

Class Notes

Senior Alumni

Includes all classes that have celebrated their 50th Reunion

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Greetings from Black Bear country. Like real Maine bears, we have been curled up at home in response to the COVID-19 quarantine. My prayers are that you have managed to find moments of joy. (I found mine in mid-April, building a backyard snowman after a deep spring snowstorm!) I hope that even within your isolation, you've experienced the togetherness of family, friends, and neighbors through the use of little acts of kindness, social media, the exchange of notes, and old-fashioned phone calls. I'm so much more aware of the sound of the human voice and its importance to my quality of life.

Bill Cullen '44 was the recipient of the Post Cane award presented to him by Scarborough Town Councilor Paul Johnson. Bill graduated from Edward Little High School in Auburn, where he was a leader in student government, a trumpeter in the school band, and "dabbled" in tennis. His UMaine studies were interrupted by WWII. After serving in the Pacific Theater, he returned to Orono and graduated with a degree in civil engineering.

Bill worked for the Waterville Sewer District and then became the director of the Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District for more than 15 years, until his retirement in 1988. Married to **Jane Longfellow Cullen '47**, they raised three children and celebrated nearly 60 years of marriage before her passing in 2007. Starting a new chapter



Douglas Johnson '48 was happy to report that he celebrated his 93rd birthday during a trip to Israel. One of the highlights was chartering a sailboat on the Mediterranean.

in his life, he discovered a love for cooking, and enjoyed baking brownies with his great-grandchildren. Bill lived independently until age 97, when he moved into the Enclave community in Scarborough.

I bet he'd love to hear from his classmates.

The members of the Senior Alumni Non-Traditional Student Scholarship Committee met in April via video and phone conferencing to review the applications for our 2020-2021 awards. As you might imagine, the need expressed was overwhelming. These returning or later-in-life enrolled students manage families, eldercare, home, and time-consuming jobs. If I were to win a lottery, I'd put the winnings right into this scholarship fund to help these deserving applicants. Thanks to your donations to the Senior Alumni Scholarship Fund, we were able to award \$77,500 in scholarships to 31 amazing students. Add to that the 12 scholarships we renewed from last year, and we're at a grand total this year of \$107,500 with 43 awards! Kudos to all you donors. These are some of the

recipients:

A student from Ghana who came to this country at age 14, graduated from Foxcroft Academy, survived abusive relationships with host family members in New York, and ultimately, with support provided by Covenant House in Manhattan, enrolled at UMaine. A biology major in pre-med, she is determined to return to Ghana to help provide unmet health care needs.

An enlistee in the Maine Air National Guard who is charged with construction project design and management. He enrolled at UMaine to pursue a degree in civil and environmental engineering and carries a heavy course load. Awarded Outstanding Airman of the Year for 2019, he is an advocate for veteran suicide awareness and prevention. He hopes to pursue a doctoral-level degree and commission with the newly formed United States Space Force.

A 37-year-old ex-Marine who served in Iraq and throughout southeast Asia before receiving life-changing injuries in a humanitarian operation in

Cambodia. Enrolling at UMaine, he worked through the office of Veteran's Education and Transition, tutoring mathematics to other veterans. In the process, he discovered a passion for teaching and hopes to become a high school math teacher.

A 35-year-old recipient who returned to college after completing a previous associate degree. As a type-1 diabetic, this student manages a serious medical condition while pursuing a degree in bio-medical engineering, and was invited to participate in research work, assisting in the development of more rapid ways of detection of biological threats such as bacteria and viruses that threaten medical workers, military personnel, first responders, and front-line essential workers.

The applicants reflect the highest degree of need, dedication to goals, and determination to persevere in the face of multiple obstacles and challenges. I send my deepest gratitude to all of you who find a way to send donations to this worthy cause. These are the students who, in the future, will help to magnify the reputation of our university.

Keep in touch. Stay safe. Stay well.

1950

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We did not receive any news from classmates for this issue.

Although we had originally planned to gather for Reunion on campus in September, the COVID-19 pandemic changed those plans. However, perhaps

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Bolding of name identifies UMaine alumna or alumnus

G denotes graduate degree from UMaine

H following class year identifies honorary member of that class

Hon. indicates an honorary degree from UMaine

even more of you can now join us for our "virtual" Reunion via Zoom in September.

Ruth Holland Walsh has been recovering from a broken hip. Thanks in part to her little dog, she is now able to get outside and log about three miles a day. She is glad to be driving again.

Hoppy missed the last Reunion, and his absence may have been a first for him.

Henry Saunders planned to attend — I expect we'll see him and many Class of '50 members via Zoom in September.

I hope you have been able to make the best of the "physical distancing" guidelines while remaining in touch with friends and family.

1951

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From the *Kennebec Journal* we learn that fraternal twins, **Richard and Robert Butler**, were honored on Veterans Day 2019 by Winthrop American Legion Post 40 with other members of the Post for their service in WWII. The twins live in Zephyrhills, FL, and were not able to attend the meeting. Dick and Bob enlisted in the military following in the steps of their father, who was a WWI veteran. They tried to stay together because they were twins. After being issued dog tags, the pair pretended they had lost their tags. They were issued two more. "What they did not realize," said Bob, "was that we were going to use those to stay together." They were stationed in the northern part of Luzon Island in the Philippines and were responsible for providing communication between forces on the ground and in the air for two and a half years as the US was getting ready to invade Japan.

After the peace treaty was signed, Dick and Bob became part of the occupation force in Japan. Flying into Tokyo in a C-47 transport plane, they were able to see the devastation of



Maryellen McCallum Bowman '78 visits with Prescott Johnson '52 during the Black Bear Road Trip event in Tucson, AZ, in February.

the atomic bombs. "Everything was demolished," Bob said. "We could see everything burned to a crisp." On their way home after the war, their identification comedy failed them. Dick was deployed on one ship, while Bob was deployed on another and stayed behind for an extra week. However, Bob's ship was faster than Dick's and he got back first. The brothers reunited in Massachusetts, 00 and they came home to Maine together.

They enrolled at the University of Maine in the College of Agriculture. Dick majored in horticulture and Bob majored in animal husbandry. Following graduation they opened Butler Twins Floral Center in Farmingdale. Bob later became an Episcopal priest. Dick and his wife, Barbara, who died in 2004, had six daughters, 19 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. Bob and his wife Josephine, who died in 2005, had a son and a daughter. His son served in Vietnam and died later of a stroke. His daughter gave him two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Bob said, "If Dick and I are wearing our WWII hats, people really show their appreciation. I have to thank them for keeping the world safe. We do not do it alone."

Malcolm Chadbourne reported that he "published a second novel called *Harold*. It is available on Amazon. It is the story of a young man growing up during the Great Depression.

He lives for his 'ship to come in.' Whether it does or how is the plot." And Malcolm's third novel, called *Rich's Ride*, was self-published via Amazon as a paperback and a Kindle.

The Class of 1951 Scholarships for 2019-2020 were awarded to the following: Benjamin Quimby from Old Town, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering, is the grandson of the late **Dodd Roberts '55G**, and Alexander Thacker from Readfield, a senior majoring in computer science, is the grandson of the late **Vance Norton**.

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Your classmates would love to hear from you. Please write, and also visit the class web page at <https://bit.ly/3epwfdZ>.

We were delighted to hear from **Ray Feasey**:

"Sue and I celebrated our 60th anniversary in September 2019. We have been living at Cloverwood Senior Living for a year after downsizing from

a patio home just a couple of miles away. We continue to work with our local U of Maine alumni group in putting on an annual lobster picnic. We remain in pretty good health for our age (I turned 90 last November and Sue had an 86th birthday in March). Like so many other places we are pretty much in a lockdown mode at the moment with all activities canceled. However, we are still able to get out to the grocery store and medical locations. We have a daughter locally, who is a nurse and is getting a master's at the age of 53. Our son and daughter-in-law recently bought a 1784 house in Shelbourne Falls, MA, and our other daughter has a landscaping business in Red Hook, NY. We have three granddaughters. Claire is a senior at Hofstra with a major in publishing. Lyra is a first-year student at the Savannah College of Art and Design. Our youngest is a senior in high school in Rhinebeck, NY.

"I'm afraid we are a bit too old to be able to travel to Maine, unfortunately, but we do get *Yankee* and *Down East* to keep informed. For several years I went to the Woodenboat School in Brooklin, ME, and have built a few small wooden boats. I have given all my boatbuilding equipment to the Finger Lakes Boating Museum, which is located south of Hammondsport, NY, in the Finger Lakes region."

Last year, our Class of '52 scholarship was awarded to Courtney Reddish, the great-granddaughter of **Ruby Bryant Higgins**. As of January 31, 2020, the principal of the class scholarship was \$152,941.76. The market value as of January 31 was \$165,126.15.

That is all the news for this issue.

1953

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We are disappointed that the annual Reunion at the Harraseeket Inn in Freeport,

originally scheduled for August 25, couldn't take place. I am looking forward to seeing you all when we can be sure of gathering in good health.

It pays to go through your closets once in a while. Thanks to **Peggy Given White**, I have quite the collection of alumni magazines. The 1991 125th anniversary issue — 125 Alumni Who Have Made a Difference — includes three of our classmates: **Raymond McHenry**, in the engineering field; the late **Jack Butterfield**, in the field of sports; and the late **Doug Kneeland**, in journalism.

Lois Welton Byrne, of Oceanside, CA, loves where she lives — two miles to the ocean, the theaters, beaches, breeze. Originally of Brewer, Lois, a home ec major and Chi Omega gal, is the new owner of a golf cart, and lives in a "55 and over" community. Her son, daughter, and son-in-law live nearby. She met her late husband, **Jack**, a Navy captain and a New Yorker, on a blind date in Hartford.

She spoke of **Pat King Berke**, of San Diego, formerly of Brewer, and **Sally Pray Fogler** of Brunswick.

The late **Al Card** was chosen to be inducted into the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame. Al officiated at Maine basketball games for over 30 years, and taught and coached at Cony High School for 27 years.

In the last issue, at press time after this column was submitted, our loyal classmate, my friend of all friends, **Carol Prentiss Mower**, of Orono, died Nov. 22, 2019. Abby Zelz, managing editor, revised what I had previously written about Carol.

I wasn't able to attend her service, but received a large manila envelope in December from one of her three sons, Fr. Scott Mower, of Kittery. Inside was his handwritten letter, a copy of the Nov. 27 obituary with two photos of Carol, the funeral service program, eulogy, email condolences, and guest book.

Carol lived, loved, and enjoyed life, smiled at everyone and everything, and spoke just how she felt. Our sympathies go out to her three sons, **Scott '82**, **Todd '86**, and Danny, their families, relatives, and friends.



Left to right: Winter Carnival Queen candidates Joyce Hobbs Walsh '54, Mary Snyder Dow '52, Audrey Koritzky Cooper '54, and Nancy Schott Plaisted '53 pose on a toboggan in January 1952.

Joan Russell Mogilevsky lives in Lake Oswego, OR, with her husband, **Michael '54**, and their West Highland Terrier. Joan met Michael on a blind date when she was a senior and he was a sophomore (Alpha Gam), who was sponsored by Jane Ingraham's father, a colonel who worked at the American schools in Japan. They were married in 1953. Michael went into the Air Force and worked for NASA.

Joan mentioned **Doris Ramsay Smith**, her roommate, **Sharon Clark**, of Pasadena, CA, the late **Louise Davis Packard**, **Thurman Gould**, **Dave Beppler**, **Kathy Mitchell Mendelsohn**, **Pat McCormick Wilkinson**, and **Jean Palmer**.

Doris Ramsay Smith, originally of Winslow, who taught physical education at Scarborough High, said I could give classmates her new address: Ashton Gardens, Apt. 402, 830 Ocean Ave., Portland, ME 04103. She's on the top floor with an ocean view.

From **Zeke Mavodones**, of Poughkeepsie, NY: "Could not make the Maine reunion because of too many family obligations and tight travel arrangements. I am still somewhat active in the Poughkeepsie, NY, area with some groups. One thing I say is to share yourself with friends and family because life is wonderful but tenuous."

Mel Fuller, of Chapel Hill, NC, wrote that he "always gets to Maine at the wrong time to attend the class reunion but I enjoy reading about them." Mel continued: "... after graduating

with a degree in botany, went on to get a master's degree at Nebraska and a Ph.D. at Berkeley. I became an associate prof at Brown and later a full professor at Berkeley and the University of Georgia. We are now living near Chapel Hill, like others from 1953, in a retirement community. I studied fungi and the Mycological Society has a 50-minute interview I did last year. If you Google Mel Fuller on YouTube, you can find something to put you to sleep."

Mel was born in Livermore Falls, "refused to eat baked beans Saturday night like everyone else did, and was the first child in the family to go to college."

A November clipping from the *Kennebec Journal* had the headline: "Winthrop American Legion honors its World War II members." Classmate **Keith Ruff**, of Winthrop, was among them. Congratulations, Keith.

For a longer version of this column, visit bit.ly/362EthP.

1954

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Well, fall 2019 has long become history, but we had not had an opportunity to cover this, as our last column was assembled just too late to report on the September activities. We have

to report that the energy at this Reunion for Class of '54ers was much diminished from all of our previous gatherings. In fact, we had only 11 attendees, including spouses or partners over the three days. However, to be realistic, we have to recognize that at this point in time a significant number of our classmates have passed, and those of us who remain are in our late eighties or the nineties! Can you believe it?

In spite of the usual packed activities our class has experienced in the past, we attended many of the general activities for all classes. Our highlights were the All Alumni Banquet on Thursday night and the class reunion on Friday. The list of participants in all our class activities includes: **Paul** and **Wanda Royte**, Wallace and **Mary Small Eckton '57G**, **Linwood White G, '65 C.A.S.**, **Forest** and **Shirley Kirk Ayer**, **Margaret Robinson Manzer**, **Al** and **Sally Carroll Fernald '55**, and your humble correspondent.

The highlight for our class was the recognition at the banquet of us celebrating as the "Oldest Intact Class in Attendance at our 65th Year!" The best part of that was that class pictures were taken, and in honor of our longevity, we were first — a real gift — at the end of a nice but long evening. On Friday our class meeting was held, with action taken to disburse some of the funds remaining in our coffers. A total of \$25,000 was given, with the first gift made to the Maine Center for Research in STEM Education (Rise Center) in the amount of \$5,000. Somewhat larger gifts of \$10,000 each were made respectively to the new, just-named at the Reunion, Ferland Engineering Building and Class of '54 Scholarship Fund administered by the UMaine Foundation. Our gratitude is expressed to **Al Fernald**, who once again stepped up to provide the leadership for a fine event!

Unfortunately, in addition to news from our Reunion, we heard from only one classmate since our last column, **Carl Kruse**. Carl had copied a letter that he wrote to "Kelley" to

Dan Willett '69, '70G of the UMaine Foundation, which was forwarded to us. He relates that he is VERY busy — "too much for a text"! It is apparent that his major occupation in life is music. He was auditioning before Christmas for programs and was already scheduled for more. He was hosting the Sarasota County Croquet Club's (SCCC) potluck supper and expecting 60-70 to attend. Carl was also hosting the usual gang from the SCCC for Thanksgiving dinner.

Carl goes to the Rossmoor, NJ, Community Church. For the December 22nd special service he was to sing the nativity "Candlelight Carol" by John Rutter. He went on to talk about plans for his 88th musical birthday show, although his next birthday wasn't until April of this year. Hope you had a happy birthday, Carl, and congratulations on such a fulfilling life!

Finally, as we put our life's affairs in order, keep in mind that a wonderful "pay it forward" act can show our gratitude for how our UMaine education has enriched our lives. In the year ending December 31, 2019, the General Endowment Fund grew by 17.2 percent! Our class scholarship at year's end was \$124,194.10. Please consider a gift to the university.

1955

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"The best-laid plans of mice and men" — and should we add the Class of 1955 as well? Our 65th Reunion, planned for September on campus, went awry, thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, our class could have a larger-than-expected attendance if people are able to participate in a "virtual" Reunion, using Zoom, the Internet-based interactive videoconferencing service. Plans include online social time, a Q&A with UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy, our class meeting,



Visiting during the Phoenix, AZ, get-together in February are, left to right: Prudence Meader '19H, Kenneth Kirkland '56, and Louise Kirkland '72.

panel discussion with current UMaine students, and more.

It was a wonderful surprise to get an email from **Al Healy**. He and Gloria moved from Vermont to Tennessee in 2011 following a most tragic complete burning of their house in Vermont. They had a house built outside of Jonesborough, TN, with a great mountain view. They say they like it there a lot, and with such frequent move-ins from other states, they have a motto: "Let's not tell anybody about it." We are looking forward to seeing Al and Gloria at reunion.

Until recently, our class secretary, **Nancy Cameron Dewilde**, was still playing volleyball every week, as she said she needed the exercise and enjoyed it so much. Sadly, we learned that Nancy passed away in late May in Sun City Center, FL.

I am amazed every Christmas when **Muriel Verrill Gade** sends her Christmas letter. She is always leading a busy life and does so many different activities from visiting her family in Texas to playing bridge, going to musical events, etc. She sold her cottage in Maine after so many years of visiting Maine every summer, but Muriel says she still

hopes to visit often, as she has relatives and friends she wants to see.

There is a very sad and strange ending to my column this time. Your class officers were going to have a telephone conference to fine-tune some plans for our reunion. **Ron Sheay** had accepted the position of being treasurer of our class a few months ago and was to be part of this telephone call when, in fact, he passed away two days before the telephone conference took place. It was a very upsetting time for all of us, as Ron was indeed an outstanding member of our class and he was always a dedicated supporter of the University of Maine. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Ginny, and her family.

Paul and I are all settled in our new surroundings and doing well. There are quite a few University of Maine alumni here also.

Jot down in your address book our new address and telephone number and while you are doing that, let me hear from you personally.

We look forward to seeing you during our online Reunion in September.

1956

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The Class of 1956 has a few updates we would like to share with classmates.

Gloria Thorpe Bangs '57 contacted the Alumni Association to inform classmates of the death of her husband, **Dick Bangs**. She reported that Dick died on March 2, 2018, of ALS, which was caused by his military service. Dick and Gloria met at the University of Maine and were married the day before Dick's graduation. They lived in Germany for three years while Dick was in the military, and had three sons. Our thoughts are with you, Gloria.

Class President **Bill Johnson** would like to announce in this column that the Class of 1956 has fulfilled the \$10,000 pledge that they made as part of the UMaine Foundation's Vision for Tomorrow matching gift program. UMaine Foundation President **Jeff Mills** '82 congratulated the class in a letter to Bill: "We are pleased to let you know that the University of Maine Foundation has applied a match of \$2,500 for the total crowdfunding contributions of \$10,000 to the Class of 1956 Scholarship as part of the Vision for Tomorrow matching gift program."

Bill would like to thank all who participated and says, "Many thanks to those of you who have contributed over the years to our Class of 1956 scholarship fund. Because of you, we were able to take advantage of this matching gift offered by the University of Maine Foundation."

The Class of 1956 has a new class correspondent! Thank you to **John Schwartz** for accepting the job! Please send all of your news to John at the above address so he can get to work on our next column!

We would all love to hear more about what you are up to, so please be in touch! Along those same lines, we would like to express a heartfelt thank you

to **Faith Wixson Varney**, who was our faithful and diligent class correspondent for 18 years. Thank you, Faith, for your dedication and hard work in keeping our class connected! We appreciate it!

