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Extending the Conversation

Chances are, whatever line of work you are in, you haven’t escaped hearing the term “social networking.” And, as with many buzzwords, you’ve probably learned what to call it sometime after you had already begun doing it. Apparently, all day, every day—whether at work or on vacation, sitting in a conference room or an armchair—many of us are sending out 140-character messages to our “followers,” sharing videos and articles and Web sites with hundreds of people at once, declaring ourselves fans of bacon or “This American Life” or Shania Twain—essentially putting our lives and selves online. While we do all that, we are keeping up with all that same information for, on average, 150 others.

Like everyone else, I have been doing this, too. When I open up my Facebook page, I have the sense that I am hosting a party to which I’ve invited a very odd cast of characters. There are current colleagues, Bowdoin alumni, both of my present boss and my boss from twenty years ago, family members near and far, high school and college classmates I knew well or not at all, some of our children’s friends (who would do well to remember that people like me get a “feed” every time they post a photo), and even our dog Noah. As much as I think it is good to mix up your guest list from time to time, I can’t imagine doing this in real life.

The value of this kind of networking is real. I read recently that the surge in job losses has led to a boost in sign-ups on the business networking site, LinkedIn. When times are tough, we look to each other, and there are digital ways to do that. After years of reading articles in parenting magazines telling us to limit our kids’ screen time, lest they become socially isolated, it now seems that the only real concerns are ones of physical inactivity. But there are challenges to this phenomenon, too—how do you redefine intimacy when so many people know so much about you? Who is special and what do you tell them about yourself that the world doesn’t know? We all have heard the cautionary tales about the Internet being one big public billboard, privacy settings or not, but there is a deeper question, too: what happens to our sense of identity when the private self and the public self are the same?

And I have an even bigger question. This year is my 25th college reunion. With all the small talk already covered through our virtual conversations, what could possibly be left to say?

I would worry about this more if I had a different job. I know that alumni magazines have been practicing social networking for a very long time, and they have proven that the more we read of each other in class notes, the more we feel connected to our class and college, and the more we actually want to come back to campus and visit in person. So, “tweet” your heart out—the conversation may digress, escalate, or stall, but it always continues.

AMB
A lonely outpost...

on the front lines in South Korea during the Korean War. Photo by international correspondent John Rich ’39. Rich’s recently rediscovered personal photographs are thought to be the only collection of color photos from that war.
Come Inside

A late February storm may not have been winter at its most charming, but the campus was beautiful and Farley Field House welcoming. Photograph by Michele Stapleton.
**Other Green Grads?**

Dear editor:

As the wife of one of Bowdoin’s graduates, and with two sons quickly reaching college age, I read each issue of the Bowdoin magazine with great interest. Your last issue had a wonderful article, “Deep Green.” I thought you might be interested to know that Rob Smith (Worthington Robert Smith ’75), my husband, has been with the Sierra Club for almost 30 years, working on wilderness, wildlife, immigration/diversity/native and global warming issues, both on the ground and in Congress. Beyond the large impact he has had on public practice and policy, he has personally taken on the challenge of greening our tract home (rather than build new), installed a solar electric system and reduced our carbon footprint, even while living in Phoenix, one of the most auto dependent cities in America.

I would be interested in seeing what other grads, not just the ones highlighted in the article, are doing to protect and improve the environment in other parts of the country. Is there some way you could solicit that input and continually share that information each issue? I think a lot of alumni would be supportive and curious about the topic.

Sincerely,
Joni Bosh

**Thwarted**

Dear editor:

[Recently, my son] Pete and I visited the Science Building and found Sue Theberge. I showed her my picture in the magazine and asked for permission to access the roof so Pete could take my picture on the chimney again, 70 years later. The look on her face! She continued looking at the picture, looking at me, started smiling and shaking her head side to side. Utter disbelief!

“There are laws – we have rules – the insurance company (is this old fuddy-duddy completely nuts?) – absolutely not!” Bless her heart! I just wanted a picture of the long ridgepole and empty chimney – and to wonder whatever prompted me. I was one of the very few in my class that didn’t take up drinking during my four years there. Still don’t.

Sincerely,

J. Pratt ’40

**On the Edge**

Dear editor:

Regarding the picture in the summer Bowdoin magazine of Jay Pratt ’40 atop Searles; there is a similar picture of me on top of the Senior Center (now called Coles Tower). Dean Nyhus similarly never heard about it, thank goodness. It’s in the Class of 1973 yearbook. There’s also a picture of me in the steam tunnels, also in the yearbook. Unfortunately, he did hear about that. He sent a letter saying that if such activity reoccurred an expulsion would be in order.

Jay Vivian ’73

**Send Us Mail!**

Thank you to those of you who took the time to complete our magazine reader survey!

We are very interested in your feedback, thoughts, and ideas about Bowdoin magazine. You can reach us by e-mail at bowdoineditor@bowdoin.edu.

Submission deadline for Class News, Weddings and Mailbox for the next issue is March, 31, 2009.
The Baja Project
Jim Hughes ’67 takes readers inside the beginning of a “new cold war.” Professor William Abbey accepts a consulting assignment on Mexico’s Baja Peninsula, only to later discover that his client has plans for more than beach resorts. He realizes that millions of American lives are in his hands and that he must stop the Baja Project. *BookSurge Publishing*, 2008.

Catamount, a North Country Thriller
Rick Davidson ’69’s novel is set in northern New England, where two children are stranded between a wildfire and a mountain lion enraged by “man’s sacrilegious infringements on nature’s delicate balance,” which have released a forgotten Indian curse. In a race against time, their distraught parents must overcome marital tensions to save their children. *Beech River Books*, 2008.

Ecosystem Planning in Florida
Samuel David Brody ’92 argues for the need to understand ecosystems at the local level, where most planning decisions are made in the U.S. Brody asserts that ecosystem decline and rapid development are community-level problems and that with the understanding and focus of local and municipal governments, more sustainable levels of environmental planning is possible. *Ashgate*, 2008.

Clear Vision: The Story of Clear Channel Communications
In the only corporate history authorized by the company, Reed Bunzel ’78 takes a look at the emergence and growth of the largest radio and outdoor-advertising company in the world. This history includes interviews with top-level executives and examines controversy that has surrounded Clear Channel along the way. *Bright Sky Press*, 2008.

Just Politics: Human Rights and the Foreign Policy of Great Powers
C. William Waldorf Jr. ’90 examines the power of human rights issues to shape states’ foreign policy. With an eye to the U.S. and

Prior to the release of *Do Travel Writers Go to Hell?: A Swashbuckling Tale of High Adventures, Questionable Ethics, and Professional Hedonism* (Three Rivers Press, 2008), Thomas Kohnstamm ’98 found himself at the center of a global media controversy over the ethics of travel journalism. His memoir takes an unvarnished look at the sometimes compromising and impossible task of writing authoritative guides to foreign destinations.

**Bowdoin:** What are the most common misconceptions about the life of a travel writer?

**Kohnstamm:** That you actually get to travel and you actually get to write. Most of the time, you are racing through a foreign country at a pace akin to “The Amazing Race” (if the publisher sends you there at all) and then penning cookie-cutter reviews or updating contact information. Competition with free on-line travel information has really skewed the travel publishing industry. That’s not to say that you can’t ascend to a more fulfilling level of travel writing – say, travel literature – but, in general, the industry is a bit of a sweatshop.

“**A comic rogue who seems to have modeled his life and prose on Hunter S. Thompson’s…I could not get enough of the most depraved travel book of the year.”**

—The New York Times

**Bowdoin:** Do you write to travel or travel to write? Should a travel writer do one or the other?

**Kohnstamm:** Neither. I am a writer who enjoys traveling whenever possible. The two spheres frequently overlap, but are not always connected. I also think that it is a mistake to decide that you specifically want to become a travel writer. It is best to become a writer. Learn about character, dialogue, place, plotting etc. and if you happen to focus on international issues or travel themes, so be it.

**Bowdoin:** What has been your most satisfying work?

**Kohnstamm:** Aside from Hawthorne-Longfellow Library Security ’95-’96? Probably my book, or the screenplay that I am in the process of completing. In truth, I’m never satisfied with anything that I write. I always look back and want to change all sorts of stuff. Perhaps that sentiment is what keeps pushing me forward to try new and different types of writing.
Britain, this study demonstrates the conditions in which legislatures exert pressure on executives to end commitments to allies with poor humanitarian standards. *Cornell University Press*, 2008.

**Lady Liberty: A Biography**

Matt Tavares ’97 illustrated this history of the construction of the Statue of Liberty, showing the work of engineers, plasterers, carpenters, and coppersmiths working together to erect the monument. From Pulitzer’s call to readers to help fund the cost of a pedestal to the significance of immigrant labor in its construction, this book tells the story of the famous and symbolic statue. *Candlewick*, 2008.

**The Maritime World of Ancient Rome**

Robert L. Hohlfelder ’60 edited this collection of proceedings from the conference, “The Maritime World of Ancient Rome,” including contributions from eminent scholars around the world, and building upon the American Academy in Rome’s first volume on maritime life. The collection traces the emergence of Rome as a dominant maritime power after the fall of Egypt in 30 BCE. *University of Michigan Press*, 2008.

**Our Daily Tread: Thoughts for An Inspired Life**

Lisa Belisle ’92 edited this collection of daily quotations, personal essays, documentary photography, and children’s artwork, paying tribute to the work of her late classmate Hanley Denning. Hanley founded the non-profit Safe Passage to educate children whose families earn their living picking through trash at the Guatemala City Dump. All proceeds from the book benefit Safe Passage. *Aerie River Books*, 2008.

**Organizational Integrity: How to Apply the Wisdom of the Body to Develop Healthy Organizations**

Torin M. Finser ’77, Director of the Waldorf Teacher Education Program at Antioch University New England, examines the nature of professional and governmental organizations through the lens of the natural world, crafting a vision for what he calls a “new ecology of organizations” that ultimately aims to “organ-ize” organizations. *Steinerbooks*, 2007.

**NATO and the Warsaw Pact: Intrabloc Conflicts**

Co-edited and with an introduction by S. Victor Papacosma ’64, professor of history and director of the Lemnitzer Center for NATO and European Union Studies at Kent State University, this volume features essays on Cold War tensions within NATO and the Warsaw Pact. *Kent State University Press*, 2008.

**Shift**

In her latest novel for young adults, Charlotte Agell ’81 projects a vision of an ominous world in which the governing body of Homestate controls every aspect of society. In a mission to change the course of the universe, fifteen-year-old Adrian Havoc travels to the dangerous Deadlands as the end of the world becomes an ever-increasing threat. *Henry Holt*, 2008.

**Why We Hate Us: American Discontent in the New Millennium**


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**on my nightstand**

Tim Foster Dean of Student Affairs

- *Ishmael: An Adventure of the Mind and Spirit* by Daniel Quinn
- *The Road* by Cormac McCarthy
- *The Things They Carried* by Tim O’Brien
- *The Far Side Gallery* by Gary Larson
- *With Love and Prayers: A Headmaster Speaks to the Next Generation* by F. Washington Jarvis

Selby Frame, Associate Director of Academic Communications

- *Seabiscuit: An American Legend* by Laura Hillenbrand
- *Crossing to Safety* by Wallace Stegner
- *When Things Fall Apart: Heart Advice for Difficult Times* by Pema Chodron
- *The Cuisine of the Sun: Classical French Cooking from Nice and Provence* by Mireille Johnston and Milton Glazer

Marilyn Reizbaum, Professor of English

- *Indignation* by Philip Roth
- *Yesterday’s Weather: Stories* by Anne Enright
- *The Senses of Modernism: Technology, Perception, and Aesthetics* by Sara Danius
- *The Mandelbaum Gate* by Muriel Spark
- *Hard-Boiled Wonderland and the End of the World: A Novel* by Haruki Murakami
- *Mob Culture: Hidden Histories of the American Gangster Film*, edited by Esther Sonnet, Lee Grieson, and Peter Stanfield
Dropping the puck on a new logo: A new Polar Bear logo proudly owns center ice at the equally new Sidney J. Watson Arena. The College recently finished an in-depth process to unify the look of the famed Polar Bear mascot, spurred, in part, by the need for a long-term icon in the new arena.
Growing a Spirit of Community

In 2006, Elliott Wright ’04 and Joel Cartwright ’06 led an initiative to establish the Bowdoin Organic Garden with the assistance of Bowdoin Dining Service. The goals they projected then for 2009 have been realized, and the successful program continues to grow, educating and working to close the environmental loop and provide a source of sustainable agriculture for Bowdoin and its environs.

“Like many programs at Bowdoin,” Director of Dining Services Mary Lou Kennedy says, “the organic garden reflects a small, but high quality and significant contribution to the goal of a more sustainable college and world.”

The initial 2006 plan included hiring a full-time garden manager (currently Katherine Creswell) building a hoop house, adding a second on-campus plot, and obtaining Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association certification.

“Having a full-time, seasonal employee to run the garden has been key to its success,” explains Kennedy.

Creswell, who’s been with the garden for five seasons, also helped design this year’s Garden T-shirt, a tribute to the late Cartwright, who tragically committed suicide last summer. Cartwright, whose energy and spirit of community and giving belied his struggle with severe depression, was instrumental in developing many key relationships that led to the garden’s success, including one with the Brunswick Land Trust that continues to afford the garden more than acre of land to farm.

“It was easy to fall under Joel’s spell and be carried along by his passion and commitment,” Kennedy says. “He was an avid learner, networking with successful local farmers and applying those lessons toward developing the Bowdoin garden.”

The garden continues to develop and grow, as Wright and Cartwright envisioned it, deeping relationships with local farmers and looking toward building a permanent greenhouse, an irrigation system, and better integration of the garden into the College curriculum.

Proceeds from the sale of the Garden T-shirts in memory of Joel Cartwright ’06 benefit the operation of the Bowdoin’s organic garden, which he co-founded.
In September 2008, a team of eight Bowdoin alumni traveled to New Orleans to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity to construct new homes, marking the inaugural trip of the Alumni Service Travel Program. For more on the program and upcoming trips, visit the Alumni section of the Bowdoin Web site: polarnet.bowdoin.edu.

Photos by Assistant Professor of Art Michael Kolster.
McDreamy Sports Bowdoin T-Shirt

America’s favorite television neurosurgeon was quickly glimpsed wearing a Bowdoin T-shirt during prime time. Dr. Derek Shepherd, played by Maine-native Patrick Dempsey on the hit ABC television series Grey’s Anatomy, sported the Bowdoin tee in multiple shows in October.

The Bowdoin–Grey’s Anatomy connection was hardly a random event. It is the culmination of a campaign to adopt Dr. Shepherd as a Bowdoin grad conceived and spearheaded by Cole Harris of the Class of 1978.

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Assistant Professor of Government Michael Franz, co-author of Campaign Advertising and American Democracy (Temple University Press, 2007) has made several media appearances in which he has discussed the strategies involved in political campaigns: on the topic of lawn signs that proliferate during campaign season in the August 7, 2008, edition of The Christian Science Monitor, on the WCSH magazine show “207” on Sept. 25, 2008, Franz spoke about speculation that the presidential election will draw a larger number of younger voters, and on Al Jazeera’s “Min [From] Washington,” on Monday, October 27, 2008, he appeared as part of a panel of three political scientists.

The newly renovated and expanded Bowdoin College Museum of Art is the recipient of a design award from the Boston Society of Architects 2008 Honor Awards. The Museum of Art was one of seven projects, out of a field of 135 entries, selected to receive an Award for Design. The Museum was also selected by a jury in Athens, Greece, as one of 66 new American projects to be awarded an American Architecture Award by the Chicago Athenium: Museum of Architecture and Design, the European Centre for Architecture Art Design and Urban Studies, and the Metropolitan Arts Press. The American Architecture Awards program honors and celebrates the most outstanding new accomplishments for new architecture designed and built in the United States by leading American and international architecture firms practicing in the U.S....

