed across classes. If you have the chance to advise or help out with a student group—it's a great way to have fun, reconnect, and give back. In other news, my love-hate relationship with technology continues to grow since my hotmail account got hacked. You can now send me your news at (new email) yolandasly@gmail.com or find me on Facebook. Since none of you made the papers, this update is brought to you by the letters F and B (aka Facebook).

In June, **Kristen Andresen Lainsbury** and Jason Lainsbury '00 welcomed Parker James Lainsbury. He is the couple's first child.

**John Claydon** "is living life on Martha's Vineyard and loving every second of it."

Congratulations to **Tara Piasecki Bucci**, who graduated with a Certificate of Advanced Studies in educational leadership at the University of Southern Maine in May 2010. She also holds a master's as a literacy specialist from Virginia Tech. She is a fourth grade teacher at Pond Cove Elementary School in Cape Elizabeth, ME.

**Elaine DiFalco Daugherty** '05G writes, "my husband, **Dan Daugherty**, is the new technical director at Central Michigan University as of 8/16. He just finished his MFA at Purdue University and we are heading back to the Midwest again—this time with three kids, not just one. (Michael is six; Madeleine and Victoria are 14 months.)"

## 1998

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Greetings from Pittsburgh! My family and I returned to the United States in early summer. The highlight of my summer was a month studying Russian at Moscow State University, which included a trip to Saint Petersburg. My wife and I both started graduate programs this fall at the University of Pittsburgh in our respective fields.

Congratulations to **Stephanie Wong** '06G on her selection to the position of customer care coordinator at Bangor Hydro Electric

Company. She started working at Bangor Hydro in 2008 as a budget analyst in the accounting department. She also received her master's degree in business administration from UMaine in 2006. She is also a graduate of and serves on the steering committee for the Bangor Region Leadership Institute and also serves on the board for the Junior Achievement of Bangor. **Stefano Terricola** wrote that he is living in the Washington, DC, area. He was starting a new job at the end of October upgrading government buildings to green standards.

Last fall **Cindy Blodgett**, coach of the University of Maine women's basketball team, was granted a two-year contract extension. She started in this position in 2007 and will now continue leading the team through the 2012-2013 season.

**Rick Dustin** (G) is the new director of the Lower Octave, the Boy Singers of Maine's chorus for young men of middle- and high-school age. He has 16 years experience teaching music in Maine high schools and has directed both the choral and instrumental programs at Yarmouth High School since 1997. He is also active in the Maine Music Educators Association, been a piano accompanist for the Maine All-State Choir Festival, and selected as guest conductor at the MMEA District 3 Junior High Festival. He also serves as the conductor at Second Baptist Church of Bowdoinham.

Congratulations to fellow Beta **Eric Simonds** for becoming the nation's most recent recipient of the prestigious Huguenot Scholarship for his postgraduate work in the area of financial planning. Eric is currently assistant safety director at the Maine Department of Environmental Protection and currently resides in Brunswick, ME, with his wife, Kate, and son, Graham "Gray."

Fellow Skull, **Greg Burns**, wrote, "I'll be in Chile/Argentina this winter both writing and researching climbing projects for the following winter. My goal is six short stories, one novel, as much climbing as I can squeeze in, and a few weeks exploring the southern Chilean big walls that have yet to see any first ascents."

Another fellow Skull, **Jeremy White**, wrote, "I started a company called Riot Enterprises LLC. Our goal is to bring comedy to all areas of Maine. We produce and promote our own shows as well as being invited to do shows at different venues around the state. We work with every kind of comic. We do corporate events, birthday parties, fundraisers, etc."

Thanks for sending me the notes with your updates. It is great to hear from all of you! Visit us on Facebook at University of Maine Class of 1998.

## 1999

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Happy winter, '99ers! It's hard to believe that

another year (and new decade!) is already here! A bit of news trickled in over the summer.

UMaine named **Susan Herrick Lizzotte** of Old Town head coach of the men's and women's varsity swim teams. She swam for four years for the Black Bears and then served as an assistant coach for several years before being appointed interim head coach last season. Best of luck to Susan and the entire team this year!

**Jonathan Parker** is an incumbent town councilor in Veazie. **Scott Mitchell** (G) serves as the principal of the elementary school students in Maine's SAD 59, which serves the towns of Athens, Madison, and Starks. Scott has been in the education field for over 25 years.

**Ben Potenziano** (G) works with the San Francisco Giants baseball team as assistant athletic trainer/strength and conditioning coach. He has been with the Giants for over 10 years. He and his wife, Erika Swanson Potenziano '93, live in Chandler, AZ, with their two children, Olivia and Benjamin.

If you have news you would like to share with our classmates, please email me at [aldq75@netscape.net](mailto:aldq75@netscape.net). You can also update your records with the alumni association online at <https://umainealumni.org> by selecting the Alumni tab and Update Your Records dropdown. You can also find me on Facebook.

Wishing you all the best in 2011!

## 2000

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It is that great time of year with holiday festivities, when family and friends reunite during the holidays. Please update your UMaine family with the news in your lives by contacting me. I love to share the good news about our classmates.

Two former Black Bear women's basketball players have assumed new roles on the court. **Amy Vachon** was named the head varsity girls' basketball coach at Catherine McAuley High School in Portland, ME. Amy is a guidance counselor at Westbrook Middle School and is the eighth grade field hockey coach. Amy has coached at Greely High School, Cony High School, and Waterville High School. She also completed graduate school at the University of North Carolina where she earned a degree in school counseling. Her Maine teammate **Katie Clark Herbine** is the new head girls' basketball coach at her alma mater, Bangor High School, in Bangor, ME. Katie, who has a law degree, is currently an associate athletic director for compliance and the senior women's administrator at the University of Maine. Best of luck to Amy and Katie as they take on these new leadership roles, and pass on the Black Bear tradition.

The Class of 2000 made many great achievements this year. Classmate **Al McIntyre**, the fine arts director at John Bapst Memorial



High School in Bangor, ME, led the jazz band to nail down the school's first-ever Division III win at the annual Maine Music Educators High School Instrumental Jazz Festival in South Portland. **Danielle D. Burke** of Bangor was named the manager of the Maine District's Bangor Key Plaza branch of KeyBank at 23 Water Street in Bangor. She is responsible for maximizing branch productivity, maintaining a high level of customer satisfaction, and managing the employees in the branch. Danielle is also vice chairwoman of the Bangor Regional Board of Junior Achievement and is board member of Penobscot Theatre. The University of Maine at Augusta awarded classmate **Christopher Lage** '05 Ph.D., who is an assistant professor of biology at the school, the Distinguished Scholar Award at the 2010 commencement.

Best of luck to these classmates on their next steps and successes in their lives.

I, **Heidi Dombrock Weaver**, have news to share as well. On August 10th, 2010, at 1:24 pm, my husband, Brandon, and I, plus our daughter Addison (2) welcomed Landen James Weaver into our family. He was born at GBMC in Baltimore, MD, 8 pounds, 14.2 ounces, and 21.5 inches long. It has been a great joy being a mother for a second time. I am still a realtor in the Baltimore region and am also a professor at Harford Community College in Bel Air, MD.

Please write or email and share your successes and happenings in your lives with your classmates.