Here's an update on our class scholarship fund: Our principal balance as of January 31, 2020, was \$145,824.73 and our market value was \$166,196.82. We are helping descendants of our class with financial assistance by continuing to grow our scholarship fund!

The annual Senior Alumni Reunion, originally scheduled for September on campus, has been moved to an online format using Zoom, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a Senior Alumni class, we can participate in any of the events — tours, guest speakers, student panel, etc. We hope you will join these Zoom events from the safety of your home. And we hope to be able to gather in-person on campus next year, which will be our 65th Reunion!

Ashley Nemer Twombly '10, '12G, '60H from the Alumni Association let the class know they will be invited back to Orono in September of 2021 and that she will work with the class officers next year to make all of the final decisions. Watch your mailbox for more info! We hope to see you for our big reunion next year! More details to come!

Hope to hear from many of you soon! Remember to send John Schwartz your news at the above address. Stay well!

1957

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The first news for the current article came in from **Bill Kearns**. Thank you, Bill!

"By way of background, my father graduated from the University of Maine in the Class of 1923; my wife, **Patricia Anne Wright**, and I graduated in the class with you in 1957; my wife's brother, **John Wright**, also graduated in our class after



Left to right: Dick Fournier '58, Galen Bridge '57, and Kathy Laffoon were among the alumni and friends at the Black Bear Road Trip event in Tucson last winter.

spending four years in the US Navy; my sister was in the Class of 1961, my oldest son, **Bill**, graduated in the Class of 1983, and my wife's sister, **Rosemary Wright Fitzgerald**, graduated in the Class of 1959 — that is a lot of University of Maine.

"I was recently honored by *Marquis Who's Who* as a leader in the investment banking industry, and I am taking this opportunity to send along to you the write-up. [Congratulations, Bill, and thank you for sharing this impressive write up, which appears in its entirety in the Class of '57 page on the Alumni Association website.]

Bill continued: "My wife of 49 years, Pat Wright Kearns, unfortunately for me, passed away from cancer in March of 2006 and left me with five great kids and eight grandchildren. I remarried after several years, and currently live in a small rural town outside of Morristown, NJ. We have 3,000 people and 5,000 animals, and everyone wants to keep it that way."

Dottie Richards Marshall very kindly contacted me immediately after hearing that our beloved past president, **Lois Whitcomb**, had passed away. Lois died on January 16, 2020, in Castle Rock, CO, following a stroke. Lois's Celebration of Life will be held at the Universalist Community Church on Winthrop Street in Augusta, probably in early August 2020. As the service may have already happened by

the time this issue of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine* is published, I hope I will have seen many of you there to celebrate our classmate, Lois, who was such an important part of our university lives for over 60 years.

Dottie also shared some happier news — she had just had a long chat with her former U of M roommate, **Sylvia MacKenzie Emery** who, with her husband, **Phil**, lives in Westminster, MD, near their daughter Susan.

A short note from **Nancy McGouldrick Green** gave wonderful news that she is totally fine after a cancer operation. That was her first visit to the hospital since having her children, and it was for one night only!

Jiggs Cecchini '63G wrote that he's been called out of retirement. He is now the interim executive director for the Connecticut High School Coaches Association. He will be in that position until someone else can be selected. We'll keep our fingers crossed that will happen soon, Jiggs, so you can retire again!

Paul Taiganides kindly sent an email attaching the 2019 Taiganides annual newsletter. This is posted on our online class page. I think you'll enjoy it as much as I did. Paul often used and still writes, "Happiness is..." For me, happiness is turning on the computer and finding news from a classmate!

That happened this morning, a few days before the deadline for submitting this article to the alumni office. **Jeanne Brooks White** wrote the following: "I taught school for 30 years while bringing up a family after leaving Maine. My husband, who passed on in 2009, and I loved to travel. We visited 21 countries, and traveled across Canada and the United States by train. We stopped in each province and many states on the way. We also liked to cruise, visiting Alaska and the Panama Canal, among other places. I now live in Whiting, NJ, to be near my family of four children, seven grandchildren, and five great-grands."

Thank you, Jeanne.

You can read a longer version of this class column by visiting UMaineAlumni.com. Click on Class Notes, then Class Pages, and then 1957.

Then please pick up the phone or send me an email with your news for the next edition.

1958

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Since no newspaper clippings were available about the class, I went through my correspondence to see what I could find.

It looks like I am going to have to put a permanent sign of NO NEWS below my name on each column from now on.

Sandra Daley Denman's son-in-law, Rick, was part of the musical staff aboard the *American Queen* steamboat this past holiday season while her daughter, and Rick's wife, Donna, were on the slopes at Cannon Mountain, NH, and Mad River Glen, VT, keeping the skiers upright for the entire season.

Bob and Lois Danzig McKown are the proud grandparents of ten — five of the boys have graduated and two will do so in May. One of the granddaughters is a freshman at Rocky Mountain College in Billings, MT, where

she was recruited for the volleyball team.

Sylvia Gadaire is still tutoring for the SAT and ACT tests and living in Florida. She is working hard to make sure that Harvard, the University of Pennsylvania and its pre-med school, etc., keep their enrollments up.

Barbara Hasey Andrews writes that they are still spending summers in Maine (big family reunion this past summer), winters in Florida, and in-between time in Waynesburg, PA. Barb and Tom have five great-grandchildren. Tom is still playing tennis and doing piano and chorale events during the holidays. For Barb a normal day includes three different events; she is active with her church in Florida, AAUW, Bible studies, and more.

The Lazos got together at Christmas to see where "Ma" is living now. Christina and hubby Mike, from Alameda, CA; Valerie, hubby Allen, daughters Christina and Evelyn hosted (they are just up the street); and Michael, wife Cathy, and kids Jacob, Madeline, and Robert drove from Massachusetts. Michael was pinned as a full Colonel in the Massachusetts National Guard in January. His unit is located at Hanscom AFB in Bedford, MA. He is still working at Rhode Island Hospital, Christina is artistic director of Musical Theatre Works in San Francisco, and Valerie is an IT analyst at Nationwide Insurance in Columbus.

I wish you all a happy and healthy summer and fall.

1959

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Hello '59ers —

I hope you are enjoying the summer. We had a "winter of no winter" in southeastern Massachusetts. I received a few bits of news from the reunion



Fourteen "Ladies of '62" met for the annual Christmas luncheon at the Harraseeket Inn in Freeport last December. Kneeling, left to right: Vicki Waite Cannell, Diane Ingalls Zito, and Kay Fraser. Standing: Millie Simpson Stewart, Ann Adjutant '66G, Marcia Hansen, Jean Britton O'Brien, Brenda Freeman Kuich, Ginny Dyer Bousum, Jayne Fitz Wilcox, Alice McKiel Hyerstay, Sue McNeary Billings, Mary Ellen Tripp Woodhead, and Sally Kennett Juenemann.

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Mary "Ketch" Ketchum County and husband, Jim, have lived in Deerfield, MA, all their married life with children not too far away. She stays in contact with a number of classmates — **Dottie Foster O'Donoghue**, **Linda Giles Jones**, **Jeanne Bassett Prewitt**, **Carol Burry Gage**, and **Marianne Schmidt Hamlin**. Also **Jolean Flint Quimby**, who is in Boise, ID.

Muffy Campbell Murphy and husband, Mike, spend part of the year in Spokane, WA, and Palm Desert, CA. They enjoy gatherings with their large family.

Alice Lane Johnson, our valedictorian, and her husband, Paul, live in Watertown, MA, where they have a studio on one floor of their home. Alice's studio is design and stained glass. Her website shows some magnificent creations in stained glass. On another subject, Alice remembers Pat's Pizza offering a Bachelor's of Malt Beverages. Does anyone else remember that or have one?

Katherine Perrone, daughter of **Ken Perrone '60G** writes under the name of Katherine Knight and has a new book published, *Hunting at Hollywood Farm*. It has been nominated for an award by the Paranormal Romance Guild.

Jean Ulmer Tompkins has moved to Dirigo Pines in Orono.

We received the annual report from our UMaine Foundation contact, **Dee**

Gardner '89, indicating that the principal amount in our student scholarship fund was \$132,332.30 as of December 19, 2019. Thanks again to everyone who has helped build the fund over the past five years.

Our class treasurer, **Peggy Mahar Steck**, is an avid biker. She bikes for exercise and fitness and competes in senior bike contests in her home state of Florida. She writes that she recently took home two ribbons in 5K and 10K races. She says, "Biking and competing keeps me 'young!'"

To support our five-year theme "Let's stay in touch, '59ers!" would you be willing to make a Maine Hello! contact by phone, email, or standard mail with one classmate friend this year? Would you be willing to head up a campaign to make Maine Hello! contacts with your '59 fraternity brothers or sorority sisters? How about organizing a local luncheon with '59 classmates in your home area? Please let me know. I will pass your thoughts along to our executive committee.

That's all! 'Til next time —

1960

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I know I speak for us all when I say I hope you are persevering through this challenging pandemic. It is certain that you are impacted in hardly believable ways. Contact with family, friends, and classmates is more precious than ever. Most of this column was written before COVID-19. Our lives have since changed but we still have our endearing ties with each other and UMaine!

Ace Conro, class president, wrote in June, "Our 60th Reunion is postponed until September 2021. Hopefully we shall be able to physically gather then, discuss any and all issues, and vote on subjects of importance."

"In the meantime the Alumni Association will hold a Zoom conference for us (exact date and time to be determined) this coming September. I am very dismayed by the necessity of canceling our Reunion this September as I was very much looking forward to seeing every one of you who could make it to Orono. I can only hope that COVID-19 has abated by September 2021 so that we can meet then. I know that the social committee wishes to have a three-day gathering off campus, but they also are handicapped by this awful situation and we must "wait and see."

"I worry that the disease may have affected you or your loved ones. Please try to stay safe and healthy. You are all missed so very much."

Ace again officiated for the winter schedule of collegiate track in eastern Massachusetts, then visited the Orono campus in early March to speak for the second year in a row to a class of 170 students about campus life in the 1950s. He also connected with track and field coaches and ROTC, where to his surprise he was awarded with a framed Certificate of

Appreciation.

At the UMaine Foundation office he learned that our **Sandie Page** Class of '60 Fund had \$306,000 available for scholarships. That was just before the stock market meltdown, which affected all class funds. You should also be aware that Ace takes it upon himself to write condolence letters to relatives of our classmates who have passed.

Diane Tatlock Pierce, along with daughter Sue and son Fred IV, attended a family reunion in Maine in early October. In November Diane and husband, **Fred Pierce**, became first-time great-grandparents when granddaughter Shawna Roquette, Sue's daughter, gave birth to a son.

Fred and Diane spent a week in Florida celebrating Thanksgiving with Fred's sister and 11 family members as well as visiting in the Tampa area with **Ralph** and Susan **Pilsbury** '61 and classmate **Sally Wakefield**.

Fred Varricchio, PhD, MD recently became editor of the *Vaccine Safety Quarterly* of the Brighton Collaboration. Among other important vaccine-related topics, the spring 2020 issue published in April refers to the World Health Organization's declaration of COVID-19 as a pandemic. The Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness and Innovation funds work with Brighton Collaboration's Safety Platform for Emergency Vaccines to support safety assessment of vaccine candidates. Since undoubtedly we will all be impacted by COVID-19 and the search for a vaccine, the world and we will be focused upon important research like this.

Fred and his wife, Claudette, had an extended visit in Florida from their daughter and family, due to virus-related school closures.

In early March **Joanne Keith Sullivan** enjoyed the sights and activities of London with her granddaughter Shannon, who was on spring break from her studies there. Joanne also visited with a childhood friend in Cambridge.

Yours truly and husband, **Pete Hannah** '59, traveled to Vermont and Arizona in the



Skip Chappelle '62 (right) received the Black Bear Award during a basketball game in winter 2020 from UMaine Alumni Association Executive Director John Diamond '77, '89G. Skip was recognized for his many years as an outstanding coach, mentor, and advocate for Black Bear Athletics. He continues to be involved in the M Club and is an ambassador for the university.

fall and felt fortunate to have squeezed in four days in San Antonio, TX, and a couple of weeks in Belize before the virus with all its restrictions struck. All other plans are up in the air.

I hope to see many of you via Zoom in September. No travel will be needed to participate in the planned events for our "virtual" Reunion.

In the meantime, we hope you will write to share your experiences/feelings about the special ways you have been spending your hours during this difficult time.

1961

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So nice to hear from a fellow journalism major, **Ron Drogin**, who wrote a weekly sports column for the *Campus*. He says he chose not to pursue that career after graduation, fearing he might be working in some small Maine town, not being able to afford a lobster dinner. Now he is back in print

writing for *The Platina Post*, the community quarterly in Boynton Beach, FL, and finds it challenging and fun although his editor deleted his comments about not taking photos in the gym and banning steroid usage.

Remembering our freshman English text — Chase and Sans — **Wallace Hinckley** mentioned that author **Mary Ellen Chase**, Class of 1909, was a great aunt. The Alumni Association is recognizing the Chase family with the Fogler Legacy Award for the accomplishment that 15 members of the Chase family attended the university. See the related story on page 8.

Meg Thompson Villarreal visited with **Shirlene Heath Gosline** '73G as she recovered from her first knee surgery. They talked about our mini reunion and how great it was to see so many folks. Now on to our next one. It is not too early to save the date. Our 60th will be in September 2021. **Betsy Flynn Drake** and husband, Jack, enjoyed their fifth winter in Myrtle Beach, SC, and are grateful to be snowbirds. **Etta Libby Davenport** skipped her annual out-of-the-country trip this year but did go to New Sweden for their Midsommar

Festival and visited with her freshman roommate, **Mary Lou Nelson**.

Rick Brennan updated me on his life. He married **Helen Martin** '59 and they had two children, Chris and Beth. Chris has his own real estate appraisal business; Beth earned her Ph.D. from the University of Virginia and taught at Arizona State University and Randolph Women's College for a number of years. Rick retired from the Army in 1985 with 24 years of service that included assignments in the California Mojave Desert, UMass Senior ROTC instructor, tours in Italy and Germany, and, of course, two tours in Vietnam. After the army, the couple settled in the Richmond, VA, area. Post retirement from the service included 17 years of management in the IT industry, as a private consultant, and several years with a not-for-profit company creating jobs for people with disabilities. He and Helen have enjoyed many years of retirement travel in Europe for business and pleasure, including Berlin last May and southwestern France in November.

Larry Schiner was honored by New Jersey City University, where he worked for 40 years.

Jean Ramsay Platt, **Elaine Hoffses Davis**, **Judy Hackett Owens**, and **Leanne Duke Mitchell** meet every five years since they turned 50. This year's reunion was in Nashville, where Jean's daughters live. Elaine's daughter lives in Kentucky and joined their reunion. They had a great time at the Grand Ole Opry and toured on the Nash Trash Bus. A special treat of Maine Lobster Rolls was enjoyed from Cousins Maine Lobster food trucks. A neat photo of their reunion is on our webpage. See UMaineAlumni.com then click on class notes, class pages, 1961. Scroll down to the photo album. And if you have a photo to add to our growing historical album, please email it to me at the above address.

Although not a classmate but truly a special friend to so many of us, I heard from art professor **Harry Greaver** at Christmas time. He celebrated his 90th birthday in good health except for

macular degeneration, which is limiting his time in his art gallery in Oregon. Fortunately, his wife, Hanne, is well and his three kids all live in the area. During my years at Maine, Prof. Greaver dispensed lots of advice about men to me. Alas, I didn't listen!

1962

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Hello all! First and most importantly, I hope that all of you are safe and healthy. As you know we have had to postpone our 80th Summer Birthday Party until August of 2021 due to COVID-19. While this is disappointing, the health and wellbeing of classmates is the most important consideration of your executive board.

Now to the news: **Eli Karter's** Christmas letter introduced us to his namesake

and 14th grandchild, **Elias**, born last August. Eli also wrote that he and Susan enjoyed an active year filled with travels. Besides spending summers in Maine and winters in Florida, the couple vacationed in the Bahamas, Turks and Caicos, and Prince Edward Island. To top it off they spent the bulk of September in Scotland "canal barging, fly fishing, and sampling wee drams."

Gale Brewer's Christmas card relayed news of the lovely cruise that she and sister, **Joyce**, took through the Panama Canal last autumn.

Steve DeWick wrote that he and his wife, **Gladys '76**, and their family celebrated Christmas at the family farm on Phipps Point in Woolwich. The farm has been in his family since 1903. Steve also mentioned the strong ties his entire family has to UMaine. His parents were members of the Class of '37. Steve and Gladys' children are also UMaine graduates: daughter, **Catherine DeWick Johnson '88** and son, **Jonathan '93**. And presently, the DeWicks have two granddaughters in the University of Maine System, one

at the University of Southern Maine and another at the University of Maine at Fort Kent. Talk about Black Bear pride!

Florida news: After retirement, **Linda Thomas** and her husband moved from Eau Claire, WI, to The Villages. However, true to their Maine roots, they spend summers in Maine on Panther Pond in Raymond. **Sue Merrill Blaisdell '64G** is now also living in Florida, but also is back in the Pine Tree State during the summer at her Lakewood cottage. For the past two winters Sue has attended the Alumni Black Bear Road Trip event at a Fort Myers Red Sox game. I know that some other classmates also attend this spring training event as well. What an opportunity for UMaine grads to get together!

Kendall and Linda MacDonald Hunnewell also spend several weeks each summer on the Maine lakes. While still living in New Jersey, the Hunnewells spend most of the winter enjoying Florida weather and the social scene with many former New Jersey friends who have made the

permanent move south.

From Texas: **Jon Forbes** and his wife, **Linda**, spend a few months each year at their Little Sebago Lake summer residence. The Forbeses are retired and live just outside Austin. Jon spent most of his working career in the aviation world as an engineer, naval aviator, and executive. He credits his success in the field to the engineering skills he received at UMaine.

Ingrid Bain LaRochelle writes that she and husband, **Dewey**, love to travel with their daughters and grandchildren. In May 2019 they vacationed in Spain, France, and Italy. Ingrid also enjoys a trip to New York City with her daughters every five years, taking in shows and shopping. Some of you may remember meeting Ingrid's daughter, **Heidi**, at our 55th.

I end this column with a message on behalf of your class executive board: "We wish you all a very healthy, safe, and happy summer. We hope that you will all join us on August 26, 2021, when we celebrate together at our 81st birthday!"

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Hello, classmates!

Please note that our class has a correspondent. A heartfelt THANK YOU and huge kudos are sent to **Barbara Fowles Allen**, who wrote this column from 1988 until recently.

Your new correspondent has lived in York since 1968. Several years ago I downsized to a retirement community. Somebody else mows; somebody else rakes; somebody else plows; somebody else shovels. I love it! I can garden to my heart's content. My son, **Brad**, a 1992 graduate of UMaine, is the swim coach at Bowdoin, and my daughter, **Laura**, lives in Amherst, MA. I am truly grateful for the five grandchildren who are growing up much too quickly.

Sporadically, I hear from **Judy Phelps Finkel**. She and husband, **Bob**, have lived in Ottawa Hills, OH, for many years, where they raised three children. She continues to teach riding.