Kate Epstein ’10 was among Maine’s 23 other delegates and eight superdelegates at the Democratic National Convention in Denver, Colo. Epstein, an anthropology major and English minor from Harvard, Mass., attended the Brunswick caucus, where she was elected to be a delegate to the state convention in
Augusta, held May 31-June 1…. Studzinski Recital Hall and Kanbar Auditorium are being honored with their fifth design award. The American Institute of Architects (AIA) New England Chapter has awarded the project its 2008 Honor Award for Design…. Adams-Catlin Professor of Economics David Vail was a guest on the Maine Public Broadcasting Network (MPBN) public affairs program *MaineWatch* with Jennifer Rooks on Friday, September 12, 2008. The subject of the segment was “Business Innovation Clusters: Ecotourism.”…. Bowdoin baseball player Tim Welch ’12, of Portsmouth, N.H., was featured in the September 15, 2008, edition of *Sports Illustrated*. Welch was profiled as part of the magazine’s weekly “Faces in the Crowd” segment…. Bowdoin field hockey player Lindsay McNamara ’09 of Milton, Mass., was featured in an article on *Sports Illustrated*’s Web site, SI.com. Jacob Osterhout’s “SI: On Campus” article reads: “So this week, we’re paying attention to field hockey — more specifically, to Lindsay McNamara, the all-time leading goal scorer in Bowdoin College field hockey history…. Christian Potholm, DeAlva Stanwood Alexander Professor of Government, was tapped by two high-profile media outlets to provide commentary on Maine politics. Potholm is quoted in the September 19, 2008, edition of *USA Today*. The article, “In Maine, Collins an Elusive Target for Democrats,” examines the race between incumbent Republican Senator Susan Collins and challenger Democrat Congressman Tom Allen ’67. Potholm was also the invited guest of *The Leonard Lopate Show* on New York City’s public radio station, WNYC, the flagship station of National Public Radio, and was featured in a NECN news segment on November 5, 2008…. Two recent College renovation projects earned awards from the New England chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA New England) and are featured in the October 2008 issue of *Maine Home+Design* magazine. The Bowdoin College Museum of Art was given AIA New England’s Honor Award, as were Studzinski Recital Hall and Kanbar Auditorium… President Barry Mills was quoted in the November 11, 2008, edition of the *Washington Post*, on how the College is handling the country’s financial crisis. Mills was one of a handful of college presidents interviewed for the article, “Struggling Economy Puts Colleges in a Tight Spot.”…. Rick Thompson, associate professor of psychology and neuroscience, was featured in the November 17, 2008, edition of *USA Today*. In the article, “Proof’s in the Brain Scan: Romance Doesn’t Have to Fade,” Thompson responds to a study presented at a meeting of the Society for Neuroscience in Washington, D.C…. Maine Governor John Baldacci has named economics professor David Vail to represent the academic and scientific communities on Maine’s panel of a Blue Ribbon Commission on Land Conservation “to consider the most urgent conservation issues facing our region and develop recommendations on preserving and protecting our natural heritage and places.”….. Studzinski Recital Hall and Kanbar Auditorium were center stage in a two-page spread in the December 14, 2008, issue of *Boston Globe* Magazine…. The plight of the Polar Bear and its connection to the College were the focus of an article in the December 29, 2008, issue of ESPN the Magazine. Informed by interviews with Susan Kaplan, director of the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum and Arctic Studies Center, and Phil Camill, program director and Rusack Associate Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology, the feature, “Save the Mascot, Save the Planet,” notes how global warming continues to melt the Arctic ice, which Polar Bears use as platforms for hunting dives…. With the support of a $5,000 donation from the Bowdoin College Class of 2008 and a grant from the William Bingham Foundation, Bowdoin has installed its first solar domestic hot water heating system in the Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center (OLC). The system comprises a 30-tube roof mounted solar panel, an 80-gallon hot water tank, a display panel and related circulating pump and piping…. DeWitt John, Bowdoin’s Thomas F. Shannon Director of Environmental Studies, testified in support of reauthorization of the U.S. National Marine Sanctuaries Program before the House Committee on Natural Resources in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday, June 18, 2008. John, a fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration, wrote two reports on the marine sanctuary program and has visited 12 of the nation’s 14 designated marine sanctuaries.
If walls—or kitchen counters—could talk, they would probably have their fair share of interesting stories. Contractors remodeling the kitchen at 42B Harpswell Road discovered one such story attached to the underside of the countertop sometime last summer, a letter dated November 16, 1981. They were not as surprised, however, as the author of the letter, Robert Lyons, when he received an email from his daughter Claire Lyons ’77 that the letter had been found.

“We seem to be tumbling tumble weeds,” Robert wrote to Bowdoin magazine, thinking back on his family’s post-1981 migration pattern. The Lyons family has had numerous houses over the years, moving between Maine, California, and New Mexico. Often wondering himself about the earlier residents of his homes, and the undoubtedly “interesting and worthwhile things” they had to leave their successors, Robert has left hidden notes to future residents in many of his previous residences. His 42B Harpswell Road letter, however, is the first that he is aware has been discovered.

THETA CORPORATION SUPPORTS ADMISSIONS, FINANCIAL AID

Charles G. Bridge ’61, president of the Theta Chapter House Corporation—the fraternity alumni corporation of Delta Kappa Epsilon and Kappa Delta Theta—announced that the Board of Directors dissolved the Corporation following the 2008 annual meeting held during Reunion Weekend. The Board voted to contribute $25,000 of its remaining funds toward the renovation of the Chapter Room at the former fraternity house (now the Burton-Little House, housing the Admissions Office) into a conference room for Admissions and a repository for fraternity memorabilia. The room also honors George Erswell of the Class of 1947, longtime advisor and mentor to generations of Deke/Theta undergraduates. The remaining assets of approximately $90,000 were transferred to the College as part of the Theta Scholarship Fund, which supports student financial aid.
DID YOU KNOW?

The famous editorial, “Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus,” has Bowdoin roots. Edward Page Mitchell, of Bath, Maine, Bowdoin Class of 1871, was the New York Sun editor-in-chief who, in 1897, urged his colleague Frank P. Church to respond to a little girl’s letter.

The Monster

Bowdoin took delivery of a strange new vehicle in the fall of 1956, a slow-moving behemoth with crushed walnut shells impregnated into its tires, so unusual it was affectionately dubbed the “Monster.” Descendents of this machine are common sites now, as Zambonis smooth ice surfaces around the world. Bowdoin’s Zamboni Ice Re-Surfacer 400 Model F was one of the first of over 400 Willys Jeep-chassis-based machines that the Zamboni company made between 1956 and 1964 (the walnut shells gave it better traction on the ice). Feedback from the College on the operation of the new machine led to several modifications that became standard on future Zamboni models. Monster, the performance specifications of which briefly delayed construction of Dayton Arena, plied the ice of Dayton until the early 1980s. In January, the College’s current Zamboni, the machine that replaced Monster, crept across campus to its new home in Watson Arena. But, Monster hasn’t been left out in the cold.

(Right): An October 1956 telegram from Bowdoin Athletic Director Malcolm Morrell to Frank Zamboni. (Top): “Monster” is now on permanent display in the new Sidney J. Watson Arena, on a pedestal above the 1956 Dayton Arena cornerstone.
A Common Good Idea

Reverend Joseph McKeen defined the mission of a liberal education in his often quoted inaugural address as the first president of the College in 1802: “It ought always to be remembered, that literary institutions are founded and endowed for the common good, and not for the private advantage of those who resort to them for education.” However, Edward Little Professor of the English Language and Literature William Watterson has recently found deeper histories in Bowdoin’s founding principle. Two years prior to his inaugural address, on May 28, 1800, McKeen delivered his Election Day sermon to the Massachusetts Legislature in Boston in which he paid tribute to George Washington, who died on December 14, 1799. In it, McKeen urges his audience that Washington be heard, “though dead, yet speaking to you” in the following words: “Remember that you are not elevated to your present places for personal emolument, but for the good of your fellow mortals, whose happiness in life depends much on your conduct.” Watterson writes that the “good” of McKeen’s Election Day sermon becomes the “common good” of his 1802 inaugural address, and “personal emolument” (a phrase that appears in Washington’s first inaugural address as President of the United States in 1792) becomes “private advantage.” “We must therefore conclude,” Watterson writes, “that George Washington is the posthumous ‘ghost writer’ of Bowdoin’s most famous founding principle.”

GRIND IT OUT

In anticipation of new exercisers flocking to Bowdoin’s new fitness, health and wellness center when it opens in the fall — if we build it, they will come — we asked a few current faculty and staff diehards to help us create a playlist designed to get everybody over the last hill. Try to match each person below with one of his or her grind-it-out favorites (answers below), and visit Apple’s iTunes Music store (search iMix, then Bowdoin Magazine) to download the playlist.

1. Allen Wells, Roger Howell Jr. Professor of History
2. Eric Morin, Asst. Dean of Student Affairs
3. Genevieve LeMoine, Curator, Arctic Museum
4. Emanuel Lora, Asst. Director, Residential Life
5. Terry Meagher, Head Coach, Men’s Ice Hockey
6. Scott Hood, VP, Communications & Public Affairs
7. Matt O’Donnell, Assoc. Editor, Bowdoin Magazine
8. Scott Sehon, Professor, Philosophy
9. Sara Smith, Administrative Asst, Communications
10. Alison Bennie, Editor, Bowdoin Magazine

A. “Life During Wartime,” The Talking Heads
B. “I Predict a Riot,” Kaiser Chiefs
C. “Dr. Feelgood (Love Is a Serious Business),” Aretha Franklin
D. “War Pigs,” Gov’t Mule
E. “Hold On,” Chris Smither
F. “L.A. Woman,” The Doors
G. “Dancin’ With Myself,” Billy Idol
H. “All These Things That I’ve Done,” The Killers
I. “Sabotage,” Beastie Boys

Bonus questions: 1. Which of these people also listed American Lives documentaries by Ken Burns? 2. Which person gave a whole separate list for lifting weights?

Bowdoin honored five distinguished individuals with induction into the Bowdoin College Athletic Hall of Honor at a ceremony during Homecoming Weekend in October. The Hall of Honor Class of 2008 includes legendary track & field coach Jack Magee, National Champion hammer-thrower Bill McWilliams ’57, soccer great Robinson Moore ’77, basketball All-American Chris Jerome ’83, and field hockey All-American, track athlete, and marather Emily LeVan ’95.

The College founded the Hall of Honor in 2002 to perpetuate the memory of those who have brought distinction, honor, and excellence to Bowdoin through their accomplishments in athletics. For more information about the newest members and past inductees, visit the Athletics Website: athletics.bowdoin.edu.

Clockwise from top: Robinson Moore ’77, Jack Magee, Chris Jerome ’83, Emily LeVan ’95, Bill McWilliams ’57

KAREN MILLS NAMED SBA ADMINISTRATOR

President-elect Barack Obama named Karen Mills, wife of Bowdoin President Barry Mills, Administrator of the Small Business Administration. Obama made the announcement Friday, December 19, 2008, at a news conference in Chicago, saying with Mills at the helm, “America’s small businesses will have a partner in Washington.” In Chicago for the televised announcement, Mills delivered remarks focusing on the importance of building and growing small business in America. “Small business will be at the table as we work our way through these difficult economic times — and as we grow the economy in the future,” she said. Mills, a principal in the private equity and venture capital industry since 1983, was a co-founder and managing director of Solera Capital, and chief operating officer of E.S. Jacobs and Company, a private equity firm where she had operating control of businesses with sales of nearly $600 million, 4,100 employees and 32 plants.
NEW, UNIFIED POLAR BEAR LOGO

“May his spirit be the Guardian Spirit not only of Bowdoin Athletics but of every Bowdoin [person].”
—Donald B. MacMillan, Class of 1897

The Polar Bear became Bowdoin’s official mascot in 1912, due to the College’s famed alumni, Arctic explorers Robert E. Peary, Class of 1877, and Donald B. MacMillan. It has presented many faces in its nearly century-long tenure as College mascot— at times simultaneously. The College recently completed an in-depth effort to unify the logo into a consistent and timeless graphic identity. Participation from every part of the Bowdoin community, including groups of faculty, coaches, students, alumni, and staff, led to a consensus that the logo of Bowdoin College should embody pride, dignity, intelligence, confidence, quiet power, genuineness, and presence. Bowdoin collaborated with renowned national design firm Morrow Creative Group to achieve a classic, stylized black line drawing and an accompanying typeface that reflects those characteristics. In order to accommodate the many uses of the logo by different College groups, the new design includes a “family” of logos that vary for different applications while exhibiting a consistent appearance that expresses Bowdoin’s distinguished tradition of excellence.

Read more about the new logo in The Bowdoin Orient: orient.bowdoin.edu.

ARE YOU A FAN?

The College has all sorts of ways for alumni, parents, and friends to stay in touch with Bowdoin. It’s easy to become an official fan of the College on Facebook: just log into Facebook and search for “Bowdoin College.” Click on the “Pages” tab at the top of the search results and become a fan. You can also check out the latest Bowdoin videos on our YouTube site, follow the College on Twitter, check out the growing collection of Bowdoin photographs on Flickr, and join with other members of the Bowdoin community on LinkedIn. Stay informed and in touch with one stop — visit: www.bowdoin.edu/web

70 YEARS OF THE MEDDIES

The Meddiebempsters, Bowdoin’s oldest a cappella group, celebrated its 70th anniversary with a concert in Kanbar Auditorium, Studzinski Recital Hall at Homecoming.

Alumni of the Meddies rehearsed over the weekend and performed in an evening concert that presented a chronological progression of male a cappella musical styles. Songs included “Lazy Afternoon,” “Ding Dong Daddy,” “A Lovely Way to Spend an Evening,” and “Oh You Beautiful Doll,” among others.
Remembered in Kodachrome

U.S. Marine Corps World War Two veteran John Rich ’39 spent over 30 years as a war correspondent, with experience on the front lines of every major 20th century conflict from Korea to the Congo. Yet, the former NBC reporter’s discovery as a photojournalist didn’t occur until more than 60 years after he took what is now considered the most extensive collection of color photographs of the Korean War.

“Others would do occasional color shots,” he says, “but there is nothing like this collection.”

Striking for their bold colors, as well as for the viewers surprise of seeing images in color from a time that is known almost exclusively in black and white, Rich’s photos have been gaining national attention. In July, a segment on *The NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams* publicly showcased for the first time some of the more than 1,000 shots that Rich snapped, simply as personal souvenirs, during his three years in Korea beginning in 1950. In November, a *Smithsonian* magazine feature article expanded on Rich’s story and printed a number of the photos for the first time. Rich, 91, is discussing the possibility of compiling a book with 100 or so selected images from this historic archive. He hopes that such a book will help illuminate and remember what is often referred to as the “Forgotten War,” something that the recent publicity about the photos has begun to do already.

“Since this article came out in the *Smithsonian* magazine, I’ve gotten more calls than ever from people I haven’t talked to in quite a while,” Rich said.

When he left Korea in 1953, Rich stowed his photos in an old tin-lined Japanese tea chest, using them occasionally for a lecture or discussion about his time as a correspondent. After years of international travel, the chest ended up the attic of his Cape Elizabeth, Maine, home. It wasn’t until a neighbor saw the photos that Rich realized their significance.

The images, reviewed so many years later, impacted Rich as strongly as when he took the photos. Through them, he began to relive the war. “It was a full three years,” he said of his time in Korea. He found himself waking up with memories of the people and places he had seen there.

“I was not a photographer at all. It was just a fluke that I got this camera and used it in Korea.”

For a slideshow of previously unpublished photographs from John Rich’s Korean War collection, visit the Bowdoin magazine Web site: bowdoin.edu/magazine

![Wreckage of an American transport plane in South Korea. Photo by John Rich ’39 from his personal collection.](image)
100 YEARS AFTER PEARY’S QUEST TO THE NORTH POLE, THE RACE IS STILL ON. BY EDGAR ALLEN BEEM
So declared Commander Robert E. Peary in the October 1904 issue of National Geographic. Five years later, Peary, Bowdoin Class of 1877, would stake his claim to being the first man to reach the Pole, an epic endeavor that was the early 20th century equivalent of a moon landing.

From 1900 to 1913, more column inches in The New York Times were devoted to the North Pole than to any other story, in large part due to the Great Polar Controversy that played out in the press over competing claims to its attainment.

In 1908-09, Robert Peary, with fellow Bowdoin graduate (and later explorer in his own right) Donald B. MacMillan ’98 heading one of the supply support parties, raced to the North Pole amidst speculation that there would be undiscovered lands and a fortune in natural resources to be found at the top of the Earth.

On September 6, 1909, Peary cabled the Associated Press from Labrador that he and a small party of explorers had indeed reached the North Pole by dog sledge on April 6 of that year. The week before, however, Dr. Frederick A. Cook, a former Peary associate, had asserted that he had made it to the North Pole a year earlier on April 21, 1908. A century’s worth of books (and now websites) have kept the controversy alive, though the general consensus has been that Robert Peary’s claim was the more credible.

As Peary and Cook slipped into history, the North Pole disappeared from the public’s radar screen for much of the 20th century. In 2008-09, however, the North Pole is again very much in the news, as the Arctic Ocean is the focus of debates over climate change and competing international claims to its control. With the Arctic sea ice and Greenland ice cap melting at a record pace and the fabled Northwest Passage between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans opening up to shipping, commercial, military, diplomatic, and scientific interest in the North Pole has never been greater.

“When Peary discovered that there was no land at the North Pole, the world turned its back on the place,” observes Susan Kaplan, director of Bowdoin’s Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum. “There was no economic advantage to going there, so countries were no longer interested. One hundred years later, the supreme irony is that now we’ve got global warming and the world is again realizing the Arctic Ocean is of tremendous strategic and economic significance.”

Bowdoin College, as the alma mater of Peary (1856-1920) and MacMillan (1874-1970), is very much involved not only in preserving the history of Arctic exploration but also in contemporary scientific, cultural, and political studies of the region.

**A CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

The Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum is celebrating the centennial of Robert Peary’s historic North Pole expedition with a major exhibition, a symposium, a lecture series, and the publication of a new edition of Donald MacMillan’s long out-of-print How Peary Reached the Pole: The Personal Story of His Assistant, which was first published in 1934 on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the expedition.

Northward Over the Great Ice: Robert E. Peary and the Quest for the North Pole (through September 5, 2010) fills the three Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum galleries in Hubbard Hall with a wondrous array of some 300 artifacts and images related to Peary’s polar explorations. Among the objects that bring a human immediacy to
those heroic events are garments as varied as polar bear skin pants and caribou fur parkas worn on the expedition and Peary’s admiral’s dress uniform, the tattered remains of the flag Peary carried to the Pole, an oak dog sledge lashed together with rawhide, and a scale model of the S.S. Roosevelt, the sturdy Maine-built ship that carried the Peary party into the Arctic ice. (See Sidebar: From Bucksport to the Pole)

The centennial exhibition also features pop cultural curiosities, such as a china mug made in Peary’s likeness and one of the Peary campaign buttons worn by his supporters during the initial Peary–Cook dispute.

For the record, the Peary–MacMillan Arctic Museum staff takes the position that Robert Peary probably got within five miles of the North Pole in 1909.

“All anyone can say with certainty is that Peary was in the vicinity of the North Pole,” says museum director Susan Kaplan, explaining that, on the occasion of the 80th anniversary of the expedition in 1989, the Navigation Foundation analyzed all the available evidence in an attempt to settle the dispute. Using Peary’s navigational reckonings, ocean depth soundings, and shadow studies of the sun’s angle in Peary’s photographs at the North Pole, the foundation’s report to the National Geographic Society concluded that Peary was in “the near vicinity of the North Pole on April 6, 1909.”

