

Class Notes

Senior Alumni

Includes all classes that have celebrated their 50th Reunion

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"Getting to know you / Getting to know all about you." Lyrics from *The King and I* came to mind as I searched for news for this column. With most of us hunkering down or waiting to get the vaccine, I decided to introduce you to our newly elected 2021 Senior Alumni officers.

After graduating from high school in Butler, NJ, President **Andrew McGarry '61** and some other Butler classmates headed to the University of Maine. He and **Paul Daly '61** both entered the College of Forestry.

Andy, Paul, and **Ed Skorski '61** of the Butler High School group all joined SAE fraternity. **Judy Ohr '61** from Butler also attended UMaine.

Andy became chapter president and rush chairman of the Inter-Fraternity Council, and believes his participation in the Greek Life system laid the foundation for leadership and teamwork that would guide him throughout his career. Like many of us from those years, he also cherishes memories of "Maine Stein Song" times spent with friends at The Shamrock and Pat's Pizza.

After graduation, Andy entered the Army as a 2nd lieutenant. During his 20-year career he had tours of duty in Vietnam, earned a master's degree, and attended the U.S. Army Command Staff College (joining **Pete Berry '61** and **Dick Leadbetter '61**). He retired from the Army in 1982 as

a lieutenant colonel, beginning a second career with Lockheed Martin, where he worked for 27 years.

Now retired, Andy resides in Hilton Head Island, SC, where he joins **Larry Schiner '61, '62G** for frequent rounds of "par" golf and shares stories about their alma mater. Andy has continued to serve his university as class vp/president, member of the UMaine Alumni of the Lowcountry along with Larry and Barbara Schiner and **Laurie Baldwin Liscomb '61**; and now, as incoming president of the Senior Alumni Association.

Treasurer **Louis King '60** worked in finance and insurance before taking a management position with Sherwin Williams, first in Waterville, then Skowhegan, and finally in Augusta, where he worked for 26 of his total 34 years.

Louie and his wife, **Edie McVay King '67**, have lived in Waterville for the past 52 years.

Avid hockey fans and active volunteers for the Alumni Association, he and Edie support affinity group chapter meetings, Homecoming, class reunion activities, and more. Louie fondly recalls a geology course he took with the late Harold W. Borns. Louie related that Dr. Borns had a way of making everyone who took the course wish they'd majored in geology and had had the opportunity to join one of his many explorations to the South Pole.

Before I update you on our January Executive Committee meeting, I have a sad note to share. Last November, Maine high school athletics lost a legendary York High School coach and athletic director with the passing of **Robert Butler '46, '50G**, at age 96. Bob was considered the unofficial statistician and historian of the Maine Principals Association's basketball tournaments. He was inducted into both the Maine

and New England Basketball Halls of Fame.

The Senior Alumni Executive Committee meeting attendees in January were: **Mary Holmes Davis '64**, **Nancy Morse Dysart '60**, **Donna Porter Erikson '68, '71G**, **Calista Wiberg-Hannigan '89G**, **Kay York Johnson '66**, **Louis King '60**, **Andrew McGarry '61**, **Doug Morton '50**, **Thomas Perry '67**, **Evie Stevens Smith '59**, **James Varner '57**, and **Carolyn Zachary '65**.

In the treasurer's report, as of December 31, 2020, the operating fund balance was \$61,701. It pays for mailings, events, etc. A significant portion of these funds are used to supplement our Non-Traditional Student Scholarship awards. The estimated pay-over for this year's awards is \$58,355. Our annual goal is always in the \$90,000 range, with total need of highly motivated and deserving students reaching +\$100,000. With your help, we can do more! Senior Alumni are proud that we award the highest number of annual scholarships and the only ones designated exclusively for the growing number of non-traditional student scholars, those over the age of 24, making career changes in a rapidly changing global society. "Thank you" is never enough, but to all our loyal donors, we say a collective, heart-felt thank you! You are helping to improve the lives of our amazing student-recipients!

Newly elected officers: president, **Andy McGarry '61**; 1st vp, **James Varner '57**; treasurer/financial chair, **Louis King '60**; secretary-recording, **Evie Stevens Smith '59**; secretary-corresponding, **Nancy Morse Dysart '60**. The position of 2nd vp remains open. If you're interested in serving the university on this dynamic committee, please contact one of us or **Ashley Twombly** at the

Alumni Association.

Homecoming and class reunions '21: While tentative plans are being pursued, nothing can be finalized until there are long-range assurances regarding COVID-19 and social distancing. Either way, the university and the Alumni Association staff will do their best to help us keep in touch with the "college of our hearts always."

Finally — belated best wishes to Alumni Association staffer, **Ashley Nemer Twombly '10, '12G, '60H**, who gave birth to another class legacy in September 2020 with the arrival of her daughter, Olivia!

For a longer version of this column, please see the Senior Alumni page on the Alumni Association website, umainealumni.com/group/senior-alumni/.

Bless you, one and all! Stay in touch!

1950

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As we get ready to celebrate our 71st Reunion, I hope that our classmates, their families, and friends have remained healthy and safe during this past year!

I received a lovely note from **Eva Burgess**, who reported that she and her husband, **Hank Newell**, of Melbourne, FL, celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary in January. They are well and are delighted that their daughter and her husband are now neighbors in Florida. They also have a new great-grandson, Finn!

William York and his wife, **Nancy**, of Skowhegan, ME, celebrated 70 years of marriage

Class Notes Legend

Only UMaine degrees are noted in Class Notes

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

with a drive-by anniversary party. After the coronavirus pandemic created increased restrictions on social gatherings, their family thought a car procession and outdoor event would be the perfect way to celebrate. Nancy's wedding dress was pulled out of storage and displayed for all to enjoy and the celebration even included a renewal of their wedding vows! We hope for many more gala celebrations for this wonderful family.

Our treasurer **Alton "Hoppy" and Dorothy Lord Hopkins** of Nashua, NH, continue to volunteer in their community — from monitoring weekly bingo nights, providing transportation to those in need, VFW, Shriners, and hospital volunteerism. Dottie even knits caps and scarfs for the hospital. As you all remember, Hoppy was our treasurer for our entire stay at the University of Maine. He kept us honest and then some!

I am saddened to report that Imanuel Wexler, beloved husband of **Betty Friedler Wexler**, passed away in October 2020. Imanuel was an emeritus professor of economics at the University of Connecticut, where he taught for 37 years, specializing in international economics. He was considered an expert on the Marshall Plan and author of *The Marshall Plan Revisited*. Betty still lives in Storrs, CT, playing tennis when she can, enjoying time with her son and grandchildren, and participating in activities at the University of Connecticut.

Sadly, we also lost classmate **Colby Chandler '79** Hon. Sc.D. Colby joined Eastman Kodak as a quality control engineer. He became the company president in 1977, and from 1983-1990 was chairman and CEO. Colby was an active member of the Rochester, NY, Alumni Chapter.

Finally, we are mourning the loss of our beloved president and friend **Henry Warren Saunders III**, who passed away in February.

After graduating, he was commissioned in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, serving in the active reserves 1950-1963. During this time he met his wife, Marjorie. They were married in 1953.

As a young employee at Saunders Brothers, Henry flew a Piper J-3 Cub airplane over northern New England forest land surveying white and yellow birch. When he retired in 1986, Henry started building his dream house along the shores of Sebago Lake.

Henry received a number of awards — UMaine's College of Forest Resources honored him with the Distinguished Service Award. The Alumni Association gave him a Black Bear Award, and he received a Francis Crowe Award from the College of Engineering. He was also a member of the Stillwater Society.

His lifelong dedication to education led him to set up several professorships at the University of Maine: the Henry W. Saunders Forestry Professorship; the Kenneth W. Saunders and Henry W. Saunders Professorship in Leadership and Management in memory of his son; and the Marjorie H. Saunders and Leslie S. McManus Leadership Professorship in memory of his wife and in honor of his daughter.

Henry created the Leadership Training Course, which has been taught at UMaine, and is designed to teach leadership at both the undergraduate and graduate level. He also established the Marjorie Higbee Saunders and Henry W. Saunders Endowed Scholarship Fund with Maine Medical Center/Tufts University School of Medicine Program to support doctor and nurse training.

He was generous with his time and talent and we will miss him dearly. He leaves his daughter, Leslie Saunders McManus, and his companion for many years, Karen Marie Reilly. And so, we honor Henry: "Fill the steins to dear old Maine! / Shout 'til the rafters ring!"

Stay healthy, everyone. Take care of yourselves. Wear your masks, wash your hands, watch your distance, and please get your vaccines. I am proud to say, I received both of mine!

Love, Ruthie

1951

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Greetings, classmates. I hope you have survived the pandemic and the disruption of usual activities.

Thornton Oaks in Brunswick is congregate independent living so we have had rules and regulations to keep us safe.

Now we have had our second vaccination shots and are looking forward to family gatherings. Zooms have been great, but by the time you read this column we should be able to hug our loved ones again.

If you aren't able to travel to Orono, check out the Zoom opportunities scheduled for Reunion in 2021.

This year marks the 70th anniversary of our graduation. I've been writing this column ever since we started making plans for our 50th reunion. If you would like it to continue a while longer, please write to say the Maine Hello to your surviving classmates. Tell them what you are doing to stay active or share a favorite memory of your days at the University of Maine.

One news item from a classmate came from **Malcolm Chadbourne**. He announced: "I have written two more novels published via Amazon, *Harold* and *Rich's Ride*."

For the 2020 - 2021 academic year, the Class of 1951 awarded \$1,407 in scholarship funds to two recipients.

Elliot Gagnon-Victor is a first-year student studying secondary education. He is the grandchild of the late **Milton Victor**.

Connor Robinson, a junior studying finance, is the grandchild of the late **Lawrence Robinson**, who earned his bachelor's degree in '51 and master's in 1955.

1952

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Margaret "Marnie" Murray Pease has moved from the apartment she shared with her husband, **Alan**, at Quarry Hill in Camden, ME, to the Courtyard at Quarry Hill, a memory unit. Al has moved to a smaller apartment that he shares with his two feline friends. Mail for Marnie and for Al can be addressed to them at 30 Community Drive, Apt. 218, Camden, ME 04843-2066 and to alpease@me.com. They would like to hear from you.

Had a very brief note from **Norman Minsky**, Esquire, an honorary member of our class. He is "of council" to the law firm of Gross, Minsky, & Mogul, with offices in Bangor. He is a Bangor native and still resides in Bangor.

Don Spear lives in Portland. He lost his wife three years ago and admits to missing her dearly. Don had a mini-stroke in January of this year and he says that he seems to be recovering well. On another front, he admits to having lost a lot of memory and, like many of the rest of us, struggles to find well-known words.

Jean Frye Begley has given up her home in Waldoboro and moved to Brunswick to be closer to her daughter, Mary Baard. Her mailing address is 89 Admiral Fitch Avenue, Brunswick, ME.

I have learned that **Ruth Drysdale Frazier** has moved to a retirement home. She had been living with her son in Sparks, Nevada, but he is moving East and Ruth may join him and his family when he completes improvements on the house he has purchased.

Adelaide Grant Ruby still resides in Warminster, PA, but continues to be in contact with **Frances Smart Trefts**, who lives in Hancock, ME, and is a former

correspondent for news of our Class of 1952.

Roger and Thela Leach celebrated their 93rd birthdays and look forward to their 72nd wedding anniversary. After graduation he received a graduate fellowship in the agronomy department at Penn State. After completing his graduate program, he was hired by the Pennsylvania Bureau of Corrections as farm coordinator with the goal of providing more up-to-date training experiences for inmates. After seven rewarding years he returned to UMaine to work as field program coordinator on a team to reorganize the Cooperative Extension Service. He remained at UMaine until retirement. Roger and Thela live in Sunnyside, a church-sponsored community in Sarasota, FL. All of their five children attended UMaine. They also have nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Ray Feasey writes: "Sue and I live in a senior housing campus in Pittsford, NY, and celebrated two years here on April Fools' Day! We have one daughter local, one in Rhinebeck, NY, and a son in Massachusetts. Sue is on the library board here and I was recently picked to lead the operations and maintenance committee. Because of the virus, most of our activities here at Cloverwood have been shut down but I do play pool three times a week and we do have our own TV channel to watch plus a movie theater to enjoy. We are looking forward to another U of M lobster bake in one of our local parks — an event we both have been involved in for many years. At our age we don't travel much but we have made many new friends here."

Our Class of 1952 Scholarship Fund is continuing to grow! As of 1/31/2021, the principal value of our fund was \$155,441 and the market value was \$182,718. Thank you to all who have supported this fund over the years!

Our scholarship fund provided \$4,896 in scholarship assistance this past academic year. The award was split between two students: Elliot Gagnon-Victor, a first-year



Students enjoy a game of cards in Hart Hall in 1954.

student majoring in secondary education, is the grandson of **Joan Vachon Victor** and is from Ellsworth, ME. Courtney Higgins Reddish, a junior majoring in communication sciences and disorders, is the great-grandchild of **Ruby Bryant Higgins '59H** and is from Canton, MA.

Please continue to send us any news and updates about yourselves for our future columns! Stay tuned for more info on our 70th Reunion coming up in 2022!

1953

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The pandemic is still with us, as I write in late March, but with more people being vaccinated, life is becoming more normal. TV, with Hallmark, Netflix, and other channels, has been a lifeline for me along with the holidays (although sitting outdoors with family and friends in March, and for Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas was a bit chilly). As usual, I called classmates, and was happy when I found them.

Tom Laskey, of Woodstock, CT, moved to a condo. When he drives to therapy, he likes to take along six-packs of doughnuts for the crew. Guess where they come from? His daughter orders them on Amazon from LeBree's

in Old Town and has them shipped to him. He spoke of classmate **Doug Vollmer**, who lives in Yarmouth. And on a sad note, his girlfriend, Carol, died in March. She will be missed.

Cindy Cowan Dunlap lives at Dirigo Pines, 9 Alumni Drive, Apt. 180M, Orono, ME 04473. She spoke of her daughter, Connie, of Ellsworth, who brought an angel food cake and flowers for her 90th birthday in March. Cindy also spoke of her two sons, **Dave '81**, of Albuquerque, NM, professor of physics; and **Steve '85**, Orchard Park, NY, in charge of sales. She has grandchildren, including one who works at Jackson Lab in Bar Harbor. Cindy also spoke of classmate **Ann Grumley Lester**, MD, of Miami, FL. I called Ann twice, left messages, but never heard back. Perhaps she's moved.

Izzie Stearns Foss of Temple (near Farmington) is "muddling along." Mother of six, grandmother of 10, and great-grandmother of three, she knits, sews, reads, does puzzles, listens to Maine Public Radio, watches *The Lawrence Welk Show* (I do too; makes me feel happy), and wishes the country "would come to its senses!" After graduation, Izzie worked as a medical technologist for 10-12 years and for the Federal Aviation Administration testing water in Milford, NH, for five years. She mentioned classmate **Ruth Mitchell Hartley** and husband, **Grayson '59G**, of Islesboro summers, who winter in Connecticut, and **Shirley**

Stillings Keene and husband, **Maurice '52**, of Auburn. Shirley has lived in Auburn ever since her marriage in 1954. They have three children (a daughter died in 2019): two daughters out of state, and a son, **Steven '81**, in Canton, ME; five grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Dave Hale, of Burlington, VT, had neck surgery a week before I called. He was in rehab, but was in pain, so we only talked for a minute. Hoping you'll soon feel better, Dave. He and Nancy usually winter in Punta Gorda, but not this past winter due to the pandemic.

Bob Hampson, of Newcomb, NY, a TKE fraternity man and forestry major, was in rehab (pneumonia) in Lake Placid, NY, so I chatted with his wife, **Margaret Snow Hampson '64**. She said she and Bob had been to a reunion in Freeport. She spoke of her roommate **Elizabeth Blanchard Trouant '64** and her husband, **Peter '64**, of Meddybemps, ME. Get well soon, Bob!

Dave Beppler, of State College, PA, lives in a retirement community, a "wonderful, compatible neighborhood," he said. He's still active and tries to reach out to his neighbors. They are trying to establish a demonstration farm, "a small diversified farm, good crops and animals, so that it could be copied," he said. This would be located in Malawi, Africa. He said it needs "money, personnel, wisdom." Let's hope it succeeds.

Ellie Newhook Butler writes that her grandson **Bradley Butler '19** got a new position in Colorado, where he is putting his newly minted UMaine biomedical engineering degree to work.

Bob Hunter '62G is now at Piper Shores Holbrook Nursing in Scarborough. Nancy, his wife, sent me an email and said he's "OK, celebrated his 90th birthday with family on March 19th. We had a small party with all of us there (he wearing a crown) with balloons and cake!"

Phil Hall, of Jefferson, ME, said he spends three hours exercising each day. He started with the Class of '52 in Brunswick, but graduated from Orono in 1953; received his doctorate in education in 1974

at Nova University in Florida (now Southeastern Florida University); his master's at the University of Connecticut; and has been married to Joan for 65 years. He spoke highly of Dean Shibbes, dean of education at UMaine. "Dr. Phil" ("the first Dr. Phil," as he refers to himself) said his eyesight is very limited, so someone comes in two days a week to help him with his computer work. He's also enjoyed "talking books" the past three and a half years.

On a sad note, **Faith Taylor Diehl**, of Annapolis, MD, died in January. She worked as a charter chef in the Caribbean. She also sailed from Annapolis west to Knysna, South Africa, and was "happiest sailing across the bay from Back Creek." She retired as reference librarian for Anne Arundel County in 2012. Faith attended our 66th Reunion at the Harraseeket Inn in Freeport in 2019. Our sincere condolences to Faith's family and friends.

On another sad note, **Ron Bishop**, of Cornelius, NC, died March 23, 2021, of pancreatic cancer. Ron was so outgoing, so ready to help those in need. As his obituary stated, after he moved to North Carolina in 1995, he became involved in "Our Towns Habitat for Humanity" in Cornelius, making international trips to build Habitat homes. For 10 consecutive years he built homes with and for local people in Guatemala to improve the economic circumstances of families and communities in that country. His life was an accomplished life. We'll miss you, Ron. Condolences go out to your wife, Lorna, your family, and friends.

To read a longer version of this column, please visit the Class of '53 page on the Alumni Association's website: umainealumni.com/classpage/class-of-1953/.

I wish all of you good health, happiness, and *just maybe*, we'll see one another in the fall at Reunion. Until then —



Ron Herzberg '54 and his wife, Patricia, live in Plymouth, MA. Ron retired after a long career in public health.

1954

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After a rather mild winter but year of never-ending pandemic, some indications are that our lives may be shifting toward a new "normal." Hoorah! As what appears to be our new normal, our class news is smaller as we age and more of our fellow grads pass on. Please continue to keep us on your "to-do list."

Our mailbox brought us a wonderful, long letter from **Ronald Herzberg**. Ron started by saying that after 66 years in the public health consulting business (plus 16 with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration), he finally retired at 85. However, he is still working for his wife, Patricia, who owns her own real estate firm in Plymouth, MA. Patricia was a U.S. Army member, an operating room nurse in Vietnam in 1969-1970, and by the way, is also a lawyer! Like many other '54ers, Ron served in 1955-58; he was the senior man in the VD clinic at Fort Polk, LA.

The Herzbergs have four children, all educated and doing well. Pat has a son who's "big in the real estate business." Life is good for Pat and Ron, and their family has expanded to great-grandchildren. They live in a country club setting where it appears that Pat might have an

edge on Ron on the greens!

Finally, a name from our freshman year at Orono! Classmate **Paul Royte** and I were fellow residents in the North Dorms, specifically North Dorm 12! Ironically, 65 years later, at the 2019 Reunion dinner, we reunited, along with eight other classmates to celebrate the anniversary of our graduation. At the 50th year graduates become members of the Senior Alumni and celebrate as a whole. It is with pleasure that we announce that Paul has volunteered to represent our class on this group. They meet two or three times a year.

Paul, who was a very active student at Orono and a member of TEP, graduated with a psychology degree, and later from Northeastern University with a master's in education. He served in Germany in the U.S. Army from 1954-56. His lifetime career was spent as a licensed psychologist; he worked as a schoolteacher, school and camp professional, and after retirement, was in private practice and consultation, along with leadership roles in many local community youth organizations. He's a very active member of several state and national professional organizations.

Paul and Wanda have four children and five grandchildren. Family recreation has included skiing, biking, and kayaking. Paul, we thank you for all of your community service and for volunteering to continue serving us at "dear old Maine" in your new position as Senior Alumni representative.

1955

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A sincere "Maine Hello" to our classmates and friends as we continue in our lives with the pandemic, but I am sure that by the time you receive this *MAINE Alumni Magazine* that you have received your COVID-19 shots. It certainly is a positive situation

now, and we hope we can get back to normal living in the months to come. I remember my four years at the university and what fun we had, what great friends we made, and the great education we got. I only wish that the students now enrolled at the university could experience a college education like the one we were able to witness, and have live classes, football, basketball, baseball, and all sports teams, dances, etc.

Speaking about students, the following students received the Class of 1955 Scholarship for the 2020-2021 academic year at the University of Maine:

Kelsey Brooks, a junior majoring in management, is the grandchild of **Sally Mabelle Gillchrest Brooks**.

Hannah Card, a first-year student majoring in studio art, is the grandchild of the late **David Eugene Smith**.

Connor Robinson is a sophomore majoring in finance. He is the grandchild of the late **Lawrence Robinson**.

Lisa Thorpe, senior, majoring in computer science and grandchild of the late **Robert L. Thorpe**.

Benjamin White, a first-year student majoring in engineering, is the grandchild of **Paul and Janet Bishop Butler**.

Congratulations to **Mert Robinson**, who has volunteered to be a 1955 representative on the Senior Alumni Committee. The Senior Alumni group is made up of members of each Senior Alumni class, with representation from the Classes of 1950 – 1970. This is a five-year term, and your classmates wish you well in this endeavor.

Paul Butler spent eight days in the hospital after surgery for a bulging disc. He could hardly walk before the surgery but is doing better every day with his walking, and hopes that his fingers will have feeling soon.

That's all the news for this time. Please do let me know the news that you might have and would like to share with classmates. Stay healthy, everyone.

1956

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After 25 years of being a "snowbird," (someone who spends the cold winters in sunny Florida and then spends the summer up north), **Doc** and **Betty Brockway Nevers** have decided to make Fort Pierce, Florida, their yearly residence. Doc and Betty still plan to take shorter vacation trips to New England in the summer to visit family and friends.

Doc made me aware that our class president, **Bill Johnson**, had taken a very serious fall at home and broke several ribs along with an injury to his spine.

I had a conversation with Bill in March. He told me of the lengthy rehabilitation he is going through and the multiple designed wheelchairs he has had to use in an effort to repair his spine. Bill and his wife, **Mary Atkinson Johnson** '55, have moved from their farm (can you visualize Bill and Mary being farmers?) into a house that will make living easier for Bill. They are still in Saco, ME.

I am sure that Bill's best nurse, Mary, is one of the reasons Bill is in high spirits, has a very positive attitude, and is looking forward to our 65th Class Reunion.