The alumni office informed me that **T. Margaret Brown**, who received her master's at the University of Maine in 1963, left \$700,000 to the University of Maine Farmington to support student scholarships. A retired Portland schoolteacher, she passed away in May of 2018.

What needs to happen? I need to hear about what is going on in your lives. I look forward to your emails or phone calls or an actual visit. Finding me is not difficult. York just is not that big. I live near (about a half mile) from the beach. So as you are traveling through this great state, put me on your agenda. Then we can begin to have a newsworthy column once again.



Cheering on the Black Bears during a hockey game in Portland last January are, left to right: Dana Humphrey, dean of the College of Engineering, with Rick '67 and Jane Walker Woodruff '68 and Susan and Peter McCracken '61.

1964

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Happy anniversary of our 56th graduation. It is so nice in this riven world that we come together in so many ways.

Please note: you may not know us all, but those who do know you would be so happy to read your news. And photos are welcome! Many of us have retired and sought a new purpose for our life. Your lessons on how you achieved this would be wonderful.

Classmate **Roland Cole**, who just retired after 38 years on the Maine Superior Court judicial bench, not only brought justice forward, but, following his passion to further serve, worked with Supreme Court Justice Donald Alexander and Cumberland County Justice Robert Cowley to establish the state's drug court system.

Starting from a 1998 first drug treatment court, the system evolved as the model for Maine's six drug treatment courts. They combine a judge's supervision with substance use treatment, counseling, drug testing, escalating sanctions for violations, meetings, and school attendance. Graduates of the drug treatment courts receive reduced sentences or lesser charges when they graduate from the program. Meeting

people who have turned their lives around with this learning gave tremendous satisfaction to Judge Cole.

Two other big changes he has seen are digital recordings of court proceedings, rather than court reporters, and a greater number of people who appear without an attorney to represent them. Privately, those around Judge Cole describe him as having an outstanding sense of humor and a gift for storytelling. Sounds to me like he should write a book.

Another classmate who is making a huge difference is **E. James "Jim" Ferland** (and wife Eileen P. Ferland), who were disclosed as the anonymous donors who gave \$10 million to help construct the Engineering Education and Design Center at the University of Maine. This facility will house the Biomedical Engineering Program and Department of Mechanical Engineering, as well as teaching laboratories for the Mechanical Engineering Technology Program. It also will provide space for all UMaine engineering majors to complete their senior capstone projects and collaborative learning classrooms that will serve the entire campus. The Ferlands had earlier provided a \$1,000,000 engineering excellence scholarship. Their recent donation is also recognized for inspiring others to donate. The Maine legislature also made a \$50,000,000 investment in this facility, fostering even more collaboration. Currently UMaine engineering grads have a 99 percent placement rate in careers or graduate school!

Some of us don't have big

money to give, but sharing the joy and great learning of our own UMaine experience, and encouraging others to notice the serious excellence our alma mater offers is good too. We can also make a difference in our own way within our communities. Think about wearing your UMaine T-shirts and hats, and showing your Maine pride!

Joyce Harburger Bennett and family, like so many people of retirement age, recently sold their home and bought a no-responsibility-for-snow-removal-and-yard-work condo in their same town and are enjoying good health, piano playing, and volunteering. Sounds like an earned and valuable life! You may contact her or update your Christmas card list at her new address: 601 Smithfield Road, Contoocook, NH 03229.

Susan Oakes Ackor is having a full life, in spite of being widowed after 53½ wonderful years with **Jefferson '62, '75G**. Recovery for her has centered on her two sons in Maine, one in Seattle, and a daughter in Coral Gables, as well as good friends and great memories. After her husband retired they bought a motor home and traveled all over the US and Canada, including twice to Alaska. And she is a friend of another of our classmates, **Corinne Simmons Daggett**.

Peter Bourque, a very involved member of our class alumni board, announced that **Mary Holmes Davis** would be secretary to our alumni board. He also smiled that all three children are UMaine grads and have delivered three grandchildren to the University of Maine as students in the freshman, sophomore, and senior classes. He enjoyed having the senior sing with the women's a cappella group "Renaissance" at the Alumni Banquet, and the freshman with the Maine Steiners at the Pat's Pizza Party.

If you want to contact a classmate with whom you have lost touch, you can call the Alumni Association office in Orono, 207-581-2586. Think how fun that would be!

If you have changed your email, I would love to have your

new one. I send invitations for news to many classmates in every class report, and I usually get a large number of returned emails. Thank you!

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Greetings from Midcoast Maine!

I heard from two classmates at Christmastime. From **Sally Day Brown** in Glastonbury, CT, came the sad news that she lost her husband, Roger, in mid-March 2019 to complications of dementia. Our sincere sympathy, Sally.

From **Beverly Smith Hance** and husband, Jim, in Charlotte, NC, came holiday greetings with a beautiful family photograph of Bev and Jim surrounded by children and grandchildren.

And then, in February, **Stu Gerald** emailed that his wife, **Maggie Edgar Gerald**, passed away in November 2019, leaving Stu, their son Jason, his wife Tanya, and two grandsons, Alex and Max, who live in Minnesota.

"Our 51 years of marriage took us to exciting foreign lands and several states — 31 years in the Army, retiring in 1996, and we spent 23 wonderful years at our summer home in Belgrade Lakes. As an Army wife, she very ably bore the challenges of establishing 25 households over the years."

Maggie, a Chi Omega at UMaine, undertook graduate studies at the University of Illinois and completed a Master of Fine Arts degree at New York University in 1968. "As a Bar Harbor girl, she always felt the strong tug of Maine and we were fortunate to be able to return each summer," Stu wrote.

Jim Jandreau's efforts have triggered considerable activity among several Vietnam-era veterans from our class who have been pooling their knowledge of others who served there and those who might have



Jeff Mills '82 (right) paid a visit to the Waterville office of A.E. Hodsdon Consulting Engineers, where Al Hodsdon '69, '75G demonstrated his hand-cranked telephone. Jeff, who grew up in Bryant Pond, ME, where the last hand-cranked telephone system operated in the U.S., thanked Al for his gift to the Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center.

died in the war. Incidentally, Jim served almost 27 years with the Army.

From **Horace Horton**: "**Hank Schmelzer**, **Owen Wells**, and I served and safely returned from Vietnam. While in country, I ran into **John Ireland** and fraternity brother **Dick Perkins** '66 in Danang. **Bill Flahive** '67G and I reminisced about Zim (**Alan Zimmerman**, who died in Vietnam), also a Phi Eta, at our 50th."

Bill Flahive wrote that he was on orders for Vietnam three times but never served there — graduate study kept him from active duty until 1971.

"While I was at Ft. Sill, finishing OBC in January '71, Nixon changed everyone's orders so that no one was scheduled for Vietnam," **Bill** wrote. "The draw-down had begun. That news brought mixed reactions from all soldiers, but I had a wife and kids at that time so I was not disappointed to miss the separation that Vietnam would involve."

Bill said he believes everyone else in his flight class at UMaine served in the war: **Wayne Robbins**, **Larry Hower**,

Alan Zimmerman, **Paul Lewis Stimpson** '64, **Axel Larson**, and **Elwyn Wooster**.

Jack Page and **Norm Viger** '68G both wrote that **Thomas Ferguson** of Rumford, a Marine, died as a result of injuries in Vietnam; **Norm** said he found the names of both Tom and Alan on the traveling replica of the Vietnam Wall. **Jim Jandreau** said Alan's name can be found at Panel 47E, Line 10, and Tom's name at Panel 14E, Line 110, of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC.

Other names that have come up as having served in Vietnam include **Don Herrick**, **Vic Whitehouse**, possibly **Craig Deakin**, **Joe Weston**, and **Steve Melgard** '71G, who was with the 82nd Airborne. **Steve** died in July 2018.

Thank you all for your service and sacrifice. I believe we will hear a full report at our "virtual" 55th Reunion in September. I hope to see you online for our class gathering.

Before I heard from so many of the veterans in our class, I issued a plaintive cry for content for these class notes, which are published just twice

a year. **Horace** and **Barbara Waters Horton** and **Hank Schmelzer** kindly responded. To catch up on their lives since graduation, please see the longer version of this column at UMaineAlumni.com.

Dave Swett stopped by the newspaper office to say hello last summer on his annual visit to his hometown.

I'm now assistant editor of *The Republican Journal*, at 191 the oldest weekly newspaper in the state. My husband and I live in rural Waldo, which borders Belfast, with two dogs, three cats, and four chickens: Maine, the way life should be!

And that's all she wrote. Until next time.

1966

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Dan Hillard's last column appeared in the winter issue of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. Dan did a stellar job of writing the column for the Class of 1966 from 2006 until his death last December. In recognition of his outstanding work, he received the class correspondent award in 2013.

The Class of '66 needs someone to take on the job of class correspondent in order to maintain this column in the magazine. It's just a twice-a-year task. Please email [Abby Zelz](mailto:Abby.Zelz@maine.edu) at abigail.zelz@maine.edu or call her at (207) 581-1137 if you are interested.

Tom Gledhill wrote about his two books that recently attained Amazon bestseller status. In *The Big Transfer: How to Sell Your Company Without Leaving Money on the Table*, Tom discusses optimizing a business owner's position while selling.

"I've also developed an online course based on my book *Xitpro System*, speaking to business organizations, and guest podcasting," he said.

Tom worked as a management consultant to the health care market before founding and building several companies. The last company, which he sold to a large public company, provided information systems to the

health care industry.

Congratulations to **Bob Woodbury '69G**, who was inducted into the Orono High School Athletic Hall of Fame last winter. After playing football and basketball at Orono High School, Bob co-captained the UMaine basketball team and twice helped UMaine win the State Series.

Remember to share your news — new pet, gardening success or failure, or seeing or hearing from a classmate — we'd like to know about it.

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Wayne Hanson participated in a distinct honor: helping place more than 9,300 Maine balsam wreaths on markers of American soldiers buried at the Normandy American Cemetery in France. These wreaths were made by the Worcester Wreath Company in Harrington, ME, owned by **Morrill Worcester '73**. Morrill is the founder of Wreaths Across America, a nonprofit organization that places wreaths on veterans' grave markers all across the US.

"This was the first time wreaths made in Maine were allowed to be placed overseas in France," reports Wayne. "We hope to place several thousand wreaths at the American Cemetery in Luxembourg in honor of the 75th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge."

UMaine athletics, in association with the University of Maine Foundation, has established the **John R. Huard, Sr. Football Fund**, in honor of the legendary linebacker and his contributions to the college's sports program.

John is among the most notable players in UMaine football history. He was a two-time, first-team Little All-America linebacker from Waterville. He played for the Denver Broncos and was inducted into the



Retired music educator Susan Hathaway Glines '69G attended the last home hockey game of the season with her friend, Owen Melville. Susan has established a scholarship at the UMaine Foundation for a graduate student from Oxford County in the College of Education and Human Development.

National Football Foundation's College Football Hall of Fame. He was also the inaugural inductee into UMaine's "Ring of Honor" at Alford Stadium.

The Huard Fund was launched with \$350,000 in committed contributions. The fund will focus on planned giving in support of the football program. It will include bequests, charitable gift annuities, charitable trusts, and other options, including cash or stocks.

"The Huard name has always been associated with excellence in UMaine football," said Director of Athletics Ken Ralph. "This new fund establishes new ways for donors to support our ongoing efforts to sustain championship-caliber football in Orono while recognizing and honoring the players who made the program what it is today."

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An article of great concern to us appeared on October 4, 2019, in the *Bangor Daily News* about our classmate **Diana Estey**, who disappeared from her Medford, ME home in November of

2016. Because a considerable time has passed since her disappearance and because of the lack of activity in Diana's bank account, police have stated that there is a strong possibility that she has died. Her brother, Paul Estey, announced that there is a \$12,000 reward for information about Diana's disappearance and that people with information can call the Maine State Police.

In 2018, **Steve Rideout** was able to represent the Class of '68 by attending the inauguration of President Joan Ferrini-Mundy. Looking back over the past few years since her appointment as president, the University of Maine has taken on some avant-garde programs that will influence and benefit our future.

Please remember to send news for our column. We enjoy hearing about your hobbies, your family, and your adventures far and near.

1969

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Hello, classmates. We hope you are enjoying the nice weather. Our winter weather in southern Maine was not bad this year, but it is always good to see spring and summer.

Bernard "Barney" Pelletier G of Eagle Lake received the Maine Health Care Association's 2019 Remember Me Award. Barney is a retired educator who taught at Dirigo School in Eagle Lake and was principal of Fort Kent Elementary School, St. Francis Elementary School, and Eagle Lake Elementary School. In 2003, when he was a teaching principal at St. Francis Elementary School, he was recognized by the Maine State Police with a special commendation for his action to ensure student safety until police arrived to diffuse a potentially dangerous situation.

We appreciate all of the biographical information you sent for the 50th Reunion booklet. Please continue to send us or the Alumni Association your news as well as your updated addresses.

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Well, without a doubt, the biggest news to cover is our 50th Reunion (Unbelievable! How did that happen?! Right?). I'm sure that I'm not the only one sitting here in disbelief that we are actually that old. I mean, weren't we just yesterday having coffee in the Bear's Den — or studying at the library — or scurrying off to class — or watching a demonstration against the Vietnam War? To me, it does all seem like yesterday.

I was looking forward to catching up with all of you in person — to see where life has taken each of us on its journey. Unfortunately, the COVID-19-related concerns mean that we will instead meet "virtually" online in September using Zoom, the online communication system. Our in-person Reunion has been postponed until next year, when we can hopefully get together safely in Orono.

Let's make the best of this

situation by participating in the “virtual” Reunion. No one needs to travel beyond the comfort of your computer or other mobile device to visit with classmates.

Our “virtual” Reunion will include social times together, a class meeting, Q&A with UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy, a student panel, and more. I’m hoping to see sooo many of you online and also when we get together in 2021!

OK — news for this column:

I received an update from **Sally Torrey Leclair** '89G, and was so excited to learn that she and her husband, **Art** '69, only live two hours from me! You bet we’ll be getting together! They are enjoying our beautiful Colorado winters as they try keeping up with their two active grandkids, who are skiers and hockey players. In the summer you will find them on long mountain hikes. Having a son, daughter-in-law, and a two-year-old grandson back in Maine, they make it back “home” frequently!

George Smith received the fifth annual Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (along with another great outdoorsman, Charlie Mann). Congratulations, George! Well deserved! Read about George’s achievements elsewhere in this magazine (and you might hop onto his website — it’s quite a delight).

Jeff May, thank you for taking the time to send me such a beautiful email — it truly made me feel like I had just stepped into your life. My challenge is going to be how to do it justice when I attempt to condense it! So here it goes.

Upon graduating, Jeff moved to New York, taking a job at The Sterling Winthrop Research Institute doing pharmaceutical research in diabetes. A few years later he attended the University of Rhode Island, where he earned a Ph.D. in biochemistry. And, from there, Jeff undertook a post-doctoral Fellowship in reproductive biology at Duke University. This is where he stayed “put” for several years as a research associate in the Department of Ob/Gyn — defining his research on ovarian function. Next, he moved on to Wichita,



Kenneth '71 and Susan Pongonis Gordon '70, of Belfast, ME, visited campus in January and toured the Advanced Manufacturing Center and the Machine Tool Lab.

KS, to help establish The Women’s Research Institute. Within a year Jeff was asked to take over the human embryo lab and spent the next nine years doing assisted reproduction (IVF).

He writes, “When asked how many children I have I say around 300 (haha!).”

Jeff later married Lisa, a medical student, and they have two daughters (one is in college and the other is in high school).

Jeff is a faculty member at Wichita State University and Lisa is a radiologist, but they are trying to figure out where they want to “land” after their youngest joins the college ranks. They are considering the southwest and the area around Durango, CO. Jeff, looking forward to catching up with you during our Reunion!

I think this is a wonderful idea — and it seems like most of the residents in **Stephen King’s** neighborhood agree. Stephen '87 Hon. L.H.D. and **Tabitha Spruce King** '71, '87 Hon. L.H.D. received a zone change, allowing them to turn their Bangor home into an archive of Stephen’s manuscripts, writings, articles, notes, photographs, audio and video recordings, etc. The house will also become a writers’ retreat, where writers will be allowed to stay while working on their projects. The Bangor house will not be open to the public — the Kings do not wish

it to be any more of a tourist attraction than it already is.

Many of you may be familiar with **Rick Charette** and his Bubblegum Band — or better yet, have been blessed by being at one of his concerts! Rick has spent 35 years delighting children everywhere with his music. Rick engages his young audiences by using puppets or hand motions — and, since most of them know the words to his songs, they sing along!

Like most of us in the Class of 1970 (we have finally retired — we may not want to admit it, but we are in our 70s!), Rick recently held his last performance. However, I think we will still see him in hospital wards singing to the children (am I right, Rick?).

Rick’s hero (way back when) was Pete Seeger, for the way he seemed to hold his audience “in the palm of his hand.” Rick took classes at USM but received his degree from the Orono campus. Now he plans to relax with his wife and enjoy precious time with their children and grandchildren (and I bet if we could listen in they’d be singing “I Love Mud!”).

I hope to see many of you online for our Reunion in a few months, and let’s plan to gather in person in September 2021!

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Hello, everyone. I hope you are enjoying a lovely summer and staying healthy. This pandemic has certainly presented unusual challenges for everyone.

Your 50-year Reunion is coming closer all the time. We are planning and looking forward to seeing you. I have a few notes from your friends.

George Campbell '79G of Augusta has been elected to serve on the board of trustees at the Maine State Music Theatre in Brunswick. In case you don’t know about that wonderful enterprise, it’s all about bringing musical theatre to the campus of Bowdoin College, and they do a magnificent job. George has also served as commissioner of transportation in both Maine and New Hampshire. He has also served private sector clients, which include General Dynamics (Bath Iron Works), Great Spring Waters of America (Nestlé), and L.L. Bean.

In Bangor, **Steve** '70, '87 Hon. L.H.D. and **Tabitha Spruce King** '71, '87 Hon. L.H.D. requested and were granted a zoning change for two of their homes to be used as an extensive archive and serve as a writers’ retreat. The change means simply that the properties will no longer be zoned as just residential but as a zone that would allow a nonprofit organization. The request was approved immediately. The Kings have done a tremendous amount of good for the city of Bangor, and keeping a permanent home for their works and giving a Bangor retreat for writers seems like a win-win for everyone.

I received a lovely note from **Pamela Randlett Cleveland** offering to assist with our Reunion, which is just a year away. She and husband, **Jim**, moved to Kennebunk when they retired from their jobs in Massachusetts. Aha! Another former Mainer returns to life

"the way it should be." Welcome back, all of you who just couldn't stay away.

University of Maine at Farmington's veteran basketball coach, **Dick Meader G**, noticed his first symptoms of Parkinson's disease 15 years ago. After 27 years at the University of Maine Farmington, which was preceded by 17 years as coach at Thomas College in Waterville, he had a 2020 season with wins in the last 13 games. He is tough!

He continued to show up early every morning and often stayed late to work with the team. As retirement drew closer at the end of the 2019-2020 season, he recognized that he had limits, but the subject of his Parkinson's never came up with his team. Dick was honored with the Division III Outstanding Service Award from the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

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Let us know what you all are up to.