The question of whether Robert Peary was actually the first man to set foot at the North Pole is further complicated by the assertion of Matthew Henson, Peary’s African-American assistant, that he was walking ahead of Peary on the fateful day when the Pole was reached.

“I was the first man to ever set feet on the North Pole,” the then-85 year old Henson states in a 1951 television interview that is part of Northward Over the Great Ice.

Perhaps the most compelling display in the exhibition, however, is a time-lapse animation by William Chapman, Polar Research Group, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, entitled “An Ice Free Arctic?” Using satellite images taken daily between January 1 and September 23, 2007, the animation allows entranced visitors to watch the polar ice cap melt right before their eyes. It is this specter of open water that adds environmental urgency to the history commemorated in Northward Over the Great Ice.

A MELTING ARCTIC

While there are still some who would maintain that global warming is a natural process, the scientific consensus is that the rapidity of climate change in recent years is a function of greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide released into the atmosphere by human enterprise.

“There is no doubt at this point that the climate is changing and that we are at least partly and possibly primarily responsible for the change,” says Associate Professor of Physics Mark O. Battle.

Mark Battle studies the carbon cycle. Specifically, he studies the fractionation (a separation process) of gases in polar ice, both in Greenland and in the Antarctic. “The work I’ve done enables us to better characterize the composition of the atmosphere in the distant past,” he explains. “If we have a sense of that, then we can say with certainty that this is the highest CO₂ we’ve had.”

Since the 2005 International Carbon Dioxide Conference in Boulder, Colorado, says Battle, the tenor of the scientific investigation has shifted from how much CO₂ the atmosphere can handle to how to prevent it from getting into the atmosphere in the first place.

The Arctic is generally regarded as the “canary in the coal mine” of climate change.

“The North Polar region is expected to show climate changes sooner and more dramatically than the average of the planet,” says Battle.

That’s because the Arctic is warmer than the Antarctic to begin with and because of the presence of land around the Arctic. In a process known as polar amplification, the Arctic absorbs more heat as the snow and ice, which reflect sunlight, retreat. Warming begets more warming in the Arctic.

While Mark Battle studies the dynamics of gases trapped in the polar snowpacks (or firn), he notes that, “The amount of CO₂ trapped in the polar ice sheet is utterly negligible.”
Clockwise from top left: Robert E. Peary, Battle Harbour, Labrador, September 1909. In June while snow cover was melting, the men helped the dogs drag sledges over the bare ground. Matthew A. Henson, Peary’s assistant, accompanied him to the Pole. Dogs that worked hard eagerly awaited feeding times. Donald MacMillan with three Inuit women who worked as seamstresses on the North Pole Expedition. During the late spring and into summer, teams used tents for shelter when traveling. An advertisement for Peary’s account of the North Pole Expedition serialized in Hampton’s Magazine in 1910.
Not so the Arctic permafrost.

Phil Camill, Rusack Associate Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology, came to Bowdoin in 2008 to serve as program director of the Department of Environmental Studies. He studies permafrost.

While at Carleton College in Minnesota, Camill studied the degree of permafrost thaw in boreal and sub-Arctic wetlands in Manitoba. In 2007, he received a three-year, $400,000 National Science Foundation grant to study the effects of climate change on lake ecosystems in northern Manitoba.

As the Arctic warms, not only does ice melt and sea level rise, but the permafrost thaws, releasing stored CO₂ from decayed plant life into the atmosphere. There is an estimated 750 gigatons of carbon already in the atmosphere, and it has been estimated that as much as 900 gigatons of CO₂ is sequestered in Arctic soils, also known as yedoma.

“There is half to as much as the same amount of carbon in those soils as there is in the atmosphere,” says Camill.

Humans release about 10 gigatons of carbon into the atmosphere each year from burning fossil fuels and deforestation. In an April 2007 article in *Nature* about his permafrost studies, Phil Camill warned, “If just one percent of [the possible 900 Gt in the yedoma] is decomposed in a warmer world it would be as if we doubled our current rate of emissions. That’s what is alarming.”

Camill calls CO₂ and methane releases from thawing permafrost “a ticking time bomb.”

The International Panel on Climate Change has projected there may be as many as 200 million environmental refugees by the year 2050. There is also speculation that the Northwest Passage could open up to year-round shipping by that same year.

“Something like 40 commercial ships have sailed between the Atlantic and the Pacific through the Arctic Ocean, something that was almost impossible before global warming,” says Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum director Susan Kaplan. “Now people are preparing for commercial shipping and debating where Arctic deepwater seaports should be located.”

Ironically, while it is the modern world’s dependence on fossil fuels that contributes to global warming and the opening of the Arctic, when world leaders look to the North Pole their first thought seems to be to drill for more oil and gas. The Arctic is thought to contain as much as 25 percent of the world’s oil and gas reserves. But it will be decades, at least, before Arctic oil starts flowing.

“Arctic offshore production is difficult because of the drifting ice,” observes Olya Gayazova, a visiting professor of international politics from DePauw University in Indiana who will teach a course in Arctic Politics at Bowdoin in the spring of 2009.

Olya Gayazova is a Russian citizen. She recalls being
Robert Peary’s successful expedition to the North Pole was preceded by seven other journeys. He blamed the failure of his 1902 expedition in part on his underpowered steam yacht Windward. Thus, in 1904, Peary received permission from the Navy to commission construction of a new vessel, S.S. Roosevelt, which he named after his chief supporter, President Theodore Roosevelt.

The S.S. Roosevelt was a three-masted steamship/schooner modeled after the Fram, the sturdy Norwegian ship used by Fridtjof Nansen and Otto Sverdrup in the Arctic and by explorer Roald Amundsen on his 1910-1912 expedition to the South Pole.

To build his sturdy wooden ship, Peary turned to the McKay & Dix Shipyard on Verona Island in the Penobscot River at Bucksport. The keel was laid on October 15, 1904, and the Roosevelt was launched on March 23, 1905. Just 184 feet long and 35 1/2 feet wide, the vessel featured a sharp, raking bow for icebreaking and an egg-shaped, rounded hull that enabled the Roosevelt, which drew only 16 feet of water, to pop up whenever it got squeezed by the ice.

The wooden sides of the Roosevelt were 30 inches thick in places and were re-enforced with steel beams. On deck there were power windlasses, winches, and capstans that enabled the vessel to haul itself free if it went aground. With a 1000 horsepower coal-fired steam engine, the Roosevelt could batter its way through ice floes and was ultimately frozen into the ice at Cape Sheridan on Ellesmere Island where it waited as Peary set out over the ice on dog sledges for the North Pole.

The Roosevelt was ultimately restored and is now housed in its own museum on Norway, but the powerful S.S. Roosevelt came to a less unceremonious end, although one befitting a workhorse of a vessel. The Peary Arctic Club sold the Roosevelt in 1910. She then saw service as a salvage ship, fishing boat, and tugboat, and during WWI, served as a transport ship. On January 21, 1937, the Roosevelt was beached and abandoned in the harbor of Balboa, Panama. Having ferried Robert Peary into history through the frozen waters of the Arctic, her bones now rest in the warm waters off the Panama Canal.

GEORGE WARDWELL, PEARY’S MAINE MAN

The captain of the S.S. Roosevelt was a Newfoundlander by the name of Robert A. Bartlett, but the Maine man who kept her running on both the 1905-06 and the 1908-09 expeditions was chief engineer George A. Wardwell. A Bucksport native, George Wardwell had been working for the McKay and Dix Shipyard when the Roosevelt was built and Peary prevailed upon him to join his crew when the ship set sail for the North Pole.

A hard-working, phlegmatic Yankee with a thick mustache to rival Commander Peary’s, Wardwell proved a handy man to have on board during the vicissitudes of an Arctic voyage. He put out fires in the engine room, rebuilt the Roosevelt’s boiler when it blew up, and even ground lenses by hand for a shipmate’s camera. Wardwell himself was something of a photographer. Approximately 250 of the photographs he took on Peary’s expeditions survive.

Following the high adventure of the polar voyages, George Wardwell returned to Maine where he worked as an engineer on a steamship that sailed between Bangor and Boston. He passed away on July 2, 1927.

During the Northward Over the Great Ice centennial, George Wardwell has been speaking from beyond the grave as his extensive expedition journal entries are being posted along with those of Robert Peary and Donald MacMillan on a daily blog on the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum website, www.bowdoin.edu/arctic-museum.

On April 27, 1909, the day Commander Peary arrived back at the Roosevelt from his successful trek to the Pole, George Wardwell wrote, “The Secret of the North is found and there will be no more chasing the No. pole.” Not entirely true, of course, but then George Wardwell could not have foreseen the century-long controversy over who reached the North Pole first, let alone the competing international claims to its ownership and exploitation.
taught that neither Peary nor Cook was the first to the North Pole. That distinction belonged to four Russian pilots who landed there in 1937.

Gayazova likens the politics of the Arctic to “many chessboards, one atop the other.”

“On every chessboard, different rules apply,” she says. “Those who own the Arctic at the seabed may not have claims over waters above.”

The 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea stipulates that countries have exclusive economic zones up to 200 nautical miles from their shores, after which the high seas become international waters.

Canada maintains that the Northwest Passage runs through its internal waters, but the United States, which has not ratified the Law of the Sea Convention, regards the Northwest Passage as international waters.

The Law of the Sea does, however, include a provision that could extend dominion even farther out to sea if a country can prove that submarine ridges comprise the submerged prolongation of its land mass. As an underwater mountain range known as the Lomonosov Ridge runs 1,240 miles beneath the Arctic Ocean, Russia made a claim in 2001 that its continental shelf extends far into the ocean, possibly to the North Pole. Canada and Denmark are considering similar claims.

In August of 2007, a pair of Russian mini-subss planted a titanium Russian flag on the floor of the Arctic Ocean 2.5 miles beneath the North Pole. The Russians were criticized at the time for trying to stake a claim like a 15th century explorer, but they maintained that they were simply celebrating an achievement, like American astronauts planting a flag on the moon.

At the inaugural Arctic Ocean Conference, held in Ilulissat, Greenland, in May of 2008, political representatives from the five Arctic nations issued a joint statement re-affirming that “the law of the sea [notably uncappitalized] provides for important rights and obligations concerning the outer limits of the continental shelf, the protection of the marine environment, including ice-covered areas, freedom of navigation, marine scientific research, and other uses of the sea. We remain committed to this legal framework and to the orderly settlement of any possible overlapping claims.”

“ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO THERE WAS A NORTH POLE LAND RUSH. WHAT’S HAPPENING NOW IS A RE-ENACTMENT OF THAT. IT’S PEARY REVISITED 21ST CENTURY STYLE.”

The Real First People at the Pole

In a certain sense, Robert Peary opened a Pandora’s box when he extended the reach of Western civilization to the North Pole. And just as there were Native Americans already in the New World to greet Christopher Columbus, there were also indigenous people — the Inuit — living in the Arctic before Peary reached the Pole. Indeed, Peary relied heavily on the aid, assistance, and native technologies of the Inuit people, four of whom...
stood with him and Henson at the North Pole in 1909.

Both Peary–MacMillan Arctic Museum director Susan Kaplan and curator Genevieve LeMoine focus their academic studies on the anthropology and archeology of Inuit culture. Kaplan studies the Inuit of Labrador, while LeMoine studies the Inuit of Greenland.

Susan Kaplan is interested in how Western contact and climate change have impacted Inuit culture.

“The record in Labrador,” she says, “shows that not everything was rosy for the Inuit, but they displayed tremendous cultural resilience and adaptability in the face of the Little Ice Age and contact with Europeans. Now they are facing more intense and more rapid cultural change and climate change.”

Kaplan, who teaches a course entitled “Cultures Weathering Climate Change,” notes, for example, that Western environmental concerns to protect various marine mammals have come into conflict with the traditional Inuit practice of hunting seals, bowhead whales, and polar bears. But, she insists, “It’s not a choice between endangered species and endangered cultures. The solution to preservation of species and respect for cultures has to be crafted through collaboration with these Inuit communities.”

Kaplan’s archeological research has been used to bolster Inuit land claims in Labrador. And as Canada, Russia, Denmark, Norway, and the United States set their sites on claiming a share of the Arctic prize, the Inuit have also begun to assert their own sovereign rights.

In November, 2008, the Inuit Circumpolar Council, meeting in Kuujjuaq, the largest Inuit village in Nunavik, Quebec, issued a statement entitled “Towards an Inuit Declaration on Arctic Sovereignty” asserting “that any claim of sovereignty that nation states may make is derived through the use and occupancy by Inuit of lands and seas in the Arctic” and calling upon Arctic governments “to include Inuit as equal partners in any future talks regarding Arctic sovereignty.”

And the Arctic chess match just keeps getting more complicated all the time.

Greenland, which has been semi-autonomous from Denmark since 1979, took a giant step closer to independence on November 25, 2008, with 75 percent of voters supporting a non-binding referendum on self-rule. The Greenland-Denmark Accord on Home Rule now gives Greenland, home to 7,000 Danes and 50,000 Inuit, standing as a player in the future of the Arctic.

Genevieve LeMoine studies the transition of Inuit technologies from the prehistoric to historic period in Inglefield Land, Greenland. Currently, she is engaged in the Inglefield Land Archeological Project in collaboration with anthropologists from University of California–Davis, the Greenland National Museum, and the Thule Museum. She and her colleagues are investigating how Inuit of Northwest Greenland incorporated industrial technologies introduced into their lives by explorers.

“The community there takes a particular interest in its history, which is oddly tied to Bowdoin College,” says Genevieve LeMoine of the Inuit settlements on the northwest coast of Greenland. “In Greenland, they are familiar with Bowdoin College because there is a Bowdoin Fjord and a Bowdoin Glacier, landmarks Peary named after the college.”

One hundred years after his crowning achievement, Robert Peary’s name is still respected among the Inuit, but it is Donald MacMillan, who went on to facilitate scientific research in the Arctic and to bring educational materials and medical supplies to the Inuit of Labrador and Greenland, who is fondly remembered for his kindnesses among the real first people of the polar region.

The college that educated Peary and MacMillan and the museum that bears their names now play major roles not only in preserving the historic record of their achievements but also of advancing the scientific, political, and cultural understanding of the Arctic.

“Clearly, the Arctic is becoming more important,” says visiting professor Olya Gayazova. “Soon we will need a lot of specialists who know the Arctic from different angles. Bowdoin is nicely positioned as an institution that can produce people who are well-versed in Arctic studies.”
So, which story to start with?

We could begin with this one: young, handsome man with goals and drive makes good. His name is Jon Martin, a high school Nordic ski racer from Rumford, Maine, one of the state’s best. He comes to Bowdoin in 1988, even though his father, brother and sister all attended Colby. Freshman year, he joins a Mountain Infantry National Guard unit from his hometown. He makes friends with members of the Army biathlon team and he’s hooked.

“I had no world view then,” he says now. “I thought the Army was a great way to get to my goal of ski racing.” One weekend a month he trains with his unit. “We were infantry on skis in winter,” he says. The Army offers financial help through college and when Jon, a biochemistry major, decides to be a doctor, through medical school too.

Eventually, the Army gets itself a skilled neurosurgeon. A good deal for all. And Jon gets to see how far his ski racing can take him— almost, not quite, to the Olympic biathlon in 1994.

Or do I start where so many stories must about soldiers and Iraq— the morning of September 11, 2001? On that day, Dr. Jonathan Martin, having graduated from the University of Vermont Medical School, and having trained in civilian and Army medical facilities around the country, is a junior resident neurosurgeon at Children’s National Medical Center, a civilian hospital in the nation’s capital. He’s studying a case when the anesthesiologist bursts in. “Some idiot flew into the World Trade Center,” he said. “And then a few minutes later a second plane did, and it’s a clear day outside,” Jon remembers. “We were watching on television when the tower collapsed. And then the Pentagon is on fire.”

When the United States invades Iraq in March 2003, Jon Martin is chief resident at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland. The stakes, everyone believes, couldn’t be higher. Jon is living in the suburbs with his wife Amy, a radiologist stationed at Andrews Air Force Base. “We had a lot of faith in Colin Powell, and we felt obviously the government

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“I WANT PEOPLE TO KNOW, THE DECISIONS THEY MAKE, FROM THE PRODUCTS THAT THEY BUY, FOR, OR DON’T VOTE FOR, ALL THIS HAS PROFOUND CONSEQUENCES, NOT ONLY IN THEIR OWN NOT CONVINCED THAT PEOPLE AT BOWDOIN FEEL THAT WAY. THAT’S WHY I’M AGREEING TO SIT
THE CAR THEY DRIVE... THE PEOPLE THEY VOTE LIVES, BUT ON PEOPLE ACROSS THE GLOBE. I’M HERE TODAY.” – DR. JONATHAN MARTIN ’92

By Mel Allen

Photographs courtesy of Jonathan Martin
must have had information we did not know,” he says. He sees the first wounded soldiers a few weeks later. “Helping them made you feel you were doing something good,” he says. “We were all feeling good. It’s May. It’s ‘Mission Accomplished.’ They were clearly the bad guys, and we went in there, and we were going to be greeted as liberators on the streets.”

In 2004, Jon is assigned to Tripler Army Medical Center in Hawaii. “The Army said, ‘OK, you’re trained, now go out and do something.’ It’s the first time I’m completely running the show, and that’s a little intimidating.” In Hawaii, the war grows closer, more personal. Marines from a nearby base leave for war, and when one does not return, notes come home from their daughter’s elementary school: a child has lost a father. Jon knows a Navy Seal who dies in Afghanistan. “Now the war is part of the fabric of my life,” he says.