## 2001

### Reunion at Homecoming 2011

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It's hard to believe but another calendar year is here.

During the summer, we saw many people who love Maine arrive for vacation and then leave. All this time, our alumni have been busy!

After coaching for 10 seasons at John Bapst, **Bruce Pratt** will be retiring from his position. He led many teams to victory and he will be dearly missed.

**Francis Grey** has recently been named town manager of Portage Lake. Previously he was the town manager of Danforth. As town manager, he hopes to promote the town and its beauty to its residents and tourists.

**Jennifer Hoyt Huerth** '03G is making a difference in the lives of Bangor's youth. She is taking part in the UMaine Dropout Prevention Summit and helping prevent teenage bullying and its effects.

A big thank you goes out to **Diane Dunn** of the 286<sup>th</sup> Combat Support and Sustainment Battalion in Bangor. She recently returned from deployment.

In a June 2010 wedding, **Jeremy Dill** wed

*Class of 2001 grad is featured in ad for Geico*

## Tim Simons as Honest Abe



Tim Simons '01 as Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln, as portrayed by Tim Simons '01, in a recent Geico ad, is honest though diplomatic.

The ad opens with the narrator who introduces a number of Geico Insurance advertisements on TV. After a statement about Geico savings, he asks, "Was Abe Lincoln honest?"

That's when Tim enters.

In the grainy black and white segment, a concerned Mary Todd Lincoln asks her husband, "Does this dress make my backside look big?" Tim, as Lincoln, fidgets, flustered, during the ensuing lengthy pause, before finally replying, "Perhaps," and gesturing to indicate a small space with his thumb and forefinger.

As a freshman at UMaine, the Readfield native auditioned for 10-minute plays as a way to meet people on campus. He was cast in a few plays, switched his major to theater, and performed with Maine Masque and the School of Performing Arts. After graduation and work in regional theatre companies, followed by film and commercial jobs in Chicago, he relocated to Los Angeles, where he now works as a session director and camera operator for commercial casting companies. That position has connected him with people in the business and provided insight into what to do and what not to do in audition settings.

Tim has appeared in commercials for Best Buy, Honda, Bank of America and other companies. "The spots that I get cast in usually involve funny scene work and I love thinking and working on my feet," he notes. His portrayal of Lincoln, who has to think on his feet, combines tension with humor—and honesty.

"When I got called back for a second audition I was going up against guys that actually played Abraham Lincoln," he recalls. "They had their own moles and fake beards, and I was there with the only suit I own and prop stovepipe hat that I had bought at a costume store for \$6.

"It was very challenging to shoot, as I had never worked with prosthetics before, but it was a blast," he says. Makeup artist Matthew Mungle spent many hours making a mold of Tim's face, fitting the prosthetic, and on the day of the shoot, more than five hours getting it just right before the filming could begin.

The ad garnered a lot of attention, and *TV Guide* rated it one of the top ten commercials of 2010.

The ad can be seen on YouTube.com by searching Geico Abe Lincoln.





UMaine alumna, Kayla Elizabeth O'Malley '04. Jeremy is currently working as territory sales manager for Hanover Insurance.

On July 3 **Michael Soule** wed Pamela Hutchinson. Michael works as a science teacher at Erskine Academy in South China.

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There isn't much news to report this time, but there is still a lot to celebrate.

Congratulations to **Benjamin Huerth**, who graduated from the three-year family medicine residency program at Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor. In Lewiston, FISC Solutions appointed **Michael Splane** to the position of account executive. Michael lives in New Gloucester with his wife and daughter.

Three weddings in the Class of 2002 took place last October. **Kristi Knights**, a clinical assistant at Orthopaedic Associates in Portland, married Michael O'Donnell. **Caitlin Emrys Hitchings** wed Gregory Ronald Emkey, and the couple lives in Pennsylvania. **Jessica Sereyko**, who works at Eastern Maine Medical Center, married Timothy Frenette in Old Town. Best wishes to them and other classmates whose weddings we may not know about!

The Class of 2002 needs a new class correspondent—someone to write this column for the magazine. It's an easy job and doesn't take much time. If you have a half hour to spare every six months, you could be the published author of this column! Please notify the alumni association at the above address if you'd like to write for your class.

## 2003

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Happy winter, everyone! We have lots of exciting news from the 2003 alumni! **Bryce Boynton**, who graduated with a B.S. in business administration, owns a painting franchise in West Palm Beach, FL, called Five Star Painting. He recently celebrated three years in business and was the first franchise in Florida to have completed 300 projects! He hopes to return to Bangor in the next two years.

**Eric York** '06G has moved to Ames, IA, with his wife and two-year-old daughter to pursue a Ph.D. in rhetoric and communication studies.

**Christopher Winchester**, an education

technician at Marshwood Great Works School, was recently recognized as the 2010 Joan McGovern Educational Support Professional winner by the Maine Educational Association. **Trapper Clark** was honored by President Obama as one of the Small Business Owners of the Year at a Rose Garden event. Congratulations!

**Timothy Tunney** (G) has joined the commercial lending team at Union Trust Bank. He will be taking over as the vice president and regional banking officer at the Ellsworth location. **Aimee Dolloff Thibodeau** has returned to the *Bangor Daily News* as the Lifestyle section editor and will be leading the development of expanded coverage of the lives of Mainers. **Jeffrey Kobrock** (G) is the new executive director of the Midcoast Council of Governments, and **Trevor Bragdon** is the new state director for Americans for Prosperity.

Thank you to everyone who sent me updates!

## 2004

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Hearty Maine Hello!

As the spring semester reconvenes on campus, some educators in our class have been making recent headlines. **Heather Perry** (G) was one of two superintendents statewide to receive an award for outstanding educational leadership from the Maine School Superintendents Association. The award recognizes the superintendents for exemplary leadership in educational programs, service, and professionalism. Although she won the award while superintendent of both the Jackman and Greenville school systems, Heather recently decided to move on to SAD 3, representing the Unity and Thorndike area. The change represents a greater professional challenge because in her new assignment, Heather will be presiding over a student body roughly four times as large as her previous assignment.

Another classmate of ours is garnering attention in the field of education. **Shelly Moody** (G) was recently selected as the winner of the Teacher of the Year Award by the Maine Department of Education. Of the 13 finalists selected to compete for the award, Shelly excelled in professional portfolios, teaching demonstrations, and interviews with former recipients of the award. Shelly will now go on to compete in the selection process for the 2011 National Teacher of the Year, which will be announced in April 2011 at the White House.

Wedding bells have been ringing for many of our fellow Black Bears recently, and more are fast approaching! **Matthew Jones** recently married Rachel Kelly '03. Rachel received her degree in education, and is currently a teacher for the Biddeford School Department. Matthew studied business while at UMaine, and he is currently a technical support specialist at Tyler

Technologies in Falmouth. This past fall, **Erica Cooper** '06 tied the knot with Kurt Rademaker '06G. Erica graduated with dual degrees in anthropology and landscape horticulture, and Kurt is currently working towards a Ph.D. in geoarcheology at UMaine. As for the wedding bells on the horizon, **Emily Small** recently became engaged to Benjamin Elliot. Emily went on to earn a master's degree in clinical mental health counseling at USM in 2009, and is currently employed as a therapist at a local mental health agency. The groom-to-be is a 2002 graduate of Maine Maritime Academy and is employed as an officer for Crowley Maritime Transportation.