Gary Hotham '72 stands beside the poster of his haiku in Washington, DC, just below Dupont Circle. Gary was the DC-area winner in the 2020 Golden Haiku Contest. His haiku appears in numerous anthologies and books. Gary is married to UMaine classmate Karen Haiges Hotham '72, who took this photo.

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Pat Cummings '89, '44H (2nd from left) of the UMaine Foundation visited with Candace and Jack Healy '74 (left) and Mark '79 and Melanie Cross in Florida in February.

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G denotes graduate degree from UMaine

H following class year identifies honorary member of that class

Hon. indicates an honorary degree from UMaine

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Stay safe! Go Blue!

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Hi, Class of 75 members. Homecoming and our class Reunion plans are uncertain at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please visit the Homecoming website: UMaineHomecoming.com to learn about plans as they evolve.

Not too much news from our class this time.

Dick Whitmore G was honored by his Colby College alumni players recently. They raised \$2.1 million to endow the position of Richard L. Whitmore, Jr. Head Coach for Colby Men's Basketball. This outstanding award also included naming the head basketball coach's office in honor of his wife, Mary Kay Whitmore. What an outstanding honor for a man who has touched so many players' lives.

Jane Merrill Berube has written that she and her family are living in Washington state and busy. Their life focuses on their son, who is still in a wheelchair and has a trach and feed tube. Jane still dances with and directs the Mas Uda Middle Eastern dancers. They danced at the Olympia Dance Festival last winter and at an annual benefit for the Girl Scouts of Western Washington. Last fall Jane, her husband, and son took the train to Chicago to watch the Cubs play at Wrigley Field.

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Enjoy the summer!

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Hello '76ers,

I am writing this column in mid-March and like many of you I am homebound waiting out the COVID-19 pandemic. I'm also trying to get used to being called "elderly!" When did that happen?

Classmates in the news include News Center Maine's **Bill Green**, who retired after 47 years with the station. Bill started in the business at the age of 18 while he was a student at the University of Maine. He made his debut as a sportscaster at WLBZ in Bangor in 1975. After spending six years in Bangor, Bill moved to Portland and began anchoring weekend sports in 1981. In 1993, Bill became a full-time reporter. In 2001, he established his weekly TV magazine program known as *Bill Green's Maine*. Bill and his wife, Pam, live in Cumberland.

Earl Brechlin and his fellow park advocates at Friends of Acadia are working to help keep Acadia National Park healthy for future generations. His group is helping increase visitor awareness of the impacts they have on the park and how they can help preserve and protect Acadia for years to come.

Paula Fowler '79G wrote: "It's that season of life for many of us — retirement! I hit that milestone at the end of 2019 and am enjoying a slower pace. I have the great fortune to spend this time with my parents and to be here for them as they age. They celebrated 69 years of marriage in March. I'm also excited for the arrival of my first grandchild — a boy — in June! So my time will be spent between North and South Carolina. Exciting times!"

"I've been fortunate to have a 24-year career with three chambers of commerce in two states, finishing my last two work years with The Salvation Army.

"Maybe I will make a class reunion one of these years!"

Richard Romanow, a social studies teacher at South Portland High School, was noted in the *Portland Press Herald* for developing and sharing a guide with teachers in his district about the terrorist attack of 9/11/2001. Many of the new teachers in his district were born after the attacks.

Please take a moment to let your classmates know what you've been up to by emailing me at dtheoharides@gmail.com.

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Hello, classmates! I am writing this column in March during the global coronavirus pandemic of 2020. All is feeling quite surreal with schools closing, sports seasons being canceled, the absence of March Madness, and nary a roll of toilet paper or hand sanitizer to be found for miles! I certainly hope that by the time you read this it will be summer and these days of social isolation will have eased.

Steve Kahl '82G was recently promoted to professor of environmental science at Thomas College in Waterville. He spent 25 years at UMaine in research and graduate education, including serving as founding director of the Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions. After stints at Plymouth State University founding their Center for the Environment, and as a director of environmental and energy strategies for the James Sewall Company in Old Town, he reports he is happily educating undergraduates at Thomas College.

Tom Jordan provided the following update: "After leaving UMO, one of the things I discovered I enjoyed was volunteering. Through Big Brothers / Big Sisters, I became a Big Brother for two years. During my last five years in Maine, I also volunteered at The Portland Players, a community theater in

South Portland. Once I moved to Virginia, I went back to Big Brothers / Big Sisters and became a mentor to an elementary school boy for four years. I also joined the Winchester Little Theater, a small community theater, where I have been a volunteer for the past 30 years. And finally, in the late '90s and early 2000s, I volunteered at a local hands-on children's museum called The Shenandoah Valley Discovery Museum. Through my association with the museum, I had the opportunity to travel to Montana twice and China on paleontology-themed trips."

John Cantlon of Fort Myers, FL, writes: "I grew up in Southwest Florida, but spent summers in Maine. After getting my BFA, I taught at Lewiston High School and entered graduate school at UMaine. I got my master's in education. When I moved back to SW Florida, I wrote three books about the area. One is thoughts from high school. The second one is poems and observations of the area. The third one is a collection of sayings and thoughts. They are e-books listed on Amazon under my name."

A big thank you to Steve, Tom, and John for taking time to write. I hope to hear from more of you in the near future. Until then, stay healthy, everyone, and enjoy the summer!

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Dear classmates,

I have received only one news item to report:

Mark "Rookie" Letendre, the director of umpire medical services for Major League Baseball since 1999, retired at the end of the 2019 season. Rookie will serve as an adviser throughout the 2020 season and assist Scott Sheridan, who has taken over his position.

Rookie had a 42-year career in Major League Baseball. He was a certified athletic trainer for the San

Francisco Giants and the New York Yankees, serving as the National League's representative in the role in the 1987 and 1994 All-Star Games. Upon joining MLB in 1999, he developed and implemented the first comprehensive athletic health care program for all Major League umpires and has since tended to umpire injury prevention and treatment issues.

I wanted to reach out to all of you. I am writing this during the COVID-19 pandemic, and it is my hope and prayer that you and your loved ones are all healthy and safe. None of us knows, of course, when the current restrictions on group gatherings, travel, and other activities will be lifted. When that time comes, I hope each of us will have a greater appreciation for the simple things: visiting each other in person, hugging our loved ones, and the joys of exploring the beautiful world around us, including in our own yards. I believe our world will be one with a greater sense of kindness and compassion to each other when this is over.

In the meantime, I am repeating what everyone else has already said, and that is we're all in this together.

Wishing all of us a return to normalcy.

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Hope you all are having a good summer and that you are staying healthy in your neck of the woods. I am writing this during a nasty snowstorm, so this column is helping me think warm and sunny! On to the news:

Nancy McCallum writes: "I just finished my first year as the marketing and communications specialist for York County Shelter Programs in Alfred. I have been a self-employed writer, editor, and marketing and communications specialist for 29 years. Previously I worked for several Maine news-



Getting together before the polo match at The Villages in March are, left to right: Julianne and Bill Bartlett '75, Marcia LaRochelle Diamond '02G, and Alumni Association President and Executive Director John Diamond '77, '89G.

papers as a journalist. I graduated from UMO's journalism program."

Bob Cowdrick has just published the book *Trail Tales*. It is a collection of entertaining trail stories that are composites of encounters with trail hikers, backcountry equestrians, mountain climbers, and fire tower lookouts. It was written as a tribute to some incredible people that he had met along trails from Alaska to Peru, including the Appalachian Trail in Maine. The book is available on Amazon, at the UMaine bookstore in Orono, and other places.

Dale T. Phillips was looking forward to having two new novels published this spring, *Neptune City* and *Locust Time*. For details check out his website: daletphillips.com/.

Jack Sherman reports: "I retired from the Civil Service after 34 years in March of 2019. I ended up as a GS 13 logistician at Hanscom Air Force Base, MA, and my last assignment was as assistant to the director of logistics, program executive office, digital. Although that sounds rather important it really wasn't but it paid the bills. I retired from the Army Reserve as a LTC in May of 2009 so I actually got to retire for the second time.

"My daughter, Ellyn, is teaching English in Vietnam, and graduated from Brandeis University in 2014 with a degree in linguistics. My son, Ben, graduated from Fitchburg State University in May of 2019 and is working as a personal trainer/boxing coach at a couple of local fitness facilities. He also competes in Spartan Challenge events and is certified as a trainer for Spartan SGX.

"My wife and I made a decision a long time ago to relocate back to Maine once the kids were on their own, so we are in the process of buying a property so we can make that come true. Everyone I worked with thought I was nuts for wanting to move north and suggested the south would be better. Being an avid ice fisherman, somehow Florida didn't appeal, so with luck I will close on the property in Maine and be able to catch the winter 2020 season."

Larry Gering is now retired from teaching at Clemson University and is living in Belfast, ME.

Rita Caouette Napierkowski became Yale New Haven Health System's laboratory regulatory coordinator last summer. She lives in Wallingford, CT.

Don Van Hassent has retired as director of the Maryland Forest Service with 40 years of service. Don started with the Forest Service in 1979 as a utilization forester and then became a project forester. In 1984 he became a program supervisor for utilization, then resource protection followed by stewardship. In 2001, he became the associate director for statewide programs. He became acting state forester in 2015 and was fully appointed state forester in 2017.

Please keep in touch. Join our Facebook group University of Maine Class of 1979 or check out our alumni page UMaineAlumni.com/classpage/class-of-1979/.

Drop me a line with your news. Hope to hear from you!

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Hi, Class of '80 — I hope you are all well and managing these strange times as well as possible.

I promise more class news in the next magazine. At this time, Homecoming plans are uncertain due to the pandemic, so please see UMaineHomecoming.com to learn about class events and any festivities planned.

Enjoy the summer!

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How do you write a column during a pandemic? This won't go to print for a few months, and we have no idea where our country and our world will be at that point. I've thought of my parents a lot lately, and how they grew up in the Great Depression and then many went off to World War II. Some even had their college years interrupted by the war. We've had it pretty good. We can endure some time at home if it helps to defeat this deadly virus. Our economy will recover, and we'll adapt and carry on, just as our parents did post WWII. I do believe that we will come out on the other side with a new perspective. A kinder, gentler society, I hope. We won't take so much for granted. I suspect there will be a vaccine or drugs discovered to effectively treat COVID-19. The day this magazine lands in my mailbox, I think we'll be much closer to that goal.

Let me start with a quick shout out to the one and only **Doug Hall**, man of many talents, the latest of which involves brewing

Brain Brew Custom Whiskey at his Eureka! Ranch in Newtown, Ohio. Check that — he shifted gears in March and quickly started manufacturing hand sanitizer for front line health care providers and first responders. A great example of people stepping up, as they have all across the country, in this time of crisis. Thanks to Doug and to all classmates out there in health care, grocery stores, and other essential services. We will forever be indebted to you for your donations and sacrifices to keep us all well.

Those of us who served on Senior Council with **Mark O'Brien** will enjoy this description of him in the *Kennebec Journal*, as he completed his fifth term on the Augusta City Council and officially left office. "...Mark O'Brien won the respect of his peers. He did so not with a loud voice or by courting controversy, but by being a good listener whose civil and thoughtful approach made his fellow councilors and board members realize that to ignore him would be at their own peril." He had also previously served six terms on the Board of Education. A respected public servant indeed, in his "real job," Mark is an attorney for the U.S. Small Business Administration. He and wife, Julie, raised five children in Augusta, which is also Mark's hometown.

Gary Gonyar '02G, '14 C.A.S. wrote that he is "retiring after 36 years in public education and relocating to Charlottesville, VA, to be closer to family."

Donna Peare left the pulp and paper industry in 2003 and started a teaching career at Mountain Valley High School in Rumford. In 2016, she moved to Spruce Mountain High School in Jay, where she now teaches earth and physical science, biology, and forest ecology. Donna and her husband enjoy traveling and have been to most states and many European countries.

After retiring as a school administrator, **Jon Perry** returned to his alma mater to become the head baseball coach for Hampden Academy. As a Black Bear, Jon played all four years including a trip to the College World Series in 1981.

Pam Fowler Wells is a cover girl! If you picked up the

November 2019 issue of *Down East* magazine, you saw that Pam's efforts to teach women to be stewards of Maine's woods were applauded in a wonderful article. She and her husband, Bryan, have restored a once-ailing woodlot on the Milford/Greenfield town line, which is now open to the public. Teaching women the basics of harvesting timber is just one of Pam's many activities.

Last year was a BIG year for many of us, as we hit that milestone birthday! How the heck did that happen? Seems like just yesterday we were rushing down the mall to our next class or hitting fraternity row for a night of partying! **Marcia Green** celebrated in style with a reunion of Chi Omega sisters, along with her family, at Pine Point. **Judi Morgan O'Halloran**, **Jane Morgan Wiseman**, **Stephanie Treadwell Lund**, **Chris Cashman Rothweiler** '84, **Stacey Smith Guerin**, **Anita Godin Burgess** '80, and **Maggie Towle Campbell** '82 all joined Marcia for her big day. Those Greek relationships sure do withstand the test of time!

Our class scholarship recipient this year is Tholia Hallett from Falmouth, daughter of **Connie Hallett** '94G. She is majoring in finance and will be a sophomore in the fall.

For a longer version of this column, see the Class of '81 page at UMaineAlumni.com.

Until next time, classmates, be well. See UMaineHomcoming.com for plans and events.

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Hope you're all enjoying the nice summer weather, fellow members of the Class of '82. Just a few reports this time around — please reach out to me and let your classmates know what you're up to! Here's my brief update: My wife, Karen, and I celebrated the arrival of our fifth grandchild this past winter, a baby boy. That

makes three boys and two girls for our two daughters and their families. Can't have too many grandbabies!

Jeff Hart was recently named athletic administrator at Camden Hills Regional High School in Rockport. Jeff is a familiar face to students and families in the community, having served as a physical education teacher at the school since graduating in 1982. As basketball coach, he racked up an impressive record, becoming just the ninth Maine high school basketball coach to surpass 500 career victories. Best wishes to Jeff in his new role.

Dr. James Coleman was named a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the world's largest general scientific society and publisher of the journal *Science*. Jim is the provost and executive vice chancellor for academic affairs and professor of biological sciences at the University of Arkansas. A highly regarded plant physiology ecologist, he has served as chief institutional research officer at several universities. Jim earned his bachelor's in forestry at the University of Maine before earning his master's and doctorate at the Yale School of Forestry. He then did postdoctoral work at Stanford and Harvard universities. Congratulations to Jim on this well-deserved honor.

We heard from **Robert Fowler** with the following update:

"Hello, Class of 1982! Let's see. Since graduating from UMaine in 1982, I worked for 20 years in the insurance industry starting as an underwriter with UNUM Life Insurance Company in Portland and ending with The Guardian Life Insurance Company in Bethlehem, PA. I got married and had three wonderful children. My daughter Abby and her husband, Ryan, live in Colorado Springs and just had my second grandchild, Layla. Their son Colin, who is three years old, was my first grandchild. My son Joel works as a welder in Allentown, PA, and my son Matthew is a chef in Philadelphia. I left the insurance business after 20 years to pursue a childhood dream to become a pilot. I earned my commercial pilot's license and flight instructor certificate while working full-time as an underwriter

and began a career in aviation in 2003. During the past 16 years, I have worked in the aviation training industry in many different capacities. In 2016, I was hired by Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, FL, as a flight training manager. While at Embry-Riddle, I earned my Master of Science in aeronautics and was recruited this year to work as an assistant professor of aerospace at Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, TN. My wife, Cathy, and I just sold our home in Florida and have bought a new home here in Tennessee."

It's so fascinating to learn about the different paths our classmates have taken since UMaine. Have any news of your own or just want to share what's new in your life? If you have anything to share, or just want to give a shout out to your classmates, please drop me a line.

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Hi, everyone — I hope you are well, and enjoying summer.

How have you been dealing with the challenges of physical distancing, working remotely, and quarantining? Have you tackled a new project, found new TV series, perfected a yummy dish — and then perhaps gotten tired of it? Please write and let us know.

Here's what we have for news of our class:

Jennifer Williams LeComte has retired from Rhode Island Hospital after 31 years as a registered dietetic technician. She and her husband, David, who have been married for 31 years, now enjoy travel and spend time scuba diving and snowmobiling.

Helen Caswell Watts joined Criterium Engineers as a senior structural engineer. Helen has over 30 years of industry experience and is licensed in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Hawaii.

Another engineer, **Lee Swain**, recently retired after a career in local government managing various public works departments. He also started a business, Swain Consultants, in 2018.

Lee used his civil engineering degree working for Los Angeles County, and later "served as director of public works for the fastest growing city in California during the 1990s (Palmdale) and one of the most progressive beach cities in the world (Santa Monica) before I retired from government.

"I am now assisting other city clients like Long Beach, Palmdale, and Culver City with the valuable knowledge and experience I first gained long ago in my beloved home state of Maine. Thank you, University of Maine, for laying such a solid foundation for success!"

Dan Tremble '87 and **Rick Fournier** were both elected to three-year terms on the Bangor City Council.

Veteran WABI news anchor **Jim Morris** has retired.

Susan Peterson has joined William Raveis Real Estate, which serves Mid Coast Maine. She is also a board member and treasurer for the Boothbay peninsula's Community Center.

Lastly, former ace pitcher **Joe Johnson** was inducted into the UMaine Sports Hall of Fame. Congratulations!

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Hello, classmates!

I am writing this during the pandemic. I do not know what things will look like by the time this goes to press, but I suspect we may still be distancing ourselves physically from each other. These are indeed strange and crazy times.

My husband and I were on campus this winter to watch the UMaine men's hockey team take on Providence College. PC has been a formidable foe and has



Rob Frank '88 (left) and Josh Bragg '96, '18G joined other UMaine alumni and friends for lunch before the Red Sox spring training game in Fort Myers, FL, in early March. Rob is chair of the UMaine Alumni Association Board of Directors.

beaten us consistently over the past seven years. As many of you may have seen, goaltender **Jere-my Swayman '21** had an amazing performance that night with 48 saves, many of them heart-stopping! The Alford was loud and alive! I am looking forward to seeing Swayman in a Bruins jersey one day soon!

A few weeks ago, my husband and I had dinner with **Tracy Harding** and his wife, **Aimee Smith '85**. Aimee is very good at preventing the evening's conversation from being all about accounting. We had a great time and promised to do it again soon (hope we can!). Tracy is a principal and the director of quality assurance at BerryDunn, a large regional accounting firm. He has recently been named the chairperson of the Auditing Standards Board, a senior committee of the American Institute of CPAs. This board issues auditing, attestation, and quality control statements, standards, and guidance to CPAs for nonpublic company audits. This is very cool and it is a big deal. Congratulations, Tracy!

I heard from **Ellie Stewart Duley**. She received her MS in school counseling from Husson in 2010 and worked in public high schools as a school counselor before opening Duley College Counseling LLC in 2013.

She recently moved from Farmington to Portland with her Newfoundland, Camden. She is updating her book *College Admissions Success: A Counselor's Guide for High School Students* (which can be found on Amazon). She is

also working on a memoir about raising her son, who has autism. Keep us posted, Ellie, on your progress with these books.

Troy Harrison wrote that he is celebrating 25 years with BP as senior technical sales manager. Troy is married and living in Rye Beach, NH. He has three children: Taylor, a Maine Maritime grad; Brock, a UMaine junior; and Avery, a UNH undergrad.