An aside:

As our class gets older, and age takes its toll, we are doing less traveling and therefore, have fewer opportunities we can report on. At the same time, we are trying to fight and cope with COVID-19. Consequently, there is less news being received to report in the class column.

We all probably have had an event in our lives where we surprisingly ran into a classmate. When you were finished bringing each other up to date with your lives and departed, you would say to yourself, "It's a small world, isn't it?"

Since 1956 how many times has that happened to you? How about reporting the event to your class correspondent? It will



Classroom scene during the 1954-55 academic year.

make great news for all the class to read.

Here is an example:

In November of year 2006, my wife, **Laura Krueger**, and I were on a cruise to go through the Panama Canal. The name of the cruise ship was *Infinity* and it had a passenger list of close to 3,500. At 4:30 a.m. on the 14th, we went on deck to get what turned out to be a great view of entering the canal. At about 6:30 a.m. we decided to have breakfast and headed toward the dining room. As we were walking off deck, someone said, "Look! The Schwartzes." That someone was **Jane Wiseman Johnson** '61G with her husband, Charles.

We talked for a while and then went on our way to breakfast. We did not run into the Johnsons for the rest of the trip.

See! It's a small world, isn't?

1957

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Dear classmates, this has been a challenging year for most of us, and I hope that you all have managed to stay safe and healthy and your families as well. News has been scarce, and I was about to despair when I had an unexpected and most welcome call from our classmate **Richard Dillenbeck**. We had a great conversation. Thank you, Richard, for sharing the following highlights of your life since 1957 with us:

"Why not summarize 63 years and put us all to sleep? During college and after we

earned our degrees, I worked on-air in Bangor radio (with Dewey Dow and WGUY) and WABI-TV. My best assignment was trying to emulate the former Olympic athlete Marty Glickman's stunningly accurate radio play-by-play coverage of NBA basketball games while covering Bangor High and state championship games.

"Moved on to the U.S. Army for four years, with a year studying Arabic in Monterey, CA, and then assigned for over two years to Germany, of all places, which opened the eyes of this country kid. After discharge in Europe, became a civilian again and did a stint with the United Nations Economic Commission in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Then back to Stuttgart awaiting return transport to the U.S., five days plowing the North Atlantic.

"Became a high school teacher in Belfast, liked the kids, and it seemed mutual, but I didn't care much for the administrative part. Found something I could really love in the American National Red Cross with its worldwide mobile division serving the U.S. Department of Defense for the next 35 years, which led to assignments in Germany (four tours totaling 22 years), with Vietnam and Korea thrown in for a little spice, plus several U.S. installations. Had semi-official exposure to the difficult work of the International Committee of the Red Cross. For 30 years, taught thousands of hours in health and safety courses and trained instructors in first aid, aquatics, and CPR.

"Squeezed in graduate work with BU in the '70s to become a licensed MSW and volunteer community mental health worker/therapist in addition to employment.

"Retired in 1996 after a final

fling at Ft. Gordon, GA, and have lived in Augusta, 'Home of the Masters,' for 27 years. Main hobby for the last 38 years is mountain climbing and hiking in the southwest U.S. and European Alps and still function as a mountain guide. Spend each summer on China Lake, ME, in a seasonal camp built over three summers in the late '90s to be near my daughter, Jane Golden, who lives with her family on gifted land right across Route 202 from son, John, who lives in the old family farmhouse.

"Retirement has also allowed pursuit of other personal interests: am a docent emeritus of the Augusta Museum of Art; volunteered for the local community blood bank; and have been a Sierra Club outings leader for 27 years. Am currently a bona fide ID card-carrying 4.0 student with over 100 credit hours in German Studies at Augusta University; research and write about German history, culture, and current events, focusing now on the resurrection of right-wing politics in that country over the past 60 years, and also Hannah Arendt and her writings."

A brief note from **Margaret MacKinnon McGrath** gave news that her grand twins are sophomores at Colby. Margaret hopes to move back to Maine for at least seven to eight months a year.

Dottie Richards Marshall will once more be travelling with family, this time to Bradenton Beach, FL, for relaxation, beach walking, and bird watching.

I'm sorry to report the death of **Mark Biscoe** '67G, who passed away in December. Our deepest sympathy goes to **Jane** '58 and the rest of the family. Mark had a 37-year career at the Fenn School in Concord, MA, as teacher, coach, and administrator. He had a great interest in maritime history, which during retirement resulted in the publication of three books.

The following sentence from his obituary says so much about Mark: "His love for his family was exceeded only by his passion for coaching basketball, mentoring young lives, and his devotion to the Oakland A's."

We also have news about **Jim Varner**, who was

interviewed by UMaine's Athletics Department last winter about his experiences at the university and beyond. Jim discussed growing up in Princeton, NJ, coming to Orono and joining Phi Eta Kappa, competing in football and track, and life after UMaine.

After graduation, he taught science and worked in community planning and economic development in New Jersey before he and his wife, the late Florence Johanson Varner, returned to Maine to look after her aging parents in Old Town. Jim was a civil rights activist and became involved with the university, Alumni Association, and served as president of the Bangor Area NAACP. The interview was called "Love, Life, and Justice."

Please send news for our next article. Did you take up something new during the pandemic? Did you have an unusual profession? Are you involved in a nonprofit corporation? Have a unique hobby? Something about yourself that classmates would be surprised and interested in knowing? An unexpected retirement job?

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We are in 2021 — glad to see 2020 in the rear-view mirror — not a year I wish to revisit. As has been the problem the last few columns, news of the class is rather scarce, but I did receive some notes on the back of envelopes at Christmas.

Larry Thurrell wrote that **Rosemary Wright FitzGerald** ran an Airbnb last summer on Pushaw Lake. It was successful despite the virus. She already has bookings for the coming summer. Congrats, Rosemary.

Sylvia Gadaire is fine but very tired of crossword puzzles, Sudoku, and practicing the piano. She gets out (with mask) to play poker with six fellow enthusiasts at the local VFW Post. She plays twice a week and



Roommates Mary Davis Schlotter '60 (left) and Gail Rae Carter '60 pose outside Ballentine Hall before cheering at the Homecoming football game in 1957.

does well.

Barb Hasey Andrews writes that she has become an expert at Zoom with three different groups, still keeps up her swimming two times a week, kayaks every Monday with a church group, and is a Stephen Minister, caring by phone with a patient.

Hubby, Tom, plays tennis four or five times a week, plays the piano, and records preludes for streaming at First Presby Church in Sarasota. He also reads and is an apprentice with HelloFresh gourmet cooking. Barb says the family is growing — having been presented with their sixth great-grandchild in 2020. All family members are doing well and keeping busy.

In November of 1943, **Ed Hendrickson** G was attempting landings on an aircraft carrier as a member of the U.S. Navy. On his first try one wheel hit the carrier deck and flipped upside down in Lake Michigan. His plane is now located at the National WWII Museum in New Orleans. Ed, who turned 100 in 2020, is one of approximately 2,000 veterans of WWII living in Maine (Brewer). He is the holder of Sugarloaf's Iron Man Award, won in 2013 by skiing 95 straight days — and driving back and forth between Carrabassett Valley and Brewer at the age of 93.

Hamden Academy announced that **Eugene L. Arsenault** will be among the first inductees in the Academy's Athletic Hall of Fame. Gene was a four-year starter in basketball,

baseball, and football. He attended the University of Maine prior to his being drafted into the U.S. Army.

Robert G. Carmichael's grandson, Chase, is the third generation of the family to play football for the university.

Sad to note — **Wayne G. Sanborn**, city manager of DeLand, FL, from 1967 to 1974, and again from 1992 until his retirement in 1999, passed away on February 4, 2021. Wayne was the force behind the rehab of Painter's Pond Park and Earl Brown Park, improvements at the DeLand Municipal Airport, Melching Field, and the Spec Martin Stadium.

Mark Biscoe '57, '67G, husband of **Jane Quimby Biscoe**, passed away in December of 2020. Jane and Mark spent 37 years at the Fenn School in Concord, MA, where Mark served as a teacher and a coach.

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Hello, '59ers —

At last we are starting to come out of the long COVID winter. As I write this, crocuses are up and spring is here.

I received a very long message from **Paul Hanson**. His wife, Nelly, passed away and his house keeper came with two boys, 8 and 15, so his house now is very active. His big news is that he has written a book, *Paul Henry Hanson Stories*, about his life. It was published by Story Works in 2020. They suggested subjects to fit his life. There are 31 chapters and he intends to add another about his hobby of restoring cars. St. Joseph College in Standish contacted him for a project. They wanted someone "old" to tell a story to a special writing class and the class would rewrite it. He told them the chapter of his high school years. It was given on Zoom to the class. He is extremely proud of this accomplishment.

I had a phone call from **Carlene Shibles Blanchard** '67G and we had a long talk about days at Maine. Carlene lived at the Elms while there. She said quite a few of the "Elms girls" continue to keep in touch.

Received a nice note from **Lynn Anderson McLeod**. She and husband, Don, have curtailed travel during the pandemic. They did, however, take their annual trip to Freeport! She sent the latest brochure from the Asticou Inn, Northeast Harbor, where we both worked summers. The McLeods live in Tolland, CT.

I am hoping for more news for my next column — don't wait, just send it anytime.

Please contact some of your classmates; they would love to hear from you.

Let's keep in touch!
'Til next time!

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Happy summer! When you receive this, the winter of COVID and global discontent will be over.

In Portland, OR, **Donna**

Fritz Brunstad and husband, Bill Sweeney, plan to return to a more normal lifestyle and visit Maine in the fall, hopefully to our make-up Reunion of 2020 when all went "Zoom."

Rick Lloyd sends missives from Hawaii and while we had "SNOVID-21," he was in sun-drenched Honolulu in shorts, bare feet, and a breeze flowing in with his door wide open. Rick is president of the Aloha Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America. He produces and distributes the club's newsletter.

Bonny Brown and Bob still live in Scarborough and visit their Steuben cottage in summers. They have enjoyed a lot of bridge games, puzzles, and conversations with grandchildren.

Art Parlin '61 has moved to new quarters in Johnston, RI, just an hour away from his wife, **Debbie Arnold Parlin**, who is at St. Patrick's Manor in Framingham, MA, where she is so popular, she has a single room usually reserved for a priest. Caregivers call Debbie their "angel," as she is still sparkling plenty.

My helper for the last five years deserves a pile of thanks. **Kay Sawyer Hannah** faithfully wrote this column and did a wonderful job.

Fred and Diane Tatlock Pierce wintered in Las Vegas, as they got stuck in Maui, trying to get back last year. Fred lost his sister, **Elizabeth Pierce Cross** '55, last June.

Ralph '61 and Susan **Pillsbury** plan to visit Maine this summer. Their son in Madison found them a place to rent nearby, as they sold their home on Damariscotta Lake.

Sandra Crowe Wooding lives in Old Chatham, NY. Over the years she has owned many horses, and showed them in dressage. For two years she was president of a large garden club. Sandy taught eighth grade and also managed her husband's veterinary business.

Judy Holmes Tarazewich resides in Waterboro, where she and her husband moved in 1980, after being in education in Greenville for 17 years. She then worked in elementary education for SAD 57 for 20 more years, and later became

a substitute teacher. She was widowed in 2006. As members of the cheering squad, we were not considered athletes, though an M Club member she knows presented her with a special plaque for her cheerleading.

Norman Stevenson and wife, Sandy, live in Florida. Fresh out of college Norman moved to Philadelphia as an electrical engineer. He also lived in Mexico City for a year and later moved to Hong Kong, returning in the late '60s after he sold his company to Scott Paper/Kimberly Clark. Along the way he built the house of his dreams and has done community service. In Florida he has helped his church and served as area director in Vero Beach of United Against Poverty, a 501(c)(3), multi-million-dollar operation with several campuses in Indian River County.

Mechanical engineer **Donald Lewis** retired at 80. He started Nyle Systems, and when he sold it, he stayed with the company for three years. He is proud of being a leader in building the Ellen M. Leach Memorial Home in Brewer, ME, which has both market rate and low-income apartments.

Eliot Rich lives in the college town of Potsdam, NY, with his wife, Judy. June marked 56 years of marriage. Eliot received his master's from BU, wrote a doctoral dissertation at Clarkson, and taught English literature. After he retired, he learned how to make bagels and opened a bagelry. When he sold the bagelry, he returned to teaching and became a popular middle and high school substitute teacher.

Three years ago, **Dick** '66G and **Barbara York Sturgeon** sold their home in Portland and secured a cottage at Dirigo Pines, which abuts Orono Land Trust property. In the summer they retreat to Steuben. Dick and Barbara hike and bike, enjoy concerts at the Collins Center for the Arts, and exercise at the New Balance Center on campus. Their two daughters are in Texas and Massachusetts. Dick recently had breakfast with **Guy Whitten** '63, who owns the Black Bear Inn.

Classmate **Al Betters** is looking for a senior year *Prism*. If you have one you would like to

donate, contact **Ashley Nemer Twombly** '10, '12G, '60H, associate director for alumni relations. Ashley, who organizes our reunions, has a baby girl named Olivia, who was born in September 2020.

Both Kay and Nancy are working to secure a pre-Reunion gathering in Boothbay Harbor before we do our COVID makeup for the 60th Reunion.

For a longer version of this column, please see: umainealumni.com/classpage/class-of-1960/.

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Lots of news. **David Smith** and **Nancy Quigg** wrote to reminisce about their years at Phi Gam and as a Tri Delt. Nancy was a cheerleader for all four years and David was the Winter Carnival king. Their two sons graduated from Orono and were members of Phi Gam. David worked for Raytheon for 30 years, and has been retired for 20 years. The couple is back in Maine with a beach house in Rhode Island.

Anne Wescott Dodd '62 C.A.S. has been busy during COVID, thanks to Zoom that included courses at Senior College, a writing group (memoir), two book clubs, and monthly Zoom gatherings with UMaine lunch group (**Norine Hunt Clarke**, **Cynthia Downing Tanous** '62 C.A.S., **Jane Petherbridge Ives**, and **Jean McNeary Woodard**). Anne is teaching in an online M.Ed. global program for The College of New Jersey. This past semester Anne had interns (student teachers) in Mauritius, Brazil, Singapore, Vietnam, and China.

Marcia Sayward Blake rented a house in Stuart, FL, last winter before the pandemic but as the virus was talked about so much, she came home in two and a half days after driving down in four days. She stayed home in Freeport

through May and then played golf last summer in the state league on the Brunswick course. Marcia enjoys watching her young grandson play basketball in Freeport (via the TV) while the older one is taking classes virtually from Unity College near Waterville. Her daughter, Susan, is teaching second grade in Falmouth while her son-in-law works for New Balance Athletic Shoe.

Kay Allen says that the most "exciting" event in her life was the six inches of snow accompanied by freezing rain and freezing temperatures this winter in Dripping Springs, TX. Subject to "rolling power outages" that shut down her all-electric house and water pump, Kay says there was plenty of water in the rainwater tank. Kay said she melted snow and boiled it for washing and pet water, and used pool water for flushing. Being a native New Englander and having spent four winters in Maine prepared Kay for cold weather survival!

Leaving the traffic and politics of Arlington, VA, is **Mary Irving Fantuccio**, who moved to Piper Shores in Scarborough. Mary retired from the CIA many years ago and spent her leisure hours working in production at the local community TV station. **Larry** '62G and **Barbara Schiner** H spent Christmas with family in New Jersey and later in the week toured NYC. **Jean McNeary Woodard** wants to share with us the news that the College of Engineering presented the Edward Bryard Distinguished Engineer Award to two outstanding UMaine engineering graduates — **Chuck Peddle** '59 and **Frank Woodard** '63G. Frank served in the army before co-founding Woodard and Curran, which today has 25 locations in 14 states. Besides his degree from UMaine, Frank received his Ph.D. from Purdue University. Frank passed away in 2020.

Received a sweet homemade greeting card from **Ruth Bouchard Klein** in an envelope with the State of Maine postage stamp. Ruth said that in March 2020, when the pandemic hit, she bought \$400 of stamps and decided to fill her days sending cards and notes to friends from

elementary school through college as well as distant family. Ruth is in Brunswick, where she can "walk in the woods and at the ocean to feed her soul."

Gingee Buckley Franco '66G and **Vince** '62, '70G spent a quiet holiday in Bangor. The couple celebrated their 50th anniversary in June. I remember it well! Speaking of weddings, **Nancy Woods Rearick's** Christmas letter included a photo of **Danny** '58, '61 and her leaving on their honeymoon in 1962. Danny died in 2019. In 1987 as my first marriage was failing apart, I ended my column with a short paragraph on the meaning of working hard on marriage. Danny clipped it and taped it to his filing cabinet. Nancy still has it. Never think that your words don't impact your friends; they do.

Meg Thompson Villarreal asks, "Can you believe it? Our 60th Reunion is this September." It is still to be determined as of this writing what Reunion events will look like on Sept. 17.

In any case, we want, *need*, classmates to participate. We are hoping to arrange pre-Reunion mini-gatherings via Zoom — sororities/fraternities, dorm groups, clubs/social groups, whatever. New technology helps us keep in touch and it is great to reconnect. Contact Meg (megtv1@gmail.com) to join or organize a group. It's that easy! Make sure your up-to-date contact info is on file at the Alumni Association so we can reach out to you for a Zoom party!

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I write this column in March, exactly one year after we were all told to quarantine. What a year it has been! My biggest hope is that you are all well, have been vaccinated, and are managing our "new normal."

Can you believe that we

are due to celebrate our 60th Reunion in September of 2022? Currently we have no details, but are hoping for an in-person gathering. Our reunion goal is to raise our Valerie Beck Scholarship principal to at least \$100,000 by the time we gather. As you know, our scholarship continues to support our classmates' families. This year's recipients are seniors Nicole Nolan, grandchild of the late **Ethelda Jeanne Powers Eaton**, and Sarah Santerre, descendant of **Floyd Bolstridge G.**

The annual holiday "Ladies of '62 Luncheon" was Zoomed this year. It was such a success that we did it again for St. Patrick's Day. More than 20 classmates participated each time. A common thread in our discussions was how we had all adapted to the pandemic. I am happy to report that by St. Patty's Day most of the ladies were vaccinated and looking forward to gathering safely this summer.

Zoom provided us with an important new advantage: we could include some far-distant classmates who were never able to gather before. **GINNY Cushman Ferrara** joined us from Albuquerque, NM, where she has lived for 30 years. Ginny retired five years ago and is looking forward to returning to volunteer work and travel. **Anne Walker Hartig** is back in North Carolina. She is on the board of her local parks and greenway organization. This spring Anne was in charge of monitoring 30 bluebird houses. An avid bridge player, Anne has maintained her national standing through virtual play. **Nancy Hogan** '65G joined us on her March birthday! Nancy said that living in Florida year round has thankfully allowed her to enjoy golf and other safe outside activities all winter. **Pat McCourt DiTata** Zoomed in from New York. She was looking forward to her first trip since the pandemic began. Pat's family rented a house on the beach in South Carolina to celebrate her 80th birthday.

Alice McKiel Hyerstay joined the group in December from Vermont. This winter she enjoyed walks through the beautiful snow-covered woods surrounding her home. Alice

and Dale are looking forward to resuming trips to Maine this summer. **Deborah Lufkin Storrs** has moved to Foxboro, MA, to be closer to family. She spent much of the winter babysitting her youngest grandchild. Pre-quarantine, Deb volunteered at the local cable station doing everything from camera work to editing for a cooking show.

Joining from farthest away was **Gale Brewer** in California. Gale has been busy during the pandemic using her computer expertise to help coordinate the activities of the Sausalito Village volunteers. Unlike last year, Gale plans to vacation back home in Bar Harbor this summer.

Many classmates joined the Zoom gatherings from all over Maine. **Sally Kennett Juenemann** and **Mary Hilton Shorey** welcomed spring with maple sugaring. Sally spent a weekend boiling sap over an outdoor wood fire and was rewarded with a dozen jars of beautiful syrup. Mary had a real production going on the family farm. She and Frank tapped 680 trees! She said that one warm Saturday in March they yielded over 200 gallons of sap! Even with the boiling down, that's amazing!

Ginny Dyer Bousum spent the winter teaching skiing to youngsters at Sugarloaf again. The classes were smaller this year, but still so enjoyable. Ginny is looking forward to more time on her sailboat this summer.

Marcia Hansen got a rescue dog this year and says they spent wonderful winter days together cross-country skiing and enjoying many walks on the beach this spring. **Kay Fraser** told us that walking her new rescue dog allowed her to meet more neighbors. Kay's work schedule slowed down and she is spending more time on jewelry making, pastel painting, and furniture decorating. **Brenda Freeman Kuich** now lives in her childhood home in Kennebunk. She spends more time reading and enjoying year-round daily walks along the shore.

This last year has given many of us time to concentrate on artistic endeavors. **Jean Elliott Warren** has been pastel painting. Her specialty is dog portraits. When not painting,

Alice says she has been "knitting up a storm" for her three great-grandchildren. **Betty Goulden Kimbrell** also spent much of the winter knitting, reading, and doing jigsaw puzzles. Like many Mainers, she is a bird enthusiast and enjoyed the return of the spring flocks. **Liz Ames Moran's** background for the spring Zoom was her window with a sea view, where she enjoys watching birds feeding in her backyard. Perhaps the most avid bird watcher in the class is **Ann Adjutant** '66G. For years Ann traveled the globe on bird watching tours. It was one thing she missed this past year. During the winter she worked with her granddaughter on a project studying the 22 types of seagulls in North America. **Jayne Fitz Wilcox** spent most of the year settling into her new home just outside Farmington. She has enjoyed meeting new neighbors and sharing socially distant dinners. **Sue McNeary Billings** said the thing she missed most this year was volunteering, a common theme among our classmates.

As always **Millie Simpson Stewart** was the perfect host for our events. She and I wish you all a happy summer. Hopefully, we will get together in person soon. Check your emails for news of upcoming events.

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Hello, classmates,

I am looking out my sliding glass door watching two cardinals and a bluebird at the feeder. It is blustery and cold, a typical March day. Yet, the odds are pretty favorable that when you read this, the day will be warm if not hot — after all it will be summer and hopefully our lives will once again have at least a degree of the normalcy we once knew. My guess is that we will never again take our freedoms for granted.

I have to start this column

commenting on how much fun it was seeing all of you at our Zoom meeting in March with **Dan Churchill** and his wife, **Betty** '63H. Dan, I know I personally loved hearing of your early work experience and time spent in Europe. You have contributed in a variety of ways both to our class and to the university. A link to Dan's interview can be found on our class page on the UMaine Alumni Association website: <https://bit.ly/2PiDC8N>.

A sincere welcome to Betty Churchill, who was made an honorary alumna of the University of Maine and the Class of 1963.

Perry Clough reports that over the years he has kept in touch with some classmates and with what's happening in Orono through trips to Orono for meetings of the Alumni Association, the Business School Dean's Advisory Committee, and helping to plan reunions. He and his wife, Sue, lived in five states while he worked for Kodak, Johnson & Johnson, and Blackstone Medical, an orthopedic implant company. Although he doesn't say much about it, I know from other sources he co-founded Blackstone Medical. Since retirement, he and Sue have stayed in Greenwich, RI, where he has been involved with two state boards, a town committee, and a couple of social groups. Like many of us he is looking forward to reunions.