**Bruce Harrington** '06G was hired as a commercial lender for Northeast Bank, focusing on commercial lending activities in central Maine. In addition to being active in many community development organizations and philanthropies, Bruce is now also currently working on his doctorate.

Please keep the updates for the column coming, and try to keep warm!

## 2005

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Winter greetings, Class of 2005! The Gauvin family has moved again, this time to Upstate New York. It's a lot like Maine and we're loving the East Coast feel—Hannaford and Dunkin' Donuts included. Can you believe it's been five years since graduation? Our class has been busy!

Congratulations are in order: To **Nicole Wass** and her husband, Jared LeBarnes, on their May 22 wedding and to **Jenny Avery** and her husband, Chris Albert, on their June 26 wedding. **Christopher Dodd** married **Annette Sohns** '07 on July 24, while **Adrienne Pelletier** '08G and Jeffery Olson tied the knot on July 30. **Michael Peabbles** married Kelley Swan on September 18. Also on that day, **Erik Iverson** and Jennifer Merry tied the knot. September 18 is a popular day for weddings! **Rebecca Deschaine** and Nicholas Parent '06 were married then. On October 2, **Keith McCullough** married Meghan Chase '02. **Deanna Clark** '07G married Rick Hathaway on November 13. Finally, congratulations to **Dan Shanahan** on his engagement to Bethany Bixby. A March 17, 2011, wedding is planned.

I hope **Dan Frye** is continuing on his way to a full recovery following a fall from Mount Katahdin's Knife Edge Trail over the summer. Dan, a news photographer for WLBS in Bangor, was shooting an episode of "Must-See Maine." Kudos to **Darren French** on his USM master's degree! Darren has been hired as director of education at the Wilson Museum in Castine. **Missy Traversi** was named an assistant coach for the women's basketball team at Harvard. **Aaron Izaryk** '08G is the new head baseball



coach at Bridgton Academy and will also serve as a college counselor and residence director. **Rebecca Roeder** has completed US Navy basic training. **Robert Jackson** joined Westbrook's Seacoast Law as a general practice attorney. **David Crandall** (G) will be handing over the reins of Peninsula School in Gouldsboro to a fellow graduate, **Mike Eastman** '05G. Mike was previously the principal at Sumner Memorial High School while David is the new principal at Kennebunkport Consolidated School. **Denise Hamlin** (G) is now superintendent of RSU 67 and serves the towns of Chester, Lincoln, and Mattawamkeag.

If you have news or something to share, please email me or find me on Facebook! Good old snail mail works too. Looking forward to hearing what's to come.



Enjoying the tailgate at Homecoming 2010 are left to right: Chris Hull '07, Mike Simon '10, Shana Hull '10, Dallas Marquis '08, and Mike Smaha '08.

## 2006

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The Class of 2006 has been busy! There are many engagements, weddings, and career announcements to share:

**Jimmy Howard** of the Detroit Red Wings has been named to the NHL's All-Rookie team. Dr. **Sarah Rossignol**, DDS, is now working at Family Dental Practice in Augusta. She received her doctorate in dental surgery from Dalhousie University of Halifax, Nova Scotia. **Brandon Terrill** was selected *Kennebec Journal Girls'* Basketball Coach of the Year. He coaches the Hall-Dale High girls' varsity team. The bulldogs finished 14-4 during the regular season and made it to the semifinals of the Western Maine Class C tournament.

**Amanda Blodgett** is engaged to Larry Violette, Jr. Their wedding is planned for August 6, 2011. Amanda is teaching at Mountain View School in Sullivan, and also serves as girls' varsity head basketball coach at Sumner Memorial High School. **Kathleen Nolan** is engaged to Jonathan Leahy '07. Kathleen is employed with Martin's Point Health Care. The couple is planning a late spring 2011 wedding. **Amanda Boulgier** is engaged to Scott Peters. Their wedding is planned for July 30, 2011. They currently reside in Augusta.

**Brandon Davies** and Jennifer Allen '07 were married on October 2. Brandon is employed by TRC Solutions in Augusta. Jennifer is employed by the state of Maine in the Department of the Secretary of State. **Katie Williams** '07G married Brian Garrity on June 19 at the College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor. **Christopher McLaughlin** and Crystal Lawrence were married on May 22. Chris is currently employed by the Augusta Fire Department in Augusta. **Justin Dean** married Megan Russell on June 26 at Wild Woods in Brownville. The couple went to high school together at Penquis Valley High School. Justin works as a systems monitor at Bangor Savings Bank. Congratulations to **Amy Atkins** and

Joseph Robitaille, who were married in July. Amy is a teacher at Benton Elementary School. On July 31, **Rosanna Sherman** married Jason McFarland. Rosanna is employed at Brooksville Elementary School as the fifth and sixth grade teacher. She is pursuing her master's degree in literacy at the University of New England. **Laura Crosby** and James Rhoads were married on July 24. Laura works as a kindergarten teacher at All Saints Catholic School. **Matthew Verrill** married Marisa Plourde '08 on August 14 at the Hilton in Auburn. Matthew is self employed as a property manager.

Congratulations to **Jonathan Drew** and his wife, Mindy, who welcomed their first child, Jonathan Emery Drew, on June 2!

I am very sad to announce the death of our classmate **Erin Woolley**. Erin was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma, and she passed away last March. She was in her second year at Vermont Law School. Erin was posthumously awarded a law degree at the graduation ceremony. The Erin Woolley Memorial Scholarship was established, and a fund drive raised \$83,600. The scholarship will be available next year to students facing "unexpected life events."

Please keep in touch and send us your updates! Your classmates would love to hear from you!

## 2007

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Hello, Class of 2007! Hope the winter season has been enjoyable and relaxing for you all! I know I've been quite busy! This fall I started a new job at Manchester Essex Regional High School in Manchester-by-the-Sea, MAe, teaching United States and world history to ninth and tenth graders. So far, I am loving my job and the opportunity to work with some pretty amazing

students. I'm not the only classmate with news to share however!

Congratulations to classmate **Madeleine Gay Leach** (G) of Castine, who was the Republican nominee for the Maine House of Representatives in District 37. The magazine went to print before the November 2 election, but good luck, Madeleine, and I hope to report your election to office in the next edition!

In the world of sports, congratulations to **Mike Lundin**, who signed a one-year contract with the Tampa Bay Lightning. This will be Mike's third season with the Lightning since graduating from UMaine. Last year, Mike played in 49 games scoring three goals and 13 points. Mike will be playing this season with two other Maine alumni, Brett Clark and Teddy Purcell '00. Good luck this season, Mike!

Congratulations to **Katie Whittier**, who placed fifth in the 2010 Miss USA pageant held in Las Vegas, NV. Katie is a graduate of Gray-New Gloucester High School and is a former UMaine basketball player. Katie cited her basketball experience and a love of competition as a key to her success in the pageant. Katie succeeded classmate **Ashley Underwood** as Miss Maine in November 2009. Ashley attended the 2010 Miss USA pageant to support her friend and former UMaine teammate, and was the one who encouraged Katie to enter the 2010 Miss Maine pageant to begin with. Ashley is currently a sideline reporter for the America East TV network.