I was on campus in October for the unveiling of the world's largest 3D printer at the Advanced Structures and Composites Center. The center is an amazing place and, if you have not taken a tour of it, I highly recommend you do. They are doing important work and are internationally recognized. If this had been at UMaine when I was a student, I would have become an engineer, not an accountant.

I hope you will send me your news for the next issue. In the meantime, please stay healthy and safe!

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As of press time, plans for Homecoming and our 35th Reunion were uncertain. Please visit UMaineHomecoming.com for information and updates.

Jane Hamel DiPompo is an elementary physical education and fourth grade health teacher at Spruce Mountain Elementary School in Jay, ME. After graduating from UMaine, Jane also earned her master's degree in sports psychology from the University of North Carolina Greensboro. Over her career, Jane has coached field hockey, Nordic skiing, track, softball, and basketball. Jane, her husband, and daughter enjoy the Maine outdoors.

Robert Whritenour, Jr. G is the town administrator of Oak Bluffs, MA. Prior to Oak Bluffs, he was town administrator for Falmouth, MA, and Mashpee, MA.

Tim Thornton is a high school social studies teacher in Brewer, ME. Tim has coached the Old Town boys' varsity basketball team, was an assistant boys' basketball coach at Brewer High School, and a former girls' varsity basketball coach at Hermon High School, where he led the Hermon Hawks to the 1989 Class B state championship.

Join our Facebook group — search and "like" UMaine Class of 1985. That's where we'll post information about our Reunion as we get closer to October. Until then, drop me a note to share your happenings. Your friends from UMaine want to hear from you!

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Hey, Class of 1986 friends! I just checked the old mailbag and found a few surprises tucked in with the bills.

Dedham School's PE and health teacher, **Tim Pearson '00G**, helped secure a \$25,000 grant from Specialized Bikes that allowed the pre-K through 8 school to purchase 27 mountain bikes, helmets, curriculum, and training for the staff. A group of volunteers also built mountain biking trails behind the school. Tim pointed out that the overall purpose of the project wasn't just

to get kids on bikes, but also "to help students that may have focus issues such as ADHD." The entire experience has been extremely positive with students, and Tim is planning to expand the program in the future.

Peter Ehni '83G, '86 Ph.D. recently joined the faculty as a visiting professor of math and science at Bethany College in Bethany, WV. Peter holds a bachelor's degree in physics from Wheeling College and got both his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Maine. He also completed a postdoctoral fellowship with the office of Naval Technology at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, DC. Following this, he taught for 19 years at Wheeling Jesuit University.

A few summers ago, I had the wonderful opportunity to meet **Michael Boardman** at an event at Wolfe's Neck Woods State Park in Freeport. Michael, a watercolor artist and avid naturalist, has had a lifelong interest in the outdoors. His career started soon after graduation, when he started Coyote Graphics, a company that sold wildlife T-shirts featuring his artwork. Since 2010, he has been awarded numerous artist-in-residency positions, including Baxter State Park, Acadia National Park, and Glacier Bay National Park. His most recent residency, at the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, provided him with a unique opportunity to create a bird migration map that will be used by the Arctic Refuge's website.

Until we meet here again, fill the steins to summer fun and stay in touch.

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Hello, Class of '87!

I am writing this article in early April, in what I hope is the middle of the Coronavirus pandemic. Hopefully by the time you read this, life will be back to normal or whatever the new normal may

turn out to be.

Joan Gass LeMole '94G was hired by New Hope for Women this past December. The agency provides support for women in Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, and Waldo counties effected by domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

Joan brings 19 years of experience as a mental health clinician as well as five years as a non-profit executive director. In her position she is cultivating relationships within the community and overseeing the fundraising and grant-writing activities.

IDEMIA appointed **Dan Kent** as senior vice president and chief technology officer. Dan heads up product management, IT, information security/cyber security, and engineering.

Dan has more than 28 years of experience bringing IT solutions to the public sector market. He previously worked for Cisco Systems.

In last November's elections, **Dan Tremble** was re-elected to the Bangor City Council.

Maine's Secretary of State, **Matthew Dunlap** '94G, was elected Eastern Region vice president for the National Association of Secretaries of State. The association brings together all state secretaries in a non-partisan environment to exchange ideas and develop public policy.

Gregg Palmer '99 CAS is the new superintendent of schools for the city of Brewer. Greg began his teaching career at Brewer High School in 1994 as a special education teacher. In 2002 he became principal at Searsport District High School. He then moved to Falmouth High School in 2010, and then Deering High School in 2017, serving as principal at both schools.

Roberta Hersom was appointed interim superintendent for SAD 49 in Fairfield. Starting in 2017, Roberta had been assistant superintendent of SAD 40. Previous to that she spent 19 years at Lawrence High School as a teacher and principal.

Jay Kemble '95G has moved from assistant to head coach of the Bangor High girls' basketball team. Jay was a pitcher at UMaine and was an assistant baseball

coach as well.

Lynn Coutts has moved to the University of Denver to take on the position of deputy director of athletics for student-athlete excellence. Lynn was a standout athlete at both the high school and collegiate level, setting records, and was team captain at UMaine from 1985 to 1987. While a coach at UMaine, she led the softball team to an America East championship in 2016.

I hope all of you and your families come through this ordeal unscathed.

Regards,
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Hello, Class of '88. Alumni are in the news, near and far. Last October, **Daniel Kane** was inducted into the Ellsworth High School Sports Hall of Fame for his 1983 role on Ellsworth's first championship baseball team. At UMaine, he played in 190 baseball games under John Winkin. Daniel has been the coach at George Stevens Academy in Blue Hill for over 31 years, coaching the Eagles as they earned three state championships and 10 regional crowns.

Peter Murray G became the head basketball coach for the Dexter Regional High School Tigers in 1993. In his 27 seasons as head coach, he has had more than 300 wins with the Dexter Tigers. Peter emphasizes work ethic and fundamentals of the sport with his team and his philosophy seems to be working. The Dexter boys won the Maine Class C North regional basketball title on February 22.

Last August, Peter was also honored by the Boston Red Sox as a Most Valuable Educator. "Educators around New England are nominated by students from their school as someone who makes an effort to ensure that every child has the benefit of a great school." Shannon O'Roak, Dexter's valedictorian for the Class

of 2019, stated in her nomination letter, "Thank you to Mr. Murray for being the most influential teacher I've ever had ... I think I speak for all of the Class of 2019 when I say you have impacted us all. It's said that if a teacher changes just one life, then they've done their job. Mr. Murray has changed so many lives that they could never be counted."

After 13 seasons, in December of 2019, **Robert "Bobby" Wilder** resigned as the head coach of the Old Dominion University football team, but in true Maine fashion, he did it with class. As he announced his resignation, Bobby said, "I take tremendous pride in the fact that we built and we ran a first-class program. There were no NCAA violations. We did it the right way. Our players went to class and represented ODU well." While the last few seasons for ODU may not have gone as well as he would have liked, during Bobby's tenure as head coach, the team did have years of note, namely when the team made it to the FCS playoffs and were twice nationally ranked.

In the business world, telecommunications company OTELCO has named General Counsel **Trina Bragdon** as vice president of human resources and regulatory affairs. Trina will renew the company's focus on human resources, both in the managerial and employee development and training areas. Prior to joining OTELCO, Trina worked for the Maine Public Utilities Commission and in the litigation department of Saul Ewing in Philadelphia, PA.

John Brier is the managing partner of Salt Athletics, a division of Halo Therapy Center.

The World Gym in Pensacola, FL, is adding Salt Athletics to its 13,000-square-foot facility. World Gym Pensacola owner **Ed Weißenmayer** '91 said that there was "no wellness program in the world that can benefit the human body as much as Salt Athletics delivers." Salt Athletics is a patent-pending application of exercise, red light, and halotherapy. See SaltAthletics.com.

Rich Goodenough has stepped in as the new class correspondent, and will be writing columns for future issues of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. By way

of introduction, Rich wrote:

"Remembering all the good times living in Penobscot Hall for all four years, being an RA for ¾ of that time. Studied in the School of Business. Ran on the cross country team and indoor track team for my first two years and after that could be seen riding a mountain or road bike or even throwing a Frisbee with the Ultimate Club. Was part of the group that founded the UMaine Cycling Club in my junior year, and that club went on to compete in the collegiate national championship in 1988 at Cal Polytechnic -San Luis Obispo. Now I live in Eliot, ME, with my wife, Kim, and our sons, Bryant '20 and Turner '22, who are both at Orono. I work in a bank in southern Maine as a commercial lender and have been the board chair for the Greater York Chamber for the past several years."

Please share your news with Rich at Rgoodenough6@gmail.com or 207-216-7245.

For a longer version of this column, visit the Class of 1988 page at UMaineAlumni.com.

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Hello, classmates,

I hope you are all doing well and keeping healthy during this COVID-19 pandemic.

As I write this communication, many states are practicing stay-at-home orders. I am going to guess many of you with college-age students have them back home, doing online classes. These collective cultural touchstones like COVID-19 tend to define a generation. I feel bad for those first-year college students who have had their freshman experience impacted, as well as those seniors who could not have an in-person commencement ceremony. It makes me think of the Challenger space shuttle explosion during our freshman year. I heard about it in passing on the sidewalk



Cheering on the Black Bears during a hockey game in Portland last winter are (front row) left to right: Joe Burke, Rodney Mondor '89, John DaRos '89, Mike Gilbert '89, and Lynn Sewell '89, Back row, left to right: Mark Gould '88, Kathy Dearborn Carlson '89, Dee Gardner '89, Bonnie Gould '90, Michael Lynch '88, '89G, and Chip Stiles '89. UMaine beat the University of Nebraska Omaha 3-2.

while walking from the Stodder Hall Dining Commons to class. I bet many of you remember where you were when you heard the news as well.

Retirement news

Rob Susi, former school resource officer at Falmouth High School, retired after 26 years on the job, and 30 years on the local police force. Falmouth Police Chief John Kilbride said, "Susi's gentle nature and the ability to connect with students, staff, and administrators made him an outstanding school resource officer. He truly loved the students and was able to create deep mutual trust, connection, and respect with all age groups."

Rob is now the school safety and security specialist with the Maine Department of Education and said one of his goals is to track and work with various school resource officers in the state.

Careers

Jack Capuano has been named the associate head coach of the NHL's Ottawa Senators.

Matt Rossignol has been hired as the boys' varsity basketball coach at Madawaska High School. This winter marked Matt's 30th year as a head coach. He was inducted into the 2016 Maine Basketball Hall of Fame and 2017 Maine Principals Association Hall of Excellence.

Ben Spike was inducted into the University of Maine Sports Hall of Fame. Unfortunately, the University of Maine dropped the men's soccer and women's volleyball program due to budget cuts in 2009. "It is the only

Division I program in the state. That our flagship university has no representation [in men's soccer] is really disappointing," he said. Ben lives in Portland and is in the insurance business.

Stay healthy.

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I hope your summer is going well. As I am writing this, everyone who is able to is sheltering at home for school and work. I am hoping that before long there will be some sense of normalcy, but only time will tell.

Kellie Doyle Bailey

'92G is a practicing speech language pathologist in Mid-Coast Maine and an adjunct professor at UMF teaching graduate courses in speech and language development/disorders and mindfulness in education. She is also the co-founder of The Children's Collaboration Center, founder of Calm Cool Kids Educate, and a certified mindfulness meditation teacher. Kellie and her daughter, **Hannah Bailey**, a 2018 UMaine alum, collaborated on a book, *Some Days I Flip My Lid: Learning to Be a Calm, Cool Kid*. Kellie was inspired to write the book because of her teaching K-8 students about

the brain. She works monthly with over 850 students teaching mindfulness techniques. The main character is a third-grader, Max, who develops skills to not flip his lid when he is scared, worried, sad, or upset. It is "a colorful and delightful story for the classroom, at bedtime, or whenever your child needs a mindful reminder to be a calm, cool kid. Includes bonus material for educators, parents, and caregivers." The book can be purchased on Amazon or through PESI Publishing.

Todd Hanson, the head boys' basketball coach at Brunswick High School, achieved his 300th career victory this past basketball season. It was his 24th year coaching at Brunswick. He played basketball at Piscataquis Community High School, Waterville High, and the University of Maine. The Brunswick Dragons are consistently in the post-season tournament.

In January, **Dean Preston** was promoted to Brigadier General at a ceremony at the 240th Regional Training Institute in front of family, friends, and National Guard members. In his new position, he will be "responsible for all training, manning, and equipping of Maine Army National Guard forces, and ensuring operational readiness requirements are properly met." Dean is a graduate of the Army ROTC program at UMaine. He lives in Pembroke, ME, with his wife, Avery, and their two children.

Matt McHatten is the COO at MMG Insurance, the largest Maine-based insurance provider. Matt has served on the Maine Business School Advisory Board for 14 years and also was the board chair for several years. He believes UMaine is an integral part of the solution to preparing students to meet the needs of the business community — preparing students to be career-ready through internships, aligning the curriculum with the needs of the business community, and more.

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Welcome to summer 2020 — a time to reflect on where we have been, the paths we took to get here, and what the next adventure will be.

Victor Smith has joined the Brewer office of CES as a project engineer. At this Maine-headquartered firm of engineers, environmental scientists, and land surveyors, Victor brings his experience to traffic planning and engineering projects. He previously worked for the Maine Department of Transportation and as a construction inspector.

Stephanie Burchill Love is the marketing and sales manager at Northrim Bank in Anchorage, AK. Stephanie has been with Northrim Bank and Residential Mortgage for three years and has more than 15 years of experience in the financial industry.

Holly Priest Kopp is running as a Republican for the Maine Senate District 23 seat in November. This district encompasses all of Sagadahoc County, as well as Arrowsic. Holly has served as a professional volunteer in the community for the past 15 years and as an elected school board member for Maine School Administrative District 75 for nearly a decade. Holly lives in Topsham with her family.

Matthew Shea has a new position with the Winthrop Public Schools as their director of teaching and learning. In this role, Matthew guides teachers and administrators in developing and implementing curriculum and instructional programs. Prior to this position, he served as coordinator of student achievement for Hallowell-based Regional School Unit 2 for the past seven years, and worked at Lisbon and Hall Dale high schools. Matthew and his wife, Holly, live in Gardiner.

Many classmates celebrated their half-century birthdays last



Jim Nute '91 marked his 50th birthday last year with a 50-mile run that celebrated the 50th year of the Mayhew Program in New Hampshire, where he serves as executive director. His daughter, Emily (above), and wife, Kim Fulhan Nute '93, helped him complete the challenge.

year. Some of you may have taken a special trip or celebrated with family and friends. Perhaps a few of you set your sights on a goal like **Jim Nute** did. In February 2019, he celebrated his 50th birthday by completing a 50-mile run through two states — Maine and New Hampshire. According to Jim, it was "35 miles at a slog of a run — which included a five-hour marathon. The remainder was at a Black Bear crawl. It brought me back to my days at UMaine, the Fiji 24-hour marathon inside the Field House, and the inaugural Grant's Dairy Milk Run 5-miler in 1989. Wish I could say I've been running ever since! Maybe it wouldn't have taken me half of 24 hours to finish!"

Jim offered thanks to his wife, **Kim Fulhan Nute '93**, and their 11-year-old daughter, Emily, for helping him get to the finish line and for all their love and support in his life.

More than just a birthday goal,

this run was in honor of the 50th year of the Mayhew Program in New Hampshire (Mayhew.org), where Jim serves as executive director. Jim says, "it was also in celebration of the tremendous boys we work with throughout New Hampshire — many of whom face down challenges every day that make a 50-mile run look like a walk in the park."

Mayhew is one of 27 youth programs across the nation profiled in the upcoming public television documentary series "Our Kids." The series is based on the bestselling book *Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis* by Robert Putnam. Putnam hosts the PBS series, which focuses on innovative programs that help bridge the opportunity gap.

We'd love to hear more about how you celebrated your special birthday or other milestones.

M-A-I-N-E, Gooo Blue!

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Hey, Class of 1992 — the Alumni Association is seeking someone to write this column and report the class news. It's not difficult; it only takes a little time twice a year.

Heather Finnemore Johnson is Department of Economic and Community Development commissioner for Maine Gov. Janet Mills.

Chip Reeves is senior project manager at CES, a Maine firm of engineers, environmental scientists, and land surveyors.

Amy Corbett Bernatchez will be inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. Amy played field hockey at Messalonskee High School in Oakland and at UMaine, and was a regional All-American at UMaine.

After leading the University Credit Union for 13 years, **Matt Walsh** joined Machias Savings Bank as its chief financial officer.

Carrie Young Arsenault is vice president of operations at Beacon Health.

Ethan Strimling served as Portland's mayor from 2015 to 2019. Before that he served as a state senator in 2003-2009.

Susan Walsh Longley G retired last year after 15 years as Waldo County's judge of probate.

David E. Harvey, a Commissioned Corps Officer of the United States Public Health Service, was selected as one of eight 2019 recipients of the Bloomberg Health Initiative for a full scholarship to complete studies in the Doctor of Public Health program at Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. After his BS in civil engineering at UMaine and master's at UConn, he turned his focus to public health. After Hurricane Maria in 2017, he assisted local public health departments in Puerto Rico. He is now based in Rockville, MD, and works for the Indian Health Service.

There's more class news out there, but we need your help to report it. Please contact the Alumni Association (abigail.zelz@maine.edu) if you'd like to pitch in and write for the Class of '92.

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Congratulations to **Bob Hamilton** '93 Ph.D., who received a University Foundation Scholar Award from the Boise State University Foundation last June. Bob is a founding faculty member of the civil engineering program at Boise State. He developed the original civil engineering curriculum, has taught a range of courses, and led the accreditation for the department of civil engineering for the last decade. Bob has served in leadership roles and provided outstanding institutional and professional service as associate chair for the department of engineering, chair for construction management, and chair of civil engineering.

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Kirsten Cyr Ismail was named to Working Mothers and SHOOK research list of Top Wealth Advisor Moms. Kirsten is vice president, wealth management for the Taylor Group at UBS Financial Services in Boston.

Fritz Marseille is the associate head men's basketball coach at Thomas College. Fritz, who played basketball for UMaine, also operates the Black Bear North AAU training and travel basketball program.

Scott Zoldi is the chief analytics officer at FICO. Scott, who earned his Ph.D. at Duke, reached a data science milestone with the filing of FICO's 100th software

patent application listing him as an inventor.

Christine Greenlaw Boone is the assistant superintendent of schools in Hampden. Christine was most recently the superintendent of schools in Glenburn.

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Happy summer! I'm going to dive right in!

The American Association of University Women has awarded a fellowship to our classmate, **Bonnie Newsom** '99G. Bonnie is pursuing her doctoral research in indigenous archaeology. The scholarships are for recipients with academic work and leading innovative community projects to empower women and girls. Congratulations, Bonnie!

Congratulations also go out to **Ryan Smith**, recently promoted to senior vice president, director of credit administration at Camden



Chris McLaughlin '96, '01G was honored with the 2020 Outstanding Alumni Award from UMaine's School of Social Work. In an effort to combat rising youth suicide rates, Chris developed, implemented, and distributed a free curriculum, Acadia CARES, to Maine schools and organizations. The curriculum is related to youth mental health and wellness. Chris is associate vice president for community and pediatric services at Northern Light Acadia Hospital.