From Augusta, ME, **Melicent "Mickie" Chapman Versteeg** writes that she and her husband have spent a very quiet year. After retiring as a senior program analyst for the state of Maine in 2004, she and her husband traveled. They have been to all 50 states, attended seven major parades, zip lined over alligators, glided over Bar Harbor, rode in a tri-motor airplane over Kalamazoo, and were in a wagon as part of the bicentennial wagon train. No wonder they have found this past year quiet.

Bill Blood called to say he was staying in Maine this winter and not going to Florida. For the last few years, he could be found on Sanibel Island during cold weather. Bill taught biology



David MacDonald '64 (left) and Dick Drisko '61 got together in Cortez Fishing Village, FL, last winter. David and Dick were formerly neighbors in Hampden, ME; David now lives in Bradenton, FL.

at South Portland High School, retiring in 1993. He lives in Harpswell with **Debbie Comee** '65 and stays busy with a variety of interests.

After hearing about Dan's webinar, **Algis Kalvaitis** reached out to me. He was introduced to Dan by **Pat Cummings** '89, '44H of the University of Maine Foundation at a university event on Capitol Hill. Algis spent the majority of his working career at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, retiring in 2004. Much of his career at NOAA focused on oceans and managing programs that placed scientists underwater using submersibles, remotely operated vehicles, and undersea laboratories. He had a very rewarding career and now volunteers as a docent at the National Museum of Natural History's Sant Ocean Hall. He and his wife, Suzanne, will celebrate 55 years of marriage in the summer of 2021. They have two children and seven grandchildren, including two sets of twins.

I have also had the pleasure of chatting with **Sally Hanson Foster**, who calls Manchester, ME, home. Sally and her husband, Warren, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last fall. Sally began college like many of us, residing in Chadbourne Hall freshman year. However, she then became a nontraditional student and graduated several years later.

Sally credits the continued support of the UMaine faculty, who gave her the impetus to succeed. She taught history at Cony High School and is now retired. A granddaughter, **Erika Everett**, graduated from the University of Maine in 2020.

Hopefully, as you read this column, plans are complete for a mini reunion in Portland this fall. As our class president, **Dana Dolloff** '64G, said to me (he was quoting someone else), "At this age we can't have too many reunions."

Remember to check our class page on the UMaine Alumni website and get in touch. It is always a pleasure to hear from you.

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I originally met **Reinhard Zollitsch** in German language class, just arrived from his native country to sharpen his English and related skills. He was our instructor. But cleverly, before he had us open our books, he spent several days sharing with us his love, pride, and enthusiasm for his native country. By the time we did turn to page 1

we were all so engaged, the study never felt like work but like a passion. He taught and did a lot of other professional and German cultural work for 42 years, but since has been paddling his way around waterways — the ocean, Lake Champlain, following the routes of John Cartier, John Cabot, and Henry Hudson; and the entire German Baltic shoreline from Denmark to Poland. His longest was a 4,000-mile loop around the northeastern states and Canadian provinces and up through Newfoundland. He wrote up his stories for U.S., Canadian, and German magazines. (You can see his website at ZollitschCanoeAdventures.com.)

Beverley Baum Soule was with us until marriage interrupted her degree pursuit, but fulfilled her B.S. in social work and master's in public administration elsewhere. Her careers in both celebrated her determination. Beverley has been living in Maine the past 30 years and enjoys politics, gardening, and fly fishing.

Dana Leon Gerald was a member of our class who was killed in Vietnam three years after graduating. Many of us may have wonderful memories, and we promise to always hold our courageous veterans in our hearts.

Bob Gill majored in forestry and wildlife management, and then spent 25 years in engineering, mostly naval engineering. But since 1986 he has been deeply engaged in the salt water fisheries world in the Gulf of Mexico — business and fisheries management, policy, and education. And he has maintained his joyous sense of humor, remarking that with his last name, he had no choice!

Susan Oakes Ackor and late husband, **Jefferson Ackor** '62, produced four UMO grads. She smiles that she still sees a few friends with masks and care, but before COVID loved traveling. She visited son Jeff and family in Seattle, WA, a city I know well for its art, marvelous landscape, and savvy entrepreneurs; her daughter in Coral Gables, FL, and her sons in Maine. I confess, the hardest thing for my life is being separated from

my native New England, and especially Maine.

Helene Nardino Thompson (and husband, **Robert "Hank" Thompson '62**, Lambda Chi Alpha) have been living seven months a year in Naples, FL, and five months in Connecticut. They and neighbors in Naples have nightly outdoor happy hours wisely distanced. But she is busy: knitting comfort bears for Hospice, police department, and shelters; reading and jigsaw puzzles; and since retiring they have traveled to Russia, China, the Canary Islands, the Caribbean islands, Scandinavia, and five times to Italy — once to the towns of her ancestors! And she stays in touch with **Nancy Poole Gavel**, **Nancy Conant Goodwin '66G**, **Susie Conant Flynn '66**, **Lou Clark Ellis Grant '63**, and **Janiece Bacon Oblak '65**. Taking life by the handle!

A 1961 grad and I are working to establish a So-Cal Alumni group (San Diego to L.A.), so if you know anyone who might be interested, all years, have them contact me. The last time I can recall we did this was a lobster dinner (must have been Maine lobsters — out here they don't have claws, yuck!) at a spectacular home in Point Loma.

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To each of you who shared your memories of **Tom Ferguson** and **Al Zimmerman** so that we might know them better, thank you. Here are some highlights; look for more online about these Purple Heart recipients lost in the Vietnam War.

To **Susan Rush Walsh**, Tom was "Foma Godivitch" in Russian class. He was "pretty much of a loner, very bright, incredibly gifted athletically — semi-pro in tennis, golfing, and skiing," she said. They became



Four 1966 classmates (L-R): Bob Kittredge, Brian Bicknell, Patti Tofuri Bicknell, and Sarge Means got together for a long lunch to celebrate their vaccinations as well as the Bicknells' wedding anniversary and Sarge's birthday in March at The Villages, Florida.

"best buddies" who liked to go to Governor's, where he would tell her his girl woes.

"We went skiing together, but on different slopes because he was so much better than me," Sue said.

Sue visited Tom at his home in Rumford, where his father managed the paper mill. When Tom called to tell her he'd enlisted in the Marines and was headed for Vietnam, she expressed concern. "Aw, Susie, you worry too much," he told her.

After graduating with a degree in business administration, Tom began his tour in Vietnam on December 10, 1967, as a 2nd lieutenant infantry officer attached to D Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, 1st Marine Division. In Quang Tri Province, South Vietnam, Tom stepped on a mine. He died of his wounds back in the U.S. on March 30, 1968.

A month before graduation, **Bill Buckley '84G** got his draft notice and, on the advice of a cousin, joined the Maine Air National Guard in Bangor. The following year, his buddy Tom Ferguson got his draft notice and called, wondering about joining Bill's Guard unit.

"We made some phone calls and got him an interview," Bill said, "but the availability of slots was slim at the time, and he did not get selected." Later in 1966, Tom told Bill he had gone into military training. In March 1968, Bill saw Tom's obituary.

"I always felt sorry I couldn't help Tom get in the Guard with me," Bill said.

Starting out as freshmen forestry majors, **Gerry Whiting** and **Al Zimmerman** became friends, roommates, and Phi Eta Kappa pledges. To make insect collections for an entomology class, the pair hitchhiked "with collecting nets in hand down to Veazie," to explore gravel pits along the river for metallic wood-boring beetles.

"They are also known as jewel beetles because of their glossy, iridescent colors, particularly blues and greens," Gerry wrote. They found quite a few, "creeping up on the beetles and wildly swinging our nets trying to capture them," Gerry wrote. "Their striking blue and green wings added a good deal of color to our collections."

Alan, who switched majors to entomology, took Advanced ROTC, which "ended up having a tremendous impact on what happened in the months following graduation," Gerry said. "In Al's case, it meant reporting for duty as a 2nd lieutenant, helicopter flight school, and a posting to Vietnam. I was totally stunned when I learned of Al's death in what I understand was his first combat mission."

Years later at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC, Gerry found Al's name. "When I touched his name — somehow the sounds of the city faded away," he said.

"What I heard in my head and felt in my heart were our shouts and laughter the day we spent hunting those beetles. To this day whenever I see iridescent blues and greens I think of Al. Rest in peace, brother."

Dave Sargent, another entomology major, remembers that Al "extolled the virtues of being in ROTC because he got to take helicopter training."

"He would give me a ride home to Portland about every other month in the back of his VW bug," Dave said. "He had taken out the back seat, and there was nothing there. I would lie down all the way, listening to rock 'n roll music. He was a very special friend," Dave said. "Everybody loved this guy."

Alan Zimmerman, from Midland Park, N.J., enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves right after college and was sent to Vietnam January 27, 1967. A 1st lieutenant and rotary wing aviator, he was attached to the 283rd Medical Detachment, which evacuated wounded soldiers. Al crash-landed a helicopter in Bien Hoa Province, South Vietnam, went missing, and was declared dead February 2, 1967. He remains one of the 1,245 Americans still MIA from that war.

In other news, because the pandemic has dampened giving, in April we were able to award only 17 new Senior Alumni Scholarships at \$2,500 each for full-time students and \$1,250 each for part-time. More were qualified, but the money just wasn't there. Please give what you can to the UMaine Foundation, designating your gift for the Senior Alumni Scholarship Fund.

Until next time.

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Hello again, '66ers! After the first of the year our class leadership team of officers — **Emil Swift**, president; **Bruce**

Staples, vice president; **Barb Bristol Paiton**, secretary/treasurer; **Nancy Erikson Ladd**, class agent; and myself, class correspondent — had a productive Zoom meeting with Alumni office staff to initiate plans for our 55th Class Reunion. A June survey indicated that most classmates wished to postpone our class Reunion until September 2022, when more people could attend. Anyone who wishes to attend the September 17, 2021 Senior Alumni Reunion in Orono is welcome. Having celebrated our 50th Reunion, we are all Senior Alumni. A recent message from **Karol** (aka Flower) **Wasylshyn** matches the hopes of us all. She is “hoping we’ll be celebrating ‘live’ in Orono in September and that it will include some dancing and those pizzas at Pat’s!” Keep your eyes peeled for future developments.

On with further news. **Karol** also reported that businesses have started to open up in Philadelphia so that she feels less like a zombie, limited to doing her consulting psychology practice mostly by Zoom. Small world desk: I mentioned to her that the sheriff in the county where I live (Wood County, OH) has the same last name as **Karol**.

Steve Gorden, who completed the pulp and paper fifth year at Maine, worked in that industry for a few years, then moved on to environmental protection, first with the Portland Water District, and then with Detroit Water and Sewage in Michigan. He moved back to Maine and is serving as Cumberland County Commissioner and president of the Maine County Commissioners Association.

Arnold Morris retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in the late ‘80s from the Army Medical Service Corps, where he worked for 23 years primarily in military hospital administration. He and his wife met while stationed at an evac hospital in Vietnam, got engaged in Moscow, and took a leave from Germany to get married in Minnesota! They now live in Camden, DE, and have seven children and eight grandchildren spread across the country. Got a brief note from **Mark Kinney**, in which he asked if my email address meant that I had worked at BGSU

(yes, **Mark**, for 44 years, retired 6/1/17) because he had taught at the University of Toledo (UT), 27 miles up I-75 from me, for 25 years. He and wife, **Nancy Pearson Kinney** ‘65, ‘70G, now live in Presque Isle, but the one in Michigan, not Maine. They enjoy the activities afforded by Lake Huron. My wife and I love Traverse City, MI, **Mark**, and get up there at least once a year.

That appears to be it for this go-round. I’ll be back at the keyboard sometime in September composing for the winter ‘22 issue, so feel free to send news between now and then. Stay well and keep all crossable body parts crossed for an on-site Reunion in September!

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Greetings to all.

There wasn’t much news this time. Please communicate so your classmates know how you’re doing.

Stanley Koski lives in Augusta, ME. He joined Central Maine Power Company shortly after graduating from the University of Maine, and spent more than 41 years with the company, retiring in 2010 as a senior electrical engineer.

Elementary education major **Charlene Knox Farris** ‘68G retired from her position of Searsport Elementary School fifth grade teacher in 2011, after having taught in several Maine towns for a total of 40 years. Since then, she has been a substitute teacher in the Searsport High School, having followed her last fifth grade class up through the grades to graduation. COVID-19 put her subbing on pause. She hopes to return to being with the students in the fall.

Many thanks to **Brenda Erickson**, who sent a Christmas letter. She reported:

“I am faring well and, ex-

cept for missing my museums and concerts, have very few complaints.

“About seven of us in the neighborhood spend time socially distancing in one of their yards. We needed to talk to someone other than ourselves. My contribution was to make cocktails on Friday afternoon, as if for most of us the day of the week mattered. My view — if a cocktail has lots of fruit juice, it is a food. I even made quarantine, which seemed appropriate.

“I did escape for five weeks to the Adirondacks, renting the same cabin I have had for years. I can still make the drive in one day. My sister Ruth came over from her place in Vermont, so I was not totally isolated. I am on a lake where I go kayaking while also walking around the area.

“I did help a friend document her art collection. She was at loose ends after the death of her husband. So, I spent Tuesdays entering data into an Excel file. Actually, it was a very pleasant break to get to know her pieces of art and to revisit some of the artists that I know and to learn about a number of new ones.

“A friend of mine had her house all cleaned and reorganized within a month of the lockdown. Mine is as chaotic as ever despite trying to do some well-needed disposal. Per usual, I seem to accumulate paper faster than I can toss it. My only gain is that I keep finding books that I have not finished. So, I have finished them and to my delight most of the endings were more compelling than the beginnings. Our local little free libraries have been active and not just because of me.

“Not my usual ramble but that is what confinement will do for the soul.”

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Tom Maines ‘00G retired as boys’ basketball coach at Morse High School in Bath, ME, after

an amazing career. Tom is a member of the New England Basketball Hall of Fame and the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame. He began coaching high school basketball in 1968 and became one of the most successful high school basketball coaches in Maine history.

David Broadbent ‘74G wrote that he and his wife, **Paulette Stanchfield Broadbent** ‘69, live in Florida for the winter and early spring months in a small condo in North Palm Beach. In April they leave Florida to spend the summer months and early fall in their beloved Blueberry Cottage in Prospect Harbor. Although David has retired as pastor of the United Methodist Church, he is still appointed to serve as pastor at the Franklin United Methodist Community Church in Franklin, ME, for the summer. Paulette is a retired teacher and enjoys making outfits for 18-inch dolls and donating them to the Haitian ministry.

Bob and Shirley Hanson McCarthy wrote that they remained at their home in Pennsylvania during the COVID epidemic but were able to get over to their shore home from time to time.

As for me, I’ve been developing educational curricular materials, writing short stories, and teaching second grade through distance learning, and I am finally able to say,

“Isn’t it hopeful to see the light at the end of the tunnel in terms of the pandemic?”

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Hello, classmates! As I write this in mid-March, the wind is gusting, snow is disappearing, and some perennials are beginning to sprout. All of us have made it through year one of the pandemic. **Bill** and I have had our second shots and are looking forward to spending Easter with our grandchildren.

Drucilla Day Beal has become director of nursing at The Lincoln Home in

Damariscotta. Drucilla and her husband live on a farm in Woolwich with a llama, horse, chickens, and alpacas.

Mike Siviski has retired after over three decades as football coach at Winslow, where he won more than 250 games, seven state championships, and 11 regional championships.

David L. Bronson, MD, MACP was awarded the Alfred Stengel Memorial Award for Outstanding Service to the American College of Physicians, a national organization of internists.

David is professor (emeritus) of medicine at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University. He has also received numerous honors for teaching, academic leadership, and community service, including the Career Award from the University of Maine Alumni Association, University of Vermont's Distinguished Academic Achievement Award, and the Phillips Medal of Public Service from Ohio University.

Classmates, wherever you are and whatever you do in the

next few months, stay well and keep in touch.

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A cheery hello to all (I say "cheery" because as I write this in April, the snow is finally beginning to go here in Steamboat — and, yes, I should be used to this by now!). Hopefully, this will find you all doing well. I'm not quite sure why COVID is reducing the amount of news we are receiving, but it is. Let's hope that the next column will be more exciting!

Stephen King's Hon. '87 L.H.D. new novel, *Later*, has been published for all to read. *Later* is the third book in the Hard Case Crime series. Briefly,

the novel is about Jamie Conklin, raised by a single mother, looking back on his childhood. This is no ordinary kid (does that come as a surprise to any of us?!) — Jamie is able to see and communicate with the dead. In fact, they are compelled to tell the truth when Jamie asks a question. Now throw a dirty cop into the mix and out pops a riveting novel!

We recently lost a very special classmate, **George Smith**, after a four-year battle with ALS (also known as Lou Gehrig's disease). This is someone who I wish I had had the honor to meet. Some of you might remember George as executive director of the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine — others of you for his weekly editorials and travel columns in the *Kennebec Journal* and *Morning Sentinel*. I'd like to add this quote by Maine Governor Janet Mills: "An avid sportsman, a prolific writer, and a good-natured friend to all, George Smith was the very embodiment of the character of Maine: strong but kind, independent but compassionate, wise but humble."

I received a note from **John McGrail**, who wished to let our engineering classmates know of the passing of Dr. **Dick Nightingale** '58, '60G, a structural engineering professor "that all of us 1970 engineering grads had for several classes and who was admired by us all." John's email included two great memories — the professor's sense of humor and how he never let a "teaching moment" slip by unnoticed. Throughout his 40-year career as an engineer, John writes how one of the professor's lessons would pop into his mind and "give him a hand!" And, John — I'm glad you didn't find your name on the list (LOL) — and I'm glad to know that I have someone keeping me informed!

Well, that's all for this column. My new motto has become "Just breathe" — so I pass that on to all of you! (I can hear my youngest groan and say, "Really, Mum?") What can I say?!

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We're looking forward to seeing classmates at Reunion on September 17. Please come — the more, the merrier! Check UMaineAlumni.com or the Class of '71 Facebook page for details.

As we approach our 50th Reunion, let's share memories of our years on campus.

Karen Boucias sent hers: "Arriving at the University of Maine in 1967, I was thrilled because those ivy-covered brick buildings were etched in my mind as the perfect campus.

"My four years could not have been more enjoyable or meaningful. As you remember, at orientation we chose our first semester classes, met other new students, and, in my case, left with roommates selected for fall. Those roommates became good friends, and I still have lunch several times a year with my closest roommate, a long-term friend now of 50 years. I got an excellent education that prepared me for graduate school and life beyond.

"Although I left Maine after graduating, I was thrilled to have the opportunity to return, and spent most of my career at the College of our hearts always."

Please send your memories and/or news to **Barbara McCarthy Allen** at the above address.

See you in September!

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I am saddened to open with the death of **Russ Martin** in late April.

Russ was the longtime vice president and president of the Class of '72 as well as president of the Kennebec Valley Alumni Chapter. He worked in the



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Classmates responded to news of Russ's death with unanimous praise and phrases like this one: "He was indeed a loyal Maine alum and a dedicated class president and will be missed."

There weren't any clippings this time, and I used up all my what-I've-been-doing-during-the-pandemic news plus tidbits from friends' emails, etc. in the last issue.

I was reminiscing about March 17 in Orono. More specifically about places like Pat's, Gambino's, and the Rock. And the green beer they used to serve. And how the weather was often the worst of spring — dreary raw weather, sometimes with some sleety precip thrown in. Ring any bells?

And now I'll make a plea for you to send me some news. You may think that if you aren't doing anything noteworthy, it's not worth writing me. But most of us have not been doing anything especially interesting for the past year! So please, drop me a line and tell me what you learned about yourself during the pandemic, how you spent your time, if you accomplished anything you wouldn't have done otherwise. Or just let me know any news you'd like to share with classmates.

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Brenda Cook '75, '81G was in touch via email from her home in San Rafael, CA, down the road from me. She has been on the West Coast since 2007, when she lived in Sacramento, working for Sacramento State. Brenda also worked for Dominican University of California and Stanford Medical. One of her sons is in North Carolina working on his Ph.D. at Duke and her other son is applying to medical school. We hope to get together once the pandemic is over.

We have sad news of the passing of **Max Dawson**, retired Bath police chief, and **Glenn Adams**, retired AP reporter. Glenn and I worked together on the *Maine Campus* way back when. Our condolences to their families.

Steve and I have a new granddaughter, Enid, born to our youngest daughter, Susan, and her husband, James, in Leeds, UK.

Please take a moment to let us know how you are coping these days.

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As I write on this day of Maine statehood, March 15, it's *really* cold. Don and I regained our Maine residency and actually enjoyed the winter. The beauty of a Maine winter, especially on our lake, is pretty amazing. I've been able to watch our pair of bald eagles every day and keep our chickadees and titmice fat and happy with sunflower seeds, not to mention the pesky squirrels. And let's all hope that life will get back to normal in the not-too-distant future. Now for the news.

Anthony Anderson has made



Maine Public Advocate **Barry Hobbins** '73 retired in June. Barry practiced law in Saco and served 13 terms in the Maine Legislature. He was appointed public advocate in 2017 by Maine Governor Paul LePage '75G, and represented the public's interests before the Maine Public Utilities Commission.

a name for himself in the arts world. Last summer he juried an art show titled "Land and Sea" for Rivers Arts in Damariscotta. He is the founder and publisher of Maine Gallery + Studio Guide that is celebrating its 21st anniversary. He believes the Maine art scene is second to none and his mission is to promote and advance it. Anthony's degree was in communications. He and his wife, Suzanne, live on the water at Lucerne-in-Maine.

Stan Hill reports that he retired from W.D. Matthews in Auburn after 42 years. Stan, who lives in Turner, ME, also retired from L.L. Bean's 2nd shift in November 2019 after 13 years. He is now the proud grandfather of a little girl.

Dave Halligan '79G is back in the news! He was named the National Federation of State High School Associations boys' soccer Coach of the Year for the 2019-2020 school year. His Falmouth High School team won the 2019 Class A boys' soccer title. This is the second time in Dave's coaching career he has been named a national Coach of the Year. In 1998 he earned the honor from the United Soccer Coaches.

His comment on the award: "It's humbling. It really is. Sometimes you do things, and you don't know if anyone notices. But this honor means we've been surrounded by a lot of good people. It's a program

award because if you don't have a solid program, good kids, good administration, good parents, good community, you don't win things like this. And it's a cumulative effect. It's what you've done for a number of years." Congratulations, Coach!

After a long career in the newspaper world, as a prolific and curious historian, and as the face of Bangor City Hall, **Dick Shaw** has retired. On January 25, Dick was recognized by the Bangor (ME) City Council with a proclamation naming him Bangor's honorary historian along with a key to the city.