An edition of class notes would not be complete without engagements and weddings to report! Congratulations to **Matthew Bailey** on his engagement to Brianna Callahan. Matthew and Brianna are both natives of Bangor, but are currently living in Orrington. The couple plans a July 2011 wedding. **Stephanie Thompson** and Chad Dorr were married in July on Bar Island in Millbridge. Stephanie is currently working at Family First at Down East Community Hospital in Machias. Congratulations, Stephanie and Chad! Congratulations to **Diadem Strout** on her marriage to Jesse Caldwell-Washburn. The couple lives in Massachusetts, but wed at Camp Roosevelt in East Eddington in October.



That is all the news I have for this issue! If you have news to share please let me know and I will share it in the next issue. Enjoy the rest of the winter; spring will be here before you know it!

## 2008

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Hello, fellow members of the Class of 2008! Here are the latest updates I have about a few of our classmates!

Congratulations go first to **Karen Keim** (G), the president and chairwoman of the Girl Scouts of Maine board of directors, as she was presented with the Thanks Badge at the Girl Scouts of Maine annual meeting in May in Lewiston. The Thanks Badge is a prestigious award in the Girl Scouts, as it is the highest adult award and it recognizes those who have given exemplary service to the council. Congrats, Karen!

As for another classmate, **Matt Mulligan**, the *Bangor Daily News* in June noted that he had attended a mini-camp for the New York Jets after dressing for 10 games, including all three playoff games. Matt, an Enfield native, graduated from Penobscot Valley High School and didn't start playing football until he attended Husson, and then transferred to UMaine.

More wedding bells are ringing for our classmates. I was married to Mark Glasberg '06 on July 31 at Portland Head Light in Cape Elizabeth. We had perfect summer weather and were very thankful for all our UMaine friends who came to celebrate with us, especially those in our wedding party. Black Bear alumni in our wedding party included maid of honor and Delta Zeta sister Katelyn Thurston '09, **Kathleen Esposito**, Delta Zeta sister Jessica Nixon '05, and her husband, Alpha Gamma Rho brother Matthew Nixon '04, best man and Alpha Gamma Rho brother Jason Strout '07, and Alpha Gamma Rho brother Mark Schaub '07. For our honeymoon, we took a two-week road trip to California and back, seeing lots of great sights! I am currently pursuing a master's degree in school counseling at the University of Southern Maine, and Mark is a central station officer at L.L. Bean in Freeport. We currently reside in Portland.

**Hannah Marquis** and **Robert Cloutier** also got married in July at the Holy Family Parish Church in Old Town. Hannah and Robert both graduated from UMaine with degrees in molecular and cellular biology and biochemistry, with minors in chemistry. Hannah is currently pursuing a master's degree in zoology, and Robert is employed as a pathology technician at Dahl-Chase Diagnostic Lab.

Another Class of 2008 couple who recently got married are **Jennifer Lehmann** and **Joshua Whinery**. They were married in September

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at the Lucerne Inn in Dedham. Jennifer is a customer service representative for Webber Energy, and Joshua works for Lafayette Hotels as a videographer and is involved in Internet marketing, along with being the film director for KahBang: Music-Art-Film in Bangor.

**Lindsey Sanborn** also got married in September to Brandon Goodrich. Best wishes!

As for recent engagements, **Alex Rand** is planning a summer 2011 wedding with his fiancée, Kristina Kee. Alex graduated in 2003 from John Bapst Memorial High School and graduated from UMaine with a degree in civil engineering. He is currently employed in Hannaford's corporate office in Scarborough.

As always, keep the letters, emails, phone calls, and pictures coming. See you next time!

## 2009

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Hey, Class of 2009—since you graduated, you've scattered. The Class of '09 needs a class correspondent to write this column for the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. Compared to a college paper, it's completely painless! Please contact the alumni association if you are interested.



# Weddings

*Towns are in Maine unless otherwise noted.*

**1979**

**Timothy G. Bishop** to Deborah L. Trapp on 6-19-10 in Hopkinton, MA. They honeymooned in Northport, ME, and then bicycled across America. They reside in Marlborough, MA.

**1994**

**Susan Sweeney** to Wayne Higgins on 6-26-10 in Vassalboro. They took a train trip across Canada, and live in Vassalboro.

**1997**

**Michael Johnson** to **Hillary Roberts '04** on 9-4-10 at the YMCA Camp in Winthrop. They live in Augusta.

**2000**

**Jason White** to Jennifer Haines on 8-14-10 in Brownfield.

**2002**

**Maryann Morin** to Evan Kovacs on 8-29-10 aboard *The Jean Charcot*. They honeymooned in St John's, Newfoundland, and live in Pocasset, MA.

**2003**

**Joseph E. Macomber** to Amy W. Hastings on 9-12-09, in Sullivan. They took a wedding trip to Bar Harbor and reside in Edwards, CO.

**2005**

**Teal Alyson Rancourt** to **Ian Jeffrey Carlson** on 7-17-10 in Orono, ME. They honeymooned in Barcelona, Rome, and Paris and live in Standish.

**Natalie K. Hamel** to **Marcus G. Nadeau '06** on 6-26-10 in Presque Isle. The couple honeymooned in Jamaica and reside in Brewer.

**Brian O'Coin '05** to **Julie Feigenbaum '07** on July 31, 2010 in Falmouth. They honeymooned in St. Lucia and live in Portland.

**Adrienne Pelletier** to Jeffery Olson on 7-30-10 in Bangor.

**2006**

**Jason E. Paquette** to **Katelin O. Urgese** on 8-8-09 in Fryeburg. They honeymooned in Orlando, FL, and live in Topsham.

**Mark Glasberg** to **Tara Kierstead '08** on 7-31-10 at Portland Head Light in Cape Elizabeth. They took a wedding trip to California and live in Portland.

**Shane Yardley** to Eileen Spinney on 6-12-10 in Bangor. They live in Bangor.

**2007**

**Caryn Michelle Butler** to Patrick Ryan Scott on 5-30-10 in Orland. They honeymooned on an Alaskan cruise and reside in Bath.

**2009**

**Kathleen Hanlon** to Matthew Grimes on 9-4-10 in Bangor. They honeymooned in Rockport and reside in Kittery.



Above: Tara Kierstead '08 and Mark Glasberg '06 were married on July 31 at Portland Head Light in Cape Elizabeth. The reception was held at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland. Numerous classmates as well as Tara's Delta Zeta sisters and Mark's fraternity brothers were in attendance.

Below: Adrienne Pelletier '05, '08G married Jeffery Olson on July 30, 2010, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Bangor, Maine. Jeffery works for Kappa Mapping in Bangor and Adrienne is the director of the Alumni Fund for the University of Maine Alumni Association.

Below: Katelin O. Urgese '06, '08G and Jason E. Paquette '06 were married on August 8, 2009, in Fryeburg, Maine. There were many UMaine grads in attendance. Jason and Katelin currently reside in Topsham with their dogs, Marley and Phoebe. Jason is the choral director at Morse High School in Bath, and Katelin is a school counselor at Lewiston High School.