In time, Jon Martin comes to believe that “bad information led to poor decisions,” but still, “I felt personally invested. Did you ever see Blackhawk Down? There’s this great quote from one of the soldiers. He’s loading up his ammo. Someone says, ‘Where are you going?’ ‘I’m going back out there,’ he says. ‘We still have men out there. It don’t matter about anything else. It’s the guy to your left and the guy to your right. And that’s it.’ And that’s true. That’s true,” Jon says.

But let’s begin right here, 8 a.m. on a spring day, 2008, in a shining hotel room 35 floors above Chicago, with Lake Michigan sparkling to the north. Major Jonathan Martin, still based in Hawaii when we spoke, has flown through the night, arriving at the hotel at 1 a.m. He has already been to the gym to work out. He’s attending a meeting of the American Association of Neurosurgeons. Some 3,000 are here, but few have seen wounds like Jon Martin saw in the spring and summer of 2007. Then he was one of two neurosurgeons at the U.S. Air Force Theater Hospital at Forward Operating Base Anaconda in Balad, Iraq, some 40 miles north of Baghdad. A base he says that is as secure as one can be in Iraq; but despite that, a base where he was wounded from a ricocheting bullet fired from snipers outside the walls. He is youthful, handsome, and trim at 37 with his Hawaii tan, dressed in short sleeves, casual slacks, sneakers. He is father to two little girls, Elsa and Kate, whose photos fill his laptop computer screen when he turns it on.

Inside his computer are photos of what can happen, he says, “when flying shrapnel hits flesh.” Hard photos to look at. Harder to ignore. “I understand how powerful these pictures are,” he tells me. In Iraq, he was part of the 53rd Head and Neck Trauma team. He operated on Americans and Iraqis, friendlies and insurgents. And too many children. He wants people to know a deeper reality than what they see on the news. “I felt strongly coming back and talking to my non-military friends. The war is totally abstract to them. Not real. But it’s real. Go to Walter Reed hospital today. The wards have so many guys, one prosthetic limb, two prosthetic limbs. Horribly disfigured. So many there with traumatic brain injuries. Kids. A whole generation. Again. And it’s terribly sad.

“I’ve got to be careful what I say here,” he says. “It doesn’t matter. I’m getting out soon. But know that nothing I say reflects the official policy of the U.S. military. These are my
own thoughts.”

So we start here, with what Dr. Jon Martin saw and felt, and how he has changed, he says, forever. He speaks softly about hard things, telling a story that begins on the April day in 2007 when he boards a plane in Hawaii, on his way to war.

“If every American could see an image of a ‘Fallen Angel’ drill at our hospital after the death of a U.S. soldier with the room at attention while he passed through. I’m not sure what would happen” — Dr. Jonathan Martin

He knows there is no certainty he will return. Not in a land with hidden roadside bombs. Not at Base Anaconda, nicknamed “Mortaritaville,” because as the main logistical supply base for the war it is too tempting to ignore. Nearly every day enemy shells fly over. He feels the same anxiety any soldier feels when leaving for combat. “What does everyone fear the most?” Jon says. “It’s the unknown. So you take out more life insurance.” When he leaves Hawaii, he writes letters to his daughters, aged five and two. He sends them to a friend, to be read if he dies.

Elsa,

….Despite what I viewed as a doomed military mission in Iraq, my role as a provider caring for soldiers and wounded Iraqis was one that I welcomed, and felt destined to play. At the core of my character, I felt I needed to go…. I wish that I could see you, hold you, as you read this. Someday, you will have children, and will understand the joy that snuggling your child can bring to you, the rapture of seeing your child succeed where they had previously failed. You provided me with some of the happiest memories I had in life, and my love for you extended beyond words. I hope that you see in yourself all that I saw in you; nothing you could do in life could make me more proud.

To Kate he added,

….As my youngest child, you hold an incredibly special place in my heart, Kate. My last night with you in Hawaii…you had a bit of a cold and snuggled deeply into my shoulder—a sensation more wonderful than anything in the world; you will know what I mean some day. As I close, I ask you to do something special with the profound qualities that you possess—that you will live a life that will provide you with true happiness as only you can define it. Know that more than anything, I wish I could have been there to enjoy it with you, if only for a moment…”

He lives squeezed inside a trailer compound on a 20-square-mile base, along with 25,000 men and women, a vast, sprawling town, with its own surreal middle-America strip mall ambience. Soldiers return from dangerous missions and dust choked convoys and head to Burger King, Subway, Pizza Hut, and Popeye’s. They play miniature golf, swim in the two pools built by Saddam when the base was the Iraq Air Force Academy, work out in the gym. But there is this too: heat unlike anything most soldiers have ever known, the acrid smell of diesel and jet fuel, the constant din of fighter jets and transports, the pall of smoke from the burn pit. “The insurgents who are still alive after all these years of war are so
smart,” Jon says. They can use anything to make bombs. Anything. You can’t leave them anything to use.”

And there is also this: the whirring thunder of the helicopters flying right over the hospital, then setting down, then the rush of stretchers. This is a battle zone hospital, one built hard and fast, a series of linked tents and trailers. He feels he has been dropped square into M.A.S.H. many wars later. Despite makeshift air conditioning, the temperature inside reaches 100 degrees; at times, doctors and nurses pass out. Yet inside these steaming tents and trailers is one of the world’s busiest, and most effective, trauma centers. “To an outsider it might have looked chaotic, but everyone had a place,” Jon says. “My longest stint was 24 hours straight. You just do it. You just keep moving. Maybe you’re fatigued. Maybe you’re moving slower, maybe your judgment isn’t as good as it was, but it’s better than anyone else’s.”

He expects his skills to be tested every day. What he does not expect is the war he finds. Or the war that finds him. In this war only one in three of the people he treats will be an American soldier. If wounded Iraqis knew the right people, or else had been injured as a result of an engagement where U.S. troops were involved, they could be sent to Anaconda. When he tells about his days at Anaconda so many of his sentences begin this way: I will never forget.

“…There was a young American soldier who came in with his eyes welded open, looking around with 100% body surface burns. It wasn’t a neurological problem, but I was down there seeing someone else. The kid is awake, and he’s going to die, and there’s nothing you can do. Zero. And his arm is like this, fused. He can’t move it because the skin is contracted down. The I.C.U doctor just sat there and held his hand the whole time…”

“…There was a 14-year-old girl who had a penetrating head injury from shrapnel. She had charged the gate at one of our bases. A 14-year-old girl running up to this huge concrete barrier where there was a mounted 50-caliber machine gun, and she ran right at the gate firing an AK-47. I remember thinking ‘what could she have possibly been thinking?’ I asked her, ‘you ran at the gate firing. Why?’ And she looked at me, and she looked at the interpreter, and she said, ‘my mother is dead, my father is dead, my brothers are dead. And it’s your fault.’ That shut me up. What do you say? What can you say?

“…A man and his son had been sitting in an open air market. Just sitting there setting up for the day. They didn’t hear the shots. It was a random shot, and it hit his son. The boy is brought to us. The father says, ‘Help my son.’ There was nothing I could do. Nothing. I had to talk to him through an interpreter. The locals understand God’s will, but this is his only son. I can’t imagine,…

“A two-year-old kid gets hit by a Hunvvee, okay. They bring him into the emergency room, dead, eviscerated. And because if you’re an Iraqi, and you get shot in the head, here’s what we have to think: If you’re not able to get off a ventilator quickly, we know they don’t have ventilators at Medical City. So, say I’m operating on an Iraqi, and he’s on a ventilator and he’s not doing well. We can only keep them 14 days. So, after two weeks, that patient gets put on a helicopter and gets sent to our people in Baghdad. In Baghdad, they give him a ventilator (for the trip to Medical City) and they put the patient in an ambulance—no medical attendant, mind you—and the driver drives to Medical City. Well, the reality is maybe the driver takes the ventilator and sells it on the black market, takes the patient and dumps him in the Tigris.”

“Strong stuff,” I say.

“It’s real stuff. It’s real stuff. We had patients who came in with their kid in their arms, and we start treating them and we say ‘OK, we have to send you to Medical City’ and they say, ‘No, you can’t do that. You don’t understand. I’m a Sunni, and if I go up there my neighbors will say I’ve gone to the Shia for help, and they will kill my family here, and when I go to Medical City, they’ll kill my child.’ Those are things I never even thought about before I went over there. Hundreds of thousands of Iraqis have died over there—that’s the estimate I’ve heard. There can’t be a household in that country that hasn’t been impacted profoundly by this war. I can’t believe there’s a single one. And I sit there and say to myself, ‘and I didn’t vote in the last election? Wow. I’m an idiot.’

Inside the coolness of a Chicago hotel room, he pulls down the shades. Scenes from the war he knew, inside the tent hospital, and later inside a newly built concrete hospital, fill the computer screen. “This is what a busy day looks like,” he says. “We could have six operations going at once.”

He shows me a photo; I do not at first understand what it is—an arrangement of objects on a table: bolts, nails, rings, bullets, shards of metal. Then he tells me. “This is all stuff we...
pulled out of peoples’ heads,” he says quietly. There is a photo of a two-year-old girl, who will live, her father beside her, whose relief is all but unbearable to see. “He was incredibly grateful,” he says. “A lot of Iraqis are unhappy with us being there, but these kiss our hands and feet.”

There is a photo of an X-ray. It shows a gunshot wound to the head of an American soldier. “I never should have operated on him” Jon says. “I have regrets. I thought he could be salvageable. Today, he’s blind, doesn’t understand speech, doesn’t speak. His family is facing a lifetime of caring for him. As a neurosurgeon, the quality of life that is left is so important. Sometimes, if you think someone has an injury that is not recoverable, you don’t treat, and people get upset. But when you know what the consequences are for someone it makes you think. If that were my son, I couldn’t say don’t treat. This was really a hard one.”

And here is a photo of one of the hardest ones, the back of a seven-year-old boy. “You can numb yourself but you can’t numb against kids caught in the line of policy,” Jon says. “He had been shot through the chest; the bullet went through his back. He came to me with three stitches from the Iraq health care system. Spinal fluid was pouring out. His spine was unstable. We operated on him several times. We knew he wouldn’t walk again. He had a breathing tube. We knew he’d die within a week of leaving us, so we kept him from leaving. He stayed with us 28 days. The nurses really cared for him. He became their pet. But then finally we had to send him to Medical City. We had nurses break down. We tried to get him off a ventilator and respirator but we couldn’t. He had no chance once he left us.” Jon stops talking for a moment. “The alternative is not to treat them,” he says. “He dies then of course, but nobody grows attached.”

The time goes slowly watching these images. There are so many more. Finally he reaches the end. He clicks out of the program where the images live, and there, again, is his daughter Kate, all smiles, filling his screen. “There are so many people who’ve done what I’ve done.” He says. “I don’t want people thinking I’m special or a hero. I’m not. The experience was very important to me. But I want people at Bowdoin to know there are folks who went to Bowdoin who were impacted by this war. And for a bunch of smart people who tend to get involved in politics as Bowdoin grads do, just to think really carefully about policies that impact a whole bunch of people in ways that aren’t shown on CNN.”

In the fall—now last fall, by the time we go to print—he will leave the Army and move to Connecticut to become a pediatric neurosurgeon at Connecticut Children’s Medical Center in Hartford. “I love the military,” Jon says. “I’ve been in the military my whole adult life. It’s not what’s going in Iraq that’s causing me to get out. It’s we’re beating the drums. Is Iran next?” He will move his family to a small town, he says, because “I want a place where I can be involved. I believe one person can make a difference.” And on the day he starts his new life, he knows that another doctor thousands of miles away will be trying harder than seems humanly possible to stop the bleeding, in a man, or a woman, or a child, somewhere where the bleeding never stops.

“I WANT A PLACE WHERE I CAN BE INVOLVED. I BELIEVE ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.”
Lindsey Scott Bergstrom ’03 targets unspoken stories on the homefront

While soldiers overseas do their best to cope day by day, so too, do the loved ones those soldiers leave behind. Lindsey Scott Bergstrom ’03 knows this well. She is married to U.S. Marine Corps Captain Bo Bergstrom. Armed with a fine arts master’s degree in photography from the University of Wales, Lindsey set out to document stories of those left at home, waiting.

“My husband served for a year in Iraq,” says Lindsey, “and, prompted by his deployment, I wanted to capture the daily lives of other military spouses and families whose husbands and fathers were deployed. I tried to capture the triumphs and struggles that young mothers, families, and children endure during a deployment.”

View more of Lindsey’s photos online at www.bowdoin.edu/magazine.
THE BOWDOIN Book of Quotations

By Fred R. Shapiro, Editor, The Yale Book of Quotations
Probably no other liberal arts college has produced as many truly renowned graduates as has Bowdoin. The *Encyclopedia of American History*, which prints 450 biographies of the most eminent Americans, includes among this group five Bowdoin alumni: Nathaniel Hawthorne, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Robert E. Peary, Franklin Pierce, and Thomas Brackett Reed.

One way to measure the impact of these and other alumni is through their words, the famous quotations they have written or uttered. We speak a different language because these individuals’ eloquence has influenced and resonated through our history and culture. I am in a unique position to assess such influence, since I have recently compiled a quotation dictionary, *The Yale Book of Quotations* (Yale University Press), in which I attempted to collect all famous quotations and to use state-of-the-art research to trace their origins more accurately than do other reference works.

A particularly towering quotational figure is Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Class of 1825, the only American poet memorialized in Westminster Abbey. No other American writer has left so marked an imprint on our discourse. Common expressions that we use without necessarily realizing they were inspired by Longfellow include “footprints on the sands of time,” “Grim Reaper,” “into each life some rain must fall,” “the patter of little feet,” and “ships that pass in the night.” The following are lines from his poems that originated those phrases or others:

**I hear in the chamber above me**
**The patter of little feet.**
“The Children’s Hour” (1859)

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Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.
“A Psalm of Life” (1838)

There is a Reaper whose name is Death,
And, with his sickle keen,
He reaps the bearded grain at a breath,
And the flowers that grow between.
“The Reaper and the Flowers” (1839)

Under a spreading chestnut tree
The village smithy stands.
“The Village Blacksmith” (1839)

The shades of night were falling fast,
As through an Alpine village passed
A youth, who bore, ’mid snow and ice,
A banner with the strange device,
Excelsior!
“Excelsior” (1841)

Into each life some rain must fall,
Some days must be dark and dreary.
“The Rainy Day” (1842)

And the night shall be filled with music,
And the cares, that infest the day,
Shall fold their tents, like the Arabs,
And as silently steal away.
“The Day Is Done” (1844)

I shot an arrow into the air,
It fell to earth, I know not where.
“The Arrow and the Song” (1845)

This is the forest primeval.
*Evangeline* (1847)

By the shores of Gitche Gumee,
By shining Big-Sea-Water,
Stood the wigwam of Nokomis.
*The Song of Hiawatha* (1855)

A Lady with a Lamp shall stand
In the great history of the land.
“Santa Filomena” (1858)
I hear in the chamber above me
The patter of little feet.
"The Children’s Hour" (1859)

Listen, my children, and you shall hear
Of the midnight ride of Paul Revere,
On the eighteenth of April in Seventy-five;
Hardly a man is now alive
Who remembers that famous day and year.
"The Landlord’s Tale: Paul Revere’s Ride" (1863)

One if by land and two if by sea;
And I on the opposite shore shall be,
Ready to ride and sound the alarm
Through every Middlesex village and farm.
"The Landlord’s Tale: Paul Revere’s Ride" (1863)

Ships that pass in the night, and speak each other in passing;
Only a signal shown and a distant voice in the darkness;
So on the ocean of life we pass and speak one another,
Only a look and a voice; then darkness again and a silence.
"The Theologian’s Tale: Elizabeth” (1874)

There is one other famous quote that I believe was introduced by Longfellow, although the matter is open to dispute. The Oxford Dictionary of Nursery Rhymes includes this rhyme:

There was a little girl, and she had a little curl
Right in the middle of her forehead;
When she was good, she was very, very good,
But when she was bad, she was horrid.

The ODNR states that “most stories point to it coming from Longfellow, but there are unexplained anomalies and it has been noted that the inelegance of the words, particularly ‘horrid,’ contrast strongly with Longfellow’s manner of composition,” and goes on to note that “the earliest recording is on an anonymous broadside, headed ‘Wrong Side Up. A Poem.’ This is known to have been printed before 1870.” However, I have found a number of references starting in the 1880s to Longfellow’s having composed a version of this and sung it to his young daughter in the 1850s. Longfellow is said to have acknowledged his authorship, and his son strongly affirmed it in 1907.

A Lady with a Lamp shall stand
In the great history of the land.
“Santa Filomena” (1858)

On the breast of her gown, in fine red cloth, surrounded with an elaborate embroidery and fantastic flourishes of gold thread, appeared the letter A.
The Scarlet Letter (1850)

Nathaniel Hawthorne, remarkably also an 1825 graduate, is today an even more celebrated writer than Longfellow, but was not Longfellow’s peer as a quotesmith. Nonetheless his legacy includes the following enduring sayings:

The Scarlet Letter.
Title of book (1850)

On the breast of her gown, in fine red cloth, surrounded with an elaborate embroidery and fantastic flourishes of gold thread, appeared the letter A.
The Scarlet Letter (1850)

It is very lonesome at the summit! Like a man’s life, when he has climbed to eminence.
The Marble Faun (1860)
Less familiar, but very impressive as a prefiguring of modern attitudes, is this passage:

It is my belief – yes, and my prophecy, should I die before it happens – that, when my sex shall achieve its rights, there will be ten eloquent women where there is now one eloquent man. Thus far, no woman in the world has ever once spoken out her whole heart and her whole mind. The mistrust and disapproval of the vast bulk of society throttles us, as with two gigantic hands at our throats! We mumble a few weak words, and leave a thousand better ones unsaid.