Dick's true love is history and he has written eight books about the history of Bangor and other eastern Maine towns. Clearly his work as an editorial assistant at the *Bangor Daily News* gave him access to a wealth of newspaper clippings. His home is full of carefully assembled and archived clippings, photographs, and manuscripts. Dick credits his mother for his love of history because of the many day trips they took to explore historical sites. He was destined to be a history teacher, but the impact of a professor steered him on a new journey. Later he was mentored by **James Vickery** '50, '93 Hon. LHD, also a Bangor historian, who generously shared his knowledge of Maine history. Enjoy your retirement!

We were notified by **Dave Peterson** '73 about the death of **Lawrence "Larry" Morris**, Ph.D. He passed away on February 24, 2021 from cancer. Larry taught in the forestry and soils department at the University of Georgia and was an inspiration and mentor to many.

Dave commented, "I remember Larry for his optimism, goofy sense of humor, and endless energy. While he loved his all-the-time cups of coffee, he didn't need the caffeine." Larry was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and ran indoor and outdoor track. If anyone is interested, his family is setting up a GoFundMe to create a scholarship in his name at the Warnell School of Forest Resources at the University of Georgia. You can search it by going to the GOFUNDME site and searching Fundraiser for Sue Morris.

Our condolences to Larry's family.

That's all the news. Stay safe. Remember your alma mater in your charitable giving. Go Blue!

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So great to be enjoying warmer weather and the vaccination program perhaps meaning the end of this long year.

I was so fortunate to get to spend some time on campus recently while visiting my daughter and new grandson. It was perfect early spring weather and the campus looked beautiful. I was struck how different the experience is for the students there now during the time of COVID as compared to the freedoms we had while there.

Claire Strickland retired as chief business officer for the University of Maine this past fall after a 45-year career on campus. A special scholarship was set up in her honor to benefit juniors and seniors in the humanities. I am sure she is greatly missed.

Susan Cook is a licensed psychologist in Yarmouth, ME.

I was so glad to receive an email from **Jim Angell**. Jim attempted to semi-retire in 2017 after 38 years of a full-time law practice, a litigator, prosecutor, municipal attorney, and college instructor. His plan had been to do only real estate law, but since real estate has been booming since then, he is busier than ever. Over the years he has coached championship high school baseball and played senior ice hockey in the U.S., Canada, and Sweden.

I was also pleased to receive news from **John Kimball**, who retired in the fall of 2020 after nearly 45 years in banking in and around eastern and central Maine. For the last 10 years he was vice president of Skowhegan Savings Bank.

Please send me your news for the next issue.

Wishing you a happy summer.

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Hello, classmates,

As you are reading this summer issue of the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*, I am hoping that you are all well and that your life has started to return to some sort of normalcy.

I haven't heard from many

'76ers during the past few months, but I do have some news to share about our classmates. I'm hoping now that many of you are retired and perhaps have some more free time, you can send me an email to update your classmates about what you've been up to!

Regina Vasilatos-Younken has retired from her position as vice provost for graduate education and dean of the Graduate School of Penn State after 45 years at the university. After graduating from UMaine in '76 she began her career at Penn State as a graduate assistant and earned her doctorate in animal nutrition in 1982. She joined the Penn State faculty as an assistant professor in poultry science in 1983 and was promoted to full professor in 1999.

Emily Stebbins Carbonetti was featured in December 2020 UMaine News. After graduating, Emily and her husband, **Richard "Carbo" Carbonetti** '77, moved to Vermont's Northeast Kingdom, where she was an elementary school teacher at a small community school in Glover, and Carbo pursued a career as a forester. Emily retired after 39 years of teaching and shared some advice for new teachers in the article.

There's news from **Dennis Bailey**, whose ordeal with COVID-19 was described in the winter *MAINE Alumni Magazine*. Dennis said, "I had some time on my hands in the hospital so I wrote a book. They're all here: red snappers, Moxie, fiddleheads, bean hole beans, and yes even lobster." *Eat Like a Local - Maine: Maine Food Guide* was published in February.

The Coastal Mountains Land Trust has recognized **Thomas Jackson**, of Jackson Landscaping, as the 2020 recipient of the William J. Zwartjes Volunteer Award in honor of his work as the first Land Trust board chairman.

Dean of the University of Maine School of Law **Leigh Ingalls Sautley** was inducted into the Maine Women's Hall of Fame last spring. Leigh was Maine's first woman to serve as chief justice. She became a district court judge in 1990, and chief justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court in 2001.

Bangor School Department Athletic Director **Steve Vanidestine** '81G was featured in a *Bangor Daily News* article about his efforts to upgrade the Cameron Stadium complex in Bangor. Steve, who taught and coached football at Bangor High School, is in his 37th year as the school's athletic director. During his tenure, Bangor High teams have won 73 state championships.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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Greetings, classmates! Welcome to summer 2021. I hope you are enjoying the nice summer weather, as we all ponder and muddle our way through post-vaccination "COVID normal."

Here's the latest news from our classmates:

I received a very nice email from **Donald Breen**. He retired in 2017 from the Department of the Army at Fort Drum, NY, with over 32 years of federal civilian service. He and his wife live in Theresa, NY, and have two grown children. Pre-COVID they enjoyed family day trips to Kingston and Ottawa, Ontario, and Toronto. They also visited Ireland and hope to return once the virus has run its course or something near global immunity prevails. Meanwhile, Don enjoys getting out and fishing.

Richard Balentine '83G has been inducted into the inaugural Hampden Academy Athletic Hall of Fame. Richard was Hampden Academy's varsity girls' and boys' cross country coach from 1979 to 2016. He also coached indoor track and boys' varsity basketball and taught in RSU 22 for 41 years.

Phillip Mateja G has retired after a 47-year career primarily working as an athletic trainer, including 13 years as AT at the University of Maine. In Phil's words, "It has been a good run. I've enjoyed what I've done. It's time to shift gears and go in a different direction." After his wife of nearly 43 years, Judy, passed away unexpectedly in June 2020, Phil decided to retire and move to Saco, where he is closer to his son and grandchildren.

John Burns recently announced his semi-retirement after serving more than 20 years as the managing director of Maine Venture Fund, a quasi-governmental entity that works with businesses and entrepreneurs to help secure venture capital funding. John, his wife, Nancy White, and their daughters Sylvia and Lili planned to celebrate his semi-retirement with a cross-country trip this summer.

Finally, I have some news of my own. I am thrilled to report that, after 42 years of living in exile, I have returned to Maine! My husband and I moved back to Bar Harbor last November. The new house was supposed to be completed by then, but five months later, construction still continues.

Trust me when I say this has been a crash course in Home Building 101. Even though the move did not go according to plan, I am over the moon happy to be here and look forward to getting settled once the dust, quite literally, settles. Do get in touch if you are ever in the area!

That's it for now. I don't know what in-person activities will look like in 2021 but remain optimistic that life as we used to know it will slowly return. If you are fortunate enough to get together with UMaine friends and classmates this summer, please take pictures and send them along. Meanwhile, best to all of you — take care and stay well!

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Dear classmates,

How did you fare during the pandemic? What did you do to maintain a measure of physical and mental health during the past year? I hope you'll be willing to share the things that helped you make the most of our collective time of stay-at-home orders and social distancing. I found listening to podcasts helped me stay sane. Netflix is great, but that meant staying close to the television or laptop. However, I could ask Alexa to play a podcast and continue going about my daily chores. It was a lifesaver!

Charles Beck retired from his 40-year career at Maine Public Radio. He graduated with a double major in broadcasting and music, then joined Maine Public Broadcasting in 1980 as a reporter, announcer, and the classical music host. After 10 years at MBPN, Charles took a leave of absence to earn his master's degree in communication management. Upon returning to MPBN, he focused on the management and programming aspects of the network. In the words of Senator Angus King to Charles, "You've been a presence in Maine for the past 40 years. But most of all, you've been our friend . . . you've been the voice of public broadcasting and you've done that with integrity and spirit and good humor."

The Maine Republican party reelected **Demi Kouzounas**, a Saco dentist, as their chairperson. She was first elected as the party's chair in 2017, succeeding Rick Bennett in spite of her shorter political resume.

Demi's dental practice, Dunstan Dental Center in Scarborough, is a family affair. Her fellow doctors include her husband **Joe Penna '77**, their daughter Nichol, and son-in-law Doug Delli Colli.

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Happy summer! Hope you are all healthy and happy, and enjoying some fun in the sun!

Dan Warren writes: "My daughter, Sophie Warren, age 25, just got elected to the Maine House of Representatives. It was her first try at political office. She graduated from Brandeis in 2019, then did a Washington, DC, internship with Senator Angus King, and then was part of the national Bernie Sanders for President campaign, working in Iowa, New Hampshire, Nevada, and California. Many members of my fraternity, Beta Theta Pi, and my class from the University of Maine were helpful in her campaign. Among them: **Steve Bishop** and **Tim O'Neil** from the Class of '79, and **Peter Madigan '81**. A fellow member of the *Daily Maine Campus* student newspaper, **Nancy McCallum '79**, also provided valuable advice to Sophie."

The Hampden (Maine) Academy Hall of Fame recently inducted its inaugural class. Among the new members was **Tom Stephenson**. Tom was a multisport athlete at Hampden, playing football, basketball, indoor track, baseball, and outdoor track. Tom won between six and ten individual state track and field championships in a variety of events. He holds the state of Maine and Hampden Academy record in the 60-yard dash and also held the state of Maine record in the 300-yard run. Tom went on to be a four-year scholarship athlete in track and field at Orono, lettering three years in outdoor track and four years in indoor track.

Richard Erb, president/CEO of the Maine Health Care Association, retired from this position in the spring. MHCA is a non-profit trade association representing 200 Maine nursing homes and assisted living/residential care facilities. Prior to his appointment in 2001, he served as a CEO in local and county government in Maine and New York for over 20 years. He began his career as a town manager at age 21, immediately after receiving a bachelor's degree in public management from Orono.



Leigh Ingalls Sauflay '76 (left) and Joanne D'Arcangelo '79G were inducted into the Maine Women's Hall of Fame in March. The Hall of Fame honors women whose achievements have had a significant statewide impact, improved the lives of women, and championed equality for women and girls. Sauflay is former chief justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court, and now serves as dean of the University of Maine School of Law. D'Arcangelo is an activist and political strategist, policy advocate, and lobbyist.

He received a master's degree in community and rural development from Cornell University. He was a member of the Beta Class of Leadership Maine and has served on the boards of several nonprofit organizations and legislative commissions. He and his wife, **Shannon Feero Erb '86**, plan to stay in Maine.

Congratulations to **Joanne D'Arcangelo G**, who was inducted into the Maine Women's Hall of Fame in March. Joanne is a longtime advocate, activist, and leader in Maine's nonprofit, political, and social justice communities. During the virtual event, Gov. Janet Mills cited D'Arcangelo's "unshakable belief in social justice," which has guided her work.

If you have any news please drop me a line or send me a message through our class Facebook page — University of Maine Class of 1979. We would enjoy hearing from you.

1980

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Hi everyone, I hope you were able to stay healthy and keep your sense of humor through the pandemic.

Now that we are returning to some semblance of normal, I hope you are able to plan some summer fun and enjoy vacation time.

Please take a moment to send your news. Job, new interest, change of address? We want to hear from you!



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Hope this finds you all well and vaccinated! We've certainly adjusted our lives in the past year, and I'm hopeful that this summer will be a bit more normal than last. It was a long winter without UMaine sports, but I think we all became better cooks and got many projects done around home. We've lived through history but have missed so many things that we once took for granted. Let's hope we emerge from this with a better appreciation for the little things.

I expected to be announcing plans for Homecoming 2021, our 40th Reunion, in this issue. As I write this, we're unable to make plans so the best I can do is say, "stay tuned for updates!" Please join our Facebook page and follow along for announcements there. Share some of your own photos from your archives and let's relive those special college days through pictures and stories. Check the Alumni Association's website for updates. And let's hope that we'll be able to raise our steins together in the fall!

You'd think my inbox would have been full with everyone quarantining and online more than ever, but news has actually been scarce! One classmate did hit it out of the park, so to speak, as **Jon Perry** was chosen for the inaugural class of the Hampden Academy Athletic

Hall of Fame. Along with his success as a Hampden Bronco, Jon played four years as a Black Bear and was named an All-Yankee Conference second team first baseman in 1980. He was a starter on the 1981 College World Series squad. During his career, he has served as an assistant coach at Connecticut and Husson University, and was head coach at Old Town and Hermon high schools. He has been active as a sports official, served as a high school athletic administrator for 11 years, and is currently Hampden Academy's head baseball coach. Congrats, Jon!

In other baseball-related news, **David Barrett** wrote that his son, **Joel '08**, played for UMaine for four years and was team captain his junior and senior years. When he graduated, he was #2 in hits all time for UMaine! David is enjoying retirement now with his wife, Nancy, in Central Florida and lives in Solivita, a 55+ resort community. Following graduation, he spent six years in town management in Brownville and Machias. After that, he worked for the Maine Department of Corrections for 31 years, primarily as an administrator in juvenile corrections. He has a son, daughter, and four grandchildren, and says, "Life is good!"

George Fox is assistant vice president of supply chain at Good Shepherd Food Bank in Auburn and is responsible for helping the food bank grow its capacity to feed food-insecure Mainers. George previously held engineering and operational leadership roles at L.L. Bean for more than 20 years.

I connected with **Bob Daugherty** on LinkedIn recently. He retired as an Air Force colonel 15 years ago and said he picked up a master's degree and Ph.D. along the way. He lives in Alexandria, VA, these days and is getting ready to retire from the civil service within the next year.

A shout out to **Jim Mercer**, captain of the Black Bear men's basketball team back in our day. He's been in the suntan lotion business for years and serves as chief operations officer for Cross-Brands Contract Filling, located in West Melbourne, FL. The company acquired the iconic Sea & Ski sun care brand in 2016. In 2020, with the onset of the pandemic, the FDA-regulated facility shifted their focus to producing sanitizers to supply local first responders and even Disney. A connection with Jim's former coach at UMaine, **Skip Chappelle '62**, resulted in a supply of sanitizers being donated to the Department of Athletics for use by the Black Bear student-athletes. It has been a challenging year and a half for all sports teams and the continued alumni support has been greatly appreciated. Let's hope we

return to a more normal schedule for the 2021-2022 seasons — with spectators allowed!

As we have now crossed another milestone as alumni — 40 years since graduating — please remember your days on campus and help to ensure a strong future for UMaine with a gift to our class scholarship fund or another worthy fund on campus. Our scholarship award this past year was under \$400 — that doesn't go far these days. At last check, the principal was around \$12,000. If 40 percent of our class gave 40 dollars each, we could raise more than \$25,000 for the fund — how 'bout it?

Be well, respect the health of others, and let's kick this virus so we can spend some time celebrating this fall!

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As we reach the halfway point in 2021, we can look back to a year unlike any other. I know we are all looking forward to a more normal existence in the year ahead. Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic, Class of '82 alums have been very active.

We received an email from **Stephen Lauritsen**, who retired from his career as an optometrist after 34 years—the last 29 in private practice in Falmouth. Stephen reports that he sold his practice and retired in December 2020, adding: "What better year to retire for an optometrist than 2020! My wife, **Lee Hodgins Lauritsen** '85, '01G, and I bought our retirement home on Lake Arrowhead in Limerick in 2019."

We also heard from **Sybil Turner-Pressprich**, who recently retired after a 24-year career at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she served as director of career services in the Continuing Studies Department. She's now spending time with her husband and family exploring the region's many parks and natural areas, and looking forward to some traveling—including a trip to her home state of Maine.

Jamie Russell, girls' basketball coach at Central High School in Corinth, ME, reached the 400-win milestone — a feat only achieved by 27 Maine high school coaches. The win was the 60th in his fourth season at Central. Previously, he amassed 340 wins over his 32 years coaching boys' teams at Central, Penobscot Valley High in Howland,

and Piscataquis Community High in Guilford.

Cynthia Rand Stephenson was inducted into the Hampden Academy Hall of Fame. A 1978 graduate of the academy, Cynthia was the school's career basketball scoring leader for both boys and girls, with 1,580 points. She was selected to the Eastern Maine Class A All-Tournament Team in 1974 and 1975 and to the All-East and *Bangor Daily News* All-Maine teams in '75 through '78. She was also a four-year starter on the academy's softball team.

Camden National Bank promoted **Timothy Nightingale G** to executive vice president and chief credit officer. He joined the bank more than 20 years ago and most recently served as executive vice president and senior loan officer.

Jeffrey Hamilton was elected chair of the board of directors of the Penobscot Regional Chamber of Commerce. Jeffrey owns JA Hamilton Consulting, a business consulting firm based in Rockport. Before starting his consulting practice, he held leadership positions in the manufacturing industry. He also serves as a member of the Rockport Select Board.

Nancy Wanderer was featured in a *Bangor Daily News* article on her challenges dealing with multiple myeloma, a type of blood cancer, including the financial hurdles. In addition to earning a Certificate of Advanced Study at UMaine in '82, she taught at the UMaine Law School for 25 years before retiring to Falmouth. We wish Nancy all the best in her struggle with this unforgiving disease.

Wishing everyone in the Class of '82 a happy and healthy second half of 2021. 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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Steve Spear has retired from the federal government after 35 years of service with the department of defense in Washington, DC. Steve and his wife, Patty, raised two boys and retired to North Carolina. Steve tries to return to Maine each summer/fall. He says choosing to attend the University of Maine

was the best decision he made in high school.

Paul Tukey has written a book about the U.S. women's national soccer team. Paul is the former publisher of *People, Places and Plants* magazine and is the director of environmental stewardship for the Glenstone Museum in Maryland.

Award-winning war correspondent **Janine de Giovanni** received the University of Maine 2020 Bernard Lown '42 Humanitarian Award. Janine has written about some of the most notable wars, genocides, and humanitarian crises of our lifetime. Her career has spanned more than three decades sharing the stories of people forever marked by war. In April, Janine gave the university's Alan Miller lecture, followed by a question and answer period, which was presented virtually.

Robert Lucy '87G was hired by MSAD 75 to serve as a temporary superintendent in February and March 2021 to fill in for the current superintendent, who was called to active duty with the Maine Army National Guard.

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Hello, Class of '84! I hope that by the time you are reading this, we are mostly done with the pandemic. It appears that we may not entirely rid ourselves of it, but we can look forward to getting together for dinners, weddings, and parties. In the last issue, I asked you where you plan to go and what you plan to do once life returns to "normal."

Personally, I hope to visit family in New Brunswick. I have aunts and uncles who I have not seen in a couple of years. In addition, my husband and I had a 30th wedding anniversary trip planned for May 2020. We have not rescheduled it yet, but hope to be able to do that. We are also looking forward to UMaine football games and tailgating.

Our youngest graduated from the University of Connecticut this spring. We were able to take a mini-vacation to celebrate with him. Because we had been unable to travel due to COVID restrictions, it felt like a big deal to leave the state. So, now we are a family of three accountants and one actuary. I do not know how that happened.

Oak Point Associates has announced the transfer of ownership to eight newly promoted principals,

including **Peter Dunn**. Peter's primary role is contract manager and supervisory project manager for Navy projects as well as quality assurance coordinator for the firm. Oak Point is an architecture and engineering firm with offices in Biddeford, ME, and Portsmouth, NH.

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management selected **Greg Lloyd** as their recipient of the 2019 Special Agent of the Year Award. Greg was recognized for his long and successful law enforcement career protecting the resources of federal public lands and his positive relationship-building with a large variety of law enforcement agencies and local communities in Oregon and Washington. After UMaine, Greg earned a master's at Penn State and worked for the National Park Service as a law enforcement ranger.

I hope to go to Orono and have lunch with a friend soon. I plan to go to campus and check out the progress on the new engineering building. In addition, many of you probably saw the large donation from the Alford Foundation. One of the recipients of the Alford gift will be UMaine athletics. I am excited to see the plans for new and upgraded facilities. I would love for all home athletic contests to be played on campus, where there is so much energy and excitement!

That is all for now. Send me your news and I will put it in the next issue. Stay safe!

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The year 2021 is feeling optimistic! By the time you read this, I hope that we are all back to hugging family and friends — and enjoying "together-in-person" time again.

Calen Colby '91G was elected to serve as a trustee for the University of New England, which has campuses in Biddeford and Portland, ME. Calen is the co-owner and president of Colby Company, a one-stop shop for mechanical, plumbing, fire protection, electrical, structural and civil engineering, and architecture based in Portland, ME. Congratulations, Calen!

Peter Reid '89G is assistant dean of the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture on campus. He previously worked for the University of Maine System, with other departments on the UMaine campus, and also became the board

chair of the Orono-based University Credit Union last winter.

What changes have you made as you navigate the pandemic? Move? New job? Retire? Your UMaine friends would like to know. Please drop me an email and share your news!

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Greetings, Class of 1986! It was an easy winter here in my corner of Maine. The plow guy only visited once, signifying just one unmanageable snow storm. It was a great winter to get outside every day and I did a lot of that. Ice fishing is really about walking across beautiful frozen bodies of water, and I highly recommend it as you make plans for the winter of 2021-2022.

It was slim pickings in the alumni news envelope, and apparently, our classmates sometimes write the news instead of make it! I'm happy to see that **Jessica Lowell** is now covering business and economic development for the *Kennebec Journal*. In addition to this and general news, she frequently moderates the *Morning Sentinel/Kennebec Journal Business Breakfast Forums*. Jessica has worked for newspapers in New Hampshire, upstate New York, and Wyoming, and won awards for investigative and explanatory journalism. She is a Fellow of the Knight Center for Specialized Journalism and the Institute for Journalism and Natural Resources.

Alexander Diotte was promoted to deputy director of land surveying at Nitsch Engineering. He will continue to serve as senior project manager on projects while taking on additional responsibilities. Alex has more than 36 years of experience in land surveying, including fieldwork, research, calculations, drafting, and project management for surveys ranging from Boston-based projects, to airports, college campuses, and bicycle trails.

After 29 years of dedication to wildlife science, education, and research, **Jonathan Jenks** G retired from South Dakota State University in January, 2021. Jonathan earned his master's degree in wildlife management from the college of our hearts always in 1986, and then went on complete his Ph.D. in wildlife and fisheries ecology from Oklahoma State

University. His esteemed career of educating, writing, and mentoring has spanned many subjects and species of wildlife, but he's most enjoyed bighorn sheep, whitetail deer, and the mountain lions that have recolonized the Black Hills of South Dakota and the Badlands of North Dakota. Much of his work has influenced South Dakota's Game, Fish, and Parks' management strategies and will be carried into the future through the many students he's taught and mentored. He says he will miss teaching, but plans to spend more time with his hobbies of hunting, fishing, and traveling the country with his wife, Gail.

Retirement! It's hard to believe it's happening to us — I would love hearing about your plans for it. Take care and don't forget to raise the steins a few times this summer!

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Hello, Class of '87,

Hopefully you have received your vaccinations and life is back to some semblance of normal.

For the past year, most of us have been hunkered down at home and not doing a whole lot. I'm optimistic that we will be able to enjoy this summer and we will be able to visit with family and friends.

Joan Gass LeMole '94G continues on the board of directors of the Penobscot Bay Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Dan Tremble was selected as chairperson of the Bangor City Council. Dan has served on the council previously, and as Penobscot County treasurer as well. Dan owns Fairmount Market and the Ground Round Grill and Bar in Bangor.