U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Alice Reynolds Briones '94, MD became the first female director of Armed Forces Medical Examiner System (AFMES). As director of AFMES, she leads approximately 300 military, civilian, and contractor personnel who provide services in forensic pathology, forensic toxicology, DNA technology, and other work for the Department of Defense.

National Bank in Camden. Ryan's been with the bank since 2012 and in this role is responsible for managing the bank's credit group. He lives in Auburn with his family and is a member of the Commercial Lending Committee for the Maine Bankers Association.

Daniel Scott is also due for congratulations as he was recently promoted to chief warden of the Maine Warden Service of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. He's been with the Warden Service for over 22 years, most recently as the lieutenant of Division C in Bangor.

I don't have anything else to report this time around. Because of COVID-19, Homecoming plans are uncertain at this time. Please visit UMaineHomecoming.com to learn about Homecoming activities, as they are planned.

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Justin Jamison '09G is vice president, commercial services officer at Katahdin Trust Company

in Bangor. He is a member of the Bangor Lions Club. He lives in Bangor with his wife and two children.

Amanda Corson is a personal insurance account executive with LS Robinson Company and is a certified insurance counselor.

Lisa Ripley Ladd is a payroll supervisor at Heal Accounting Solutions, a cloud-based CPA firm in South Thomaston.

Arthur Mathisen is president of Memorial Hospital in Conway, NH. He is a 20-year Army veteran and was formerly CEO of Copley Hospital in Morrisville, VT. He lives in Conway with his wife, Jen.

Special congratulations to two classmates who have been recognized by the University of Maine:

Amir Reza '00G is the inaugural recipient of the Dr. Sue Estler Distinguished Higher Education Alumnus Award from the College of Education and Human Development graduate program in higher education. Amir is dean of Babson Academy for the Advancement of Global Entrepreneurial Learning and dean of global education at Babson College in Wellesley, MA. He oversees internationalization efforts at Babson and programs offered for universities, faculty, and students around the world to advance entrepreneurship education. As a UMaine student, Amir worked as activities coordinator for the UMaine Intensive English Institute, leading trips for international students across the state, including many trips to Acadia National Park.

Chris McLaughlin '01G received the 2020 Outstanding Alumni Award from UMaine's School of Social Work, but was unable to receive the award on campus in person because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Chris is associate vice president of community and pediatric services at Northern Light Acadia Hospital. He was recognized for his development, implementation, and distribution of Acadia CARES, a series of videos related to youth mental health and wellness.

1997

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Hello, Class of '97!

I truly hope this finds you and yours well. My column was later than usual so at the time this was written, we were all beginning to navigate COVID-19. Some have been doing the important work on the front lines as medical professionals, first responders, and community helpers. Others have been facing the challenges and tough decisions as business owners.

After time and distance scattered us, it was comforting that our time spent in Orono tied us together. I'm sure I'm not alone in being happy to hear from folks we may not have spoken to in quite a while or heard from outside of the "Happy Birthday" post. Personally, and on Facebook, Black Bears have connected with words of encouragement, updates, support of business with social media shares, or patronage in some fashion.

One question I kept seeing was along the lines of what people hoped would be a result after all this? I don't have the answer to what will happen. But I hope we continue improving and rekindling connections. Be well.

Congratulations to UMaine scientist **Walt Golet**, who is heading the Pelagic Ecosystem Research Consortium. The new consortium focuses on the sustainability of highly migratory fish species such as tuna and sharks. This includes reducing the accidental catch of highly migratory fish and increasing the understanding of their life histories. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is providing \$1.6 million to support the effort. Walt says the study of fish, which include economically valuable species such as swordfish, can improve their conservation.

Please email me your updates at yolandasly@gmail.com or via Facebook under Yolanda Sly Kozuha.



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Hearty Maine Hello from COVID-19 lockdown in Wiesbaden, Germany!

The Class of 1998 had two of the three finalists for Maine Teacher of the Year 2020! Unfortunately, neither one was the ultimate winner, but that's definitely a significant achievement for two of our classmates.

First, **Rob Taylor G** is a math and science teacher at Spruce Mountain Middle School in RSU 73. Rob was Franklin County's Teacher of the Year, and has spent his entire career in the Jay-based district. He is also an advisor for the school's FIRST LEGO league program. Additionally, he teaches Advanced Placement environmental science at the high school and is an advisor for the school's Envirothon program.

Tom Gray G, '13G was the 2019 Knox County Teacher of the Year. Tom teaches at Camden Hills Regional High School. As the coordinator of his school's Intercultural Program, he developed partnerships with educators around the world, giving students an opportunity to

interact and collaborate with peers in China, France, and Morocco. He also helped pioneer a district-wide initiative in innovation engineering in partnership with the University of Maine.

Last summer, **Heather Ehrlenbach Dorr** '17G started her new job as principal at Peninsula School in Gouldsboro. Heather spent the last three years at Ella Lewis Elementary School. Before that she spent 13 years at Trenton Elementary School. She started her career at Dixon Elementary School in Sneads Ferry, NC. Last year, Heather also received the prestigious Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

Congrats to **Alexander Renshaw** on being the first recipient of the Class of 1998 Scholarship for the 2019-2020 academic year at the University of Maine. Alexander is the child of **Valerie Goslin Renshaw**. Alexander is a sophomore, majoring in business management.

Yes, the Class of 1998 has a scholarship for descendants of the members of the class. If one of your family members is interested in applying, see the university's Office of Student Financial Aid. If you are interested in donating to the scholarship, this can be done through the University of Maine Foundation.

Melissa Penton Lyons was proud to receive the Edward H. Holmes Scholarship in 1997, which was funded by **Stephen**

King '70. "Stephen has had a huge influence on my creative career," she writes. "I have been eternally inspired and grateful for the scholarship that I received." Melissa reports, "A horror screenplay I recently wrote has been optioned by the producer Robert Raymond (*Schindler's List*) and is scheduled for production in 2020."

I hope everyone is staying healthy! And I hope that when we read this during the summer, these peculiar times are eased and we can look forward to companionship without the restrictions of social distancing.

1999

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Hello, classmates! I'm celebrating our class's athletes this issue. My athletic accomplishments at UMaine were limited to being the only person under 60 to regularly attend 7 am water aerobics classes at the pool, so I'm in awe of the many Black Bears who have gone on to great success in coaching:

Dodi Saucier, who received her masters in education in '99, was honored by Orono High School for her long career as the school's field hockey coach. She took on the role in 1979, following an impressive career as a student athlete at Wells High School and the University of New Hampshire. Over the past three decades, she has led the Red Riots to five regional championships, as well as the 1990 Class B State championship.

Jaret Lizzotte, who received his education degree in '99 and his graduate degree in '09, was selected for Old Town High School's Hall of Fame. Jaret, who serves as a physical education teacher and athletic director in Glenburn these days, was a star swimmer and diver at Old Town High School in the 1990s, winning two state titles. At UMaine, he captained the Black Bears' swim program for two years, and then served as a diving coach

after graduation. Jaret also led the diving team at Bangor High School, where he was honored as Coach of the Year four times.

Anthony "Tony" DeMuro has accepted a new position as head swim coach at Maine Maritime Academy in Castine. Tony, who received his education degree in '99, has been involved with competitive swimming since he was just three years old, in a program coached by his father, Larry DeMuro, a member of the Maine Swimming and Diving Hall of Fame. Tony competed as a student on Mount Desert Island.

After graduation he took on the coaching position at MDI High School in Bar Harbor, where he led the Trojans to 11 separate state titles over 19 years, including the 2017 and 2018 Class B Boys State Championships. Tony told the *Bangor Daily News* that he's excited about the opportunity to build on MMA's history and continue to build its swimming program.

Please send all your news to mistye77@gmail.com or give me a call at (484) 343-3223!

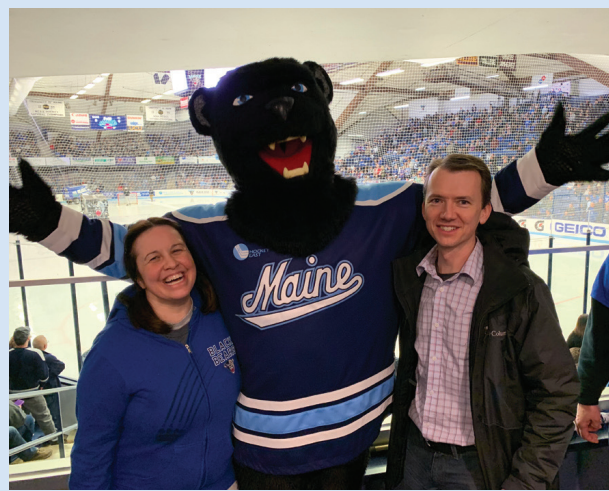
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Bill Post G serves as Rockport's town manager. Bill's previous experience as a town manager includes his work with Bradley, Damariscotta, Waldoboro, and Bowdoinham. In his spare time, Bill is a baseball empire for the Midcoast Umpire Association and coaches youth baseball and soccer. Bill also enjoys his vegetable garden, reading, and travel.

Jeff Joyce joined Eaton Peabody's Portland office in 2019. His work at the firm focuses on intellectual property law, including patent prosecution, trademark, and copyright matters. Jeff previously was the managing attorney of Bohan Mathers.

Congratulations to **Dan Cashman '00**, who received the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce's inaugural Arts & Culture Award last winter. Dan is host of "The Nite Show," a weekly television show in which



Damian '99, '04G and Maryia Joy LaBree '05, G, CAS '12 joined Bananas in cheering on the Black Bears during a hockey game last winter.

he interviews local and worldwide guests. The half-hour Nite Show, which is filmed before a live studio audience, airs in Maine on Saturday nights. Dan is also the public relations director at Sutherland Weston Marketing Communications.

Michael Hussey '00, co-founder of RateMyProfessors and founder and CEO of StatSocial, returned to campus to give a presentation at the Foster Innovation Center in early March. Many thanks to him for braving a snowstorm to share his dos and don'ts on startups with UMaine students shortly before the campus closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Class of 2000, the UMaine Alumni Association is looking for someone to write the class news. Please send an email to abigail.zelz@maine.edu if you would like to become the author of the Class of 2000 column.

Enjoy the summer!

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The summer months are here again and it's time to find out how your fellow alumni spent the

winter and spring!

Chuck Nguyen is currently working as a social worker at Medomak Valley High School in Waldoboro. He spends his time helping students and the community as a whole.

Chad Denis had just started teaching at Brewer High School when the 9/11 attacks occurred. Now, 18 years later, he is working to instill the lessons we learned as a country to his current students. His lesson plans surrounding the events are creative and dynamic and involve first-hand accounts, videos, and often emotion. Chad is currently working as a government teacher at Old Orchard Beach High School.

Franklin Savings Bank recently promoted **Pamala Danforth Dixon** to senior vice president and chief financial officer. She has been with the bank since 2007 and currently lives in Vienna with her husband and two children. She also volunteers for many FSB-sponsored community events and recently served as president of the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce.

Have news to share? Email me at blkbear19@yahoo.com. Thanks!

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Hello, Class of 2002!

Sean Ociepka was sworn in as the new probate judge for Waldo County last July. Having served as a lawyer for the past 13 years here in Maine, he will fill the remainder of the term vacated by the prior judge, who stepped down early. When he's not presiding over court, you can find Sean playing the bass in the Leaky Boot Jug Band. Multi-talented indeed!

Updates continue to be light. Feel free to send me updates at the addresses above or track me down on Facebook. Please send news, updates, and photos for inclusion in future class columns to the addresses above; the Class of 2002 would love to hear from you!

Don't forget to check out our new Facebook [group](https://facebook.com/groups/UMaineClass2002/) at: facebook.com/groups/UMaineClass2002/.

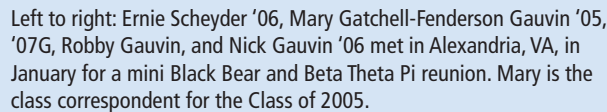
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Jared Merry joined CES as a senior project engineer within the building services unit as a mechanical engineer. Jared works with mechanical and electrical engineering staff in meeting project designs and goals for CES clients. In addition to his PE license, Jared holds a Merchant Marine's license. CES is located in Brewer and is a fully integrated consulting firm of engineers, environmental scientists, and surveyors.

Nate Webb, a biologist, has been promoted at the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife as the new director of its wildlife division. Nate's path to this esteemed position started while on the UMaine campus

Krisjand Rothweiler was recently featured at the Career Center for his unique and glowing alumni perspective! Krisjand grew up in a Navy family but considers this state to be the closest thing to home. During his time at UMaine, Krisjand set his sights on a civil engineering degree. After realizing this wasn't such a great fit, he switched majors to international relations, with a concentration in government. In his junior year, he made the switch to a major in political science, with a concentration on international affairs, which turned out to be a great fit for him. Throughout his four years at UMaine, Krisjand participated in the Army ROTC program and took German courses. Today, Krisjand is an Army Major and works at the US Army War College in the Department of Strategic Wargaming, where he designs wargame scenarios for various Department of Defense organizations. Krisjand is currently stateside with his wife and two daughters. He hopes to go overseas with his family to teach at an international military school or get a strategic planning



I wish you health and sanity as we are in the midst of a "new normal" with the coronavirus. Hopefully we will soon be able to venture out and safely celebrate connections!

We are a little light on class

Quinton Donahue '10G is the new principal at Gorham Middle School. He began his education career as a math teacher at Hampden Academy and most recently served as principal at Mt. View Middle School in Thorndike for five years. Quinton is also

Congratulations to **Leanne Burnham G** on her appointment as the director of guidance at Boothbay Region High School. Leanne is a Maine native who went away for undergrad and lived out of state before returning to Maine. She previously worked at Kents Hill School in Readfield. Leanne sits on the Regional School District 2 school board in addition to her professional obligations.

She enjoys working one-on-one with students at Boothbay Region High School, getting to know them, and guiding her students to make the most of their time no matter what they end up doing post graduation.

Adrienne Pelletier Irizarry '08G is now one of six Peristeam Hydrotherapists in the world! Way to go! Following an almost 14-month certification process, Adrienne is a fully certified practitioner in this area. She is excited to continue to help women live their healthiest lives! Adrienne is the owner of two businesses and the cofounder of a third. For more information about her newest venture, look up Moon Essence on Facebook.

Our column this go-round was a bit skinny — looking forward to the news that 2020 brings!

Plans for our 15-year Reunion and Homecoming are uncertain at this time because of COVID-19. Please visit UMaineHomecoming.com for updates on the weekend events. Hope you can join us!

2006

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Happy summer! Our family is still living in southern New Jersey, where I work as a realtor at Weichert Realtors, and my husband, **Jeffrey "Phil" Mason**, is a department manager at Power Engineers. Our twin boys are now nine years old. Time is flying! If any alumni live in the South Jersey / Philadelphia area, please reach out — I'd love to connect with you.

Bryan Kaenrath is the new city administrator in Saco. Bryan previously represented South Portland for eight years in the House of Representatives, then was town manager of Gouldsboro for three years, and most recently served as town administrator of North Hampton, NH. Bryan said he considers public accessibility extremely important, and keeps his doors open to citizens. Best of luck

in your new venture, Bryan!

Artist and playwright **Travis Baker G** was named a quarterfinalist for the 2019 ScreenCraft Stage Play competition. His play *The Dogs Pond* is in the running to win \$1,000 and a chance to meet with the organization's network of producers, theater companies, and managers. His play is about six men, most of them war veterans, who get together for a weekend at camp. Travis took his time collecting stories from veterans through a rehabilitation group as part of his research when writing the play. As I write this, winners haven't yet been announced. Travis is a part-time substitute teacher at Old Town High School and a full-time hockey parent. He has recently written other plays centered around Maine places, including "The Store" and "One Blue Tarp."

Shane Yardley has been named the new principal of both Penobscot Valley High School and Howland Middle School. Both schools are located in Howland, ME. Shane and his family live in Bangor.

Gregory Moore has been hired as the head coach of the American Hockey League's Toronto Marlies. He previously coached the Chicago Steel of the United States Junior Hockey League. Greg retired as a player in 2015 after playing 10 pro seasons.

Kristen McAlpine comes from a family of entrepreneurs and has always had a passion for business. After college she worked at Bank of America as a teller and later as operations manager. She then worked at Morgan Stanley as a financial advisor for six years. She now works at First National Bank as a business development and corporate sales officer. She is in the Bangor-area MBS alumni group, where she plans events and advises deans. She wants to connect local alumni to business students in meaningful ways and make the Bangor region a business haven. Kristen lives in Hampden with her daughter, Lily.

Please email me anytime with news about yourself or our classmates.



Tara Kierstead '08 was named the Maine 2019 School Counselor of the Year. Tara is the school counselor at the Hall-Dale Middle and High School in Farmingdale and the Class of 2008 correspondent.

2007

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Hello, classmates! I hope the summer is treating you well. There is limited news to share this time around. Please send updates for the next column! Your classmates would love to know what you've been up to over the years.

Matthew Foster has been hired as the new principal at Loranger Memorial School in Old Orchard Beach, part of RSU 23. Matthew was previously an eighth-grade science and math teacher, a math teacher at Noble High School in North Berwick, and most recently the assistant principal at Newmarket, NH, Junior/Senior High School. Matthew's ultimate goal is to become a superintendent of schools. Matthew is married to classmate **Caitlin Sanborn Foster**, who is a third-grade teacher in York, ME. They have two children and enjoy being outdoors, especially camping and going to the beach.

Mary McDonagh Placzowsky has been hired as an assistant professor of athletic training at William Woods University in Fulton, MO.

After graduating from UMaine, Mary continued her education by earning a master's degree in sports science from the University of Tennessee and a doctorate in athletic training from the University of Idaho. Before being hired at William Woods, Mary held teaching positions as an adjunct professor at the University of Montana Western in Dillon, MT, and Calumet College of St. Joseph in Whiting, IN. She also was previously an athletic trainer at the University of Montana Western and Tufts University. Congratulations, Professor Placzowsky!

That is all the news for now. Enjoy the rest of the summer and fall! You'll hear from me again in the winter.

2008

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Greetings, classmates! I hope this finds you all well!

I'll start our column this time around by congratulating **Stephanie McCoy Mulligan** on self-publishing her very first book *How to Catch a Keeper*. This adorable children's book tells the story of siblings who join their dad for a day of lobster fishing, and it won a silver medal in the 2019 Moonbeam Children's Book Awards! Stephanie lives in Lincoln with classmate **Matthew Mulligan** and their children.

Congratulations also go out to **Sean Sormanti**, who was named senior vice president of human resources at Greenfield Cooperative Bank in Greenfield, MA. Sean is responsible for recruiting, planning, coordinating, and managing the bank's human resources department.

I received word that **Andrew Gerke** was posthumously honored with the Clayton-Doud Award from his Sig Ep fraternity during their national conclave in Houston. The Clayton-Doud award recognizes brothers who exemplify the fraternity's charge to help brothers in their time of need. Andrew received the award for his

willingness to mentor, guide, and share his love of music with his fellow brothers, who were inspired by him and pursued building a business of helping others.

In personal news, I was named Maine's School Counselor of the Year! In addition to being honored here in Maine, I was invited to attend a fabulous awards gala in Washington, DC.