*The Blithedale Romance* (1852)

Bowdoin’s political alumni are headed by Franklin Pierce 1824. Pierce was not one of the more quotable Presidents, but these lines poignantly express his feelings about the Civil War he had tried to forestall:

My purpose, dearest, is immovably taken. I will never justify, sustain, or in any way or to any extent uphold this cruel, heartless, aimless unnecessary war. Madness and imbecility are in the ascendant. I shall not succumb to them, come what may.

Letter to Jane Means Appleton Pierce, Mar. 3, 1863

The horror of the Civil War is also vivid in comments by Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain 1852, a President of Bowdoin and Governor of Maine who, as a general in the war, won the Medal of Honor for his actions at Gettysburg, commanded the troops receiving the surrender of Robert E. Lee’s army, and died in 1914 as a result of lingering wounds from a battle half a century earlier:

But we had with us, to keep and to care for, more than five hundred bruised bodies of men, — men made in the image of God, marred by the hand of man, and must we say in the name of God? And where is the reckoning for such things?

Although he is regularly asked to do so, God does not take sides in American politics, and in America disagreement with the policies of the government is not evidence of lack of patriotism.

Statement at Senate hearings on Iran-Contra scandal, July 13, 1987

And who is answerable? One might almost shrink from the sound of his own voice, which had launched into the palpitating air words of order — do we call it? — fraught with such ruin. Was it God’s command we heard, or His forgiveness we must forever implore?

*The Passing of The Armies* (published posthumously in 1915)

Thomas Brackett Reed 1860, twice Speaker of the House of Representatives, was a notably witty politician. Among Reed’s wisecracks were:

*A statesman is a politician who is dead.*

Quoted in *Los Angeles Times*, Oct. 10, 1896

They [two fellow Congressmen] never open their mouths without subtracting from the sum of human knowledge.

Quoted in Samuel W. McCall, *The Life of Thomas Brackett Reed* (1914)

A contemporary alumnus, George J. Mitchell ’54, served as Senate Majority Leader, brokered the peace deal for Northern Ireland, and today still makes
The Eskimo, Ootah, had his own explanation. Said he: “The devil is asleep or having trouble with his wife, or we should never have come back so easily.”
Robert E. Peary 1877, The North Pole (1910)

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Far removed from the realms of literature and politics, but so important in the social sphere that he profoundly influenced many aspects of our society, was sexologist Alfred C. Kinsey ’16:

Caricatures of the English-American [sexual] position are performed around the communal campfires, to the great amusement of the [South Pacific] natives, who refer to the position as the “missionary position.”
Sexual Behavior in the Human Male (1948)

Males do not represent two discrete populations, heterosexual and homosexual. The world is not to be divided into sheep and goats. Not all things are black nor all things white. It is a fundamental of taxonomy that nature rarely deals with discrete categories. Only the human mind invents categories and tries to force facts into separated pigeon-holes. The living world is a continuum in each and every one of its aspects. The sooner we learn this concerning human sexual behavior the sooner we will reach a sound understanding of the realities of sex.
Sexual Behavior in the Human Male (1948)

The only unnatural sex act is that which you cannot perform.
Quoted in Barbara Rowes, The Book of Quotes (1979)

Concluding this romp through Bowdoin quote-history, I present a miscellany from alums ranging from two Supreme Court justices to the putative discoverer of the North Pole to the author of M*A*S*H to a Secretary of Defense to the founder of Netflix to the winner of the first women’s marathon Olympic gold medal:

It is the irresistible course of events that all men, who have been deprived of their liberty, shall recover this previous portion of their indefeasible inheritance.
John Brown Russwurm, “The Condition and Prospects of Hayti” (Bowdoin commencement oration) (1826)

Repudiate the repudiators.
William Pitt Fessenden, Presidential campaign slogan (1868)

Every sovereign State is bound to respect the independence of every other sovereign State, and the courts of one country will not sit in judgment on the acts of the government of another done within its own territory.
Melville W. Fuller 1853, Underhill v. Hernandez (1897)

The rights of the freedman, which are not yet secured to him, are the direct reverse of the wrongs committed against him. I never could conceive how a man could become a better laborer by being made to carry an over heavy load.

and wearisome burden which in no way facilitates his work. I never could detect the shadow of a reason why the color of the skin should impair the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Oliver Otis Howard, Autobiography of Oliver Otis Howard, Major-general, United States Army (1908)

The Eskimo, Ootah, had his own explanation. Said he: “The devil is asleep or having trouble with his wife, or we should never have come back so easily.”

Robert E. Peary 1877, The North Pole (1910)

The Constitution was built for rough as well as smooth roads. In time of war the nation simply changes gears and takes the harder going under the same power.

Harold H. Burton 1909, Duncan v. Kahanamoku (dissenting opinion) (1946)

We’re the pros from Dover [developed by the character Hawkeye as a way of claiming to be a pro from an ambiguous golf club in order to wangle invitations to play free rounds].

H. Richard Hornberger ’45, M*A*S*H (1968)

**The Constitution was built for rough as well as smooth roads. In time of war the nation simply changes gears and takes the harder going under the same power.**

Harold H. Burton 1909, Duncan v. Kahanamoku (dissenting opinion) (1946)

If we are to save our children then we must become people they will look up to. Children need heroes now more than ever because the poor children of this nation live with monsters every day. Monsters deprive them of heat in the winter, they don’t fix their sinks and toilets, they let garbage pile up in their hallways, they kick them out of their homes, they beat them, shoot them, stab them — sometimes to death — they rape their bodies and their minds. Sometimes they lurk under the stairs. They scuttle around in the dark; you hear them in the walls gnawing, squeaking, occasionally biting a little finger.

Geoffrey Canada ’74, Fist Stick Knife Gun: A Personal History of Violence in America (1995)

While we are not and cannot become the world’s policeman, neither can we become a prisoner of world events, isolated and tucked safely away in a continental cocoon.

William S. Cohen ’62, Statement at Senate hearing on his confirmation as Secretary of Defense, Jan. 22, 1997

I was on the way to the gym and I realized, “Wow, video stores could operate like a gym with a flat membership fee.” And it was like, “Hm, I wonder why no one’s done that before?”

Reed Hastings ’83, Quoted in television interview on 60 Minutes, Dec. 3, 2006

Now I’m down to 70 or 80. That’s all I can do [explaining why, at 50 years of age, she no longer runs 120 miles a week].


**The only unnatural sex act is that which you cannot perform.**

Quoted in Barbara Rowes, The Book of Quotes (1979)
Above, left to right: Michael Landgarten ’80, Daniel Steele ’84, Susan Allen Favreau ’91, Peter Hastings ’05, Charles Emerson ’63, Sally Johnson ’81, Stewart “Chip” Newell ’68
he eternal sun, symbol of Bowdoin College, goes down over Casco Bay with a spectacular display of pinks, reds and golden yellows. The evening view from the balcony of the Mt. Washington Room at the Log Cabin Island Inn on Bailey Island in Harpswell is a breathtaking 180-degree panoramic sweep that takes in everything from the glow of Brunswick to the distant halo over Portland and the twinkling of lights on islands and boats in the bay.

As darkness falls across the coastal landscape, steam rises from the 101-degree waters of the Jacuzzi on the deck into the crisp 60-degree night air. Faint, happy voices drift reassuringly across Merriconeag Sound from South Harpswell. A sip of cool, fruity pinot grigio. The heady aroma of seaweed and salt air. Yes, this is Maine, The Way Life Should Be.

Maine is Vacationland. Tourism is the state’s second largest industry, after consumer services and ahead of manufacturing. Some 10 million overnight visitors and another 30 million daytrippers pump $10 billion a year into Maine’s $48 billion economy and support close to 140,000 tourism-related jobs.

Given the prominence of Bowdoin in the public life of Maine, it’s not surprising that Bowdoin graduates are players in the state’s tourism industry. Indeed, with a little resourcefulness, it might actually be possible to take a Bowdoin Maine vacation, patronizing inns, restaurants, and pubs owned and operated by alumni of the College. In visiting late this summer with a sampling of Bowdoin innkeepers and restaurateurs, what came across most vividly was the degree to which they are purveyors of authenticity, offering experiences of the real Maine that range from a pint of fried clams to a pint of local ale, from canoeing in search of moose to sailing along the coast.
from cable TV and wireless Internet access to Rinnai heaters, flashlights, umbrellas, ironing boards, Q-tips and cotton balls. The Log Cabin seems a perfect place to hunker down for the winter, but in late October the Favreaus close up shop and start thinking about heading for their winter home in Key West.

“It’s pretty desolate down here in the winter,” Susan Favreau explains, “and it’s pretty windy.”

Halfway Rock Light, the remote lighthouse that marks the middle of Casco Bay, is clearly visible from the tip of Bailey Island, but the first lighthouse visitors to Maine see when they enter from the south belongs to Michael Landgarten ’80. Landgarten’s lighthouse, or rather a reasonable facsimile of one, stands in front of Robert’s Maine Grill on Route One in Kittery. Robert’s and its predecessor business, Bob’s Clam Hut, stand on either side of Spruce Creek and offer hungry travelers a true taste of Maine.

Michael Landgarten, an art history major and rock musician who came to Bowdoin from Worcester, Massachusetts, seems an unlikely candidate to run a roadside clam shack, but then Bob’s Clam Hut is a local landmark and real Maine classic. After graduation, Landgarten studied computers and worked writing code for several years while playing in rock bands. He got into the restaurant business almost by default.

“I had some notion,” Landgarten explains, “that I wanted to own a business so I could support my music habit.”

He started looking at bed & breakfasts in Cape Cod and Maine, but a realtor in southern Maine kept urging that he “Check out Bob’s Clam Hut.” Bob Kraft had started the little clam shack in 1956 and by 1986 was looking to sell.

When Landgarten told his old Bowdoin buddy Dave Kunicky ’80 he was thinking of buying Bob’s, Kunicky
surprised him by saying, “That makes total sense.”

“It does?”

Landgarten was a vegetarian at the time and couldn’t quite see himself as a fry cook, but Kunicky reminded him that, when they shared an apartment in college, Landgarten had kept a map posted on the refrigerator that pinpointed every seafood joint within 30 miles of Bowdoin. In college, he had lived on fish sandwiches, and chocolate shakes.

“Bob’s was a homerun,” says Landgarten. “It was a well-oiled machine when I bought it. Bob Kraft developed it. I just refined it a little bit.”

Indeed, Bob’s is a first class operation, cooking up 2,500 gallons of clams a year, serving only “specials,” clams sorted to be the same size so they fry up evenly. And Landgarten is a stickler for clean cooking oil.

“The biofuels folks are lining up at our door,” he says. “We’re insane about how much we change the oil.”

In 2006, Landgarten opened Robert’s Maine Grill, which he describes as “Bob’s gets dressed up a little bit, puts on shoes and goes out to dinner.” Both restaurants operate on what he calls “an unusual business model.”

A progressive businessman, as an employer Michael Landgarten seeks to “create meaning, commitment, and a sense of ownership.” To that end, his restaurants operate with five bottom lines, open financials, and profit sharing. Making money is not more important to him than being a good steward of the environment and giving back to the community. Active in Share Our Strength, the culinary industry’s anti-hunger campaign, Landgarten helped make the Portsmouth area’s annual Taste of the Nation fundraiser, in which 80 local restaurants raised $100,000 to fight hunger in 2008, a rousing success.

And Michael Landgarten credits his Bowdoin mentor, emeritus associate professor of art history Larry Lutchmansingh, with instilling a sense of social justice in him.

“You values,” says Landgarten, “inform how you do business.”

Should a winter visitor to Maine crave a pint in a great Irish pub, however, there is always the Brian Boru Public House on the edge of the Old Port in Portland. Established in 1993 by three young

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Irishmen – Fergus and Justin O’Reilly and Laurence Kelly – and modeled after a pub in their native town of Naas, Brian Boru is co-owned by Daniel Steele ’84.

“I got involved with Brian Boru when it started,” says Steele. “My main interest was in purchasing the real estate.”

Brian Boru, with a giant pint of Guinness painted on its ruddy façade, is “a warm community bar with an eclectic group of people,” says Steele. “It’s fun and social, a good part of the fabric of Portland.”

A history major at Bowdoin with a concentration in Latin American studies, Daniel Steele always intended to go into commercial real estate. As such he is more or less a silent partner in one Portland’s most popular bars. And though he lives just across Center St. from Brian Boru, in fact, Daniel Steele says he does not spend a lot of time in the pub, adding, “That’s probably a good thing.”

LUCK OF THE IRISH

If this be so, then Peter Hastings ’05 seems to value a good time had by all. Leary’s Landing Irish Pub, which Hastings opened in 2007 with his partner Christina Hines, has quickly become one of downtown Bar Harbor’s favorite watering holes, a little side street hole-in-the-wall featuring a great selection of local brews and pub grub.

At just 500 square feet and 15 barstools, Leary’s Landing may be small, but the beauty of it, says Peter Hastings, is “it always looks full. With just 12 people in it, it looks like a happening bar.”

Peter Hastings, who grew up in Hampden, Maine, majored in American government and minored in education at Bowdoin. He fully intends to go to law school one of these days, but right now he’s having too much fun to go back to school, not to mention that Leary’s
Landing turned a profit its first year and revenues were up 64% in 2008 over 2007.

Growing up just an hour from the booming resort town of Bar Harbor, Hastings came of age in the hospitality industry. He started out in high school as a bellman at a Bar Harbor inn and, by the time he graduated from Bowdoin, he was working summers as the director employee housing and marina operations for Ocean Properties Ltd, a company that owns six hotels and five restaurants on Mount Desert Island.

After graduation, Hastings hired on as the director of revenue management for the Hilton Hotel Corporation in Salt Lake City, Utah. Christina Hines, a Clark University grad, worked as regional sales manager. After two years in Utah, Hastings and Hines decided, “We wanted to work for ourselves. We thought it would be fun to have a small Irish pub in either Annapolis, Maryland, or Bar Harbor.”

Hastings chose Bar Harbor because he already had contacts there and knew the climate and the seasons well. Once the summerfolk and the tourists go home, the cruise ships stop docking, and the fall leaf-peepers disappear, Leary’s Landing closes up shop the first of December.

“It’s just too cold,” Peter Hastings explains, “and staffing becomes a problem.”

The Maine hospital- ity community also, however, boasts a few Bowdoin grads who fled Corporate America for the simpler, saner lives of innkeepers.

Charles Emerson ’63, for instance, was an art major at Bowdoin, thinking he might go into his family’s fine printing business, Anthoensen Press. But that was not to be. Emerson spent more than three decades in the banking and commercial real estate businesses, both in Boston and Portland, before opting out.

In 1999, he and his wife Ann purchased the White Gates Inn on Route One in Rockport, right next door to Roxmont, the grand old estate that houses the offices of Down East magazine. The Emnersons’ home, in fact, was originally the Roxmont guest cottage.

“Charles was frustrated with office jobs,” explains Ann Emerson, as her husband finishes some chores around the modest 14-room motel. “He likes to be continually working outside. He really likes the upkeep part of it.”

“I’ve always enjoyed working with my hands, fixing things up,” agrees Charlie Emerson when he comes in dusted with flecks of white paint. “I do most of the work around here myself.”

So while Ann attends to the office and bookkeeping, Charlie sees to the maintenance and upkeep. As a great deal of their business is overnight travelers on their way up or down the coast, the Emnersons never know who is going to be stopping in at the White Gates Inn, but they say they have been delighted with the quality of their guests.

“We’ve made a lot of friends,” says Ann, “especially among the kids who come to the Workshop.”

To bolster their off-season business, the Emnersons have a contract to house students attending the nearby Maine Media Workshop, formerly the Maine Photographic Workshop.

Running a business together as a couple can be challenging, so a division of labor is highly recommend-ed, not only by Charles and Ann Emerson, but also by William Foley ’81 and Sally Johnson ’81, proprietors of the Moosehead Hills Cabins in Greenville.

William Foley was a biology major at Bowdoin and Sally Johnson majored in math. Bill spent many years in sales and marketing with Coca-Cola and Sally had a 20-year career in sales and marketing with IBM.

“We started Moosehead Hills Cabin 10 years ago,” says Sally Johnson. “We both decided the corporate rat race world wasn’t any fun. We wanted to try doing something in a wilderness area, something with year-round outdoor recreation.”

Thus, Foley and Johnson purchased land near Lily Bay in Greenville where, over the past decade, Bill has built their home and five log-sided cabins which they rent out to hikers, snowmobilers, snowshoers, canoeists, kayakers, and folks attracted to the Moosehead Lake region for the unparalleled moose-watching.
“A different type of tourist is coming to Greenville than you would have found 20 or 30 years ago,” says Sally Johnson, noting that very few of their guests are hunters or fishermen.

Low-impact, muscle-powered sports and “green tourism” have become increasingly popular throughout Maine in recent years. Moosehead Hills Cabins and Log Cabin Island Inn, in fact, are two of 77 state-certified “green lodgings” in the Maine Department of Environmental Protection’s Environmental Leaders program. So, in addition to operating and marketing their five cabins and offering a concierge service for guests looking for wilderness guides, Johnson and Foley must also pay careful attention to such things as waste management and water conservation, the toxicity of housekeeping products, energy efficiency, and the environmental impact of landscaping.

Despite the challenges of taking to the woods after life in the corporate fast lane, Sally Johnson is sincere when she says, “It’s been a really fascinating and rewarding experience to build our own business.”

SAILING INTO THE FUTURE

Finally, one of the places where the old Maine and the new meet along the coast is at Linekin Bay Resort on Wall Point in Boothbay Harbor. The resort, with its cluster of modest, fog gray cottages and lodges and fleet of Rhodes 19 sailboats, has been in the Branch family since 1909, evolving over the 20th century from a family compound first into a girls’ camp and then into a family-oriented sailing resort.