Matthew Dunlap '94G completed eight years as Maine Secretary of State and stepped down due to term limits. Matt successfully ran for Maine State Auditor after receiving much encouragement to do so. Maine's three constitutional officers are elected by the Maine House and Senate. Those offices are attorney general, state treasurer, and state auditor. Every state is a little different.

Theresa Oleksiw '93G had a short tenure of four months as Ellsworth Planning Officer, citing a poor ideological fit with Ellsworth. Theresa is currently a conservation planning consultant and lives in Freeport.



Greg Lloyd '84 received the 2019 Special Agent of the Year Award from the Bureau of Land Management. As a criminal investigator stationed in remote Eastern Oregon, his work focused on natural resource crimes on federal public lands. Greg was involved in complex investigations regarding drug trafficking organizations, thefts from protected Native American archaeological sites, and timber theft.

Dr. Ed Biggie III was elected president of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Association. For several years he has served on various boards and committees of the OVMA. He is a partner in a mixed animal practice in Millersport, OH, that covers multiple counties of the central Ohio area. The practice has six veterinarians and sees cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, horses, dogs, cats, chickens, pet birds, and some reptiles. In his spare time Ed is renovating his 120-year-old farmhouse.

Rick Elder was elected to the board of directors of the Boothbay Regional Land Trust. Rick is executive vice president at First National Bank and serves on several local boards. He and his wife, **Monica Russell Elder** '89, live in Edgecomb.

Margaret Collamore Campbell '20G is first vice president and senior operations manager for Northway Bank in New Hampshire. In April she was a panelist on an Alumni Association webinar in which she and others discussed their experience earning their MBA degrees online through UMaine's Division of Lifelong Learning.

Jeffrey Durr of Plainfield, NJ, is the senior vice president/senior partner and director of training

and management development for MassMutual/RU Financial.

The former Black Bear football player has three children. His work includes coaching and guiding advisors on how to build a comprehensive financial planning practice both in the corporate and personal marketplace.

He wrote, "During my career with Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, I have earned the National Management Council award and the Management Summit award 15 times from 1998 to 2017 and was runner up as National Sales Manager of the Year multiple times." Congratulations!

I know all of us have been in quarantine for well over a year now. But life goes on in spite of a virus. Have you received a promotion? Retired? Started a new career?

Personally, I've been working from home during the quarantine. When the office is home and home is your office, it takes some adjusting. While I don't miss the commute, I have had to deal with dueling conference calls with my wife, trash trucks, tree trimmers, and the lure of the back yard. But I think I've finally figured out how to use Zoom!

Look how far we've come since they introduced PCs at Fogler! No hard drives, no network of any kind, and those green screens!

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I remember being a freshman in Penobscot Hall when our dorm had two phones in the basement and one was for collect calls or credit cards only (it was blue in color) and the other was for local calls only. Sometimes on a Sunday night a line of students would form as we made calls to friends and families during some precious weekend time. I wonder how we would have managed a pandemic back in the 1980s given the limited communication tools available. One of my sons, Bryant, graduated from UMaine in May '20 and is now experiencing graduate school at Michigan Tech. My other son, Turner, finished his junior year at Orono. I hope that your families are finding their new normal and getting ready for a traditional summer, where we move and live a little more freely than the summer of 2020.

Mike Bordick was named to the inaugural Hampden Academy Hall of Fame in October 2020. Mike had a 14-year major league career with

the Oakland A's, Baltimore Orioles, Toronto Blue Jays, and New York Mets. At Hampden Academy, he was an All-PVC shortstop and at UMaine he started at shortstop for three years and made three college world series appearances. He also starred at the American Legion level and played in the Cape Cod league.

Dana Dupre Morrell was promoted to community services supervisor at SeniorsPlus in November and provides supervision and assistance to staff of the various Older Americans Act programs, which are managed by the community services department.

Matthew S. Albert was promoted and named a new principal of Oak Point Associates last September. The company is a Maine and New Hampshire architecture and engineering firm which was founded in 1979. It has 80 employees and provides major architecture and engineering disciplines at its offices in Biddeford, ME, and Portsmouth, NH. Matthew was one of eight other newly named principals of the firm. The company reports the transition will diversify ownership, and expects to strengthen its current markets while also exploring new sectors.

Kristin Dane DiCrocce received her Master of Science in nursing from Southern New Hampshire University, and she planned to spend last winter skiing in Bethel at Sunday River ski area. Congratulations on your accomplishments, and we are all jealous of your winter plans!

Sally Cummings reports to the class from Saint John, New Brunswick, where she is the executive director of Rocmaura Foundation. Sally finds herself getting caught up with old friends from the UMO days by scanning Facebook and LinkedIn. After graduation, Sally went back to Canada, where she started what would become a ten-year career at ATV/CTV News as a reporter and videographer. She then moved into a 13-year career in tourism at the City of St. John, a position which gave her travel experience all over North America. Sally explains that her current position as the executive director at the foundation helps raise funds to enhance the quality of life of the aging and vulnerable population that live in a nursing home that was founded by the Sisters of Charity. Sally also remembers playing in the UMaine marching band and traveling to Philadelphia when the band got to perform at a game.

She was able to visit campus a few years ago for a Homecoming event and Sally brought her daughter, who was wowed by all the campus excitement and the football game. She also writes that UMaine granted her a four-year international student tuition waiver to attend



Scott Hunnewell '88 (above with his daughter Sawyer) is the plant manager for the Tennessee Valley Authority's Sequoyah Nuclear Plant. Scott credits his days at the University of Maine, Prof. Ben Chapman, and his participation in the Mini Baja Car project for preparing him for his career in nuclear power.

school at Orono, and she says she will forever be grateful for that opportunity and the experience of a lifetime. Congratulations, Sally, and we look forward to hearing more from you!

John Brier is the founder of Mainely Matters and recently launched the largest podcast platform in Maine, which aims at highlighting Maine's leaders. John reports Mainely Matters's goal is to give their listeners a wide variety of Maine-related topics to tune into every month. These podcasts can be listened to at MainelyMatters.com, or on popular podcast broadcasters including Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Spotify, Stitcher, etc.

Gerald "Jerry" W. Hayman stepped down as the longtime chair of the board of Orono-based University Credit Union. Jerry was succeeded by **Peter Reid** '85 '89G. Jerry is director of business services for the Bangor School Department.

We want to hear from you in the next edition of *MAINE Alumni Magazine* — email or text me!

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Hello, '89ers!

There hasn't been a lot of news submitted over the last few months. Please send some updates. Your classmates want to hear from you!

Janis Broadbent Moriarty is the immediate past president of the Massachusetts Dental Society. Last year, when she assumed the role of president, she was challenged and showed tremendous leadership managing the organization throughout the coronavirus

pandemic year.

But her leadership and advocacy for dental professionals does not stop there. Please congratulate Janis for starting a new position as first trustee district representative, council on membership at the American Dental Association. You do us proud, Janis!

Timothy Pease, currently of Hampden, has been elected as one of three new directors for the Maine Justice Foundation. "The work of increasing justice only happens because of dedication of attorneys and other Maine people who volunteer their time on nonprofit boards, on state commissions, and as pro bono counsel." After serving active duty in the Air Force until 1996, Timothy received his law degree from Seattle School of Law. He works at Versant Power and has also served on his local school board and the Eastern Maine Community College Foundation.

Sad news from Southwest Harbor — **Alan Brown**, former Southwest Harbor police chief since 2015, passed away unexpectedly last October while helping relatives build a deck at a family camp on Green Lake in Ellsworth. Alan had also worked for the Hancock County Sheriff's Department since the early 1990s as a patrol deputy, and then a detective.

Peter Hallowell '91G joined Smith Farms, "a leading East Coast grower-shipper of broccoli, cauliflower, and potatoes marketed under the Stag brand," as chief financial officer. Peter, who grew up on a seed potato farm in northern Maine, has established his leadership in finance and the agriculture industry, especially by managing the Northern Maine Region for Farm Credit East, ACA, for 23 years. He is currently president of the Northern Maine Ag Foundation. Peter will be working with the Smith family in Presque Isle, ME, and St. Augustine, FL.

That's all for now. Happy summer!

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I hope you are having a good summer. I am sure glad that summer is finally here. We can't believe our daughter, Kayla, has already finished her first year at UMaine. The year just flew by. We are very happy she is home for the summer.

In November 2020, **Kathy Harris-Smedberg** G, '19 Ph.D. became the interim superintendent

for the Bangor School Department, the fourth largest public school district in Maine. She had been the assistant superintendent for about four years. Previously, Kathy headed curriculum development, teacher training, and supervised the gifted and talented program.

Dale Hamilton '92G is the executive director of Community Health & Counseling Services, a non-profit community-based healthcare organization serving communities across Maine. Dale is also the chairman of the Ellsworth City Council.

Amy Daviau Brockner G is the assistant superintendent for instruction at Pine Bush Central School District in New York State. Amy was a classroom teacher, assistant principal, and principal before accepting this position.

Susan Crisman Metevier accompanied her father, Don Crisman, to Super Bowl LV in Tampa last February. This was her dad's 55th straight Super Bowl. He is one of three super fans that have attended every single Super Bowl game.

Released in August 2020, *Black Bear's Adventure: An Appalachian Trail Journey* is a soft cover 48-page children's book written by **Emily Theriault Leonard** and illustrated by twin sisters **Laurie Joy Miller** and **Lisa Joy Jones** '89. The children's book is about Emily's Appalachian Trail adventure and introduces children to hiking, outdoor exploration, and camping. Also, there is a 36-page companion booklet that includes worksheets, a journal section, and fun facts about the trail, hiking, and leave no trace outdoor ethics. Emily's trail name was "Black Bear." Emily hiked the trail in 2015 and 2017 and plans to hike it again in 2022. You can purchase the book and companion booklet at emilyscapes.com.

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Thirty years! Can you believe we graduated that long ago! While it would be great to start planning how to mark that milestone at a big reunion weekend this fall, the Alumni Association is keeping the plans nimble. Be assured that there will be a way to celebrate, whether in person or virtually. For those of us living away, the chance to participate virtually is an exciting opportunity to join in the fun, see some familiar

faces, and share some memories. Can't wait to fill the steins to dear old Maine with you!

Until then, here is what's new with some of our classmates.

Charles Nadeau has been elected president of the James W. Sewall Company. Charles formerly served as the chief financial officer and chief operating officer for the 140-year-old Old Town company.

As we mentioned in the last column, **Heather Davison Webster** was selected as the 2020 Lincoln County Teacher of the Year. Heather teaches English at Medomak Valley High School in Waldoboro. She was then selected among the pool of county winners as one of three state finalists for Maine Teacher of the Year. Congrats, Heather!

Mary Beth Nivison Bourgoin '18G was honored as national Coach of the Year by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS). Mary Beth is the field hockey coach at Winslow, where she graduated high school in 1987. She has been Winslow's varsity coach since 2006, compiling a 173-59-5 career record, which includes the 2014 Class C state title and 2015 Class B North crown. Mary Beth also teaches U.S. history to eighth graders at Winslow Junior High.

We love to get updates from our classmates. **Jim Nute** let us know about a running/walking challenge he completed the Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend. He completed all 11 races in the Dover (New Hampshire) Race Series in one day. He offered a big thanks to his wife, fellow Black Bear **Kim Fulhan Nute** '93 for her support and for running one of the courses with him. Another big thanks went to his great friends Dianne and **Dave Bird** '87, who teamed up for the last half of the challenge. Great job, Jim!

In the category of "how we learned to use technology differently during COVID," the Collins Center for the Arts, where **Danny Williams** '94G is the executive director, utilized its ticketing system to streamline the process for weekly COVID-19 testing on campus, and they were recognized with the Innovation of the Year Award from ticketing firm Paciolan.

That's UMaine initiative at work!

Continued wishes for a safe and healthy year to you and your families. M-A-I-N-E, Gooo Blue!

1992

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Hi, Class of '92 — we'd like to know what you're up to, so we can report your news.

It doesn't have to be Olympic medal-type news. Have a new pet or hobby? Have you taken a road trip or seen any classmates recently?

This is all we have for this issue:

Brynn Riley is the clinical quality director at Anthem in Portland, ME. Last fall, she became the chair of the board of directors at Sweetser, the nonprofit community mental health provider with headquarters in Saco.

Andrew Dahl wrote to say that he graduated in May from Shenandoah University with an educational doctorate. The title of his dissertation is "Perceptions of Evaluation Accuracy: A Study in Virginia." Congratulations!

Please send updates via the UMaine Alumni Association website.

We're also looking for a class member to report the news. Please contact abigail.zelz@maine.edu if you'd like to pitch in and help.

Have a great summer!

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Happy summer, everyone! I am not hearing from a lot of people; please report what you're up to.

Classmate **Stan Martin**, of Dekalb, IL, is putting his mechanical engineering degree to work at Parker Hannifin Corporation.

What about the rest of you?

How did you use your pandemic time? Binge watching, cooking, exercising? Find a new hobby or clean out some closets? For some of us, work was busier than ever, while others had more free time.

Please be in touch!

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Greetings, classmates!

We hope you are all well and enjoying the summer. Hopefully life is returning to something closer to normal where you live. It has been a very strange year, but we are so

happy to see the COVID vaccine rollout going strong and infection rates dropping in so many parts of the country. Did you make any big changes this year? We would love to hear how this crazy year has treated you and yours — any surprise positives to report?

Andy Spaulding has been selected for the Maine Running Hall of Fame. Andy was a middle school, high school, and college runner with a collegiate career-best time of 31:35 in the 10K. After college, Andy continued to excel at running. In 2001 he was the state of Maine's top finisher in the Beach to Beacon 10K in Cape Elizabeth with a time of 31:29; the following year he won the Beach to Beacon Maine Men's division again with a time of 31:26. Andy lives in Freeport with his wife, Katie, twin sons, Will and Eli; and daughter, Josie. He is a senior account manager for Wellvation, which specializes in corporate wellness programs for employees.

Kyle Rankin's latest feature film *Run Hide Fight* was accepted into the Venice International Film Festival. When Kyle realized his passport had expired, he turned to **Patrick Doak** for help. Patrick works for Sen. Angus King, whose office was able to assist with getting Kyle's passport renewed so that he could make the trip to Venice. *Run Hide Fight* is an action thriller about a high school taken hostage by four students.

Don Erb G. '05 C.A.S. is the new boys' varsity soccer head coach at Bangor High School. Don had been the assistant coach at Bangor since 2001 and before that was coach of the Hermon High School boys' soccer team for eight years. **Rick Manning** of LCI is serving on the board of the Penobscot Bay Regional Chamber of Commerce. The board consists of 18 business and community leaders, each elected to three-year terms.

Ryan Reardon was previously the police chief in Dover-Foxcroft.

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Happy summertime, my fellow Class of 1995 alumni! I hope this finds you well, and your families healthy. I have a few small tidbits to share, so let's get to it!

Classmate **Cindy Jackson Soule** was named Maine Teacher of the Year 2021 back in October. She is a fourth-grade teacher at the Gerald E. Talbot Community School in Portland, and the award is

presented by the Maine Department of Education and nonprofit Educate Maine. Chosen from 300 nominees, Cindy received her award at an outdoor ceremony at the school with her husband and three children present. The award was given by Maine Department of Education Commissioner Pender Makin and Educate Maine Executive Director Jason Judd. Also in attendance were Portland Public Schools Superintendent Xavier Botana and Cindy's parents as well as her fourth-grade students. Cindy was also the 2020 Cumberland County Teacher of the Year and was placed in the running for National Teacher of the Year.

Cindy is a resident of Cumberland and has taught at Talbot for 20 years. She previously worked as a teacher in the Auburn School Department. In accepting her award, she recognized Gerald Talbot, the first African American lawmaker elected to the Maine Legislature, for whom the school was renamed earlier in 2020, and the families at Talbot.

"They continue to inspire me each and every day with their courage, determination, and love of learning. Even on days that are challenging, when things just don't seem to be going my way, it is the students who lift my spirits and bring joy to my day. Students at Talbot, hear me when I say, 'You are spectacular. I love my job because of you,'" she said. Congratulations, Cindy! Those students are lucky to have you!

Congratulations to **Kelly Martin Schweers**, who completed the degree of Doctor of Nursing Practice. Kelly is the emergency department nurse manager at Mary Washington Healthcare and lives in Stafford, VA.

In other news, **Stephen Johnson** works for Oracle Corporation. He lives in Cumberland, ME.

Ben Lampron has written a book, *Jumpstart Your Future*, specifically for college graduates. It includes lessons learned in personal finance, career development, and relationships. "I think the information in the book can really help upcoming graduates prepare for the real world," he wrote.

Our classmate, **Clint Deschene**, has founded his own agency, Ignite Presque Isle, focused on growing the service center of Presque Isle. Their first project will be to renovate the 50-room Northeastland Hotel, located at 436 Main Street, adding 2,500 square feet of co-working space to the existing business center, operating with current staff. Ignite has an agreement to purchase the building, in part with a \$1.5 million grant from the Rodney and Mary Barton Smith Family Foundation, and Ignite is looking for additional funding to complete the project. The Northeastland would provide the first headquarters for Ignite PI as

well as other office space for small businesses before they move on to and into bigger space. The hotel will continue serving as such, with a small facelift to go along with its storied history. Initially opened in 1932, it was the first in Presque Isle to add an elevator in 1950, and it currently operates a restaurant and bar as well as function rooms for local weddings, business meetings, and civic events. As a native of PI, I am personally excited to see what Clint and Ignite PI can do with this beloved community property!

I received a lovely thank-you note on behalf of the Class of 1995 from Samantha Golden of Lee, ME. She is the daughter of our classmate **Karen Golden** and was a 2020-2021 recipient of the Class of 1995 scholarship. Samantha is a mechanical engineering student, and her mom has also recently returned to UMaine.

I wish I had more — feel free to reach out with your news!

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Hi everyone, I hope your summer is going well.

There wasn't much news this time, so please take a minute to check in and share any updates via email or our class Facebook group.

John Cangelosi '12G received the 2020 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching. He has been teaching at Bangor High School since 2008. John teaches in a multi-year STEM program, where students work on projects over the course of their high school careers. He is also an instructor and facilitator in UMaine's Stormwater Management Research Team program.

Johnny Harnois started a non-profit for another '96 graduate called The Baer Project. For more information see: thebaerproject.com/.

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Hello, Class of '97!

Summer is here and where I am in Greenwood Lake, NY, it means summer on the lake. While not nearly as big as some of Maine's lakes,



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there are still lots of boats, fishing, and tourists. Remember to be nice wherever you go. I hope you're all enjoying summer fun. News? Email me at yolandasily@gmail.com or via Facebook at Yolanda Sly Kozuha.

It was nice to hear from **Scott Rotondo**, who wrote, "Currently living in Pawtucket, RI, with my wife and two daughters. Controller for Hanna Instruments, and consulting part time as well. Also have signed on as the treasurer for a candidate in the 2022 Rhode Island governor election. Hope that all is well and Go Black Bears!"

Congratulations to **Jeffrey N. Schweitzer**, of Northeast Financial Strategies, for being named Wrentham's 2021 Alignable Local Business Person of the Year! The online referral network for small businesses recognized local business leaders who've gone above and beyond to help peers during the COVID crisis. "The Wrentham community means a great deal to me and, like many of my peers, I have gladly helped my fellow small-business owners overcome a number of obstacles during this tough time," Jeffrey said.

The LEAD1 Association ("LEAD1"), which represents athletic directors of the 130-member schools of the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS), released a white paper titled "Actionable Recommendations to Create More Diverse Senior Leadership in NCAA Division I Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) College Sports." **Sean Frazier G**, the associate vice president and director of athletics at Northern Illinois University, co-chairs LEAD1's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Working Group that created the white paper endorsed by the

Minority Opportunities Athletic Association. "As we continue to observe the current diversity, equity, and inclusion challenges that our colleges and universities are experiencing, these LEAD1 actionable recommendations, developed by FBS practitioners, researchers, and scholars, provide a much-needed road map for measurable change," said Sean. "I am humbled to have contributed to this effort, but more importantly, I am appreciative of all those who will take accountability for this extremely important leadership."

Congratulations to **Monique Gibouleau Bouchard** for her promotion to marketing executive at CourseStorm. The Orono-based software company specializes in online registration and class marketing platforms.

Welcome back to Maine, **Tabatha McKay**! Her new position as U.S. Cellular's area vice president and general manager of retail sales and operations for New England will have her relocating from Des Moines, IA, to the Ellsworth, ME, area, reported the *Portland Press Herald*. Tabatha will lead sales and operations of both corporate-owned and agent retail locations in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont.

Congratulations to **Sue Sorg G**, '05 C.A.S., who was reelected to the Bangor School Committee.

Also serving Bangor is **Sarah Dubay** '00G, as a member of the Bangor City Council. Sarah works as business development officer for First National Bank, and has been active in business and the health care field. She serves as chair of the Penquis CAP board, is on the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, and is a board member of the UMaine Alumni Association. More recently she also became a board member of the Maine Municipal Association.

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Hearty Maine Hello from northern Virginia!

Congratulations to **Jeremy Rich G** on his promotion to associate professor. He was awarded tenure at the University of Maine. Jeremy is an environmental microbiologist in the School of Marine Sciences based at the Darling Marine Center in Walpole, where he also studied microbiology as a graduate student.

Jeremy returned to the University of Maine as a faculty member in 2015. He was a faculty member at Brown University in Rhode Island prior to his return. He is one of the lead investigators on the Maine-eDNA project, a National Science Foundation-funded project co-led by the university and Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences. Jeremy investigates the role that bottom-dwelling microorganisms play in the nutrient cycles of the Damariscotta River estuary and other marine environments.

We received a great update on

Adam "Hoagie" Fisher, director of collections, digital initiatives, and promotion for the Maine State Library. Adam has been overseeing the library's temporary move as the Cultural Building in Augusta, in which it's housed, is undergoing significant upgrades to its mechanical systems. As part of the move, he is relocating seven linear miles of their collection! Adam has been with the Maine State Library since 2013. He previously was with the Department of Labor. He's an active member of the community, serving on the Hall Dale Little League Board and the Hallowell Row House Board of Trustees. Adam lives in Farmingdale with his wife, Nina, and their three children.

I hope everyone is staying healthy. Hopefully, conditions continue to improve and will allow us to meet each other in person again at alumni events. Please continue to send in updates on yourself and our classmates.

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Hi everyone, please let us know what's going on. No one sent anything to report this time. Please share your news — employment, family, pet, hobby, address change — whatever's happening in your lives. We'd like to hear from you.

Have a great summer!

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Greetings, Class of 2000! For those whom I did not get to meet in Orono (over 20 years ago!), I

studied wildlife ecology and enjoyed playing in Dr. Lidral's jazz ensemble. I now live in Mississippi with my wife, **Nichole Clark Werle** '02, where I'm an entomologist with the USDA, studying a variety of horticultural pests as well as native pollinators and honey bees. We have two children and keep busy in our community, and try to make it back to Maine each summer. I hope you find some time to send a message updating us on your life!