# Weddings

## An All-Out Black Bear Wedding



Many alumni couples fondly remember their courtship while students on the UMaine campus. But Teal Rancourt and Ian Carlson celebrated their UMaine experience by having their wedding and reception at their alma mater. The couple, both members of the Class of 2005, met as sophomores in 2003 when Ian joined Teal as a student ambassador, welcoming new students to UMaine.

During Homecoming weekend a few years after graduation, Ian proposed to Teal on a small stone bench in the Lyle Littlefield Ornamental Gardens. While searching for a wedding location, Teal and Ian kept returning to the idea of celebrating how and where they met, at the “college of their hearts always,” with friends and family.

During the rehearsal dinner at the Buchanan Alumni House, guests enjoyed a catered meal served by Black Bear Catering on UMaine Wedgwood china. The couple incorporated UMaine’s dark and light blue colors, the UMaine seal and old UMaine postcards into their wedding decorations. Former UMaine chief of police Noel C. March officiated at their wedding ceremony in the Littlefield Gardens. Liz Downing ’77 of New Student Programs played the flute and her colleague Silverio Barrera ’01, ’05G, played the ukulele. A reception followed at Wells Conference Center, where alumni guests sang the “Stein Song,” and the billboard near the Alford Stadium displayed congratulations to the couple.



The wedding party at the University of Maine’s Fogler Library.



# Deaths

*Unless otherwise indicated, all locations listed are in Maine. Also, sometimes we are not notified about alumni deaths in a timely manner. Death notices from more than five years ago are not listed in the magazine. However, our online obituaries at [umainealumni.org](http://umainealumni.org) include all alumni deaths of which we are aware.*