When owner Bob Branch died in 1996, his widow Ida soldiered on alone until 2001 when a manager was hired to look after the rapidly deteriorating cottage colony. Wanting to preserve the old seaside resort, where some guests have been summering since 1946, Bob and Ida Branch’s son Peter and daughter Kristina went looking for a new future for Linekin Bay Resort.

Peter Branch, headmaster of the Georgetown Day School in Washington, D.C., was in no position to operate the resort himself, so he turned to Stewart “Chip” Newell ’68 for a new plan.

“The Branch family called us to help find out what the next life for Linekin Bay Resort should be,” says Chip Newell, who with his wife Susan Morris does business as the NewHeight Group, a marketing and development consulting firm with offices in Miami Beach and, more to the point, Boothbay Harbor.

Chip Newell, an economics major at Bowdoin, decided to return to Maine in 2003 after attending his 35th Bowdoin reunion. With 30 years experience in real estate development, Newell helped the Branch family formulate and get permitted a plan that calls for replacing many of the aging Linekin Bay Resort cottages with expansive new seaside homes while renovating and expanding the resort’s main lodge.

“The plan is to develop and sell the homes to support a new lodging facility,” says Newell, who hopes construction and sales of the new Linekin Bay Resort homes can begin in 2009, the economy permitting.

Since returning to Maine, Newell says he has become aware of just how pervasive Bowdoin graduates are in all walks of Maine life. The head of the Boothbay Harbor planning board he presented the development plan to, Newell notes, was William Hamblen ’72. And the real estate attorney for the project is Carl R. “Chip” Griffin, III ’77.

“I started my career in Denver where people couldn’t even pronounce Bowdoin,” says Chip Newell. “Then I worked in Washington, D.C., where people could pronounce it but there were very few Bowdoin grads. It feels good to be surrounded by the Bowdoin community.”

And that’s a familiar sentiment from one end of Vacationland Maine to the other.

“A lot of Bowdoin parents and a lot of alumni stay here,” says Susan Favreau back at the Log Cabin Island Inn. “If they stay here when their kids are freshmen, they stay for all four years.”
Pretty as a picture: Peter Gates rows his daughter Callie ’05 across the pond at The Country Club in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, on June 14, just before she and Jason Slocum ’05 were married.
Joan Weil, widow of Thomas Weil, wrote on September 25: “I have been busy getting settled into my now permanent address, after twelve different ones around the world. My husband was always delighted when a Bowdoin man visited our post, including Kabul, Afghanistan, and London, and we always enjoyed having them to dinner.”

Ed Langbein ’57 wrote on September 21: “Charles Kirkpatrick continues to hike and swim (seven days a week) as he and his wife split their time between New London, N.H., and Vero Beach, Fla. He regrets not getting back for his 75th reunion this past June. We lunched together last week at a ‘Heritage Society’ (i.e., planned givers) gathering at Colby-Sawyer College, which both of our wives attended.”

Over the centuries, the organized sport of fencing at Bowdoin has come and gone several times. Carl Barron re-established a team in 1936, and currently supports the latest revival, started by Sam Tung ’09 three years ago. During a recent campus visit, Carl took in a fencing practice and treated the team to dinner at Cook’s Lobster House afterward. See accompanying photo.

A September Morning Sentinel (Waterville, Maine) newspaper article titled “Dealers reach new Heights,” featured Kirby Hight, his son Lou ’74, and his grandson Sam ’07, as the 97-year-old Hight family car-sales business took ownership of the Ford dealership in Skowhegan. Four generations of Hights have assembled a car sales business that is the oldest family-owned dealership in the state. Family patriarch Walter Hight established the business in 1911, and Kirby joined it in 1938. Lou came aboard in 1974, and Sam, recently an investment banker in Boston, will take over management of the new Ford venture.

Kid Wongsrichanalai ’03 shares this information with the classes of 1940-45: “My honors project from 2003 [was] published in a recent issue of Maine History. It concerns the WWII letters and combat motivations for Bowdoin men from that era.”

Class Secretary Jack Hoopes wrote in late August: “After my exhorting our group to attend our 65th Reunion, it

Different Strokes

Ev Hanke, Cornelia Johnson and Norman Seagrave have two things in common: they’re all champion swimmers and all homeowners at Thornton Oaks.

Cornelia is a Senior Olympics medalist and logs 20 laps twice a week, while Norm and Ev are practicing for their next 200 meter relay. Their four-man team holds the FINA (Federation Internationale de Natation) world record—rock stars of the 90+ group. Norm has been swimming competitively since his days as a Bowdoin College undergraduate; Ev started competing in his eighties. All three practice in the nearby Bowdoin pool.

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turned out that we had made arrangements back in January for a trip to inland Alaska that week. Alaska was great big mountains, big valleys in between. Mount McKinley was visible for two days! Big bus tourism is thriving. Anyway special thanks to the loyal few who could attend: Bob Edwards, Len Johnson, Ed Simonds, and Ed Woods. In a letter saying that he and Rose couldn’t make this reunion (they, in fact, made it, as the list indicates; Ed has gone to every five-year reunion since 1948), Ed Simonds wrote: ‘Looking back, Jack, do you ever feel that we just happened to be at Bowdoin during its very peak years?

Casey Sills, Dean Nixon, Herbie Brown, Adam Walsh, Abrahamson, Doc Root, Sam Kamerling, Van Kleve, Pat Quinby are only a few names from that all-star faculty. But time and the College march on—and well.’

We have to announce the passing of George H. Heywood on April 18, 2008, in Concord, Mass. After his wartime service in the 10th Mountain Division, he joined Heywood-Wakefield, serving as President from 1966 to its close in 1981.”

Jack Hoopes wrote again in December: “We have to add three more deaths this fall. Dr. Norman Gauvreau died on September 22, in Portland. Norm’s service record was unique: Marine fighter pilot with over 100 missions, Navy flight instructor, Vermont Air National Guard, Air Force Reserve, and Coast Guard Auxiliary. He retired as Chief of Obstetrics and Gynecology at St. Mary’s Hospital in Lewiston. W. Bradford Briggs died in Vero Beach, Fla., November 1, 2008, two days after the death of his wife Elizabeth (‘Buffy’) on October 30. After serving as a Naval aviator during the war, Brad and Bill Ziff founded Ziff Davis, which grew to be one of the major publishers of specialized activity magazines (Car and Driver, Skiing, Flying, Popular Photography). He was President of the United States Ski Educational Foundation, the governing body for the U.S. Ski Team. DeWitt T. Minich died on December 13 in Beverly, Mass. Dee served in the South Pacific as captain of PT Boat No. 183 and section leader and later in the ferry command in the Caribbean. His business career was in the wool and shoe business, including co-ownership of American Stay Mfg. Co. Moving to Boxford, Mass., in 1956, he was a founder and coach of the athletic association, member of the finance committee, and town moderator. After summering for many years in West Poland Spring, he moved to Four Mile Village.”

Dr. Leonardo, “Buckie,” Buck ’38 Retired Dentist, Golf Rules Official

Like his Florentine namesake, Dr. Leonardo Buck ’38 is a true Renaissance man. Lettering in five sports at Bath’s Morse High School, he refined his talents for baseball, hockey and golf at Bowdoin, while studying chemistry. He went on to earn a degree in dental medicine from Harvard. He plays the piano, writes the occasional piece for the local paper, and is a leading figure in Maine, regional and national golf circles.

“The rules of golf have always intrigued me,” says Buck, who started working as a rules official for the Maine State Golf Association (MSGA) in 1936. “A good rules official is inconspicuously present. We’re there to help the players and make sure that no one takes advantage.”

When Buck, Buckie as he’s known to friends, retired from dentistry in 1980, he began officiating at golf tournaments full time. He has traveled the country shadowing players like Tiger Woods, giving seminars and scrutinizing the game from the sidelines. He is the top rules official in Maine and players from California to Florida ring his phone regularly, seeking his opinion on rulings.

This past summer, Buckie officiated at seven championships. He even makes his own stakes for marking course boundaries and water hazards. He’s been known to sit in his driveway, Fats Waller playing on a portable CD player, as he fashions them from pine and rebar.

In 2006, he conceived a set of seven hand signals for golfers and rules officials to use at MSGA events. The signals filled a void in which no previous standard existed and have since been adopted internationally.

Buckie, who turns 93 in March, credits the YMCA for instilling him with the confidence that has served him so well. He lives his life with the same integrity that he brings to the rules of golf.

So, which of his many accomplishments is this Renaissance man most proud? “Winning the Maine Amateur Golf Championship in 1950,” he says. “I was eight down at the eleventh hole. My chances were slim and none. And I won.” His face breaks into one of his famous smiles. “Keep trying and never give up. That’s my motto in life.”

Cliff Travis emailed on September 29: “After 52 years of marriage, my wife Joan died of cancer, and I have continued to live in our house amidst accumulating dust and miscellaneous clutter, which I do my best to ignore. My daughter Vicki lives nearby and daughter Sandy and my two grandchildren live in Annapolis, Md., so we get together quite often. Most of my time is spent on my model railroad, which with the help of Vicki, I have displayed at local shows and at large shows in Philadelphia and Springfield, Mass. When assembled at home it takes up most of the living and dining rooms. Would love to get back for a reunion but the seven-hour drive is a bit long.”

The Class extends its sympathy to Cliff and his family. See accompanying photo.
Bill Augerson wrote in late September: “Still vertical and mobile. Working a little. Had nice recent visit from David Kessler ’57, a colleague from Walter Reed days.”

Cab Easton wrote on October 7: “Took a trip on the Danube, Main, and Rhine rivers from September 3–23. The ship’s accommodations were fine: reasonably-sized stateroom and bath on top deck and large bedroom window, excellent food, great tours and on-ship entertainment (one evening a glass blower demonstrated his unique skills in the lounge). We met and ate with a number of very pleasant and fun people from various states in the U.S., along with Canada, New Zealand, Australia, etc. Highlights of the tours included our three-night stay at the Marriott in Budapest (rebuilt within the ruins of a church) and the great cathedral nearby (sheathed in plastic for repair and cleaning), the medieval fortifications in charming Bratislava, an organ concert in Passau at St. at St. Stephen’s Cathedral on the largest pipe organ in Europe, lunch at the Old Sausage Kitchen (Germany’s oldest restaurant) in Regensburg, a tour of the Bishops’ Residenz (one of Germany’s largest and most ornate baroque palaces), the Gutenberg Museum at Mainz, a visit to Cologne’s DOM, Germany’s largest cathedral, and ending in Amsterdam. Of course there were marvelous views of the ‘castles on the Rhine’ from the ship as we moved along the river, and the...”

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Bob Weatherill wrote on July 14: “We enjoyed the reunion and our brief stay in the dorms. (Today’s undergraduates are certainly well housed and fed!) And, there was an opportunity to meet with people whom I had not seen since graduation. Hardly seems possible we have been here at Kendal over a month now. We actually moved in June 11. Since then there has been a whirlwind of unpacking and trying to find things, many of which are still among the missing. We are very happy and comfortable here, and have met lots of wonderful people and are delighted that the chores of maintaining a house are now behind us. Although we lived in it a full fifty years I really don’t miss the house at all, but I do miss our neighbors and being near the ocean. Both Betsy and Chip have visited us, and we are pleased they are so much closer. Of course, Dartmouth has a very strong presence here with many retired graduates and faculty in residence. The college is barely two miles away, and there are many college-type events (lectures, concerts, athletics) we can attend. I am not aware of any Bowdoin graduates in residence here, but a number have grandchildren who are now undergraduates in Brunswick. Our new address is: Apt. 361, Kendal at Hanover, 80 Lyme Rd., Hanover, N.H. 03755.”

49 REUNION

Robert Alexander wrote in late September: “Age seems to be taking its toll. Now living in an assisted living facility. Makes things easier but it’s not like home. Am quite familiar with the local diagnostic clinic and hospitals. Whoever said ‘golden years’ certainly didn’t know much about anything. Cheers to all.”

51 Class Secretary Roy Heely reported on September 30: “‘Tis fall when leaves turn and a contingent of freshmen become collegians. The Class of 2012 numbers 489 and represents a highly select group chosen from over six thousand applicants. Men (257) outnumber women (232) for the first time in several years, while the College overall ratio stands around 50-50. A comparison: in September 1947 and February 1948, 245 men signed the matriculation book’ (still a tradition) including 44 from classes other than 1951. Some campus tidbits of interest: starting next fall, freshmen will no longer be permitted autos on campus. I believe we were similarly restricted, even though some classmates were known to pilot jalopies of varied vintage and quality. The former Curtis Pool, unused...
for many years, is now the Studzinski Recital Hall for concerts by students and others. The acoustics are superb, and the place is worth a visit on a trip here. And after demolition last spring, the columned Beta House has become, like the Delta Upsilon House, a spacious green lawn. There has been no mention of any plans to fill these voids.

“I had a pleasant chat with Gene Henderson’s wife Martha, who talked about the stroke Gene suffered two years ago that left him paralyzed on one side. His mind is clear, so Gene is frustrated by these physical limitations. Martha devotes considerable time traveling to and from the not-so-nearby assisted living facility. Gene would be delighted and appreciative to receive cards or letters from classmates via Martha: 5935 18th St. N., Arlington, VA 22205. Martha’s telephone: 703-536-9258.

“Jim Goddard is a cherished respondent to my email requests for news with a delightful reply that was a scribe’s dream. Jim divides his time between Chatham, Mass., (seven months) and Vero Beach, Fla., (five months) and like so many mighty Fifty-Ones is upbeat on life and takes growing old(er) in good humored stride; Jim wrote: ‘Life is very good despite the infirmities of age – I’m 82 – have two new eyes, two knee replacements, play tennis (I can see the ball now but I can’t cover the court very well). I did not get to know many classmates (mostly fraternity brothers) as I was a married veteran with a three-year-old son and lived in Bowdoin Courts Apartments. Worked summers on the fish pier with Guy Johnson ’50. Also painted damn near every apartment in the Bowdoin Courts and was a surveyor on the initial location of the perimeter fence for the installation of a radar station on the backside of the Naval Air Station. Spent 40 years in the investment business in Boston, retired and moved to Vero Beach in 1991. Lost Nancy, my wife of 55 years in 2001, found Judy in 2002 and married in 2004. She is my age and we expect to keep on ‘a truckin’ as long as the Lord allows. We feel good and ain’t ready for the nursing home. Judy had three children, as did I. I have four

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grandchildren, she has seven, plus 10
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weeks). We find grandparents can make
a significant influence for the good on
the young ones and the old ones too,
though they probably wouldn’t admit it.
I’ve always thought the best place to
retire was to a small college – you did
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Ed Samiljan’s great nephew Jordan
Samiljan ’09 was last year’s recipient.
Jordan is a senior, studies economics and
has played on the men’s rugby team, is
involved in the Business Club, the
Bowdoin Hillel, Bowdoin Men Against
Sexual Violence, and the Outing Club.
Jordan spent last spring semester
studying in Sicily, Italy, on a CET,
Mediterranean Studies Program. He
now works in the telecommunications
department and was a research associate
at Harvard Business School last summer
and is considering careers in business
and finance. His Bowdoin family, in

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addition to Ed, includes cousin Nancy Samiljan ’79.

“Some retired classmates continue part time in their professions while others take on new ventures. Pat and Reverend Dick Bamforth enjoy family visits to their Augusta dwelling, and Dick serves as an Episcopal supply pastor, is writing a book on substitute preaching, and plans to offer a senior college course. Their daughter Jeanne is an assistant to Cristle Collins Judd, Bowdoin’s Dean for Academic Affairs. Over lunch in Kennebunkport last summer, Don Moore described his current new sideline as a licensed captain in moving yachts from Fla. to the north via the inland waterway.

“Gentlemen, you have earned a well deserved big round of applause for the distinguished performance of our Class in the 2007–2008 Alumni Fund. After a wonderful participation rate the year before of 86 percent, you outdid yourselves in a big way with a showing of 86 percent, which places us as the sixth–best class in that category. I, along with Dave Conrod, Chet Homer, and Bill Eveningale, extend our hearty congratulations to all for a splendid job. Help wanted: we have several classmates for whom there is no valid address or telephone number. If you know the whereabouts of any of the following gents would you let me know? (4100 College Station, Brunswick, ME 04011; alumni@bowdoin.edu): Leonard Ashe, John Fong, George Fox, Phil Glidden, Stanwood Harting, Charles Kendal, Howard Lane, Bill Lishman, Kenneth Much, Tauno Nevalainen, John Newton, Ken Simpson, Albert Thebault, Charles Watson. Your scribe became an octogenarian last August, thus joining several of you already at that plateau. Our younger classmates will hit that plateau in several years, and others take on new ventures. Pat and Dick combine their business experience with his passion for sailing, pulling U.S. Sailing out of debt in just four years as the organization’s executive director. Charlie remains an active sailor and still races his 42-foot Hinckley.

Charlie Leighton ’57
Executive Director, U.S. Sailing

Charlie Leighton ’57 has fond memories of his first venture as an entrepreneur. After arriving at Bowdoin to find that no sailing team existed, Charlie and three of his friends asked for permission from the College to start one on their own. With the green light, the group raised the money to purchase five boats and a piece of waterfront property, racing every weekend and becoming one of the top teams in the area. Years later, after graduating from Harvard Business School, Charlie founded CML Group, which grew from a three-person enterprise to a company of 4,000 and oversaw companies like Boston Whaler. After serving as the director of Met Life for 12 years, Charlie combined his business experience with his passion for sailing, pulling U.S. Sailing out of debt in just four years as the organization’s executive director. Charlie remains an active sailor and still races his 42-foot Hinckley.