Big news in the world of higher education, as **Shontay Delaloe** '03G has moved from Brown University to become senior vp and senior diversity officer at Dartmouth College. Shontay coordinated education and training efforts to promote diversity on campus, including doubling the number of Brown faculty from underrepresented groups. In her new position she will report directly to the Dartmouth president and oversee the Office of Institutional Diversity and Equity. Good luck in your new position!

Moving up in the world of civil engineering, **Rich Dyer** was promoted to principal structural engineer for Morris & Ritchie Associates. Since finishing his B.S. in civil engineering at UMaine, Rich has kept busy climbing cell phone towers, gaining licensure to practice in 12 states, and enjoying time with his wife and daughter in Maryland. Congrats, Rich!

Bryan Cook moved from Seattle to Los Angeles to work as a comedy writer for Joan Rivers, and has since gone on to write for *Jimmy Kimmel Live!* for the past three years! Bryan also performs stand-up; once we can get past the COVID restrictions, do yourself a favor and catch him on one of his tour dates with other hilarious comics!

Tim Cote and his wife, April, live in Scarborough, ME, with their two children. Tim, who will be celebrating 21 years with HNTB Corporation this year, serves as a vice president and department manager in their South Portland office and is responsible for overseeing transportation engineering projects throughout the state of Maine.

Exciting news from the hardwood as Coach **Amy Vachon** signed a four-year contract to remain at the helm of the women's basketball team. Amy has had plenty of success on the court, including a 62-16 record in the America East Conference, but she's also guided her teams to the highest GPA among their Conference opponents in three of her five seasons. She says, "Being the head coach at my alma mater is something I take great pride in." The feeling is mutual, Coach Vachon.

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Hello, fellow alumni!

Social worker **Angela Fileccia** G, director of Healthy Life Resources, a service of Northern Light Acadia Hospital in Bangor, received the Outstanding Alumni of the Year Award from the UMaine School of Social Work. Angela has spent 20 years in mental health, working with children, adults, and elders in various settings from hospitals, in care transition planning, and with patients with persistent mental illness and substance use disorders.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Angela has provided services to many people, highlighting the importance of resilience, self-care, and wellness. She offered weekly check-ins, and worked with other team members to address the pandemic's impacts on behavioral health.

While I don't have any other news to report in this issue, I wanted to take you back to the year we graduated — 20 years ago. What do you remember?

Here are some miscellaneous facts about 2001:

- World-changing event: 9/11/01 terrorist attack in New York City.
- The top song that spring was "All For You" by Janet Jackson.
- The big movies included *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*, *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*, and *Shrek*.
- The price of a first-class postage stamp in 2001 was 34 cents.
- The world population was ~ 6,174,000,000.

Have some news to share with us? Please send it to me at blkbear19@yahoo.com.

Thank you!

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Hello, Class of 2002!

One of our classmates reached out; otherwise, this column would have been lighter than its normally



After Peace Corps work and completing an MFA at the Rainier Writing Workshop in Tacoma, WA, Jennifer Neves '03 returned to Maine with her husband and young son.

Her second book, *Freedom Farm*, is a collection of essays that delve into what it means to be a farmer's daughter, a Mainer, and a mother. She examines the power of the stories we are told, and the ones we choose to retell. Jennifer lives and works in Palermo, ME.

brief length. **Jonathan LaBonte** is now managing a forest-based education, research, and outreach non-profit based in Augusta called the Maine Timber Research and Environmental Education Foundation (or Maine TREE). Maine TREE partners with UMaine by contracting for UMaine researchers to work a forest that Maine TREE owns in Arrowsic (near Bath), on the coast of Maine. Jonathan also reports that as of mid-December 2020, he now has two young aspiring Black Bears, Xavier Paul and Maverick Thomas. Congrats to the LaBonte family!

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. The Class of 2002 would love to hear from you!

Stay safe out there!

Don't forget to check out our Facebook group at: facebook.com/groups/UMaineClass2002/.

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Nate Cotnoir has been promoted to senior vice president, Northern Maine director of commercial banking at Camden National Bank (Maine). **Ryan Smith** '95, executive vice president of commercial

banking, had this to say about Nate:

"Nate is very dedicated to helping his customers succeed, and he's played a key role on our commercial banking team here at Camden National Bank. He is a talented leader, and we're proud to see him grow into his new role." Nate has been working in commercial banking for more than 13 years and in the banking industry since he graduated.

Joshua Toothaker has been a familiar face as a teacher in the Searsport District Middle and High schools (Maine) over the past nine years. Superintendent **Chris Downing** '94G, '10 C.A.S. appointed him principal in the RSU 20 schools, and Joshua said he is "excited and humble for this opportunity." One large asset he brings to his new role is how long he has been living and working in the community and his complete dedication to the schools. Congratulations, Joshua!

To say **Jennifer Neves** has been on the move since graduation would be an understatement. From her youth on her parents' bean farm in Freedom, ME, to working with the agricultural extension at UMaine, her work ethic has been steadfast. She graduated with a degree in molecular biology and returned to Freedom to work on her parents' farm while waiting to hear back from her Peace Corps application. Jennifer spent two years in Senegal with the Peace Corps with a group of urban agriculturists.

Driven by a need to serve others, **Victoria Abbott** has held a lifelong career in philanthropy. She recently took her talents to Spectrum Generations in Augusta as their community engagement director. Since graduating, she has honed her skills in fundraising, marketing, and public relations at small and large Maine nonprofits. Victoria's work at Spectrum Generations will continue to support their mission of advancing the well-being and independence of older and disabled adults throughout six central Maine counties.

Congratulations to **Ben Hale** '10G, who was nominated for the 2021 National History Day Behring Teacher of the Year Award in the Senior Division. This spring, Ben received a stipend at the virtual awards ceremony. Ben currently teaches history and social sciences at John Baptist High School in Bangor.

In other news, **Marcus Despres**'s daughter, **Nicole** '21, graduated last spring from UMaine. During her final semester, she and her roommate, both nursing students, volunteered to assist in the COVID-19 vaccination effort, and provided shots to numerous Mainers.

Mia Dubois '17G was recently promoted to system director of patient experience at Northern Light Health in Brewer, ME. Mia has been

a nurse since graduating in 2003, and in 2017 she completed her MSN in nursing administration. Congrats!

Wishing you all a safe summer to live out loud! Enjoy the great outdoors in your own backyard, or as far as your travels will take you, as the world reemerges stronger!

2004

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Hello, Class of '04! As I sit in my office at home, which truly is a full-time work from home space now, I am remembering what I was doing this very week one year ago. It was a whole lot of nothing. At this point last year (I'm writing this at the end of March), we were two weeks into a statewide shutdown in Texas. My kids never went back to school after spring break, and all we did was glue ourselves to our TV screens in between online Zoom school and remembering to feed ourselves. I have a horrible habit of skipping lunch. One year. A year of incredible loss and turmoil, but I also hope incredible joy, and hopefully some much-needed perspective changes in so many facets of our lives. I know it certainly has been that way for me and my family.

I am thankful that spring in east Texas is beautiful, because after the winter we had, we certainly need some rebirth. The freeze that took out my entire state and shut down our power grid for days, freezing pipes and upending peoples' lives was a shock to our system. Imagine the ice storm of '98 without the blizzard. Living through that I felt super-prepared to handle this, but y'all! These Texas houses are NOT built for freezing temps. If my pipes are going to freeze, there better be at least two feet of snow on the ground. We went nine days without water, and if I had to do the math, I'm pretty sure this is the fifth natural disaster that we've witnessed in some way in the seven years that we've lived here. What a wild ride so far. We are excited for our return to Maine this summer to see our family, and I have a few weddings to photograph there as well.

In job news, I have accepted a new position on the partner operations team at HubSpot in Cambridge, MA. The position is remote so I will continue to work from home. I'm looking forward to this transition back into the corporate world, while still taking on a handful of weddings a year here in

Houston and in Maine.

We were pretty light on class news this go-around, but here is what we've got! **Jon Mason** was recently named to the board of directors for Jobs for Maine's Graduates. Jon is the vice president of human resources at General Dynamics' Bath Iron Works. **Hannah Colson** '05G is the new chief financial officer at Hammond Lumber in Maine. She joined Hammond through the acquisition of Ellsworth Building Supply, where she served as CFO. Congrats to our classmates on these new adventures!

I would love to write more news about the goings-on of our class, so please feel free to email me and send along your news and accomplishments. I hope you all are well and are enjoying life wherever you are.

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Late 2020 and early 2021 have been a wild time to live in the National Capital Region. Here's hoping that you and yours are healthy and safe.

Congratulations to **Michael Rocque** on his article (written in partnership with University of Maine professor emeritus Steve Barkan), "Socioeconomic Status and Racism as Fundamental Causes of Street Criminality" (published in *Critical Criminology*). The article was awarded the 2020 Outstanding Contribution Award by The Division of Biopsychosocial Criminology of the American Society of Criminology. Well done! Michael is associate professor of sociology at Bates College.

Erik Gundersen recently sat on a panel discussing recreational marijuana sales in Maine following the beginning of sales in October of 2020. Erik is the director of the Maine Office of Marijuana Policy. He was appointed in 2019, and oversees the office that handles licensing, regulation, and oversight of the state's medical and adult-use marijuana programs.

Alexis Stevens checked in from Brooklyn, NY. After UMaine, she earned her MBA at NYU. She has worked in sustainable agriculture, and in programs making fresh produce accessible to low-income people in urban areas. She currently works for BlueApron as a senior national category manager of produce.

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Hi, Class of 2006! I hope everyone is happy and healthy. Here are some career updates from our classmates:

Jeff Mayer is the new technical sales representative in the Northeast region for Plant Products. Jeff has worked in the horticulture industry for over 17 years. Most recently he was the head grower at a large ornamental greenhouse operation.

Congratulations to **Travis Baker G**, who wrote and illustrated his first children's book, *The Bluest You*. The book tells the story of a young blue bird on a solo adventure who learns a tough lesson about self-worth. His book was published by Maine Authors Publishing.

Heather Blanchette Seymour has been promoted to director of marketing and communications at Central Maine Community College. She started with the college as the director of communications in 2012. Heather leads the planning, development, and execution of college branding, marketing, and public relations activities. After earning her business degree from UMaine, she received an M.S. in communication from Lasell College in 2018.

Alex Gray, president of Waterfront Concerts, purchased 283 Main Street in Old Town in 2017. (Our classmates remember this place as "Number Ten"!) Alex's vision for the space is a three-story restaurant, nightclub, and rooftop patio, called Kanu. Alex and his team have spent the past two years transforming the space in hopes that it will become an arts and entertainment complex for the region. The pandemic has given them more time to make the space perfect. As I'm writing this, they are offering igloo outdoor dining! Check them out at 283kanu.com.

Kathryn Miller G, '18 Ph.D. is a quantitative ecologist for the National Park Service's Northeast Temperate Network. She is leading a study that characterizes long-term invasive plant trends in 39 Eastern national parks. Data from Acadia National Park was included in the study. Analysis of the data revealed that invasive species are widespread and increasing in Eastern national parks, and that undeveloped areas within national parks require capital investments to protect their natural flora.

Jimmy Howard of the NHL Detroit Red Wings recently announced his retirement. He was with the Red Wings for 14 years.

In 2005, he established the Jimmy Howard Foundation to support research, treatment, and cures for various diseases in the Detroit area. Last April, he bought \$50,000 worth of N95 masks for health care workers at Detroit Medical Center. He told Larry Mahoney of the *Bangor Daily News* that he plans to spend much of his time raising his four kids. Congrats, Jimmy, on an awesome hockey career!

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Greetings, classmates. Happy summer! I am sure you are as happy as I am that the warm weather has returned and we can be outside again. Due to the pandemic, there is minimal news to report this edition. I am hoping that when it comes time to write the winter edition, I'll have twice as much news to share, as life hopefully (insert fingers crossed emoji) gets back to "normal."

On August 7, 2020, classmate **Andrew Girouard** married Kelley Alana Brague (Providence College) at Holy Cross Church in Lewiston. Best man was Andrew's brother **Jeffrey Girouard** '03. Both Andrew and Jeffrey were members of the Senior Skulls while at UMaine. Andrew just finished his 14th year teaching high school math at Saint Dominic Academy in Auburn, and Kelley is a resident director at USM in Gorham. Congratulations, Andrew and Kelley!

Peter Nicholson has been promoted to senior vice president, senior portfolio manager at First National Bank. He is part of the Hancock County team and is based in Bar Harbor. Peter has been with First National Bank since 2015, starting as a portfolio manager. Congratulations on your promotion, Peter!

James Beaupre '12 Ph.D. and his partners, Larry and **Matt Murphy** '15, launched The Devil's Half Acre Distillery in Hermon, ME. Using berries from the wild juniper trees on the Murphy family's land, along with coriander, citrus peel, and other herbs and spices, they introduced their first product, Jigger & Jones American Gin, last winter. The gin is available at Maine liquor stores. James is director of industrial cooperation at the Foster Center for Student Innovation on campus, and has worked as a chemistry consultant to distilleries.

I hope you are all enjoying the

summer months, and you'll hear from me again in the winter. If you have news to share, please send me an email so I can share your news in the next edition.

2008

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Greetings, classmates!

I hope this column finds you and yours all healthy and well. I only have a few updates this time around, so please keep the email updates coming!

Stephanie McCoy Mulligan of Lincoln, ME, owns McSea Books, which publishes children's books that address topics related to exploring the outdoors and children's surroundings.

"I never had any intention of running a publishing company. I started two years ago with my little book about lobstering, *How to Catch a Keeper!* and now we are on track as a traditional publishing company working on 12 titles in the next two years," she explained. Stephanie is married to classmate **Matthew Mulligan**. Visit her website: mcseabooks.com.

Ruth Billings Tainter '10G has joined the team at Bucksport Regional Health Center (BRHC) as one of their new FNP's. Ruth is an experienced nurse practitioner and had worked for many years in the area before joining BRHC.

Also in Bucksport, **Aaron Ward** is now Bucksport High School's new athletic director and assistant principal. Aaron has a long history of working with kids, from being a social studies teacher at Mattanawcook Academy to coaching both their girls' and boys' tennis teams.

Michele Jason Parks lives in Winterport, where she is employed at Haley Power Services.

A big congratulations goes out to **Elise Baldacci**, who left her work in Maine state government to join the Maine Credit Union League/Synergist as its senior vice president of policy. Elise will use her prior job experience in government to lead governmental affairs, risk management, and compliance efforts.

Finally, we received notice that **Alicia Anne McConkey** is currently in a graduate program for social welfare. She received her BA in sociology.

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Hello to all the '09ers out there! These past dozen years since graduation have contained multitudes globally, locally, and personally, I'm sure. Yet this column has not seen a lot of action in that time! So, here's hoping we can begin to change that together.

For my part, since graduation I've earned an MA in English from UMaine (2011) and an MFA in fiction writing from Notre Dame (2013). In 2019 I married fellow UMaine alum **Kevin Foss '96**, which makes us a Bear Pair! We live in Maine with an orange and white cat whom we love very much.

I've also been working quietly and diligently on writing projects since graduation. In 2018 I was lucky enough to sign with a literary agent, and in 2019 I sold my debut thriller to Sourcebooks. That book, *Dark Things I Adore*, will be published this fall, on September 14, 2021! It's taken a lot of work and "stick-to-itiveness" to get to this point, and I am beyond excited to share it with the world.

Here's what we know is happening with other 2009 classmates:

Dallas Stars goalie **Ben Bishop** had surgery on his knee last fall, which sidelined him while he recovered.

Tim Berrigan '11G, a hockey player in his high school days, currently lives and works in Brooklyn, NY, as a literacy advisor at a Brooklyn Public Library Adult Learning Center. Some of his poems have recently been published in such places as *Columbia Journal*, *Really System*, and *The Scores*.

Professor of language and literature at Cape Cod Community College, **Rebecca Griffin G**, also serves as the faculty advisor to CCC's student literary and arts magazine *Sea Change*. She and her spouse, **Michael T. Fournier '10G**, play music together in their spare time.

In other news, **Zack Frechette** was elected president and CEO of United Insurance last December.

How about the rest of you? I know there must be location moves, jobs, hobbies, marriages, children, accomplishments, reminiscences, and other items to share, and I'd love to hear about them! Please share your news.



Morgan Gilman '09 is a research fellow in biological chemistry and molecular pharmacology at Harvard Medical School. She is studying a set of molecular mechanisms that nearly all bacteria use to build their cell walls. She hopes to lay the groundwork for new antibiotics that target a specific family of proteins called the SEDS, which were recently discovered to play a critical role in a different stage of peptidoglycan synthesis.

2010

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Hi everyone — I hope your summer is going well. Please remember to share your news so we have information to report in this column!

Joshua and Allison O'Dare Marceau live in Bath, ME. Allison is an account executive for General Mills, while Joshua is a project manager for Wyman & Simpson General Contractors. They have two children, daughter Scarlett and son Judson.

After 11 years of working full time at the *Bangor Daily News*, **Aislinn Sarnacki** has embarked on some new adventures. She will continue to write a newspaper column on outdoor recreation and nature, and also write for the *Bangor Metro* magazine.

"I'm studying to become a registered Maine Guide," she wrote in April, "with the intention of starting up my own business. I'm excited to share my love for the outdoors with others in a more direct way, while having a more active lifestyle! It's going to take a lot of work, but I'm excited to take on the challenge. I'm also working on some bigger writing projects, including my next book!"

2011

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Our Class of 2011 celebrates our 10th Reunion this year! Watch your mail and email for more information regarding our celebration plans!

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Jennifer Stoudt lives in Attleboro, MA, and works just over the state border in the Providence, RI, public schools.

Luke Saindon, who was co-founder of UMaine's Formula SAE team, which designs high-performing racecars, was part of a team that launched an experimental bio-fueled rocket with bluShift Aerospace. Luke is a senior mechanical engineer for the company. He has experience in the defense and aerospace sectors, the design and building of a sounding rocket, development of hybrid oxidizer control systems, and an engineering internship at Applied Thermal Sciences, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center.

Michael Arell, the director of music for Veazie Community School, recorded a Christmas album and pledged to donate profits from it to the Good Shepherd Food Bank. In addition to teaching at Veazie Community School, Michael also directs music for Saint Mary's Church. His album is available for streaming on YouTube, Spotify, Apple Music, and Amazon Music, and a digital copy of the full album can be purchased for \$10.

Kylie Low moved back to Maine from New York City during the pandemic and started a podcast, *Dark Downeast*, about true crime in Maine and New England. As she explains on her website, "Dark Downeast is my passion project — the true amalgamation of my education, career, interests, and super-powers all wrapped into a podcast covering stories from my home state and beyond."

For stories about crime in both the recent and distant past, visit: darkdowneast.com.

2013

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Kelly Vargas Serpico wrote: "Jared Serpico and I met in January 2012 through mutual friends at UMaine and started dating in March. We graduated together in May 2013 and then moved to Vermont, where Jared worked as a land surveyor for the U.S. Forest Service. While in Vermont, I switched career paths and graduated with my B.S. in nursing in 2017. I am originally from California, so in 2018 we moved back to the Bay Area, closer to my friends and family. Although our 1920s-themed wedding was downsized and postponed twice, we were determined to tie the knot in 2020. Although it wasn't quite the wedding we imagined, we enjoyed our 1920s elopement in Reno. I currently work as an ICU RN at Mills Peninsula Medical Center and Jared is a project surveyor at BKF Engineers. We recently moved into our first Bay Area apartment and look forward to what our future will bring."

After graduating from medical school at Tufts and completing her residency at Maine Medical Center, **Valerie L. Smith** joined Lincoln Medical Partners in midcoast Maine as a primary care and women's health physician. Valerie lives in Walpole with her fiancé.

Luke Thomas is the founder and CEO of Friday, a startup that has developed a communication platform for remote-work teams. Friday received \$2.1 million in venture capital funding last November, which Luke planned to put towards hiring, product development, sales, marketing, and other expenses.

Will Saunders works as the conservation agent for the town of Norwell, MA, and lives in nearby Weymouth. He earned his master's in forest resources management at the State University of New York College of Environmental Sciences and Forestry, and has conducted research in the Adirondacks State Park.

In the fall of 2019, **Joshua Rosen** embarked on a new challenge, a dual graduate program in business and law. He earned his MBA in May and will receive his JD next year. This summer Joshua is a summer associate at the law firm of Foley Hoag in Boston.

The Alumni Association is looking for a member of the Class of '13 to write this column for future magazines. It's a simple job, and only requires a little time twice a year. Please contact Abigail.zelz@maine.edu for more information.



Troy Barnies '11 found both his professional and personal life upended due to COVID restrictions. After playing basketball in Europe for nine years, his season was suspended in March 2020. He had married Sandra Steffenson, a Norwegian medical student, the previous summer, but the newlyweds were separated when she returned to school and many European countries closed their borders. The couple relied on Facetime and virtual visits for many months until they were able to be reunited. Except for sporadic periods, they have been separated for most of their marriage.

2014

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Hi, everyone — hope your summer is going well. We'd like to hear from you. New job, spouse, pet, child, or address? Please let us know!

2015

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We only received one news item this time. While it's cause for congratulations, we know there's more news, so please share.

Ronnie Turner, who was teaching and coaching in Lewiston, took a position as assistant men's basketball coach at Bates College.

2016

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Lee Cilli '16 Ph.D. wrote, "It feels like ages since I graduated from UMaine with a Ph.D. in history."

Adam's book was published by the University of Georgia Press in early March. Titled *Canaan, Dim and Far: Black Reformers and the Pursuit of Citizenship in Pittsburgh, 1915-1945*, it examines the social justice efforts of Black activists in the Steel City during a crucial period known as the Great Migration. Adam's book derives from his dissertation at UMaine, which was under the direction of Prof. Richard Judd, who is now emeritus faculty. Adam specializes in U.S. social history from the late 19th century through World War II. Adam now teaches at the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford.

Ben Hutton signed with the Anaheim Ducks after playing for the Vancouver Canucks for the past four seasons.

In football news, **Patrick Ricard** was named to the American Football Conference Pro Bowl team for the second straight season. Patrick, a fullback for the Baltimore Ravens, is only the second Black Bear to earn a berth in a Pro Bowl; **Montell Owens** '17 is the other one with that distinction.

Christopher LaMotte joined Sebago Technics, an engineering consulting firm in South Portland, as a senior surveyor.

David Patrick was a panelist for a session on diversity that was organized by campus personnel last February. David is the co-founder of Racial Equity and Justice of Bangor.

Colby Johns completed her Instructor Certification from the Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI). Colby earned her basic scuba certification as a student, prior to participating in the Semester by the Sea program, and later took scientific diving.

She teaches students in Orono and Walpole, and also dives to support marine research at the Darling Marine Center.

We need someone to write this column for future magazines. Please contact abigail.zelz@maine.edu to help report news of classmates.

Have a great summer!

2017

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Hello, Class of 2017! I hope you and yours are well and that you are enjoying the warming weather. Stay safe, and please keep sending your accomplishments for these updates!

Justin Courtney is back in our class news, as he signed with the Los Angeles Angels organization. Congratulations, Justin!