That's all for now, classmates!

2009

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The Class of 2009 needs someone to write this column. Don't want to do it alone? Contact a friend and share the responsibility.

Lee Griffin is the facilities manager at Northern Maine Community College in Presque Isle. Lee worked at Old Town Canoe and at Huber Engineered Woods in Easton before putting his engineering degree to work as NMCC's facilities manager.

Dallas Stars goaltender **Ben Bishop** played in the National Hockey League's Winter Classic on New Year's Day. With more than 85,000 fans attending the game at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, Ben said, "It was the coolest sporting event I have ever been a part of. Nothing beats that experience and to come out with a win makes everything that much better."

Mark Gonyar is director of business development with Klöckner Pentaplast's food packaging division, which manufactures rigid plastic for pharmaceutical and food packaging. The company's Canadian manufacturing plant uses a high percentage of post consumer waste in their plastic film and trays, such as those that hold fresh protein. The company hopes to replicate the model at some of their other facilities.

Congratulations to **Wes Ashe '12G**, who was honored as the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW) section employee of the year last fall. Wes was praised for his work managing the department's brown trout strain evaluation project and for being a great ambassador and



Seth Poplanski '09 planned to run the Boston Marathon in April as a member of Massachusetts General Hospital's marathon team to raise money for pediatric cancer research. When the marathon became a "virtual" event, he ran it on roads in Maine. Seth is a social media specialist at Northern Light Health.

public speaker for the MDIFW.

Kate Raymond has joined the Kennebec Valley Council of Governments as membership coordinator. Kate previously worked at the Maine Historical Society, Old Sturbridge Village, and with the Maine State Parks System and the Maine Public Utilities Commission.

To share your news or write the '09 column, please contact abigail.zelz@maine.edu.

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Hello, Class of 2010! It has been an unusual year but I hope everyone is safe and healthy during this difficult time.

In eight years as an elementary school teacher and five years as an administrator, **Ira Michaud G** has worn a lot of hats to help his students be successful. However, this year as the principal at Edgcomb Eddy School, Ira was left without a physical education teacher and stepped up to fill the void. One day a week he taught three physical education classes in addition

to his duties as school principal. While this was likely a challenging situation, Ira expressed enjoyment with the opportunity to connect with students on a different level.

Travis Fraitten has over 10 years of experience in the financial services industry. Most recently, he was hired by the Bank of New Hampshire team of commercial banking professionals as vice president, commercial banker. After earning his business degree at UMaine, he received a MBA from Thomas College.

As always, if you have news to share, send me a note through email or social media.

I hope everyone is having a safe, healthy, and happy year.

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There hasn't been much news — please write or call!

Mary Emmi Copeland recently established the Mary Emmi Copeland '11 Scholarship Fund. The scholarship will provide financial assistance to undergraduate students who actively participate in UMaine's Student Government and/or for students who write for the *Maine Campus* with a preference for students majoring in history. Mary resides in Brooklyn, NY.

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There was no news reported for the Class of 2012 this time.

We hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. Please be in touch! Until next time —

2013

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Hey, Class of 2013, we're still in need of someone to write the class column. There's news, but we need your help reporting it.

Amamihe Onwuachumba G, '16 Ph.D. was initiated into Phi Kappa Phi at UMaine. Amamihe is a power systems engineer with RLC Engineering, which has offices in Hallowell and Falmouth.

Patrick Pittis is now a full-time screenwriter, having sold his script "Rubble" in 2019 to Universal Studios. He is currently focusing on writing, but in the future would like to branch out into production.

Please contact the Alumni Association (abigail.zelz@maine.edu) to find out more about writing the 2013 column for future issues of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*.

Have a great summer!

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We didn't hear from any classmates this time. Remember, you needn't have a new patent or win an Academy Award to write. Fellow alumni want to know what you're up to. Enjoy the summer!

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Please send your news — we'd like to share it in the next issue. Have a great summer, everyone, and stay well!

2016

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Hey, everyone!

I hope you are all well. I recently moved to a new apartment in Portland on the West End and I'm enjoying another summer in Maine! Our class has been up to some exciting things — here is the news I've received:

Lauren Williams is a newly credentialed registered dietitian working at two community hospitals in New Hampshire. She works to aid patients with nutrition support during their illnesses including cancer, diabetes, and malnutrition.

Moriah Geer of Old Town, who has been working on her master's degree in social work, works for Maine Equal Justice Partners.

Devin Shore was traded in February to the Columbus Blue Jackets from the Anaheim Ducks.

Jake Leithiser was inducted into the Old Town High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Stephen Roberts is a crime and courts reporter for the *Virginia Gazette* in Williamsburg. In April 2019, at the annual banquet for the Virginia Press Association, he won four first-place awards and one second-place award for his reporting. He also won a best-in-show award for all non-daily news writers in Virginia.

Patrick Ricard has extended his contract with the Baltimore Ravens through 2021.

Former members of the UMaine women's basketball team are currently competing professionally across Europe: **Milica Mitrovic** (Partizan - Serbia), **Mikaela Gustafsson** (Telge Basket - Sweden), **Chantal Charles** (Clarinos - Spain), and **Anna Heise** (Jahn Muenchen - Germany).

Matt England has been appointed assistant swim coach at Skidmore College in Saratoga, NY.

Ben Hutton has signed a one-year contract to continue his National Hockey League career with the Los Angeles Kings.

John Dennis is the cultural director for the Aroostook Band of Micmacs, where he offers classes

on Micmac language and culture, helps coordinate events, and leads groups for folks in recovery from addiction.

Nicole King is a food and nutrition coordinator for Northern Light Health's community health and grants department. She is hosting workshops and organizing farm tours for food service directors to help increase the purchase of locally grown foods.

Audra Richards has signed with the Minnesota Whitecaps of the National Women's Hockey League.

2017

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Hi, Class of 2017! I hope that this finds you and yours well and safe in this strange time we find ourselves in. Unfortunately, due to a mail kerfuffle, I am not able to update you all on the amazing things our class has been up to. If you have any updates that you want to send on personally for our next update, please send them my way at mcwilliamsej@gmail.com with "UMaine 2017" in your subject line.

I want to take a moment to address the "new normal" that we find ourselves living in, especially the dynamic of working/schooling children/trying to keep sane in our homes. As someone who works in a health care-adjacent field, I can say that all of this, while hard, has already had an impact, and will continue to. Please stay home (if you can) and stay safe. By doing so, you are protecting not only you and yours, but the most vulnerable among us who are the most at risk from this virus, and the essential workers who are tirelessly ensuring that we all have access to food, medicine, health care, and other essential services.

Speaking of those essential workers — I want to give the BIGGEST of shout-outs to those from our class who are working in essential positions. Our thoughts are with you, and when this is over, I hope that we can all raise a glass together to salute those who have made it possible for us

to beat this. That said, the value of action, not just our thoughts, is also clear at this time. I would call upon my class to find something that you can do to help protect our essential workers even further. You can make cloth masks for a local essential business. You can donate to funds that help ensure that our health care workers have the personal protective equipment that they need. You can write your local legislators and advocate for paid sick leave and other protections for these workers. Every action, no matter how small, makes a difference — so please, do what you can, even if you think it is a tiny thing.

Finally — be kind, be safe, and be well!

2018

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Hello, Class of 2018!

I invite all of you to send me any information about yourselves and what exciting things have taken place for you since graduation. Feel free to also send me any photos you may want to have published in the alumni magazine.

Hannah Bailey (art education) has illustrated a children's book on mindfulness that was authored by her mother, **Kellie Doyle Bailey** '90, '92G. The title of the book is *Some Days I Flip My Lid: Learning to be a Calm, Cool Kid*.

Tanesha Sutton is one of our six former members of the University of Maine women's basketball team who is competing professionally for the Norrköping Dolphins, a Swedish women's basketball team. She averages 10.8 points and ranks eighth in the league of 8.4 rebounds. Go, Tanesha!

Drew Belcher, former UMaine quarterback, signed a contract with the NFL's Washington Redskins. He will be working alongside All-Pro tight ends Vernon Davis and Jordan Reed.

Jamil Demby, former UMaine All-American offensive tackle signed by the Detroit Lions, was

reacquired by the Los Angeles Rams later in the season.

Cedric Lacroix signed a two-way contract with the Charlotte Checkers, reigning AHL Calder Cup champions from North Carolina. Lacroix, a 6-foot 1-inch, 185-pound Shefford, Quebec, native, is the son of former NHL player Daniel Lacroix.

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Steve Norton G created "Requiem," a sound installation, at the Fields Pond Nature Center in Holden last winter. "Requiem" features the recorded sounds of birds and amphibians that have recently become extinct.

Steve worked as a software engineer and jazz musician in the Boston area for 30 years before earning his Master of Fine Arts at UMaine. He created "Requiem" while completing his graduate studies.

Want to be a published author? The Class of 2019 needs someone to report the class news for each edition of the magazine — summer and winter. Please email Abigail.zelz@maine.edu if you would like to help.

Thank you, and have a great summer!

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Congratulations, Class of 2020, and welcome to the community of University of Maine alumni.

The Class of 2020 needs a volunteer to write the news for future issues of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. It's a simple twice-a-year job, and doesn't take much time.

If you would like to know more please email abigail.zelz@maine.edu.

Be well, everyone, and have a great summer!

Deaths

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1940

Dorothy Helene Rubinoff Tye, 101, of North Andover, MA, on 12-27-19.

1942

Edna Frances Holmes Burnett, 98, of Wilbraham, MA, on 10-4-19.

1943

Col. **Clifford Harry West, Jr.**, 99, of Winthrop, on 3-14-20.

1944

Donald William Bail, 98, of South Freeport, on 2-25-20.
Alvord White Clements, 96, of Chatham, NY, on 9-18-19.
William Joseph Cullen, 97, of Waterville, on 3-2-20.
Aileen Holman Sherwood, 97, of Lake Monticello, VA, on 1-2-20.

1945

Barbara Lucille Smiley Healy, 96, in Winslow, on 11-7-19.
Constance Carter Lamprell, 96, of Rye, NH, on 1-3-20.
Elmer Roger Oakes, 95, of Presque Isle, on 3-8-20.

1947

Jeanne Hartz Babcock, of Middletown, RI.
Betty Jane Durgin Banton, 93, of Newport, on 10-2-19.

1948

Milton Samuel Adelman, 95, of Naples, FL, and Mars Hill, on 3-31-20.
Conrad Edward Beaulieu, 95, of Hancock, on 11-5-19.
Carl Dana Cederstrom, 94, of Blue Springs, MO, on 2-2-20.
Lee Calvin Davis, 94, of Barnstable, MA, on 10-20-19.
William John Deering, 93, of Bangor, on 2-19-20.
Ann Lee Frances Harmon Driesen, 93, of Hamilton, MA, on 11-5-19.
Esther Shirley Watson Ferri, 93, of Peabody, MA, on 11-13-19.
Ruth Preble Finney, 92, of Westfield, MA, on 11-11-19.
Margaret Gardiner, 98, of Woolwich, on 2-13-20.
Milton Herbert "Mickey"



Jayne Hanson Bartley '49 served as the longtime president of the Class of '49, a board member of the UMaine Foundation, and was a member of the Senior Alumni Executive Committee. Jayne received the Block M Award in 2004.

Goldsmith, 95, of Rockland, on 10-14-19.
Edward Coleman Hall, 97, of Holden, MA, on 11-7-19.
Rita Marie Snow Keylor, 101, of Auburn, on 11-5-19.
Constance Howe Schoonmaker, 93, of Newtown, CT, on 8-23-19.

1949

Paul Andre Albert, 93, of San Jose, CA, on 10-26-19.
Jayne Hanson Bartley, 92, of Orono, on 1-13-20.
Seldon Edwin "Ari" Bernstein, 94, of Surry, on 3-4-20.
Phyllis Bouchard Brimecombe, 91, of Simsbury, CT, on 1-14-20.
Nancy Jordan Deery, 90, of Palm Bay, FL, on 4-2-19.
Elizabeth Hempstead Dexter, 92, of Auburn, on 12-30-19.
Frank Leslie Foster, Jr., 98, of Machiasport, on 1-15-20.
Robert Ivan Hockenhull, 93, of Hampton, NH, on 2-11-20.
Cynthia Hayden Murdock, 91, of Saco, on 12-8-19.
Leroy Clifford Noyes, 95, of Nashua, NH, on 1-31-20.
Calvin LaForrest Stinson, Jr., 91, of Prospect Harbor, on 10-10-19.
Carol Robbins Wills, 91, of Jonesboro, GA, on 10-9-19.

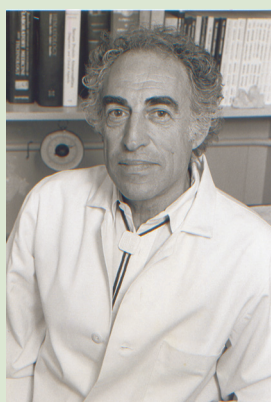
1950

Walter Theodore Anderson II, 94, of Red Oak, NC, on 12-10-19.
Arthur Aaron Black, Jr., 93, of

San Antonio, TX, on 11-1-19.
Edmund Gerald Boucher, 96, of Waterville, on 11-30-19.
John Lewis Carlton, 91, of Wiscasset, on 12-21-19.
Carla Jane Crooker Darrell, 91, of Yarmouth, on 2-14-20.
Clyde Percy Grant, 90, of Gorham, on 10-22-19.
Richard George Kelson, 94, of Turner, on 9-25-19.
Nicholas Nikitas Kesaris, 92, of Bangor, on 11-22-19.
John Robert "Bob" LaGassey, 94, of Bellevue, WA, on 3-30-20.
Jane Evelyn McGlaufflin, 90, of Bangor, on 10-12-19.
Beverly Spencer Murray, 91, of Westbrook, on 2-24-20.
James Arthur Oliver, 91, of Corona, CA, on 11-7-19.
Richard Palmer Schonland, Jr., 90, of Monrovia, CA, on 9-12-17.
Floyd Turner Smith, 94, of Pemboke, on 5-15-19.
Joseph Bacon Taylor, 92, of Orono, on 3-19-20.
John Whittier Treat, 91, of Wallingford, CT, on 11-7-19.
Charles Edwin Treworgy, 90, of Milo, on 10-29-19.
Warren Charles Wilson, 93, of Palmetto, FL, on 1-11-19.
Alan Francis Wing, 91, of North Hollywood, CA, on 10-7-19.
Paul Leon John Zdanowicz, 93, of Scarborough, on 1-2-20.

1951

Howard Adkins Bamford, Jr., 92, of Sedgwick, on 3-5-20.



Seldon E. "Ari" Bernstein '49, '52G was a hematologist and researcher who worked for more than 30 years at The Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor. He was among the first to transplant bone marrow in animals. He received the Alumni Career Award in 1988.

Mary White Burns, 92, of South Portland, on 2-19-20.
Osborne Nelson Ellis, 92, of Brunswick, on 10-28-19.
Merle Eldon Fenlason, 92, of Houlton, on 11-29-19.
Dawn Marilyn Hodgkins Findlen, 90, of Fort Fairfield, on 1-13-20.
Richard H. Gardner, 94, of Cushing, on 3-28-20.
Millicent "Penny" Guptill Higgins, 88, of Waterville, on 11-5-19.
Ralph Joseph Jewett, 93, of Bucksport, on 11-29-19.
Wilfred John Mackie, Jr., 93, of Vero Beach, FL, and Westport Island, on 12-27-19.
Richard Woodbury Merrill, 92, of Augusta, on 2-19-20.
Theresa O'Reilly Russell, 89, of Haverhill, MA, on 12-18-19.
John "Jack" Constantine Ryder, Jr., 93, of Hilton Head Island, SC, on 3-3-20.
Clinton Eli Tripp, 94, of Poulsbo, WA, on 5-11-19.

1952

John Wilson Christie, 91, of Wiscasset, on 10-21-19.
Roger Dunlap Gould, 92, of Palm Desert, CA, on 5-10-19.
Richard Marshall Ludwig, 88, of Williamsburg, VA, on 12-19-19.
Wesley Luce Marple, 91, of Montville, on 10-7-19.
Joan King Merriam, 89, of Middletown, MD, on 3-28-20.
William Wetherbee Russell, 88, of Haverhill, MA, on 12-31-17.
Patricia Gray Smith, 88, of Fort Myers, FL, on 6-13-19.
William Nowland Watrous, 91, of Hackettstown, NJ, on 1-15-20.
Eleanor "Norrie" Mahaney Zdanowicz, 90, of Scarborough, on 4-8-20.

1953

Richard David Babb, 88, of Hermon, on 1-4-20.
Ernest Bennett Brigham, 88, of Wells, in 2019.
Thomas Lyall Dickson, 88, of Rumford, on 3-3-20.
Stanley Leon Payson, Jr., 87, of Kittery Point, on 10-29-19.
Edward Benjamin Perry, 91, of Edgecomb, on 2-29-20.
Keith Winston Ruff, 92, of Winthrop, on 2-4-20.

1954

Lionel Joseph Berube, Jr., 87, of Worcester, MA, on 10-26-19.
Merle Bickford Chadbourne, 93, of Sacramento, CA, on 11-10-19.
Frederick Chandler "Chan" Coddington, 87, of New Providence, NJ, on 11-16-19.
Malcolm Phineas Ellis, 86, of Ashland, on 1-27-20.
Alfred Walter Halliday, 87, of Lyman, on 10-1-19.
Chester "Chet" Harris, Jr., 86, of West Falmouth, MA, on 9-30-19.
Ruth Ann Johnson, 87, of Falmouth, on 3-8-20.
Allan Judson McGown, 86, of Carmel, on 2-15-20.
Franklyn Ross Mosher, 87, of Gales Ferry, CT, on 1-6-20.
Edmund Davidson Muzzy, Jr., 87, of Westbrook, on 10-26-19.
James John Orino, DMD, 87, of Rumford, on 2-8-20.
Donald James Paulsen, 86, of South Thomaston, on 9-30-18.
Everett Joseph Pouliot, 87, of Pawcatuck, CT, on 1-23-20.
John William Skehan, 90, of Hampden and Augusta, on 12-24-19.
Penelope Rich Wilson, 87, of Malvern, PA, on 1-11-20.

1955

Robert Conrad Fringer, 86, of Muncy Township, PA, on 2-28-20.
Winship "Chip" Barton Moody, 86, of Westbrook, on 10-16-19.
Robert Willis Pike, 86, of Strong, on 12-28-19.
Ronald Joseph Sheay, 86, of Stockton, NJ, on 4-5-20.
Leland Bruce Small, 84, of Bowdoin, on 3-3-20.
Don Dillen Stimpson, DVM, 87, of Orono, on 1-4-20.
Patricia Dawn Sweeney, 86, of Scarborough, on 12-7-19.