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LAUDABLE Igor Blake conserved his 310 acres in Newport, N.H., through a land preservation agreement with the Upper Valley Land Trust. His forest has been a designated Tree Farm since 1970. Recently, Sullivan County, N.H., Forester Chuck Hersey nominated Blake for next year’s Tree Farmer of the Year Award.

Eugene Henderson reported on June 30: “On June 21, 2008, our older son Ross McDougal Henderson was married in Fort Myers, Fla., to Miss Alison Noel Turner, daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Claude Turner of Fort Myers. Wife Martha was able to attend. It was a magnificent ceremony with many relatives from Pennsylvania, Texas, and Mass.”

Charles Lermont wrote on October 3: “Nancy died in May from an E. coli infection. Martha is now in a nursing facility suffering from dementia. I continue to weave and sing in church choir. Getting new hearing aids, which should help.” The Class extends its sympathy to Charles and his family.

54 REUNION
LAUDABLE Horace Hildreth was given a Distinguished Contribution Award in June by Maine Audubon for his support of wildlife protection.

56 Elizabeth Moody, widow of William H. Moody emailed on October 28: “I saw Nancy Pennell recently and learned that Carroll died peacefully in July. As many know, he suffered a very debilitating stroke several years ago and was no longer able to live at home. His last few months were in what used to be the Mere Point Nursing Home, which is now on Baribeau Drive in the old Regional Hospital complex, so he was close by. Nancy and their son still live in Penville.”

57 Class Agent Ed Langbein reported on September 21: “Summer brought a number of classmates back to Brunswick: Clem and Mary Lou Wilson were here to look into resettling in Maine before returning to Fla. for Mary Lou to have a new left knee installed; Bob and Lois Estes on
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About as good as it gets in the eastern leg of their honeymoon; Hal and Marcia Pendexter; Jack and Shirley Woodward; and Art and Jill Perry to enjoy the summer music theatre. Also on campus was our Class of 1957 scholarship recipient, Caitlin Stauber ’10. A James Bowdoin Scholar, Caitlin had a summer research project and was off to Europe for a semester in Switzerland. Frank Kinnelly writes that he is mastering the art of operating a kayak and insuring that Bowdoin is included in the college considerations of his grandchildren. Dick and Kay Lyman have ‘re-retired’ (which means they are up to their eyeballs in projects of one type or another, professional, pro bono—the usual). They enjoyed a bike trip in Holland at the end of May with David Webster, returning in time for Kay to have her hip replaced (welcome to the ‘spare parts’ club, which includes over half of the Class) and recovery going well. Taking a pause from biking, Dave is active with the New London summer theatre, which shifted from private enterprise to a board operation. And, as I write this, he and Jan are preparing to shift from N. H. to Fla.
Dick and Shirley Fickett are occupied tracking politics and the Redskins which, in the D.C. area, fill the papers and airwaves. Ed and Nancy Langbein enjoyed a fabulous trip to the Canadian Rockies in August. Routed through Va., (which permitted supper with David and Nancy Kessler) they flew to Calgary and reunited with former host student Ryan Giles ’99, his wife Jenn, and his mother (who provided a tour of the city). Then, on to Lake Louise, Jasper National Park, and Banff, with a variety of side trips including a glacier walk (during a snowstorm), Maligne Canyon, and consistently spectacular views. Highly recommended if you’ve not been there.
Mike and Jean Coster marked their third anniversary in July and are looking forward to returning to Brunswick in January for the dedication of the Watson Arena. Later this month, Nate and Marsha Winer will be off to Egypt and in early 2009 will check out Spain. John Finn mentioned that his son (a foreign service officer) has been posted to Argentina, which may well prompt a visit by him and Sharon. Dietmar Klein continues to

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serve as President of the Bowdoin Club of Germany and is looking forward to their fall meeting, which hosted Ambassador Thomas Pickering ’53.”

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Ed Groves wrote on July 25: “Class of ’58 Sigma Nu Fraternity was well represented at their 50th Reunion in May.” See accompanying photo.

59 REUNION

Ed Hamblet wrote on September 27: “Was delighted to begin my 50th Reunion celebration with a luncheon, concert, and dinner hosted by our reunion committee in Brunswick on September 20, 2008, and to see folks I had not seen for a half century! I spent June in Paris, France, with my friends Andre and Suzanne Mathe to celebrate his 80th birthday and the engagement of their daughter Sophie, who is my goddaughter. July and August were spent touring Russia, the Baltic republics, and Finland. My adventures included a 1,200-mile boat trip beginning in Moscow and ending in St. Petersburg. Although I spend half of the year living in Fla., and France, and visiting my family in Maine, I still maintain my permanent residence on Lake Champlain, just one hour south of Montreal.”

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Dixon Griffin emailed on October 14: “Have been living in Trinidad since 2000. So good to find out about the e-magazine. We return to Webb Lake in Maine for a month each year. Get to see Tom and Mary Barten ’62 and play a little golf with them. Don’t know of any Bowdoin alums in this part of the world but, if there are any, I would enjoy hearing from them. Tel: (868) 632-8603. Looking forward to the 50th.”

Frank Mahncke emailed on August 6: “For the past four years (and I expect for several more), I have been spending my professional dotage at the Institute for Defense Analyses here in Washington. My liberal education is exercised by dabbling in issues from homeland security scenarios to technology export control policy. Grandkids in N.C., and Calif., keep Frances and me traveling there as often as we can.”

61 Dick Hatheway wrote on June 30: “As those who have preceded me can attest, retirement is not all that bad! After 39 years of SUNY-Geneseo, I hung up my PowerPoint last September, and have really enjoyed the year. I’m still involved in local government, thus have avoided becoming too much of a pest at home.”

62 Ward Hanscom wrote in late September: “Now retired from legal practice. Trying to take it easy. Still happily married to Nancy Weston Hanscom; now 60 years. Enjoying our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Living still in the same house; now about 51 years. See Maurice Littlefield occasionally.”

Fred Hill wrote in early July: “Marty and I are really enjoying living in Maine despite arriving just in time for two fairly serious Maine winters. Been busy enlarging our house in Arrowsic, trying to help raise funds to build a replica of the ship Virginia built at Popham in 1607, and writing a column on foreign affairs for the Bangor Daily News. Hope to get more squash courts at the College, especially since we lost the hardball doubles courts with reconstruction at Morrell Gym this summer.”

63 Jack Abbott and other Bowdoinites enjoyed “a golf outing at Augusta Country Club, Manchester, Maine, on September 26.” See accompanying photo.

Dick Engels wrote on late September: “Still involved with Aroostook football. This year I have switched from high school coach to running our new middle school program.”

Several Bowdoin friends enjoyed a golf outing at Augusta Country Club in Manchester, Maine, on September 26 (front row, l to r): Bill Bisset ’63, Jack Milo ’63, and Steve Crabtree ’63. (Back row, l to r): Al Ryan ’64, Charlie Micouleau ’63, John LaCasse ’63, and Jack Abbott ’63.

64 REUNION

John Lovetere wrote on September 29: “I have enjoyed over ten years of retirement with my wife and two grandchildren. We spend our time between Maine, Conn., and Fla. I recently returned from two hunting trips, one in New Mexico and another in Canada, with my son. Nancy (Dearborn) and I celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary in 2007. She is a graduate of Morse High School (’62) in Bath, where she was a student of playwright Tina Howe, wife of Norman Levy ’57. Nancy’s rural Bath history book is set for publication by Islandport Press of Yarmouth in the summer of 2009. We are looking forward to another great reunion in June.”

Basil Newton reported on July 1: “With a great deal of help from a Don Lancaster Graduate Scholarship, son William has his master’s in accounting from the University of Maine at Orono; old time neighbors, Alpha Kappa Sigma, and Don Lancaster came through for the Newton family.”

Rob Osterhout wrote on September 29: “I retired in place here in Virginia in January and have been ‘smelling the roses’ since then. I joined the board of a community non-profit fighting homelessness, traveled to China with a Smithsonian tour in March, and went to Scotland with friends in June for golf. Mary Ellen and I made our annual pilgrimage to Maine in July...”
where we visited Roger Tuveson ’64 and his wife Kathy. We’re enjoying having our five grandchildren nearby. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our 45th.”

65 Bill Black wrote on September 25: “Rapidly approaching our third year in Maine after 32 in New Orleans. Hurricane Katrina drove us from the Gulf to the Northeast, and me from 32 years in medical school academics (LSUHSC & TUHSC) to a very different life in corporate ‘medicine’ at Unum. Glad to be here!”

68 Robert Corey wrote on June 30: “The 40th reunion was outstanding, once we old timers found our headquarters.

Noel Bailey was a great reunion chair (should be appointed for life), Derry

Rundlett was a great Elvis impersonator, and Geff Yancey and his soon-to-be new bride Cindy Straitiff—best wishes, Cindy (Abbie says hi). Bailey, Corey, Bob Butkus ’66, and Newt Spurr ’61 teamed for a 1-under par 71 at the Kullen Tournament on June 16, 2008, at the Ledges.”

Howard Zetlan wrote in late June: “Sorry I missed the 40th. Still practicing dentistry. Family doing great.”

69 REUNION Louis Briasco emailed on August 4: “My historic San Francisco trolley photos appeared as the centerfold in the summer issue of Inside Track, Market Street Railway’s official quarterly publication. Who would have thought?”

Rick Davidson emailed on August 2: “My novel Catamount: A North Country Thriller has just been published. A full description can be found at www.rick-davidson.com or www.beechriversbooks.com. I am presently at work on a murder mystery that features some of the same characters but is not a sequel.” See Bookshelf section.

70 Leonard Johnson wrote on July 3: “I am continuing with my work at Travelers. My lucky wife Christine Molitor Johnson has just retired after teaching 36 years in the Newburyport, Mass., school system.”

NEWSPRINT Steve and Paula Mae Schwartz, “are jumping into the film business with both feet. The Gloucester couple, who’re already bringing Cormac McCarthy’s critically acclaimed book The Road to the big screen, have two new movie projects. The Schwartzes bought the rights to Pete Takeda’s non-fiction book An Eye at the Top of the Word, about a ’60s-era CIA mission that sent elite American and Indian climbers to the top of the Himalayas to monitor nuclear-missile testing in China. The Schwartzes have also optioned a script by Paul Schrader, the celebrated screenwriter whose credits include Raging Bull and Affliction. Called The Dying of the Light, the story centers on a CIA agent who’s suffering the effects of Alzheimer’s as he takes on a final mission.” From the Boston Globe.

71 Carter Good wrote in early July: “My wife and I have two sophomore sons; one is at our city’s high school and the other is at Yale. Actually, they each just finished their sophomore years. In the fall, they will be juniors. How fast it all goes.”

72 LAUDABLE Stephen Moriarty was presented with the Cumberland-North Yarmouth Lions Club Citizen of the Year Award for 2007-2008. “In June, I competed for the first time in the annual Mt. Washington Road Race, finishing in a time of 1:34:04.”

LAUDABLE Michael A. Ryan, an attorney with the law firm of Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed, has been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2009.
Peter Brown, photographer, cinematographer, director and producer, and Sea Shepherd Conservation Society volunteer, appears in Animal Planet’s seven-part series “Whale Wars,” this fall. He was the First Officer aboard Sea Shepherd’s ship, Steve Irwin, as it battled Japanese whaling fleets last winter in the Antarctic.

Christopher Gahran is “still developing software at Bloomberg, L.P. in NYC.”

Todd Siler “marks a true milestone” with the release of the Think Like a Genius 2.0 software. “Our team of tireless innovators have been working on it for the past 15 years! These ageless, versatile, creativity and communications tools enable you to build 3D virtual worlds to create anything you want. Please check it out at Amazon.com.”

Shaun Gilmore emailed on October 8: “After six years of enjoying a relaxing retirement in Denver, Colo., I have decided to join the American Red Cross in Washington, D.C., as president of its Biomedical Services group. The work that the American Red Cross does in support of people in need is phenomenal, and I am looking forward to trying to help it continue its heritage of service. The move to D.C. will also put Lynn and me closer to our daughter Meaghan, a sophomore at Bucknell.”

LAUDABLE Scott Emerson wrote on October 2: “Mueller electric Co’s China subsidiary, Mueller electric (Shanghai) Ltd., the China subsidiary of Mueller electric Co., Cleveland, Ohio, has been selected as a winner of the China 2008 100 Best Human Resources Managed Companies Award.”

John McNabb emailed on September 28: “I recently presented a paper at the 127th Annual Meeting of the New England Waterworks Association (NEWWA) in Burlington, Vt., on the funding crisis for the Massachusetts drinking water infrastructure. I have been an elected water commissioner in Cohasset, Mass., since 1997 and have been employed at Clean Water Action in Boston since 1999, working on solid waste and drinking water issues.”

Joe Walsh reported that “the Bowdoin family came out in force July 30 at The New Seabury CC on Cape Cod for a fun day in memory of Billy Burchard ’79 (back row; l to r): Dick Bachelder ’78, Jamie Jones ’79, Molly Burchard, Sue Burchard, Joe Burchard, Billy “Birdie” Burchard ’79 (cutout), Joe Walsh ’79, Bob Burchard, John Reidy ’82, Denis King ’79, Steve Leahy ’81, Dave Regan ’78, Tom McNamara ’78, Bob Devaney ’79, Brad Hunter ’79, David Lawrence ’79, Paul Devin ’80, Adam Briggs ’83, and Scott Fitzgerald ’82. (Front row; l to r): Shawn Kelly ’79, Tim Chapin ’81, Scott Corwin ’80, Mark Perry ’79, Billy McNamara ’79, Steve Santangelo ’79, Jeff Johnson ’79, Peter Naurocki ’83, and Mark Hoffman ’80.”

Kim Macdonald Donahue emailed on October 3: “I am currently deployed in Iraq. Any Bowdoin alums out here in the sand? Anyone wanting to rekindle old ties, please write. You will make my week! Kim_donahue@yahoo.com.”

Dan Spears wrote on October 15: “Each year a group of Dekes from the classes of 1981-83 get together for a mini-reunion. This year (2008) Ned Horton ’82 hosted the group of Polar Bears for a fall weekend in Nashville, where they caught the Vanderbilt–Auburn football game. Next year Dave Bean ’82 has agreed to host the group at his home in Coronado, Calif. See you next year, Beano!” See accompanying photo.

Scott Perper ’78 and Interim Dean of Admissions Scott Meiklejohn wonder “Where’s the ‘S’?!” in front of a road sign near Carnoustie, Scotland.
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Rocco Ciocca wrote in early July: “Happy to say that in 2012 we will be celebrating both our 30th class reunions and my daughter Caroline’s Bowdoin graduation. We were excited to learn about her acceptance to Bowdoin this spring.”

Deirdre Oakley emailed on September 24: “Last summer I went on a tour of the Baltic cities with my father and was lucky enough to meet Lech Walesa in Gdansk and get my photograph taken with him. Although I really don’t think Mr. Walesa knows much about Bowdoin, many of the people I went on this tour with did. In fact, it seemed like ‘six degrees of separation.’ One couple went to the church where Bill Owens ’75 is the music director and raved about him; another couple had a grandson currently at Bowdoin, although I can’t remember the grandson’s name; and my favorite is the Williams alum who now lives right next to the Bowdoin campus and loves being right by the College. Small world with lots of Bowdoin connections!” See accompanying photo.

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Joseph Emerson emailed on July 24: “Unfortunately omitted from the Reunion yearbook was my wonderful family! Wife of 19 years, Kathleen (Providence College ’83), daughter, Maggie (18) entering Villanova University; daughter Kristen (16) and son Conor (14).” See accompanying photo.

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REUNION
Warren Turner, a chemistry professor at Westfield State College, was a team leader for the 2008 U.S. Physics Team that competed in the International Physics Olympiad in Vietnam in July. More than 380 high school students from 82 countries competed in the event. The U.S. team tied with India and South Korea for second place.

Owen Priest ’87, a chemistry professor at Northwestern University, is a mentor for the U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad team.

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Arthur Burns emailed on October 2: “After over 20 years with Dead River Company, I struck out on my own (with 2 other partners) and formed a new propane delivery and service company 18 months ago. Our new company, Viking Propane, is doing well and continues to grow every week. Collin is very active in Cub Scouts and baseball while Abby recently celebrated receiving the Spirit Award for second grade at her school. Mom has taken advantage of mother’s hours and ventured outside the home once again into the retail jewelry business. We
continue to add to our home (can’t believe we have been here for over 15 years) as this year’s project was a new farmer’s porch out front that all of the family (especially my Dad) collaborated on to make Mom’s dream come true.”

**NEWSPRINT** Spencer Reece has a poem, “Eclogue,” in the October 13, 2008, issue of *The New Yorker*.

**LAUDABLE** Carl Pebworth received the Randall T. Shepard Award for his commitment and contributions to promoting access to justice, increasing the delivery of legal services for the poor in Indiana, and helping satisfy previously unmet needs and increased service to underserved communities through the development of innovative programs and initiatives throughout the State of Indiana. The honor was presented by the Indiana Bar Foundation and Indiana Pro Bono Commission during their 2008 awards dinner on October 3.

**NEwSPRINT** Brad Lawson, Dave Sherman, and Chuck Piacentini competed in the 2008 U.S. Bank Pole Pedal Paddle in Oregon last May. The race is from Mount Bachelor to Bend, and includes alpine skiing, Nordic skiing, cycling, running, paddling, and sprinting.

For news of John McQuillan, see *Elizabeth Dinsmore McQuillan 2000*.

For news of Owen Priest, see *Warren Turner ’84*.