Danica Hurley, who played for the UMaine women's soccer team for two years, accepted a position at Boston Children's Hospital as a nurse in April 2020. She reports enjoying working in pediatrics and maintaining her passion for athletics by participating in a coed soccer league in Boston.

Mitchell Mendonca lives in Scarborough, and is a senior program analyst at General Dynamics-Bath Iron Works.

Elisabeth Maxwell, who earned two master's in marine science and marine policy at the University of Maine and has been working as a research associate at UMaine's Darling Marine Center, has received her Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI) instructor certification. Congratulations!

Finally, two 2017 graduates, **Amber Boutiette** and **William Breeding**, have started Marin Skincare, a cosmetics skincare company that uses protein from lobster hemolymph as the active ingredient in their hydration cream designed to help those who suffer from eczema, psoriasis, etc. The product became available for sale in October 2020.

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. Any little bit of news is newsworthy! Your classmates do want to hear what you are doing.

Cameron Langlois has been promoted to the role of MEMIC express underwriter at the MEMIC Group, specialists in workers' compensation insurance. Cameron is now responsible for developing the company's express book serving small business in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. This company works exclusively through independent agents and brokers. Cameron joined the MEMIC Group in 2018 as an underwriting analyst following his graduation from UMaine, where he earned his B.A. in accounting and finance.

Dina Yacoubagha G, a graduate of UMaine's School of Social Work who ran for the Bangor City Council, will chair the city's newly formed diversity and racial equity committee. Dina, a native of Syria, was one of eight candidates for three city council seats. The committee will begin its work by reviewing the Bangor Police Department's policy on body cameras, which were authorized last year. They also plan to work with the Greater Bangor Housing Coalition on homelessness and collaborate with the school department's committee on diversity and inclusion to raise awareness of racism and discrimination in the public schools.

Upon receiving her M.S. from UMaine, **Emily Nocito**, originally from New Jersey, moved to Colorado, where she quickly became engaged in the graduate liaison program for Colorado University, Boulder. She is one of six graduate liaisons that serve as primary contacts for communicating with other graduate students. In addition to sharing information, they also create and host professional development activities such as webinars, podcasts, and workshops.

It is with a heavy heart that we report **Matthew T. Austin** was killed last October in a loading dock accident in Germantown, NY. Matthew received his bachelor's degree in wildlife ecology. He graduated from Millbury High School in Massachusetts in 2013.

2019

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Hi, everyone — we hope you're having a great summer. Here are some recent updates:

Marwa Hassanien G was elected vice chair of the Bangor

School Committee. Marwa is an adjunct faculty member at Eastern Maine Community College, where she teaches English.

Caroline Booth is an environmental specialist at Beals & Thomas, an engineering consultant firm in Southborough, MA. Caroline works on planning and permits for a wide range of projects.

Bradley Butler is working in Colorado as a clinical engineering technician.

Adam Fortier-Brown is government relations manager for the Marine Retailers Association of the Americas (MRAA). He is responsible for representing the legislative and regulatory interests of the MRAA and its members wherever issues concerning boating and marine retailers are discussed. Adam lives in Washington, DC.

Zoe Fluet lives in southern Maine and works as the showroom assistant at Creative Office Pavilion in Portland.

Lucy Feeney works in the engineering and environment divisions at Haley Ward, a technical consulting firm in Bangor, ME.

The Class of 2019 needs a volunteer to write the news for future columns. There's more to report, but we need your participation. Please contact abigail.zelz@maine.edu to learn how you can help the Class of 2019.

2020

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I'm **Kari Suderley** and a co-writer of the Class of 2020's column. I was a non-traditional student and employee of the university in the Division of Lifelong Learning. I graduated with a degree in psychology and a minor in leadership studies. I have worked in the Early College Program since 2018, but within five months of graduation, I was promoted to the coordinator of the entire program. This was very exciting for me as I have a passion for higher education and love sharing my program with those who will benefit from it most.

I have recently been accepted into the graduate school and will start this fall in the Student Development in Higher Education program. I love being a Black Bear even though my path was a little bit different from most of the class.

I am **Julia Van Steenberghe** and a co-writer of the Class of 2020's column. I am so excited to have the opportunity to share my

fellow Black Bears' stories! While at UMaine, I studied and graduated with a double major in elementary education and child development and family relations. I was a member of the cheerleading team, Alpha Phi, Phi Kappa Phi, Team Maine, Order of Omega, Kappa Delta Pi, and a variety of other clubs and organizations. I am currently in the master's of human development program at UMaine and look forward to graduating in May of 2022.

I was crowned Miss Maine USA in November 2019 and competed in the Miss USA pageant in November of 2020 (Search YouTube for "THE 2020 MISS USA Competition.") You can see the segment at 2:47.

Please send your news so we can share it in a future column. This is what some of our classmates are doing:

COVID response: Thirty-eight nursing students graduated several weeks early so that they were able to assist with the growing pandemic and beyond. This early graduation allowed for early licensure to speed up their entry onto the frontlines.

Katelyn Ford expressed her gratitude to the program as she headed to Johns Hopkins Hospital to work in the Weinberg Trauma ICU. Currently, **Nicole Brown**, **Bethani Dickson**, and **Adam Wilcox** are working as cardiac care nurses for Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center, and **Nicole Chasse** is working in their ICU. **Grace Kelley** was hired by Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Manchester, NH, to work in their emergency department. Duke University Health System welcomed **Chad Morin** to their critical care team. **Katie Mercier** joined the maternity and pediatrics team at Maine General Hospital in Augusta, and **Alison Wyman** joined their postpartum and pediatrics team. New England Rehabilitation Hospital in Portland, ME, hired R.N. **Emily Gagner**.

Sports: While the Class of 2020 is accomplished in many areas, we thought it was critical to acknowledge their athletic accomplishments and achievements this summer. Former basketball star **Maddy McVicar** signed her first pro deal with Newcastle of the Women's British Basketball League. Currently there are seven Black Bear Hockey alumni continuing their careers on the ice elsewhere. **Stephen Munding** and **Tim Doherty** have continued with their NCAA eligibility playing as graduate transfers at Long Island University and Penn State, respectively. **Ryan Smith** joined the ECHL affiliate of the New Jersey Devils, the Adirondack Thunder, for the 2020-2021 season. Former Black Bear captain **Mitch Fossier** inked a deal with the AHL affiliate of the Chicago Blackhawks, the Rockford

IceHogs. Women's ice hockey is no stranger to post-UMaine success either, with **Ebba Stranberg** playing in Sweden's top league, the SWHL. **Tereza Vanisova**, the Black Bear's All-Time Points Leader, earned herself a 12th overall pick in the WNHL 2020 draft signing to the Boston Pride. **Carly Jackson**, also a UMaine record breaker, was selected third overall in the WNHL 2020 draft, signing with the Buffalo Beauts!

Classmate specifics: **Maura Philippone** was awarded a 2020 National Student Speech Language Hearing Association Scholarship. Maura was one of only three students nationwide to receive this scholarship.

Sophie Paddon is working as a paralegal with Providentia Group, a Portland-based law firm that works with businesses and entrepreneurs. She also serves on the Alumni Association's board of directors.

Alison Bartlett, who majored in food science, works for LaBree's Bakery in Old Town.

The Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions wrote a story about research on potential risks in food waste recovery and recycling that featured two classmates — **Astha Thakali** G, who received a master's in environmental engineering, and **Skyler Horton**, who graduated with a major in the human dimensions of climate change.

For a longer version of this column, see our 2020 class page on the Alumni Association's website, UMaineAlumni.com.

Please contact us with any updates you may have. We are excited to hear news of our class and all the wonderful things 2020 Black Bears are doing! Email us with your updates: julia.van@maine.edu or kari.suderley@maine.edu.

2021

Congratulations to the Class of 2021 — you are now alumni!

If you would like to help report the class news in the *MAINE Alumni Magazine*, please contact abigail.zelz@maine.edu at the Alumni Association. It's a simple twice-a-year task, and it helps you stay in touch with both the university and your classmates. We'd love to know where your post-UMaine life takes you!

Weddings

2003

Kelly-Anne Rush to James Rasnake in Portland, on 7-5-19. They live in Zuni, VA.

2007

Andrew Girouard to Kelley Brague in Lewiston, on 8-7-20.

2010

Maggie Kish to Justin Labonte in Morristown, NJ, on 8-28-20. They live in Morristown.

2012

Kevin Phanor to Heidi Jo Rosado in Hallowell, on 7-7-18. They live in Vassalboro.

Jessica McIntyre to Jamal Clay '13 in Bar Harbor on 8-24-19. They live in South Portland.

Amber Hathaway to Brian Toner '13 in Orono, on 5-22-20. They live in Orono.

2013

Kelly Vargas to Jared Serpico in Reno, NV, on 12-20-20. They live in San Mateo, CA.

Towns are in Maine unless otherwise noted.

To submit a wedding notice please contact the Alumni Association or visit UMaineAlumni.com/weddings.



1. Kelly-Anne Rush '03 and James Rasnake; 2. Maggie Kish '10 and Justin Labonte '10; 3. Kelly Vargas '13 and Jared Serpico '13; 4. Jamal Clay '13 and Jessica McIntyre '12; 5. Brian Toner '13, '15G, '19 Ph.D. and Amber Hathaway '12, '14G, '20 Ph.D.; 6. Left to right: Carter Brague, Jeffrey Girouard '03, Andrew Girouard '07, Kelley Brague, Jennifer Girouard, and Colleen Brague.

Deaths

Towns are in Maine unless otherwise noted.

1940

Evelyn Ruth Woods Gorham, 99, of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, on 3-31-17.

1941

Anna Verrill Chandler DeMunn, 102, of Cumberland Foreside, on 12-17-20.
Priscilla Brown Mason, 100, of Fort Myers, FL, on 11-9-18.

1942

Bernard Lown, M.D., 99, of Chestnut Hill, MA, on 2-16-21.

1944

Julie Leden St. Clair, 95, of Lakewood, CO, on 5-30-18.
Elizabeth Price Salter, 97, of La Habra, CA, on 1-3-21.

1946

Pauline "Polly" Spear Bardsley, 96, of Westborough, MA, on 1-8-21.
Robert Emerson Butler, 96, of York, on 11-7-20.
Rosanna Niles "Rusty" Chute, 96, of Bath, on 1-10-21.
Clarence Edward "Ki" Faulkner, 94, of Harpers Ferry, WV, on 4-3-17.
Gerald Francis Pelletier, 96, of Old Town, on 12-19-20.
Joanne Springer Perry, 94, of Bethesda, MD, on 12-12-20.
Mary Miller Savchick, 97, of Belfast, on 2-8-21.
Byron Wagner St. Clair, 93, of Lakewood, CO, on 5-20-18.

1947

Eleanor Perkins Cool, 94, of Johns Creek, GA, on 8-7-19.
Barbara Rose Howlett Patterson, 95, of Farmingdale, on 12-18-20.

1948

Mary Wiswell Libby, 93, of Orrs Island, on 3-5-21.

1949

James Angus Beaudry, 97, of Scarborough, on 12-3-20.
Harry Adelbert Bell, 96, of North Gorham, on 11-14-20.
John Prescott Doak, 92, of Belfast, on 12-3-20.
Hugh Nickerson Hatch, 95, of East Greenwich, RI, on 2-21-21.



Dr. Bernard Lown '42 was a pioneering cardiologist, author, and peace activist who cofounded International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War. He received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1985. In 1988 (above) he received the Alumni Association's inaugural humanitarian award, which is named for him.

Albert William Starbird, 97, of Solon, on 1-2-21.

1950

Norma Parlin Baker, 92, of Old Orchard Beach, on 11-17-20.
Albert Robert Boynton, 94, of Whitefield, on 1-31-21.
Colby Hackett Chandler, 95, of Rochester, NY, on 3-4-21.
Richard Delmont Dane, 95, of Topsfield, MA, on 1-15-21.
Richard Smardon Foster, 94, of Bloomington, MN, on 1-25-20.
Dale Vincent Fowler, 91, of Browns Summit, NC, on 1-13-21.
Boyd Chalmers Fuller, 94, of Waseca, MN, on 1-26-21.
George Harrison Grant, 91, of Sudbury, MA, on 9-27-16.
James Patrick Jalbert, 100, of Richmond, VA, on 12-22-20.
Merle Stanley Johnston, 91, of Bent Mountain, VA, on 11-25-18.
Marilyn Jeanne Kroy, 90, of Broken Arrow, OK, on 5-24-18.
Walter Joseph Lebel, 92, of Muskegon, MI, on 5-24-18.
Roland Girard Murdock, 88, of Windsor Locks, CT, on 1-11-17.
Sylvester Darius Naas, 93, of Short Hills, NJ, on 5-14-18.
Jeanne Thompson Nason, 91, of Naples, FL, on 1-4-21.
Osmond Frederick Palmer, 91, of Rochester, NY, on 12-5-16.
Henry Warren Saunders III, 92, of Osprey, FL, and Standish, on 2-24-21.
Henry Leonard Thibodeau, 96,

of Portland, on 11-3-20.

Edwin Knights Thomas, 94, of Wayland, MA, on 3-2-21.
John Winchester Tilton, 91, of Carlsbad, CA, on 1-26-20.
Wilbur Clinton Weeks, 95, of Camden, on 12-25-20.
Gilbert Lewis "Joe" Wilson, Jr., 98, of Brunswick, on 3-4-21.

1951

Averill LeRoy Black, 92, of Bangor, on 1-3-21.
Benjamin Seaver Blanchard, 89, of Charlottesville, VA, on 7-11-19.
Margaret Flint Brown, 92, of Seattle, WA, on 7-5-20.
Ralph Merle "Chub" Clark, 92, of Gardiner, on 1-21-21.
James Fiorinto D'Angelo, 94, of Crystal, on 1-11-21.
John Michael Draughon, 86, of Carlsbad, CA, on 1-30-17.
Hyman Gluck, 93, of Palm Beach Gardens, FL, on 12-31-20.
George Crommett Gould, 91, of Augusta, on 12-10-20.
Frederick Oscar Heald, 93, of Lincolnville, on 10-18-20.
Jerome Samson Matus, 92, of Holliston, MA, on 11-29-20.
Raymond Alton Porter, 91, of Adams, MA, on 2-19-21.
Lt. Col. John Cooper "Jack" Squires, 94, of Rye, NH, on 1-12-20.
Roger Allen Sullivan, 91, of Clinton, CT, on 2-12-21.
Ormond M. "Bud" Trask, 89, of Saco, on 11-8-20.
Jeannette Putnam Cates Vosburgh, 91, of Cleverdale, NY, on 1-12-21.

1952

Charles Kenneth Allen, Jr., 89, of Sedgwick, on 2-11-21.



Henry Saunders '50 was the longtime president of his class and a dedicated alumnus who established several scholarships and professorships at UMaine.

Philip Joseph Cameron, 91, of Chamberlain, on 1-22-21.
Roberta Hendrick Cossar, 89, of Waterloo, NY, on 1-23-20.
Joseph Henry Cyr, 97, of New Holland, PA, on 2-17-21.
Edward Remick Huff, 90, of Old Town, on 1-12-21.
Helen Childs Kibler, 88, of Yarmouth, on 6-5-19.
Robert Peasley McReavy, 95, of Guilford, on 12-9-20.
Edward Joseph Mountford, 93, of Silverthorne, CO, on 10-18-20.
Petros William Panagakos, 92, of Portland, on 12-14-20.
Robert Burns Phair, 92, of Limestone, on 10-25-20.
Laurence Edwin Smart, 89, of Alfred, on 10-21-20.

1953

Ronald Edward Bishop, 88, of Cornelius, NC, and Stockton Springs, on 3-23-21.
Warren Wellington Braley, 97, of Long Island, on 12-29-20.
Sharon Leigh Clark, 88, of Los Angeles, CA, on 9-24-20.
Faith Taylor Diehl, 88, of Kilmarnock, VA, on 1-14-21.
Carolyn Lamb Ellis, 88, of Canby, OR, on 8-5-19.
Walter Arthur Ellis, 86, of Tiverton, RI, on 10-4-18.
Frances Arlene Foster, 89, of Vestal, NY, on 1-8-20.
Gaylen Burton Kelley, 90, of Middleton, MA, on 2-3-21.
Lt. Col. John B. Langlais, 95, of Elk River, MN, on 7-17-20.
Lt. Col. Carlton Merle Lowery, 91, of Santa Rosa Beach, FL, on 12-12-20.
Alexander Manzo, 91, of Kissimmee, FL, on 6-21-20.
Ruth Partridge Pelletier, 88, of Utica, NY, on 11-13-20.
Theresa Bourgoin Pinkham, 91, of Sharon, MA, on 12-19-20.
Barbara Mason Johnson Smith, 86, of Middletown, DE, on 2-14-18.

1954

Charles Guy Beaudoin, 88, of Oak Harbor, WA, on 11-28-20.
Patricia Wilson Buswell, 88, of Rye, NH, on 2-13-21.
William Sproul Emery, 92, of Mechanicsburg, PA, on 3-3-19.
Mahlon Watson Gray, Jr., 87, of Van Nuys, CA, on 10-24-16.
Preston Winship "Skip" Hall, 88, of Worcester, MA, on 11-15-20.
Hugh Victor McCormick, 88, of

Renton, WA, on 4-29-20.
Lewis Emile Michaud, 97, of Augusta, on 2-25-21.
Judith Anne Otis, 86, of Concord, MA, on 10-23-19.
Col. Ronald Clair Perry, 88, of Clarksville, TN, on 7-30-20.
John Bartholemew Ristuccia, 88, of St. Augustine, FL, on 1-10-21.
Harry Porter Stearns, 96, of Whitefield, on 1-25-21.

1955

Sewall Glenn Chason, DMD, 87, of Palm Beach Gardens, FL, and Southborough, MA, on 11-23-20.
Daniel Eugene Gagnon, 83, of Manchester, NH, on 1-1-16.
Adolphe Joseph "Doc" Gingras, Jr., 88, of Manchester, on 1-7-21.
Kendall Glover Lund, 87, of Kittery, on 2-16-21.
Andrew Alexander Norton, 93, of Brunswick, on 12-4-20.
Ernest Allen Smart, 86, of Oviedo, FL, on 5-16-19.

1956

Arthur Silsby Allen, 86, of Brewer, on 3-4-21.
Earlene Kneeland Aylward, 86, of Lincoln, on 10-24-20.
Arthur Stephen Billings, M.D., 86, of St. Petersburg, FL, on 1-17-21.
Richard Wright Clark, 86, of Naples, FL, on 12-28-20.
David Morse Colclough, 86, of Spokane, WA, on 10-3-20.
Richard Morton Knight, 91, of Auburn, on 12-5-20.
Jean Partridge Mason, 86, of Hallowell, on 12-4-20.
Ethan Dana Moore, 83, of New Braunfels, TX, on 1-5-17.
Marilyn T. Malkin Ohriner, 82, of Las Vegas, NV, on 12-24-16.
George Amos Patterson, Jr., of Hampden, on 12-5-20.
Elizabeth "Betsy" Harvey Ruff, 86, of Yarmouth, on 1-25-21.
Carlene Snow Stairs, 87, of Lisbon, on 2-4-21.
Joan Marguerita Whitworth Ward, 86, of Terre Haute, IN, on 11-20-20.

1957

Mark Wyman Biscoe, 84, of Brunswick, on 12-19-20.
Philip Edward Forbes, 82, of Martinsburg, WV, on 10-22-17.
Charlotte Bourret Hart, 84, of Cumberland, on 12-25-20.

William Michael Kearns, Jr., 85, of New Vernon, NJ, on 9-26-20.
William Merwin Lander, 85, of Fort Myers, FL, on 3-30-20.
John Daniel Ricker, 86, of Andover and Kittery, on 11-22-20.
Richard Frank Rose, 83, of Manchester, CT, on 9-12-18.
James Michael Smaha, 85, of Saratoga, CA, on 10-21-20.
Alden Glenn Small, 85, of Winthrop, on 12-23-20.
Roger Alton Sprague, 91, of Belfast, on 11-14-20.
Joel Philip Stinson, 85, of Brunswick, on 12-13-20.
Barbara Coy Thaxter, 85, of Townsend, MA, on 11-5-20.

1958

Henry Hugo Eckman, 82, of Bowdoin, on 12-17-18.
Joel Merrill Fisk, 90, of Waldo, on 2-18-18.
Ronald Gardner Oberg, 84, of Falmouth, on 2-22-21.
Linda Lee Richards, 84, of Oxford, on 3-6-20.
Wayne Gaynor Sanborn, 84, of DeLand, FL, on 2-4-21.
James Joseph Talbot, Jr., 88, of Exeter, NH, on 2-6-21.

1959

Col. Joseph Thomas Cuccaro, 83, of Falmouth, on 2-16-21.
Roger Chanel Derosier, 87, of Marstons Mills, MA, on 9-1-19.
Joseph William Dombek, 87, of Scarborough, on 3-1-21.
Willis Leland Fenwick, 86, of Williamsburg, VA, on 10-10-19.
Danny Walter Hile, 85, of New Port Richey, FL, on 3-9-19.
Wheaton Grenville Hudson, 90, of Cumberland Center, on 1-9-21.
Ronald Allen Jones, 90, of Enterprise, AL, on 3-22-20.
Richard Huston McCann, 78, of West Paris, on 12-8-15.
Hazel Marie Gray Rand, 81, of Auburn, on 9-17-18.
John Allen Raulston, 87, of Hot Springs Village, AR, on 7-27-20.
Lt. Col. William Henry Spring, 83, of Alexandria, VA, on 1-25-21.
Gloria Lorraine Witham, 95, of Rockland, on 1-29-21.

1960

John Franklin Akeley, 82, of Lubbock, TX, and Cape Cod, MA, on 11-3-20.
Wilfred Leroy "Red"



Diane Wiseman Linscott '60 was a multimedia artist and jazz singer who performed and recorded numerous CDs. She served as a director of the UMaine Foundation, on the advisory board of the Collins Center for the Arts, and as a member of the University of Maine Development Council.

Crossman, 83, of York, on 1-8-21.
Daniel Philip Foley, 78, of Lakeland, FL, on 8-19-15.
Frank Herbert "Pete" Kean, 80, of Cleveland, OH, on 1-13-19.
Timothy Matthew Kersey, 82, of The Villages, FL, on 3-15-20.
Stephen William Leavitt, 87, of Bucksport, on 7-14-20.
Diane Wiseman Linscott, 82, of Castine, on 4-16-21.
Nancy Lou Small Moran, 81, of Sarasota, FL, on 7-24-19.
Richard R. Perrault, 80, of Troy, AL, on 11-26-18.
Floyd Leroy Phinney, 88, of Bucksport, on 2-16-21.
James Albert Quine, 88, of Ashburn, VA, on 1-3-21.
Robert Eugene Rowe, 87, of Lynchburg, VA, on 2-5-20.
John Irving Smallidge, 88, of East Lyme, CT, on 9-21-19.

1961

Dale Freeman Doughty, 83, of Farmington, on 1-17-21.
Frank Herbert Edmondson, 81, of Cottonwood, MN, on 11-21-18.
Muriel Elizabeth "Betty" Webber Stone Henderson, 93, of Fayette, on 12-30-20.
Donald Eugene Labbe, 81, of Bristol, on 1-5-17.
Donna Gardiner Laurendeau, 81, of Hyde Park, NY, on 10-24-20.
Thomas Charles Lindsey, 81, of Laconia, NH, on 1-3-21.