## 1930

**Dorothy Arnold Mayo Morris**, 101, of Chapel Hill, NC, on 6-13-10.

## 1931

**Martha Gray Wasgatt**, 101, of Farmington, on 9-19-10.

## 1933

**Alys Marie Grua Parsons**, 98, of Andover, on 8-12-10.

**Richard Strevens Robinson**, 99, of Freeport, on 7-6-10.

## 1934

**William Ernest Canders, Jr.**, 96, of Binghamton, NY, on 8-20-10.

**Harold Vincent Perkins**, 97, on 6-23-10.

## 1935

**Ruth Evelyn Barrows Chase**, 95, on 3-29-10.

## 1936

**Mary Reedy Treinor Dwinal**, 96, of Northfield, NH, on 6-17-10.

## 1937

**Henry Joseph Aliberti**, 95, of Portland, on 8/3/10.

**Carol Elizabeth Stevens Burke**, 95, of Augusta, on 6-18-10.

**Josephine Weick Snare Dwyer**, 91, of Concord, NH, on 1-20-08.

**Elizabeth Brownell Oakman Golden**, 94, of Cohasset, MA, on 3-18-10.

**Donald Campbell Kilgour**, 95, of Rockland, on 6-11-10.

**Benjamin Gale Robinson**, 95, of Pittsfield MA, on 2-13-10.

**Alton Doble Wilcox**, 91, of Presque Isle, on 8-10-10.

## 1938

**Mildred Mae Dixon Haskell**, 94, of Yarmouth, on 10-10-10.

**Lewis Inglee, Jr.**, 96, of Winthrop, on 7-24-10.

**Grace "Jo" Madeline Watson Wendell** on 12-28-09.

## 1939

**Edward Rankin Ladd**, 93, of Charleston, SC, on 1-28-10.

**Karl Frederick Wenger**, 92, of Tappahannock, VA, on 9-26-10.

## 1940

**Earl Grant Bacon**, 91, of Lynn, MA, on 8-3-10.

**Mary Pond Phelps Dyson**, 91, of North Canaan, ME, and Sarasota, FL, on 7-27-10.

**William August Rader**, 93, of Shoreham, VT, on 4-13-10.

## 1941

**George Reynolds Beasom, Jr.**, 93, of Melbourne, FL, on 12-3-09.

**Miriam Holden Doane**, 92, of Canton, NY, on 6-9-10.

**Katherine Virginia Ingalls Ehrlenbach**, 91, of Ellsworth, on 5-31-10.

**Betty Mack Silvestro**, 89, of Hancock Point, on 10-14-10.

**Karl Witner Stritter**, 93, of Taunton, MA, on 9-12-10.

## 1942

**Henry Ferdinand Bacon**, 90, of Sidney, on 10-20-10.

**Aaron Sumner "Sonny" Hurwitz**, 89, of Milton, MA, on 4-6-10.

**Lois Louise Stone McMurray**, 89, of Kissimmee, FL, on 10-14-09.

**Carol Grace Fassett Abbott Nye**, 90, of Belgrade, on 7-21-10.

**Stephen Edward Woodbury, Jr.**, 91, of Wenham, MA, on 10-28-10.

**Walter Edward Wyman**, 93, of Walla Walla, WA, on 5-23-10.

## 1943

**Clifford Henry Sinnett**, 91, of Portland, on 11-15-10.

## 1944

**Frederick Thomas Baird, Jr.**, 90, of Farmingdale, on 5-24-10.

**Charles Chapman, Jr.**, 89, of Melbourne, FL, on 12-29-09.

**Clare Kendall Fulton**, 86, of Sun City, AZ, on 2-7-08.

**Joyce Marion Cook Thomas**, 85, of Tucson, AZ, on 10-15-10.

## 1945

**Arnold Merton Coffey**, 89, of Presque Isle, on 6-30-10.

**Philip Russakoff**, 86, of Skowhegan, on 10-28-10.

**Sheldon Wesley Priest**, 88, of Enfield, on 6-21-10.

## 1946

**Merrill Evan Cobb**, 85, of New Smyrna Beach, FL, on 6-18-10.

**Mildred Alma Page Edminster**, 86, of Orange, MA, on 9-20-10.

**Robert Spofford Spear**, 84, of Wiscasset, on 9-30-10.

## 1948

**Margaret Anne Stebbins Borodine**, 84, of Hyannis, MA, on 8-30-10.

**Charles Ernest Dyer**, 85, of Cape Elizabeth, on 9-2-10.

**Samuel A. Robinson**, 86, of Sullivan, on 10-9-09.

## 1949

**Cecil Marie Lewis Alieff**, 83, of Paris, IL, on 7-21-10.

**Natalie Johnston Bishop**, 82, of Bangor, on 6-30-10.

**Angus Cecil Black, Jr.**, 87, of Peru, VT, on 10-27-10.

**Margaret Hanks Coffin**, 84, of Presque Isle, on 8-9-10.

**Perley Clarence Gordon**, 81, of Livermore, on 6-13-10.

**Philip Jones "Moose" Murdock, Jr.**, 86, of Yarmouth, on 7-23-10.

**Peter Sykes Paterson**, 86, of Bellevue, WA, on 1-8-10.

**Edward Finley Phillips**, 87, of East Granby, CT, on 9-10-10.

**Victor Herbert Pooler, Jr.**, 86, of De Witt, NY, on 7-7-10.

**Charles Richmond Preble**, MD, 84, of South Windsor, CT, on 7-26-10.

**Pollie Leatham Rawlinson**, 83, of Cape Elizabeth, on 1-29-10.

**Ernest Raymond Therrien**, 82, of Agawam, MA, on 6-2-10.

## 1950

**Wendell Boyd Bither**, 83, of Bolton, CT, on 7-16-10.

**George Moody Blaisdell, Jr.**, 85, of Livermore, on 10-10-10.

**Joseph Arthur Dee**, 84, of Farmingdale, on 6-13-10.

**Neil Leonard Dow**, 82, of Norway, on 7-31-10.

**Charles Edward Ellis**, 87, of Winston-Salem, NC, on 9-20-10.

**Neal Cotton Gould**, 84, of Wellesley, MA, on 6-10-10.

**Harold "Hal" Wheeler Hanson**, 83, of Fairfield, on 8-12-10.

**Carl Denman Hill**, 83, of New London, CT, on 9-6-10.

**Harry Jones**, 89, of Lewiston, on 9-5-10.

**Robert D. Johnson**, 83, of Augusta, on 5-30-10.

**James Barry Linehan**, 84, of Portland, on 6-25-10.

**Conrad Beverly Maddocks**, 81, of Skowhegan, on 6-13-10.

**Richard Herbert Marston**, 86, of Winterhaven, FL, on 8-12-10.

**Gifford C. Merchant**, 84, of Ashland, on 10-19-10.

**Virgil Ian Pitstick, Jr.**, 88, of Acton, on 9-23-10.

**Ferris Stanley Ray**, 83, of Falmouth, on 8-28-10.

**Robert Calvin Rosenberg**, 85, of Philadelphia, PA, on 8-24-10.

**William Silvester Stacey**, 86, of Machias, on 7-26-10.

**Caroline Strong**, 82, of Waterville, on 8-5-10.

**Henry Newhall Tukey, Jr.**, 83, of Lewiston, on



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9-20-10.

**Rudolph Louis Violette**, 84, of Scarborough, on 9-12-10.

**1951**

**Joseph Biron**, 82, of Lake Quivira, KS, on 6-16-10.

**Arnold Earl Carmichael**, 81, of Rochester, NY, on 11-6-09.

**Bernadette Florence Stein Dillard**, 84, from Harvard, MA, on 9-1-10.

**Florence Mary Berube Dodge**, 81, of South Portland, 7-22-10.

**Edward Nelson Eames II**, DVM, 85, of Rye, NH, on 7-13-10.

**Harold Erwin Kilbreth, Jr.**, of Topsham, on 8-15-10.

**Reginald Blair Leighton**, 89, of Spring Hill, FL, on 10-31-09.

**Harry Oliver Lent**, 85, of Dover, NH.

**Robert Cummings Libby**, 81, from South Portland, on 9-3-10.

**John Irwin Moore**, 81, of Green Valley, AZ, on 6-9-10.

**Errol Ernest Murphy**, 81, on 1-30-10.

**Joanne Harriet Mayo Nyerges**, 80, of Westlake, OH, on 1-8-10.

**Wendell Merle Oak**, 83, from Bucksport, on 10-21-10.

**Douglas Levinson Riddiough**, 80, of Loveland, OH, on 7-3-10.

**Arthur William Rosebush**, 83, from Concord, MA, on 8-20-10.

**Charles Herbert Scribner**, 87, of Old Orchard Beach, on 10-1-10.

**Beverly Lee Hayward Teague**, 82, of Fairfield, on 10-18-10.

**Richard John Vaughan**, 81, of Framingham, MA, on 2-24-10.

**1952**

**George Herbert Ames**, 87, of Thomaston, on 8-30-10.

**John Efstratios Anagnostis**, 80, of Saco, on 10-24-10.

**Paul Robert Bodurtha**, 84, of West Gardiner, on 10-18-10.

**George Thorndike Chase**, 83, of Poughquag, NY, on 1-6-10.

**Herbert Leroy Crafts, II**, 82, of Wiscasset, on 6-8-10.

**Donald Arthur Feeley**, 82, of Gardnerville, NV, on 3-12-10.

**Dalton Benjamin Newell, Jr.**, 76, of Germantown, MD, on 3-15-06.

**Frank Clinton Pagurko**, 84, of Westbrook, on 10-13-10.

**Donald Melvin Pert**, 83, of Covington, LA, on 6-3-10.

**Allen Preston Ridley**, 79, of Scarborough, on 8-22-10.

**Frederick Winfield York**, 83, of Delaware, OH, on 9-21-10.

**1953**

**Robert Dale Ashby**, 78, of Winthrop, on 10-

## Herbert Russell Doten Class of 1954



Herb Doten '54, '66G in 2009 when he and his sister, Shirley Doten Oliver '49 (left), received the 2009 Fogler Legacy Award from former alumni association chair Suzanne Hart '68.

**H**erbert Russell Doten '54, '66G died on October 15, 2010. Herb earned his undergraduate and master's degrees in civil engineering at the University of Maine. He worked for the state highway commission and Edward C. Jordan Company, and in 1972 founded Doten Associates, which provided civil, structural design, and land surveying services. Herb served as president, committee chairman, and national director of the Maine Society of Professional Engineers and was a member of the Francis Crowe Society. In 2009 he and his family were honored with the Fogler Legacy Award from the alumni association.

12-10.

Sister **Josephine Louise Flanagan**, 78, of Portland, on 10-3-10.

**Leland Henry Gile, Jr.**, 89, of Las Cruces, NM, on 11-16-09.

**James Gerard Gordon**, 75, of Bradenton, FL, on 6-9-06.

**John Morrison Jewett**, 82, of Socorro, NM, on 8-15-10.

**Dennis Atherton Kawkes**, 80, of Blacksburg, VA, on 8-30-10.

**Clinton Avery Jordan**, 81, of Naples, FL, on 7-12-10.

**Patricia Nason Libbey**, 79, of Littleton, NC, on 6-29-10.

**William Henry Rivers**, 82, of Bangor, on 6-29-10.

**Frances Sawyer Williams York**, 79, of Delaware, OH, on 5-24-10.

**Mary Elizabeth Hoyt Wills**, 80, of Wolfeboro, NH, on 9-24-10.

**1954**

**Chester Francis Cambell**, 78, of Fair Oaks Ranch, TX, on 6-12-10.

**John Alvord DeWilde**, 79, of Sun City Center, FL, on 10-27-10.

**Herbert Russell Doten**, 77, of Augusta, on 10-15-10.

**Paul Francis Goss**, 78, of Bangor, on 6-13-10.

**John Thomas Hackett**, 83, of East Millinocket, on 6-7-10.

**Edward Morris Holmes**, 99, of Prospect, on 7-23-10.

**Eugene Alfred Hunter**, 87, of Scarborough, on 8-15-10.

**Beverly Ellen Milchen Klegman**, of Mashpee, MA, on 12-12-09.

**Leon Burton Meader**, 101, of Rochester, NH, on 10-28-10.

**1955**

**Susan Brown Humphrey Paine**, 76, of Bangor, on 9-27-10.

**1956**

**Richard Eugene Benson**, 74, of Newburgh, NY, on 9-13-09.

**Louis Angelo Cardani**, 77, of Northborough, MA, on 8-9-10.



**Roderick James Cyr**, 77, of East Hartford, CT, on 10-10-10.  
**Walter John Irwin**, 76, of Chelmsford, MA, on 9-4-10.