1956

Richard Carlton Bangs, 85, of Rochester, NY, on 3-2-18.
Richard Arad Brown, 85, of Wheat Ridge, CO, on 12-3-19.
Henry Masters Colby, 85, of Pierrepont Manor, NY, on 1-3-20.
Robert Irving Curran, 85, of Augusta, on 2-18-20.
Paul Arthur Jones, 86, of Dixfield, on 10-20-19.
John Wesley "Duke" Lane, Jr., 86, of Bradenton, FL, on 1-10-20.
William Lee Paul, 87, of

Scituate, MA, on 10-6-19.
Donald King Pendleton, 85, of Islesboro, on 3-10-20.
Mary Ann Connors Prugh, 86, of Manchester, on 1-13-20.
William Dickinson Ravenscroft, Jr., 88, of Kensington, CT, on 11-20-19.
Thomas Arthur Robinson, 83, of Benedicta, on 10-27-19.
Philip Fleming Ross, 89, of Leesburg, FL, and Meddybemps, on 1-2-20.
Beverly Fowlie St. James, 85, of Arden, NC, on 1-6-20.
James Mortimer Wentworth, 90, of Bangor, on 2-22-20.
Susan Gale Ashton York-Wilbur, 85, of Portland, on 10-13-19.

1957

Priscilla Jean Allen, 84, of Dresden, on 4-1-20.
Calvin Edward Anderson, 88, of Westerville, OH, on 9-21-19.
Jean White Conroy, 84, of Westminster, CA, on 1-28-20.
David James "Jim" Daigle, 84, of Delray Beach, FL, on 3-25-20.
Joan Elaine Gallupe Davis, 85, of Falmouth, on 12-26-19.
George Earle Fletcher, 84, of Brooksville, FL, on 1-4-20.
Ursula "Bunny" Jung Gaffield, 84, of Monroe, CT, on 3-1-20.
William Earl Nicholson, 85, of Newtown, MA, on 3-21-20.
William Scott Penhallow, 86, of Charlestown, RI, on 1-15-20.
Rodney Arthur Shain, 89, of Sanford and Acton, on 12-11-19.
Lois Ann Whitcomb, 85, of Castle Rock, CO, on 1-16-20.
Charlotte Kasmer Whitham, 84, of Farmington, on 11-13-19.

1958

Ralph Joseph Kelley, 82, of Collegeville, PA, on 7-13-19.
Walter Carroll King II, 84, of Redding, CT, on 3-30-20.
Jean Spofford Martin, 84, of Manchester, on 10-1-19.
Marie King McBrine, 86, of Bangor and Machias, on 10-7-19.
Lillian Stuart Johnson Mosa, 83, of Essex, CT, on 10-29-19.
Daniel George Rearick, 83, of Upper Kingsclear, New Brunswick, Canada, on 12-7-19.
Joan Smith Tripp, 83, of Belgrade Lakes, on 10-17-19.

1959

Maurice Joseph "Bill" Belleville, 82, of Scottsdale, AZ,



F. Chandler "Chan" Coddington '54 had a long career in the insurance industry and was involved in his community. He also helped with Reunion planning and served as class agent for the Class of '54.

on 12-16-19.

Carlton Archie Braley, 95, of Thorndike, on 1-2-20.
Susan McGuffin Brookes, 83, of Waterville, on 1-2-20.
Dana Loren Fields, 82, of Sidney, on 1-4-20.
Edwin Allan Harriman, 83, of Canaan, on 12-27-19.
Robert Gould Irving, 80, of Washburn, on 2-2-20.

1960

Robert Errol Ames, 85, of York, on 1-25-17.
Henry Germain Bouchard, 85, of Brunswick, on 12-5-19.
Alfred Robert Brooks, 83, of Calais, on 12-16-19.
Barbara Parks Hepler, 81, of Denver, CO, on 9-13-19.
John David Knowlton, 84, of Meredith, NH, on 7-24-19.
Gerhardt Peter Kraske, 81, of Columbia, MD, on 11-28-19.
Anthony Nicholas Lavorgna, 87, of Rumford, on 3-4-20.
Michael Gregory Madore, 78, of Lexington, OH, on 10-12-15.
Enid Kelley McNeilly, 81, of Gorham, on 4-5-20.
Charles Almon McNulty, 81, of Queensbury, NY, on 2-6-20.
William Hooper Parker III, 82, of Amesbury, MA, on 11-11-19.
Robert Weston Sweet, Jr., 82, of Indian Trail, NC, on 7-17-19.

1961

Joyce Elaine Bushey, 84, of Oakland, on 4-1-20.
Richard Harland Dunphey, 80, of San Francisco, CA, on 10-23-19.
Clayton Arthur Dyer, 85, of South Portland, on 4-7-20.
Donald Richard El-Hajj, 86, of

Covington, KY, on 11-27-19.
Diane Lord Marles, 80, of Standish, on 2-8-20.
James Ogden McLain, 84, of Hope, NJ, on 3-17-20.
George W. Merry, 93, of Lake Havasu City, AZ, on 3-17-20.
Frederick Worth Tingley, 84, of Arlington, VA, on 11-19-19.
Lois Ann Hamilton Tourangeau, 81, of Shallotte, NC, on 2-2-20.
Stuart Craig Walker, 78, of Windham, on 12-7-19.
Franklin Earl Woodard, 80, of Carrabassett Valley, on 3-14-20.

1962

Howard Stiles Annis, Jr., 83, of Augusta, on 4-10-20.
Raymond Roger Berube, 85, of Williamsburg, VA, on 12-17-19.
Hon. Carl O. Bradford, 87, of Yarmouth, on 3-29-20.
Charles William "Bill" Ferguson, 78, of Reno, NV, on 9-23-18.
Robert Blair Fortier, 82, of Hampton, MA, on 1-10-20.
Maynard Clarence Frith, 79, of Athens, on 2-13-20.
Richard Liddell Gill, 83, of Fairfield, CT, on 12-31-19.
Robert Howard Gilman, 83, of East Syracuse, NY, on 7-5-19.
Donald Owen Horne, 86, of Dixfield, on 4-7-19.
Nan Gray Jackson, 79, of Scarborough, on 2-4-20.
Dennis Philip Jette, 80, of Lakeland, FL, on 11-13-19.
John Samuel Johnson, 85, of Palm Beach County, FL, and Cooper, on 11-13-19.
Richard Philip King, 84, of Hudson, FL, on 12-15-19.
George Phillip Lahrmann, 80, of White Plains, NY, on 2-11-16.
Roslyn Marchbanks Robinson, 78, of Alexandria, VA, on 9-1-19.
Judith Ann Pratt Thompson, 79, of Atkinson, on 11-18-19.
James Campbell Wakefield, 79, of Fort Myers Beach, FL, on 2-22-20.
Pauline Jean Orino Yardley, 78, of Chillicothe, MO, on 10-24-19.

1963

Karen Amann Bouvier, 78, of Scarborough, on 3-10-20.
Marie Patterson Gleason, 78, of Saco, on 12-27-19.
Bernd Walter August Kliem, 80, of Dennis, TX, on 2-22-20.
Dorothy Merrill LeClair, 86, of Lewiston, on 2-10-20.

William Carl Martel, 82, of Owls Head, on 3-4-20.
Thomas Howard Moore III, 78, of Bingham, on 10-12-19.

1964

Edward Thomas Curran, Jr., 84, of South Portland, on 3-29-20.
Georgianna Kaye Ellis, 76, of Bangor, on 12-3-19.
Edward Irving Heath, 85, of Summerfield, FL, on 2-24-20.
Nancy Barnes Hill, 77, of Mt. Pleasant, SC, and Augusta, on 4-4-20.
Harry Kendrick Holden, Jr., 79, of Groveland, MA, on 1-30-20.
Paul Gardner Hopkins, 77, of Portland, on 1-27-20.
Donald Irving Lippke, 77, of Holly Lake Ranch, TX, on 9-25-19.
Kenneth W. Mills, 77, of Bridgeport, CT, on 4-3-20.
Sharrel True Nilson, 77, of Augusta, in 2018.
Kenneth Albert Poole, 78, of Buxton, on 2-21-20.
William Jackson Stegeman, 77, of Kennett Square, PA, on 10-13-19.
James Phinney Tobin, 92, of Gray, on 3-4-20.

1965

Paul Richard Aldrich, 78, of South Berwick, on 1-7-20.
Terry Lee Chadbourne, 77, of Rutland, MA, on 2-20-20.
Audrey Ann Dingley, 76, of Brunswick, on 3-5-20.
Stephen Frederick Drottler, 76, of Oxford, on 12-9-19.
Robert Dayton Edwards, 76, of Orrington, on 11-12-19.
Margaret Edgar Gould, 76, of Belgrade Lakes, on 11-7-19.
Richard Fernald Goulette, 83, of Orono, on 10-25-19.
Charles William Harlow, 77, of Portland, on 3-28-20.
Robert Sherman Page, 81, of South Portland, on 3-22-19.
Elsie Maud Stanley Plante, 75, of Wayne, on 10-9-19.
Sharon Records Record, 76, of Plattsburgh, NY, on 9-17-19.
Robert Arno Viles, 79, of Ocala, FL, on 1-15-20.

1966

Eugene Vaughn Billings, 94, of Brunswick, on 11-30-19.
Duane Normand Cyr, 75, of Farmington, CT, on 3-16-20.
Charles William Hill, 81, of Woodbridge, VA, on 11-2-19.

Daniel Richard Hillard, 76, of Wilder, VT, on 12-9-19.
Robert Fleming Lawson, 74, of Bedford, NH, on 9-28-19.
David Carey MacNichol, 87, of Eastport, on 12-6-19.
Bowen Floyd Marshall, Jr., 75, of Rockport, on 11-27-19.
Mary Helen Manley Pinkham, 98, of Waterville, on 2-26-20.
Linda Mae Turner Roman, 76, of Auburn, on 9-24-19.

1967

James Goffi, 74, of Mobile, AL, on 1-11-20.
John Haines Inness, 76, of Topsham, on 11-27-19.
Susan Butterworth Swanson, 75, of Kennebunk, on 10-14-19.
Imogen Abbott Tillson, 95, of Dexter and Topsham, on 12-30-19.
Elizabeth Ann Smart Vose, 74, of Hampden, on 12-13-19.
Valton Lawrence Wood, Jr., 77, of Belgrade, on 3-9-20.

1968

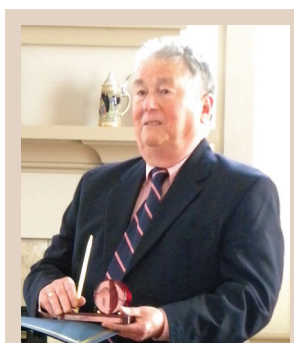
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Amy F. Begert Ashton, 95, of Lewiston, on 3-26-20.
Robert Foster Bishop, 79, of Yarmouth, on 3-27-20.
Carolyn Clarke Brown, 73, of Rockport, on 10-26-19.
Elinor Wilner Goldblatt, 92, of Auburn, on 2-20-20.
Patricia Ann Wark Hersey, 83, of Newburgh, on 2-27-20.
André Martin Labrie, 73, of Brunswick, on 10-10-19.
Gilbert Edward Lavallee, 83, of Hope Valley, RI, on 3-13-20.
Benita "Benni" Roberts McMullen, 73, of Mount Desert Island, on 3-25-20.

1969

Sharon Bragdon Hamilton, 72, of Augusta, on 11-15-19.
Karen Marie Langlois Lane, 72, of Portland, on 2-4-20.
Keith Owen Sanborn, 83, of Saco, on 3-14-20.

1970

Alan Brian Feltmarch, MD, 75, of Newport, VT, on 11-11-19.
Kathleen Cote Hughes, 71, of Cornville, on 1-8-20.
Charles Albert "Bud" Pierce III, 72, of Veazie, on 10-10-19.
Guy Royal Veilleux, 72, of Farmingdale, on 3-9-20.
Rebecca Williams Wright, 71, of Freeport, on 2-9-20.



Dan Hillard '66 enjoyed a long career in insurance and financial services and 22 years of active and reserve duty in the Army. He served as the Class of 1966 correspondent for more than a dozen years and received the Class Correspondent Award in 2013.

1971

Michael Angelosante, 70, of Old Orchard Beach, on 12-6-19.
Rev. Albert Quincy Coffey, 88, of Canonsburg, PA, on 11-18-19.
Linda Jarvis Collins, 71, of Brewer, on 3-6-20.
Nancy Joan "Joanie" Tishler Edgerton, 70, of Falmouth, MA, on 2-26-20.
Gary Loomis Fitzherbert, 72, of Southbury, CT, on 1-23-20.
Georgeanne Loder Jackson, 73, of Hampden, on 2-18-20.
Mary Bugbee Linz, 84, of Bangor, on 1-2-20.
Diane Allen Stewart, 79, of



Keith Sanborn '69 was director of electrical engineering at R. G. Vanderwell Engineers before joining Harriman Associates. He was involved in the electrical engineering planning and design of UMaine's DP Corbett Business Building and the UMaine Geological Sciences Center.

Molasses Pond, on 12-10-19.
Lawrence Alfred Veysey, 70, of Boston, MA, on 12-30-19.

1972

Tobey Campbell Crane, 70, of Rockport, on 1-20-20.
Edward "Dugie" Dugas, 71, of Bangor, on 1-1-20.
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William Maier, 69, of Bath, on 12-10-19.
Maxine Marie Francoise Pelletier Martin, 91, of Falmouth, on 1-6-20.
William Francis McPhee III, 70, of Auburn, on 12-1-19.

1973

Emmit Kermit Baty, 83, of Mt. Vernon, MO, on 1-23-20.
Sara Clark Bean, 92, of Sidney, on 11-8-19.
Peter Harrison Cotter, 71, of Cape Elizabeth, on 2-14-20.
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Frend Joseph Royle III, 68, of Reston, VA, on 12-17-19.
Jeffrey Dwight Thomas, 66, of Harmony, on 10-15-19.

1974

Ronald Edward Avery, 67, of York, on 3-16-20.
Debra Lillian Maidlow, 67, of Bangor, on 12-26-19.
Richard Wood McVinney, 68, of Oneonta, NY, on 3-28-20.

The UMaine Alumni Association offers condolences to the friends and family of alumni who died as a result of COVID-19.

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1975

Donald Webber Ballard, 67, of Winthrop, on 10-14-19.
Kathleen Koulovatos Clarke, 65, of South Portland, on 1-30-20.
Michael Jay Coan, 64, of Columbia

Falls, on 8-7-19.

Myrna Hill Lamb, 66, of Placitas, NM, on 9-8-19.
Richard Paul McArdle, 67, of Falmouth, on 2-10-20.

1976

Thomas John Franceschini, 64, of East Syracuse, NY, on 10-30-18.
John Winfield Hodgkins, 66, of Hudson, NH, on 2-3-20.
Janet Fay Partridge, 72, of Rockland, on 2-26-20.
Russell Onni Pietila, 66, of Waldo, on 10-23-19.

1977

Christopher Charles Aceto, 68, of Portland, on 12-7-19.
Jeffrey Alan Cammack, 62, of Lucerne-in-Maine, on 12-28-19.
David Elmo Landry, 67, of Boothbay Harbor, on 10-9-19.

1978

Randall Monroe Baker, 63, of Spokane, WA, on 2-19-20.
Kim Erickson, 64, of Eddington, on 2-20-20.
Francis Peter Gabbianelli, 68, of Ridgefield, CT, and Dixmont, on 3-28-20.
Michael Philip Gamache, 64, of Lisbon Falls, on 1-14-20.
William Milliken Moody, Jr., 67, of Yarmouth, on 3-18-20.
Thomas Ralph Perkins, 63, of Dedham, on 1-19-20.
Shirley King Raymond, 86, of Old Town, on 3-3-20.

1979

David Loring Bacon, 71, of York, on 1-17-20.
David James McVety, 65, of Otisfield, on 4-12-20.
George Laurent Veilleux, 63, of Lewiston, on 1-25-20.

1980

Andrew Daniel Dubino, 88, of Greenfield, MA, on 2-4-18.

1981

Christopher William Nichols, 70, of Hudson, on 1-10-20.
Marc Henry Son, 61, of Windham, on 11-21-19.

1982

Thomas Edward McCabe, 61, of Portland, on 11-27-19.
Diana Durgin Tomkinson, 60, of Weston and Eastham, MA, on 2-19-20.
Richard Eugene Willis, 79, of Brunswick, on 1-29-20.

1983

Michele Ham Brown, 59, of Carmel, on 1-18-20.
Charles Edward Cashman, Jr., 75, of Harrington, on 3-18-20.
Christiana York Donnel, 56, of Mystic, CT, on 11-15-19.
Constance Dahlen Jones, 92, of Freeport, on 3-23-20.
Sharon Lee Mitchell Melia, 73, of Stillwater and Sangerville, on 4-3-20.
Steven Henry Rothrock, 57, of Kennebunkport, on 11-30-19.

1984

Kenneth Twomey Black, 58, of Saco, on 4-9-20.
Judith A. Swan, 70, of Dexter, on 12-26-19.

1985

Daniel Roger Bilodeau, 61, of Jacksonville, FL, on 4-5-20.
Mark Daniel Hanson, 65, of Glens Falls, NY, on 3-6-20.

1986

Diane Marie Godin, 58, of Madison, on 4-1-20.
Christopher Joseph Mogan, 62, of Rockland, on 12-6-19.

1987

John Francis Altermatt, 55, of Huntington, VT, on 1-28-20.
Jane F. Meade, 78, of Brewer, on 11-24-19.

1989

Lynette Gail Barnes, 73, of Old Orchard Beach, on 1-1-20.
Tracy Ann Winchester Cuba, 54, of New Jersey, on 9-30-19.

1990

Eric Jay Hanscom, 52, of Merrimack, NH, on 2-19-20.

1991

Lisa Ann O'Leary, 57, of South Portland, on 2-18-20.

1992

Gregory Lee Cole, 70, of Patten, on 1-18-20.

1993

Clergue Tolman Jones, 81, of Winterport, on 12-12-19.
Phyllis Blanchette Woodworth, 51, of Dayton, on 6-7-19.

1994

James Henry Barrows, 70, of Hampden, on 12-26-19.
Ashley Edward LeBlanc, 73, of Bangor, on 3-9-20.

1995

Ronald F. Smith, 77, of Glenburn, on 3-21-20.

1996

Anna Marie Ryan, 66, of Gaithersburg, MD, on 1-19-20.

1997

David Lewis Burke, 57, of Portland, on 12-22-19.
Rebecca Marie Cole, 54, of Calais, on 4-8-20.
Shelley Ann Young, 64, of Hermon, on 2-18-20.

1999

Meghan Constantine Fellis, 47, of Mariaville, on 11-15-19.

2002

Sydney MacKey Haggerty, 45, of Albuquerque, NM, and Dover-Foxcroft, on 3-2-20.

2004

Raymond Albert Rauscher, 52, of Brewer, on 1-5-20.

2006

Rosanna Sherman McFarland, 34, of Blue Hill, on 2-27-20.

2008

Vicki Ann Pinkham Lynch, 46, of Veazie, on 11-17-19.

2009

Amanda Lynn Bartlett Harris, 34, of East Windsor, NJ, on 2-15-20.

2010

Stewart B. Gramlich, 33, of Clifton, on 12-13-19.
Christie Staples Kennedy, 31, of Ellsworth, on 3-17-20.
Shannon Simms Miranda, 32, of Portland, on 3-7-20.

2013

Joshua Michael Cyr, 34, of Bangor, on 1-21-10.

2015

Patricia Anne Hughes, 59, of Palmyra, on 3-16-20.

2016

Joshua John Boudreau, 25, of Somersworth, NH, on 3-9-20.
Karen Elizabeth Pianka, 50, of Silver Spring, MD, on 1-23-20.

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