David Arnold Mattsen, 83, of Lynden, WA, on 12-12-18.
Raymond Nelson Miclon, 85, of Buckfield, on 11-6-20.
Clarence Neil Ouellette, 82, of Pasadena, MD, on 4-17-20.
George Reynold Thibeau, 88, of Aldie, VA, on 2-4-20.

1962

Charles Elliott Giles, 81, of Chapala, Mexico, on 1-10-21.
Ruel Edwin "Ed" Hamilton, 88, of Durham, on 11-12-20.
James Wagner Harris, 86, of Deltona, FL, on 10-27-20.
Calvin Albert Libby, 87, of Gorham, on 1-14-21.
Eugene Salin, D.D.S., 80, of Upper Gwynedd, PA, on 2-8-21.
Carl Henry Winslow, 88, of Yarmouth, on 10-31-20.
Arthur Howard Young, 80, of Lynden, WA, on 7-24-20.
Elizabeth Estes Martin Zimba, 77, of Parker, AZ, on 4-15-18.

1963

Eric Bowmar, 89, of Wrentham, MA, on 2-7-21.
Bruce Bowden Clawson, 80, of Canton, CT, on 10-22-20.
Georgette Emilie Hamel, 83, of Marianna, FL, on 12-12-20.
James Lawrence Houle, 78, of Apex, NC, on 3-3-20.
Carol Dubay Huff, 79, of Pittsford, NY, on 1-16-21.
Ronald Wilfred Jean, 86, of Lewiston, on 11-23-20.
Frederic Whiting "Ted" Leadbetter, 80, of Brewer, on 10-30-20.
Roger James Mitchell, 85, of Bangor, on 12-15-20.
Norman Charles Morse, 80, of Jamestown, OH, on 5-25-17.
Joanna Francine Walsh-Ward, 89, of Lewiston, on 2-14-21.

1964

Gwendolyn Carol Alexander, 79, of Boynton Beach, FL, on 2-5-21.
Philip Reed Campbell, 79, of Fort Morgan, AL, on 10-25-20.
Linda Dyke Green, 78, of Canton, on 10-24-20.
William Burton Hunt, 90, of Winslow, on 1-17-21.
Paul Douglas Parks, 73, of Yarmouth, on 12-24-17.
Faye Myrtle Somers, 90, of Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada, on 4-14-20.
Stephen Packard Wilson, 79, of Bath, on 10-16-20.

1965

Judy Kimball Field, 75, of Falmouth, on 10-6-18.
Ronald Gerard Fontaine, 85, of Greenville, on 2-25-21.
Richard Edward Halpern, 78, of Mashpee, MA, on 1-18-21.
Floyd Francis Keniston, 96, of Hollis, on 10-22-18.
Leo Ralph Larochelle, 77, of Lewiston, on 11-24-20.
Mary Kirsten Larsson-Turley, 78, of Lewiston, on 10-26-20.
James Philip Lawrence, 74, of Boston, MA, on 7-25-17.
Clyde Winfield MacDonald, Jr., 91, of Hampden, on 12-12-20.
Marshall "Max" Magee, 80, of Bozeman, MT, on 12-10-20.
Laurestine Flavin Marin, 76, of Standish, on 3-2-19.
Sharon Briggs Merrill, 77, of Topsham, on 2-6-21.
Robert Bernard Silke, 81, of Bradenton, FL, on 1-26-21.

1966

David Sewall Amrein, 76, of Sebring, FL, on 12-7-20.
Mary Persinger Lewis Finnegan, 73, of Apex, NC, on 8-4-18.
Nelson Madore, 77, of East Falmouth, MA, on 12-24-20.
Chester Stillman Merrifield, 89, of Waldo, ME, on 1-5-21.
James Frederick Murphy, 75, of Casco, on 6-27-18.
Miyoko Umeno Prych, 78, of Spokane Valley, WA, on 1-12-21.
Janet Ruth Rogers, 76, of Seabrook, NH, on 11-23-20.
Thomas John Smaha, 77, of Scarborough, on 1-7-21.
Joan Albert Soucie, 91, of Bangor, on 12-2-20.
Sue Ellen Spence, 75, of Charlotte, NC, on 10-6-19.
Nancy Lorene Libby Trefethen, 76, of Green Valley, AZ, on 1-18-21.
William Leo York, 84, of Londonderry, NH, on 11-8-20.

1967

Hollis "Jack" Elwin Adrews, Jr., 76, of Jacksonville, FL, on 1-7-21.
Ezra James Briggs III, 73, of Layton, UT, on 1-14-21.
Chris Herrick Danforth, 76, of Orrington, on 1-13-21.
David Nelson Fitzpatrick, 83, of Bancroft, on 12-19-20.
Barbara Dodge Kimball, 73, of Melbourne, FL, on 8-2-18.
David Joseph O'Connor, 76, of

Lake Wales, FL, on 12-14-20.
John George O'Neill, 76, of Crossville, TN, and North Ft. Myers, FL, on 11-19-20.
Nancy Elaine Reed, 78, of Aiken, SC, on 12-30-20.
John William Wheeler III, 77, of Colton, CA, on 9-17-19.

1968

David Charles Decker, 72, of North Yarmouth, on 3-7-21.
Barbara Joanne Edge, 71, of Avon, CT, on 1-1-17.
Colby Watson Flaherty II, 72, of Jacksonville, NC, on 7-16-19.
Doris Larsen Hayes, 91, of Jacksonville, FL, on 12-5-20.
Richard Raymond Lessard, 77, of Stroudsburg, PA, on 12-21-20.
Joyce Leola McPherson, 73, of Farmington, on 6-7-18.
Jon Darryl Page, 74, of Crestview, FL, on 9-11-20.
William Charles Roberts, 74, of The Villages, FL, on 10-2-20.
Betsy Wooster Robson, 86, of Yarmouth, on 2-2-21.

1969

Loren Hayward Clarke, 71, of Ellsworth, on 12-9-20.
Melvin Frederic Coffin II, 75, of Lincoln, on 11-10-20.
James Edward Gould, 73, of Woodstock, GA, on 4-14-20.
Peter Clifford James, 73, of Naples, on 2-3-21.
Holly Louise Thede Margolis, 73, of Waterville, on 11-16-20.
Ronald Elwin McAllister, 71, of Brooksville, FL, and Jay, on 12-25-18.
Bernard "Barney" Pelletier, 80, of Eagle Lake, on 1-4-21.
Joseph Albert Raynes, 71, of Cumberland Center, on 1-13-21.
Barbara Fagerlund Roberts, 73, of Davidsonville, MD, on 2-5-21.
Carl Harry Snow, 81, of Bangor, on 12-22-20.
Louis Thomas Thel, 73, of Clearwater, FL, on 7-17-19.

1970

William Headley Armes, 72, of Brewer, on 11-8-20.
Louise Celeste DeBlois Austin, 72, of Rumford, on 11-4-20.
Roger Willis Dole, 93, of Hermon, on 2-9-21.
Myrtle Ann Crocker Hanna, 86, of Round Pond, on 11-10-18.
William Eugene Macdonald, 72, of Ellsworth, on 1-8-21.
Donald J. Mack, 69, of Orchard Park, NY, on 4-27-17.

Stephen Ashton Mayberry, 72, of Ridgely, MD, on 8-10-20.
Dawn Marie McLean, 72, of Estero, FL, on 2-8-21.
Margaret Elizabeth Murphy, 72, of Brewster, MA, on 12-26-20.
Richard Alan Palermo, 71, of West Warwick, RI, on 12-19-19.
Gary Winston Palmieri, 74, of Mansfield, MA, on 1-15-21.
James Joseph Pottie, 75, of Abingdon, MD, on 9-13-20.
George Arthur Smith, 72, of Mount Vernon, on 2-12-21.
Malcolm Dana "Bunky" Smith, Jr., 85, of Ashland, on 11-25-20.
Karen Ann Szymanski, 72, of Gorham, on 7-1-20.
Barry Michael Tibbetts, 73, of Bingham, on 10-20-20.

1971

Peter Dow Clain, 72, of Mérida, Yucatán, Mexico, on 12-4-20.
Rodney Martin Doody, 77, of Presque Isle, on 12-4-20.
Edgar Frederick Eaton, Jr., 69, of Northport, on 11-5-20.
Dianne Kenney Maxwell, 90, of Winthrop, on 11-21-20.
Pamela Anne McKay Grassetti, 71, of Agawam, MA, on 10-20-20.
James Michael Moros, 72, of Burlington, VT, on 7-21-18.
Alfred John Nadeau, 72, of Ossineke, MI, on 9-17-18.
Harland E. Sheerin, 76, of Barnet, VT, on 10-9-20.
Elizabeth Irish Wright, 91, of Wheaton, IL, on 2-9-18.

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Nathaniel Thayer Bacon, 71, of Farmington, NH, on 11-8-20.
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Richard Milton Harvey, 87, of Waterville, on 3-1-21.
Rosanna Marie Joseph, 71, of Waterville, on 10-25-20.
Elaine Callahan Lally, 66, of Billerica, MA, on 5-31-17.
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Philip Allen Lessard, 69, of Lyman, on 5-5-18.
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Winfield Perley Millett, 71, of Maricopa, AZ, on 12-11-20.
Forest "Pete" Arnold Osgood,

84, of Norridgewock, on 10-19-20.
Michael P. Sullivan, 70, of Amesbury, MA, on 1-25-21.
Donald Charles Vigue, Jr., 71, of Brunswick, on 1-18-21.
Dana Clinton Wright, 72, of Littleton, on 11-7-20.

1973

Glenn Jay Adams, Jr., 70, of Augusta, on 1-1-21.
Joanna Leavitt Burd, 89, of Hallowell, on 4-2-21.
Herbert Warren Carey, Jr., 70, of East Kingston, NH, on 3-21-21.
Linda Jean Cole, 70, of Floral, AL, on 3-24-20.
Lawrence Michael "Max" Dawson, 67, of Phippsburg, on 11-27-20.
Robert Allen Emerson, 70, of Winthrop, on 11-16-20.
Lawrence Michael Hodgkins, 68, of Ellsworth, on 10-11-18.

1974

John Maurice Cluff, Jr., 75, of Eddington, on 2-18-21.
George Alfred Courbron, Jr., 69, of Auburn, on 5-24-21.
Rosemary Elaine Vassar Curtis, 68, of Chesapeake, VA, on 1-26-21.
Dianna Kilby Emory, 71, of Mount Desert Island and Brooklin, on 1-24-21.
Carole Austin Gopsill, 67, of Farmington, on 11-28-20.
Everett Frank Johnson, Jr., 68, of Cape Elizabeth, on 11-21-20.
Mavis Anita Judkins Longfellow, 90, of Manchester, on 11-20-20.
Patrice Anne Chalker Maynard, 68, of Cape Elizabeth, on 10-16-20.
Benjamin M. Merrick, 82, of Augusta, on 11-2-20.
Jane Rogers Mole, 67, of Polson, MT, on 4-22-20.
Carolyn Mae Kelley Russell, 68, of Winterport, on 10-23-20.
Rodney G. Sabattus, 69, of Waterville, on 12-12-20.
Frances Elizabeth Colton Vashon, 68, of Miami Township, OH, on 10-25-20.
Ann Elizabeth Hubert Wilson, 68, of Corinna, on 11-9-20.
Timothy Robert Woodbury, 66, of Liberty, on 12-4-20.

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Deaths

Towns are in Maine unless otherwise noted.

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Rosanna Marie Joseph, 71, of Waterville, on 10-25-20.
Elaine Callahan Lally, 66, of Billerica, MA, on 5-31-17.
Patricia Calyer Langford, 82, of Chico, CA, on 1-13-20.
Gene Wallace Laramy, 93, of Prescott, AZ, on 10-17-20.
Philip Allen Lessard, 69, of Lyman, on 5-5-18.
Russell Goodale Martin, 71, of Bath, on 4-25-21.
Winfield Perley Millett, 71, of Maricopa, AZ, on 12-11-20.
Forest "Pete" Arnold Osgood, 84, of Norridgewock, on 10-19-20.
Michael P. Sullivan, 70, of Amesbury, MA, on 1-25-21.
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Rodney G. Sabattus, 69, of Waterville, on 12-12-20.
Frances Elizabeth Colton Vashon, 68, of Miami Township, OH, on 10-25-20.
Ann Elizabeth Hubert Wilson, 68, of Corinna, on 11-9-20.
Timothy Robert Woodbury, 66, of Liberty, on 12-4-20.

1975

George Sewell Bacon, 69, of Crystal River, FL, on 4-2-21.
Paul Gerard Betit, 73, of Brunswick, on 11-2-20.
Barbara Mullins Bilodeau, 68, of Jay, on 3-20-21.
Jeffrey Richard Brushwein, 68, of Lehigh Acres, FL, on 9-3-20.
Daniel Richard Burgoyne, 68, of Marion Station, MD, on 12-5-20.
John Vianney Finnegan, 69, of Augusta, on 3-11-21.
Alan Hugh McCluskey, 69, of Lawrence, MA, on 4-22-20.
Daniel Thomas Rush, 68, of Kennebunk, on 11-9-20.
Theodore Carmine Tocci, Jr., 65,

of South Casco, on 5-30-20.
Roger Allison Wentworth, 68, of Saco, on 3-31-21.

1976

Mark Donald Anderson, 74, of Wheatland, WY, on 11-17-20.
Harold Charles Mears, 67, of Seabrook, NH, on 1-24-18.
Frederick William "Fritz" Ritter, 66, of Elkins, WV, on 4-20-20.
Darrell Harold Salisbury, 64, of West Rutland, VT, in 2018.
Daphne Gallant Sprague, 67, of North Yarmouth, on 7-7-20.
Dana Glenn Smith, 70, of Bangor, on 8-22-20.
Ruth Shirley Langley Walker, 99, of Ocala, FL, and Pittsfield, on 4-29-21.

1977

Thomas Gordon Bertenshaw, 83, of Stillwater, OK, on 7-4-19.
Thomas Albert Bolser, Jr., 64, of Cincinnati, OH, on 10-18-16.
Cheryl Ann Chase, 70, of Northeast Harbor, on 6-14-19.
Patricia McGarry Clark, 65, of Bangor, on 11-4-20.
Edward Augustus Ferguson, Jr., 66, of Danvers, MA, on 12-30-20.
Stephen Lee Hodsdon, 65, of Bigfork, MT, on 2-8-21.
Warren John Leonard, 73, of Portland, on 10-23-20.



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Deaths

James Cortelyou Purvis, 67, of Coronado, CA, on 3-15-21.
Curtis Adams Sears, 66, of Midlothian, VA, on 7-4-18.
Douglas David Tankard, 64, of Gilford, NH, on 3-25-19.

1978
Stephen Nicholson Cahoon, 61, of Lovettsville, VA, on 10-22-17.
Thomas Harry Davis, 64, of Lewiston, on 11-19-20.
Edward Raymond Gallagher, 64, of Longmeadow, MA, on 1-20-18.
Michael Earle Gardner, 60, of Kennebunk, on 7-12-16.
Calvin W. Mason, 62, of South Portland, on 10-14-20.
Joanne Ellen Nusser, 62, of Perryton, TX, on 1-2-19.
Salvatore Mule Randazzo, 75, of Wildwood, FL, on 12-9-15.
Leann I. Skillin, 70, of Ruckersville, VA, on 1-10-19.

1979
Irene MacLeod Hall, 63, of Castine, on 2-17-21.
Jeffrey Howard "Bub" Jackson, 71, of Hampden, on 1-31-21.
Emma Louise Richards, 88, of Bar Harbor, on 3-15-21.
Therese Marie Rioux White, 63, of Auburn, on 10-27-20.

1980
Linda Best, 72, of South Portland, on 6-20-20.
Michael Alan Cutler, 64, of Glenburn, on 2-21-21.
Richard A. Davis, 62, of Glenburn, on 10-3-20.
Thomas Francis Dunn, 69, of Windham, NH, on 5-8-20.
Steven Mark Dunwoody, 63, of Falmouth, on 4-8-21.

1981
Linda Lee Allen, 74, of Kents Store, VA, on 3-10-18.
Scott Loren Dyke, 62, of Brooks, on 11-22-20.
Larry Alan James, 62, of Davenport, FL, on 3-7-21.
Arthur Joseph Marcoux, 66, of South Portland, on 8-20-17.

1982
Edgar Joseph Biggie, Jr., 79, of Castine, on 4-5-21.
Mary Whirly Bigl, 89, of Bucksport, on 4-14-21.
Pamela Mary Brill, 67, of Boston, on 8-10-19.
Matthew John Downey, 57, of South Tampa, FL, on 9-16-17.
Daniel Joseph Driscoll, 57, of Belmont, MA, on 1-29-16.
Mark Jean Lamarre, 63, of Mebane, NC, on 12-26-20.
Stephen John Mathys, 57, of

Newton, MA, on 3-2-16.
Steven Louis Morin, 69, of Cranston, RI, on 4-21-21.
Mark Young Schaub, 61, of Lower Makefield, PA, on 2-18-21.
Jeffrey Mark Steeves, 60, of Newport, RI, on 1-18-21.

1983
Mary Louise Brown, 59, of Bath, on 3-31-19.
Erik Ankor Heitman, 55, of Louisville, KY, on 10-28-17.
Ivan Averill Hill, 79, of Friendship, on 4-13-21.
Pierre Paul Martin, 61, of Globe, AZ, on 4-26-20.
Daryl James Massey, 56, of Bangor, on 5-10-16.
Brent Alan Varney, 59, of Wells, on 11-11-20.

1984
Jeffrey B. Guiou, 59, of Presque Isle, on 1-12-21.
Louis Anthony Ortiz, Jr., 60, of Bangor, on 1-17-21.
Paul Joseph Sirois, 68, of Waterville, on 9-18-20.
Jay Howard Skrietz, 68, of Perry, on 1-28-21.
Tracey Swartz Smith, 62, of Londonderry, NH, on 1-9-21.

1985
Gary Edmund Capehart, 71, of Bangor, on 11-25-20.
Joan Carlisle Howard, 82, of Orrington, on 3-25-21.
Anne Elizabeth Johnson Mullin, 83, of New Harbor, on 7-4-20.

1986
Brian Anthony Bowers, 59, of Oak Ridge, TN, on 3-7-19.
Kathryn Ann Dunn, 58, of Augusta, on 11-14-20.
Adele A. Factor, 79, of Bangor, on 1-15-21.
Helen Snow Hasey, 95, of Hermon, on 11-29-20.
Mark A. Hedtler, 57, of the Dominican Republic and Maine, on 9-30-20.
Warren Malcolm Kidder, 61, of Alton, on 3-28-21.
Rebecca Lynn Merrifield, 56, of Fairfield, on 4-17-21.
Randall P. Preston, 55, of Middletown, PA, on 3-3-18.
Mark Allen Slater, 59, of Westminster, MD, on 2-3-21.
Evelyn M. Tardif, 60, of Frenchville, on 12-24-20.

1987
Stephen James Avelleyra, 58, of St. Petersburg, FL, on 5-17-19.
Leon Leroy Brnum, 74, of Mountain View, MO, on 4-10-18.
Lloyd Wesley Day, 75, of Old Town, on 1-6-21.

1988
Thomas Jules Creeley, 70, of Hudson, on 2-13-21.
Frances Ann Dunning, 81, of Dedham, on 2-25-21.
Deborah Harris Haskell, 70, of Ellensburg, WA, on 2-7-21.
Michael Scott Williams, 54, of Ellsworth, on 7-20-20.

1989
Wendy L. Ittah, 55, of Centerville, VA, on 12-21-19.

1990
James Matthew Klenk, 52, of Riverview, FL, on 8-24-20.
Laverne Caldwell Romanik, 83, of Palm City, FL, on 9-19-20.

1991
Susan G. Blackmore, 66, of Levant, on 11-16-20.
Sara Alice Brown, 68, of Morrill, on 9-11-17.
Jacob Willard Munson, 51, of Aliso Viejo, CA, on 6-5-19.

1992
Antonio Frank Bushey, Jr., 51, of Bangor, on 3-15-21.
Eric G. Byron, 55, of Livermore, on 2-2-21.
Linda Bessie Estes, 67, of Bangor, on 5-27-18.
Trisha Littlefield McPherson, 48, of Thorndike, on 5-9-18.
Patricia Joan Perrier, 75, of Portland, on 8-15-20.
Sandra Skibinski, 64, of Crestone, CO, on 8-15-20.
Brenda Lee Wickett, 67, of Old Town, on 4-27-21.

1993
Erik Kristopher Carlson, 50, of Edgecomb, on 10-30-20.
Ravindranath Chigurupati, 59, of Hobart, IN, on 12-16-16.
Thomas William Flacke, 77, of Morrill, on 11-1-20.
Dennis F. "Red" Gendron, 63, of Bangor, on 4-9-21.
Matiana Gamez Glass, 76, of Farmington, on 8-30-18.
Roger Marden, 50, of Parkman, on 8-1-20.

1994
Steven Merrill Frank, 69, of Las Cruces, NM, on 1-21-21.
Daniel E. Marsh, 47, of Orange, MA, on 4-3-17.
Tara LeeAnn Mullins, 52, of Hampden, on 12-23-19.
Pamela Bubier Sirois, 48, of Greene, on 1-5-21.

1995
Thomas M. Harrington, Jr., 60, of Portland, on 4-12-18.
Alison Ragna Lehto, 77, of Oakland, on 7-23-20.

1996
Alphonse Larry Doucette, 55, of Wiscasset, on 3-12-21.
Andrei Joseph Schneller, 45, of Portland, on 3-13-18.

1997
John Robert "Rob" Beal, Jr., 51, of Auburn, NH, on 5-28-21.
Carol Ann Cole Jordan, 77, of Winterport, on 1-16-21.

1998
Lisa Robertson Galgay, 53, of Turner, on 5-19-15.
Carla Helen Healer, 42, of North Falmouth, MA, on 10-16-18.
Syldra Marcol LaPorte, 71, of Thomaston, on 3-8-20.

2002
Linda Elizabeth Green Amsden, 71, of Newport, on 1-16-21.
Lani Kathryn Naihe, 41, of Bar Harbor, on 3-28-21.

2003
Ryan Joseph Foss, 41, of Portland, on 8-20-20.
Catherine Lee Neal, 39, of Dexter, on 9-30-20.

2005
Andrew Perry Hess, 39, of Hampden, on 12-27-20.

2006
Jonathan Daniel Sirois, 37, of Gray, on 7-30-20.

2008
Teresa Wight Cail, 55, of Knox, on 8-5-18.

2010
Sherri Ann Goldberg Eldridge, 61, of South Portland, on 9-14-20.

2011
Irene Ann Hutchins Umble, 66, of Bangor, on 10-31-20.
Adam Timmons Woodbrey, 33, of Raymond, on 3-16-21.

2018
Matthew Thomas Austin, 25, of Millbury, MA, on 10-2-20.

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