#### 1957

**Elliott Roger Black**, 77, of Ipswich, MA, on 8-2-10.  
**Norman Hilyard Cogswell**, 90, of Center Ossipee, NH, on 10-25-10.  
**Clark Annis Connelly**, 75, of East Madison, on 7-31-10.  
**Wildy Roger Fortin**, 81, on 6-28-09.  
**Kenneth Noble Hall**, 74, of Storrs, CT, on 10-23-09.  
**David Francis McHugh**, 74, of Tampa, FL, on 4-30-10.  
**Kenneth Newcomb Perry**, 76, of Newport, on 10-14-10.  
**Robert Joseph Provencher**, 81, of Lewiston, on 7-4-10.  
**Burleigh Harold Shibles**, 79, of Brewer, on 8-23-10.  
**Andrew Coburn Swan, Jr.**, 79, of Nashville, TN, on 7-9-10.  
**David Richard Wolfert**, 75, of Harrison, WA, on 9-9-10.

#### 1958

**Clinton Cushman, Jr.**, 74, of Wilton, on 11-2-10.  
**Wellington Meyer Ely**, 81, of Cape Elizabeth, on 10-16-10.  
**Reynold Joseph Labbee**, 79, of Madawaska, on 9-20-10.  
**Llewellyn Russell Nelson**, 74, of Yarmouth, on 6-6-10.  
**James Burt Winchell**, 79, on 10-16-09.

#### 1959

**Eugene Frederick Blaisdell**, 79, of East Fishkill, NY, on 9-19-10.  
**Marjorie Dawn Pinkham Blum**, 77, of Holden, on 10-8-10.  
**Ronald John Millier**, 77, of Winthrop, on 6-16-10.  
**Gwendolyn Eleanor Fish Stratton**, 95, of Belfast, on 8-14-10.  
**David Spaulding Tichenor**, 75, of Sebastian, FL, on 7-8-10.  
**Donald Blake Webster, Jr.**, of Binghamton, NY, on 2-19-06.

#### 1960

**Maroon Joseph George**, 73, of Waterville, on 9-30-10.  
**Alden Wallace Sewall, Jr.**, 78, of Merritt Island, FL, on 10-25-10.

#### 1961

**Edgar Chase Alward**, 88, of Northampton, MA, on 8-13-10.  
**Joseph H. Gallant, Jr.**, 91, of Portland, on 5-24-10.  
**Arthur "Skip" Brackett Huot**, 74, of Saco, on 6-4-10.

**Eleanor Joyce Drew King**, 70, of Clinton, on 7-9-10.

**Stanley Allen Lewis**, 76, of Rainier, WA, on 5-19-10.

**John Renwick Linnell**, 72, of New Gloucester, on 8-4-10.

**Judith Gail Brown Ludden**, of Windsor Locks, CT, on 7-22-10.

**Ralph Norman Sharpe, Jr.**, 75, of Andover, MA, on 7-5-10.

**Joseph Woodhead**, 76, of Portland, on 10-18-10.

#### 1962

**Earle Carleton Hildreth, Jr.**, 76, of Yarmouth, on 8-5-10.  
**Phillip Kenney Lessard**, 71, of Lewiston, on 8-31-10.  
**Roger Edward Mills**, 71, of Fryeburg, on 10-8-10.  
**Kenneth Ronald Parker**, 70, of Holden, on 9-4-10.  
**Jon Michael Whitten**, 72, of South Portland, on 7-7-10.

#### 1963

**June Austin Buckham**, 85, of Dover-Foxcroft, on 10-25-10.  
**George Edward Hoskin**, 69, of Hollis, on 4-22-10.  
**Priscilla Whitcomb Butler Lusby**, 69, of Fayette, MO, on 9-23-10.  
**John Edwin Williams**, 68, of Columbia Falls, on 7-17-10.

#### 1964

**Paul Chester Blanchard, Jr.**, 69, of Fitchburg, MA, on 7-30-10.  
**Keith William Burden**, 68, of Acton, MA, on 7-22-10.  
**Duane Alliston Cropley**, 67, of Pittston, on 7-8-10.  
**Ernest Bartlett Harvey, Jr.**, 68, of Millinocket, on 10-30-10.  
**Thomasine Houston Morrison**, 68, of Unity, on 10-2-10.

#### 1965

**Peter Neil Barry**, 69, of Lancaster, SC, on 9-3-10.  
**Patricia A. Harmon Chandler**, 81, of Lovell, on 7-7-10.  
**Anita Kelly Guptill**, 93, of Berwick, on 6-2-10.  
**Thomas Hugh Morse**, 66, of Bangor and Islesboro, on 1-20-10.  
**Edward Kenneth Pearce**, 67, of Scarborough, on 9-6-10.  
**Joseph Wilford Raymond**, 67, of Manahawken, NJ, on 8-22-10.  
**Robert Lindsay Smallidge, Jr.**, 74, of Mount Desert, on 9-12-10.  
**Gene Smith Wilbur**, 78, of Lincoln, on 7-27-10.

#### 1966

**Carol Blood Chabot**, 65, of Lakeland, FL, on

6-16-10.

**Richard Peter Nadeau**, 69, of Kansas City, on 8-5-10.

**Richard Hill Varnum**, 64, of Sebec, on 9-28-10.

#### 1967

**Blair Reatha Matthews Blaine**, 64, of Bangor, on 7-19-10.  
**William Kirt Bradford**, 62, of Randolph, on 8-18-10.  
**Stephen Raymond Campbell**, 66, of Bangor, on 9-18-10.  
**Edith H. Gage Gipson**, 92, of Lincoln, on 7-12-10.  
**Jean Louise Wildes Humphries**, 66, of Scarborough, on 6-18-10.  
**Hope Neal McKinnon**, 89, of Portland, on 7-3-10.

#### 1968

**Maurice Stanton Atwater, Jr.**, 63, of Denver, CO, on 6-8-10.  
**Raymond Robert Belleville**, 65, of Arrowsic, on 7-18-10.  
**Andrew Raymond Buck**, 62, of Bethel on 9-25-10.  
**Gerald Francis Hall**, 62, of Bangor, on 11-2-10.  
**Joanne Lind Holt**, 64, of South Portland, on 10-15-10.  
**Richard William Richardson**, 64, of Clinton, on 6-21-10.  
**June Eileen Ranta Stewart**, 64, of Rockland, on 8-19-10.  
**Elsie Pulkkinen Tenney**, 83, of Naples, on 10-26-10.

#### 1969

**Clifford Ray Cole**, 63, of Princeton, on 10-31-10.  
**Antonio Gerard Paradis**, 76, of Goffstown, NH, on 8-31-10.  
**Roseavis Warren Rindfleisch**, 63, of Farmington, CT, on 6-24-10.  
**Carol Ann Walker**, 63, of Corinth, on 8-8-10.  
**David Guy Walker**, 62, of Los Angeles, on 6-26-10.

#### 1970

**Alice Emma Cassette** (Sister Ste. Marie Dolores), 93, of Methuen, MA, on 8-12-10.  
**Mary Ann Scott Clark**, 88, of San Pablo, CA, on 10-12-10.  
**André Jean Lacasse**, 64, of Augusta, on 6-1-10.  
**James Stephen Russell**, 61, of Fort Worth, TX, on 7-21-10.  
**Audrey Leah McLellan Thornton**, 91, of Greenville, on 8-22-10.

#### 1971

**Patricia Louise Casterlin**, 60, of of Brooklyn, NY, on 3-17-10.  
**Robert Neil Labbe**, 60, of Milwaukee, WI, on 8-5-10.



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**Andrew George Siket**, 61, of Naples, FL, on 8-2-10.

**1972**

**Allan Phillip Archer**, 63, of Corinth, on 5-28-10.

**Dorothy Louise Borgerson**, 86, of Rockland, on 8-3-10.

**Peter Nathan Briggs**, 59, of Middleton, CT, on 9-1-10.

**Barbara May Karlson**, 72, of Lowell, MA, on 6-16-10.

**Katherine Coffin Mills**, 93, of Farmington, on 10-4-10.

**Deborah Ann Curtis Sparrow**, 60, of Bolton, MA, on 5-22-10.

**1973**

**Ellen Ann Howard**, MD, 60, of Holden, on 6-14-10.

**Miriam Irene Morrell**, 80, of Bangor, on 6-25-10.

**1975**

**Paul Dennis Bieber**, 55, of Portland, on 8-6-10.

**Dennis Michael McGee**, 56, of Summerville, SC, on 1-16-10.

**1976**

**Sandra Eslin Kelly Bryant**, 74, of Bangor, on 7-17-10.

**Douglas P. Hedstrom**, 56, of Bristol, NH, on 6-19-10.

**1977**

**Elizabeth E. Caldwell**, 65, of Augusta, on 8-15-10.

**Annette Godfrey Dugans**, 80, of Old Town, on 10-10-10.

**Renee Lee Duval**, 57, of Cheyenne, WY, on 6-5-10.

**Evadne Berglund Maller**, 88, of Phoenix, AZ, on 3-12-10.

**Patrice M. Tremble**, 55, of Silver Spring, MD, on 10-5-10.

**Deborah Googins Wood**, 58, of Machais, on 6-16-10.

**1978**

**Cheryl Leigh McMillan**, 53, of Sarasota, FL, on 6-6-10.

**1979**

**Jean Eastman Keef**, 96, of Hermon, on 10-13-10.

**1980**

**Paul E. Blanchette**, 52, of Fairfield, on 9-4-10.

**Mark R. Brann**, 50, of Rye, NY, on 1-22-09.

**1981**

**Fr. Brian Blanchette**, 60, of Houlton, on 9-25-10.

**D. William Papuzynski**, 58, of Old Town, on 5-28-10.

## First Lieutenant James Zimmerman Class of 2008

**T**wenty-five-year-old Marine First Lieutenant James Zimmerman '08 was killed on November 2 during combat operations in Afghanistan. He was a member of the 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force.

James was laid to rest following a motorcade and funeral service on Veterans Day in Houlton, near his hometown of Smyrna Mills.

He joined the Marines in 2003, while still in high school, and served for one year in the Marine Corps Reserve, 1st Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment in Topsham. James was then awarded a Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps Scholarship. He applied the scholarship at the University of Maine, where he was a kinesiology and physical education major.

He was married to fellow UMaine graduate, Lynel Winters '06.



James Zimmerman and Lynel Winters

**1983**

**Kimberly Joan Antal**, 51, of Longmeadow, MA, on 6-1-10.

**Esther B. Reed**, 99, of Piqua, OH, on 7-12-10.

**Kathryn Campbell Reed**, 50, of Boothbay Harbor, on 10-29-10.

**1984**

**Valerie Anne Martier Clapp**, 52, of Quincy, MA, on 10-1-10.

**1985**

**Timothy Eduard Richter**, 47, of Wyman Township, in July 2010.

**1987**

**Joyce Ledoux Bridger**, 45, of Franklin, VA, on 8-14-10.

**Warren Matthew Lewey**, 45, of Indian Township, on 5-27-10.

**1991**

**Reuben Wesley Staton**, 46, of Dover-Foxcroft, on 6-29-10.

**1990**

**Carol Gendreau Collin**, 42, of Madawaska, on 8-18-10.

**Anne M. Amabile Glidden**, 42, of Canastota, NY, on 5-12-10.

**1992**

**Dennis F. Dugay**, 60, of Veazie, on 9-15-10.

**Kermit Schott**, 40, of Cumberland Center, on 7-6-10.

**1993**

**Dawn Marie Mankowski York**, 38, of Gorham, on 5-31-10.

**1994**

**Roman Blanke**, 37, of Bangor, on 8-28-10.

**Karena Jo Mosca**, 39, of Dedham, MA, on 5-25-10.

**Tracy Lynn Sampson**, 52, of Sedgwick, on 9-21-10.

**1998**

**Benjamin T. Tyler, Sr.**, 43, of Auburn, on 10-1-10.

**2003**

**Ryan Patrick Bouchard**, 28, of Charlotte, NC, on 7-12-10.

**2005**

**Joseph Olszewski**, 28, of Alfred, on 9-2-10.

**Brian Arthur Wormus**, 29, of Fort Collins, CO, on 6-14-10.

**2007**

**Daniel Patrick Morgan**, 26, of Gray, on 6-29-10.

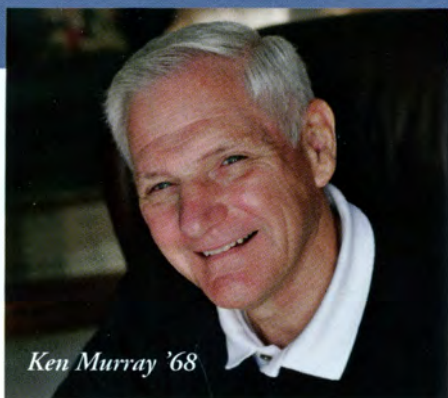
**Gary "2E" A. Nealey, Jr.**, 25, of Gorham, on 5-26-10.

**2008**

**James Zimmerman**, 25, of Smyrna Mills, in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on 11-2-10.



# LASTING MEMORIAL...FOR MIKE AND MAINE FUND



Ann Johansson Photography

Ken Murray's youngest brother, Mike, always used to make him laugh. Mike passed away in 1983 and Ken will always remember him. So will generations of University of Maine

students, because Ken established the For Mike and Maine Scholarship Fund in memory of his brother, his father and in honor of the people of Maine.

"The For Mike and Maine Scholarship provides an opportunity for me to make a difference in the lives of young Maine students as I try to honor and repay the people of Maine, my parents and my brother for the support and blessings they've given me. Through the wonderful letters I receive from the scholarship recipients, I re-live the same sense of gratitude I experienced when I was helped 45 years ago. I know their lives and the lives of their families will be better because of their UMaine education and I'm honored to be a part of that life-changing experience."

When a loved one dies, keeping their memory alive is one way of honoring their life and finding comfort in your own life as a survivor. A memorial scholarship fund can not only keep those memories alive, but can honor the loved one by focusing the scholarship fund on something that he or she cared deeply about.

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Let us help you to establish an endowed scholarship fund in honor of someone important to you and create something that—in addition to your memories—can last forever.



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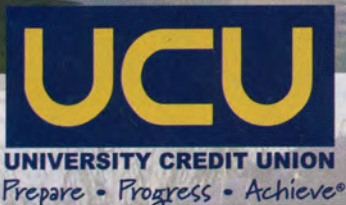
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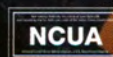
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