**LAUDABLE** Robert Savage, associate professor of biology and chair of biochemistry and molecular biology at Williams College, has been awarded a three-year $214,990 grant from the National Institutes of Health for his work on “Segmental Pattern Formation in Annelids.” This grant will enable him to build on work funded by three prior grants from the NIH and the National Science Foundation, most recently a 2004-07 NIH grant of $342,489 for the same subject. Robert’s research centers on annelids, the phylum comprising about 15,000 segmented worms including earthworms, ring worms, marine worms, and leeches. He aims to

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NEWSPRINT World Learning Executive Vice President Adam Weinberg is among 40 U.S. leaders who have formulated a National Presidents’ Initiative for Citizen Diplomacy to dramatically improve international relations throughout the world. The Initiative, sponsored by the U.S. Center for Citizen Diplomacy emerged from recent discussions by the leaders of more than 90 organizations in international affairs who attended a leadership forum on citizen diplomacy in Wisconsin in October.

Correction
In our last issue we mistakenly listed Kevin Wesley as a member of the Class of 1990. We apologize for the error.

Charles Hassrick wrote on July 1: “I just completed my MFA at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and am designing and developing exhibits for the Museum of Science and Industry while practicing my environmental art!”
Ellen Mitchell reported in early July: “My husband Charlie Byrne and I welcomed a happy and healthy son Chandler James ‘CJ’ Byrne, on September 5, 2007. CJ’s middle name is in honor of his grandfather James P. Mitchell ’61 and his great-grandfather James E. Mitchell ’22. CJ will be in Brunswick with his grandfather this summer for a campus tour in preparation for joining the Class of 2030! We live in Manhattan, where I have been working in finance since graduation. We keep in touch with (but don’t see enough) fellow 22 McKeeners Lynn Manson Gawtry ’91, Thea Stocker Haley and Sarah Wasinger True. Go Polar Bears!”

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Children of 1994 classmates Jennifer Bogue Kenerson, Mindy Zych Martin, Colleen Fox, and Alison Burke Albers fill a couch (l to r): Alexander Kenerson, Alex Albers, Peter Kenerson, Jack Albers, Patrick Albers, Nicholas Kenerson, Ella Martin, and Allison Martin.

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Allison Mataya and husband Zachary Hooper are pleased to announce our latest creation, Steiner Scott Hooper. Scott drew his first breath at 1:38 p.m. on June 14, with a weight of six pounds, six ounces, a length of 20.75 inches and an APGAR of 9. Scott has the fingers of a concert pianist and the build of a jockey; we think he has a brilliant future ahead of him. He may be Bowdoin’s first double major in music and steeplechase!” See accompanying photo.

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Bill Austin and wife Becky ’98 “have had a great year getting to know their daughter Beatrix (‘Bee Austin’). Much like her parents, she’s very social and quite loud.”

Kelly Bristol emailed on August 1: “On February 14, 2008, our third child, Fletcher Owen, was born. He joined big sister Remi (4) and big brother Aidan (3). We are busy with three children, but having a lot of fun!” See accompanying photo.

Joanna Carlson wrote on July 28: “We’ve moved to Chicago and now have two boys: Joshua (2) and Peter Reid, born on November 10, 2007. The boys and I are having a great time exploring the city; there is so much to do!” See accompanying photo.

James Garner was married to “Lana Seibel (Fort Hays State ’00) on July 22, 2007, in Lawrence, Kansas.” See photo in Weddings section.

Rachel Rudman, her husband Jesse Reiner (Princeton ’92), and their son Sam, welcomed Joseph Abraham Reiner into the world on February 16, 2008. See accompanying photo.

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**NEWSPRINT David Morales,** Deputy Chief of Staff to Governor Deval Patrick, was featured in an October Boston Business Journal as one of 20 successful young Latino professionals in Boston.

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For news of Becky Austin see news of Bill Austin ’96.

Laura Dominici and Timothy Bresnahan (Holy Cross ’98) were married in York, Maine on April 26, 2008.” See photo in Weddings section.

**LAUDABLE** Farrah Douglas and Christina Hobson ’99 were selected to the U.S. National Women’s Rugby Team last summer. They both played for their respective Territorial Unions in the National All Star Championship in Pittsburgh in June. Farrah plays for the Midwest Rugby Union and Christina plays for the NRU (Northeast). Both were selected to the U.S. Team at the All Star weekend. Farrah was already a member and was selected again, and it
Brian Wedge ’97
Photographer

Brian Wedge ’97 was at high altitude when the first big break of his photography career presented itself. An experienced outdoorsman, the former Outing Club member was working in Tibet as a mountaineering instructor when he was asked to fill in for a fellow guide on a trip. He spent the next three months traipsing across Southeast Asia with acclaimed National Geographic photographer Galen Rowell, learning the tricks of the trade from one of the best in the business in one of the world’s most spectacular settings.

Several of the photographs he’d taken abroad were published in national magazines back home, which catapulted him to the status of professional. “It kind of blossomed,” he says of his early career. “If you get published…suddenly you’re acceptable.”

Brian continued to travel through Asia, Central America and Canada on assignments, scraping out a living and building an eclectic portfolio. “I would travel, travel, travel just trying to make ends meet,” he says. His work soon spread across the newsstand, appearing in Outdoor and Wildlife magazines, as well as Glamour and the Associated Press.

After majoring in biology at Bowdoin, Brian attended several graduate-level courses at Brown University, but attained most of his signature style by simply taking pictures—lots of pictures. Many of his collections, including a recent exhibition focusing on endangered sea turtles in Costa Rica, have oceanic themes—Brian is also a licensed Coast Guard Captain and studied wooden boatbuilding—and he has made it his mission to raise awareness on environmental issues as well as the personal stories of cancer survivors and their families.

These days, Brian, whose home base is in Harpswell with his wife Christine Adolfi Wedge ’98, is free to explore angles and stories of his choosing. “I’m at a point in my career where I can pay the bills through photography,” he says. “I go wherever I need to go where the shooting is interesting.”

Brian prides himself on bringing to life the more subtle details of what others consider ordinary. “It’s finding that interesting thread in the things we pass by and don’t notice,” he says of what drives his work. He applies this principle to every shot, whether it’s taken at a wedding in Phippsburg, or while stumbling through the Costa Rican jungle. www.brianwedge.com.
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was Christina’s first selection. Read about the team’s tour of England in August, including a blog entry from Christina, at www.usarugby.org.

Laurel Sucsy and Ben Butler ’00 “were married on September 22, 2007, at their home in Quogue, N.Y.” See photo in Weddings section.

99 REUNION

Ryan Giles married Jenn Kicis in Banff, Alberta, Canada, on February 3, 2008. See photo in Weddings section.

Charlotte Perry Mace married Aaron Mace (University Maine ’03) “on October 4, 2007, in Portland, Maine.” Their son, Ronan Perry Mace, was born on April 5, 2008. See accompanying photo and photo in Weddings section.

NEWSPRINT In October, a Maine Sunday Telegram article titled “Going green, and making green” featured Jeremy Litchfield and his new company Atayne as he “unveil[ed] sports apparel made from recycled material to Maine runners.” Learn more at Atayne.com.

Jeff Molles and Elitsa Daneva (Trinity College ’04) “were married on July 26, 2008, at the Warwick Country Club in Warwick, R.I.” Matt Schullery “married Amy Walterick (American University ’02) on May 31, 2008, in Media, Penn.”

00 Jen Kirby “was married to Adam Tanney (Dartmouth ’01) on June 14, 2008, in Duxbury, Mass.” See photo in Weddings section.

Elizabeth Dinsmore McQuillan and John McQuillan, Jr. ’87 “are elated to announce the birth of their daughter, Tess Oakley, on July 3 in Boston. Tess headed up to Bowdoin immediately for her photo with the polar bear, visiting grandparents Chuck ’69 and Megan Dinsmore, and making friends with little Alice Marine, daughter of Jayme Okma Lee ’00 and Bjorn Lee ’98 in Maine.”

Bree Candland writes: “I had the opportunity to see Dr. and Mrs. Reginald McManus ’52, whose generous scholarship I received while at Bowdoin, at the graduation of their granddaughter, Molly Hayes, on June 10, 2008 at Mt. Ararat High School in Topsham, Maine. I have been teaching in the social studies department at Mt. Ararat since I graduated in 2001. I was the class advisor for the amazing Class of 2008, working closely with Molly, who was an officer in all of her four years at Mt. Ararat. Her graduation was a very proud day for me. Since 2001, I earned my National Board Teaching Certification, bought an old farmhouse in Gardiner, started a master’s of arts program at Bangor Theological Seminary in Portland, traveled, and kept in close touch with many great Bowdoin friends.” See accompanying photo.

Lindsay Chaves ’01 and Homa Mojtabai ’01 traveled in July to Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, with Habitat for Humanity’s Global Village program.

From Left to Right: Dr. Reginald McManus ’52, Bree Candland ’01, Mrs. Kathleen McManus, and their granddaughter, Molly Hayes (Mt. Ararat High School Class of 2008). Bree teaches Social Studies at Mt. Ararat and was the recipient of Dr. McManus’s scholarship while at Bowdoin.
Emily Shubert and Dan Burke “were married at the Asticou Inn in Northeast Harbor, Maine, on August 16, 2008.” See photo in Weddings section.

Michael Carosi and Amy D’Antonio (Muhlenberg College ‘02) were married on July 5, 2008, in Newport, R.I. See photo in Weddings section.

Brooke Jacobsen Fleit emailed on August 19: “Adam Fleit, MD, and Brooke Jacobsen were married on June 1, 2008, in Ipswich, Mass., at the Crane Estate. Adam and Brooke now live in West Hartford, Conn., where Adam is completing a residency in orthopedic surgery at the University of Connecticut and Brooke is a pediatric nurse practitioner at a local pediatric practice.” See photo in Weddings section.

NEWSPRINT In August, Candace Kelley, a four-time All-NESCAC selection in track while at Bowdoin, was named an assistant coach for the men’s and women’s track teams at Colby. Candace holds Bowdoin records in both the indoor (36-foot-9/2) and outdoor (38-10) triple jumps. Recently, she received a master’s degree from Stanford in 2007.

Kate LaBella “and Tom McGovern (Boston College ‘99) were married on June 28, 2008, in Cape Nedick, Maine.” See photo in Weddings section.

Margaret Magee emailed on October 4: “I decided to stay in NYC after earning my master’s in education leadership through the Klingenstein Center at Columbia Teachers College this past May, and am now employed as the high school biology teacher at LREI, the Little Red School House and Elisabeth Irwin High School. Got to see Hannah Ilten at Common Good Day and am looking forward to seeing more polar bears at future Bowdoin Club events.”

Kate Donovan and Macky McCleary (Yale ’00) “were married on February 16, 2008, at the Red Lion Inn, Cohasset, Mass.” See photo in Weddings section.

Nick Mian and Cory Schreier (Brown University ’01) “were married at the Diamond J Guest Ranch in Meredith, Colo., on August 9, 2008.” See photo in Weddings section.

Gina Laugelli and Michael Mulholland “were married on November 10, 2007, at Saint Michael’s Roman Catholic Church in West End, N.J. A reception followed at the English Manor in Ocean Township, N.J.” See photo in Weddings section.

Claire Newton “and Ted Maloney ’00 were married in New Marlborough, Mass., on September 29, 2007.” See photo in Weddings section.

Mike Balulescu and Sarah Staley (Brown ’03) “were married on July 19, 2008, at the Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School in Rochester, N.Y.” See photo in Weddings section.

Ryan Cauley and Naomi Shatz (Barnard College ’04) were married on August 24, 2008, in Elk, Calif. See photo in Weddings section.

Ba Chisholm and husband Ryan ‘04 “welcomed our new daughter, Anna Jeanne Chisholm, into the world on February 21, 2008. Ryan is working for the family construction business, ACL Construction, and I spend my days trying to keep up with our very energetic daughter. We bought our first house this summer and are enjoying life as new parents and first-time home owners in Bedford, Nova Scotia.” See accompanying photo.

Ba Lanoue Chisholm ’03 and Ryan Chisholm ’04 welcomed their new daughter, Anna Jeanne Chisholm, into the world on February 21, 2008.

Arij Faksh emailed on October 9: “As of July 2008, I started my intern year at Maine Medical Center training in obstetrics and gynecology!”

Megan Lim, San Diego Club President, wrote last summer: “San Diego had a very successful ‘Dinner
with Six Strangers’ Club event.” See accompanying photo.

Meghan MacNeil and Aaron Bitters (Ohio University ’00) “were married on February 17, 2008, at the Powell Crosley Estate in Sarasota, Fla.” See photo in Weddings section.

Emily Smithgall and Todd Williams “were married on August 9, 2008, at the Olympic Sculpture Park in Seattle, Wash.” See photo in Weddings section.

Xavier High School in Middletown, Conn., has announced that Geoffrey Close “will teach in the math department and be assistant indoor track coach.”

Alex Meszaros and Christine DeChiaro (UPENN ’05) were married on June 14, 2008, in Morristown, N.J. See photo in Weddings section.

Callie Gates and Jason Slocum “were married on June 14, 2008, at the Country Club in Chestnut Hill, Mass.” See photo in Weddings section.

Gia Upchurch wrote on October 27: “I am living in Colorado right now and loving it! I even tried my hand at backcountry skiing for the first time last year!” See accompanying photo.

A group of ’06 friends gathered for a mini-reunion on Nantucket last July (l to r): Kristina Sisk, Kendall Brown, Ellen Grenley, Doug Brown ’76 (Kendall’s dad), Beeky Sargent, Sophie Wiss, Nitasha Kavatna, and Kate Cary.

Katherine Skaggs wrote on June 30: “As a student who was able to attend Bowdoin because of need-blind admissions, I was thrilled to hear of the plan to eliminate student loans. Need-blind admissions are a heroic effort in a too-often profit driven higher education culture, and the elimination of student loans in addition is a courageous and powerful statement true to the spirit of the Common Good. I can proudly attest that my alma mater talks the talk and walks the walk. Thank you.”

NEWSPRINT In August, Amanda Leahy joined the women’s basketball program at St. Lawrence University as an assistant coach. St. Lawrence is coming off of an impressive 2007-2008 season that included a Liberty League Championship and a second round trip to the NCAA Tournament.
1 Michael Carosi '02 and Amy D’Antonio (Muhlenberg College ’02) were married on July 5, 2008, in Newport, R.I. Bowdoinites in attendance were (front row, kneeling l to r): David Rush ’02, Andy McNerney ’02, Chris Carosi ’98, Marshall McLean ’02. (Middle row, l to r): Michael Farrell ’01, Tara Talbot Shuman ’02, Brian Shuman ’02, Michael and Amy. (Back row, l to r): Chris Pelletier ’04, Jared Porter ’03, Sean Lanigan ’01, John Glynn ’01, Josh Allen ’02, Bill Busch ’02 and Conor Dowley ’02.

2 Christopher Lally ’94 and Susan Givens (Middlebury ’99) were married on June 14, 2008, in Beaver Creek, Colo. Bowdoin guests in attendance were (front row, l to r): Lee Cotton ’71, Anne Cotton ’72, Katie Gilbert Allen ’94, Brian Allen ’94, Christopher and Susan, Rick Shim ’95, Michael Sullivan ’94, Gillian MacKenzie ’94, and Christopher Heuer ’94. (Back row, l to r): Michael Zentz ’94, Chip Leighton ’93, Michael Johnson ’95, Daniel Pearson ’94, and Matthew Roberts ’93.

3 Jennifer Kirby ’00 and Adam Tanney (Dartmouth ’01) were married on June 14, 2008. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Julie Bourquin ’00, Alex Sewall ’00, Andrea Hotchkin ’00, Joshua Wernig ’99, Hilde Petersen Steffey ’00, Adam and Jen, Art Kirby ’98, Jared Liu ’99, Kristin Awsumb Liu ’00, Carolyn Sages O’Boyle ’00, and Katie Lampadarios ’00.

4 Kate LaBella ’02 and Tom McGovern (Boston College ’99) were married on June 28, 2008, in Cape Neddick, Maine. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (back row, l to r): Conor Dowley ’02, Kate Calise Strotmeyer ’02, Seth Harmon ’02, Brendan Wåeham ’03, Kathryn Crowley McNeal ’02, and Matthew McNeal ’02. (Middle row, l to r): Susan Price Stephenson ’02, Erin Finn-Welch ’02, Tom and Kate, Lyndsey Sennet Wåeham ’02, Elizabeth Sherman Jamieson ’02, Whitney Church ’02, Samantha Saffir ’02, Anne Warren ’02, Alli Scaduto ’02, Kristi Perine ’02, Scott Jamieson ’02 and Brian Wedge ’97. (Front row, l to r): Christine Wedge ’98, Amelia Stewart ’02, Leah Chernikoff ’04, and Jeanne Nicholson ’02.
5 Laura Dominici ’98 and Timothy Bresnahan (Holy Cross ’98) were married in York, Maine, on April 26, 2008. Bowdoinites in attendance were (back row, l to r): Stephen Hosmer ’98, Melanie Gilligan ’98, Joanna Tyler ’98, Laura and Timothy, Emily Grant ’98, and Scott Cunnane ’98. (Front row, l to r): Sarah Lachance ’98 and Cara Hosmer ’98.

6 Claire Newton ’02 and Ted Maloney ’00 were married in New Marlborough, Mass., on September 29, 2007. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (back row, l to r): Charles Walsh ’00, Barry Mills ’72, Karen Mills, Joseph Tansey ’74, John Hoffman ’98, James Kayler ’99, Seamus Britt ’99, Micah San Antonio ’00, Jonathan Behar ’01, Gretchen Wesley ’91, Kevin Wesley ’89. (Middle row, l to r): Kyle Hegarty ’99, Sara Kaufman ’02, Elizabeth Chew ’02, Ted and Claire, Melissa Tansey ’02 and Doug Stowe ’99. (Front row, l to r): Eddie Lucaire ’99, Chris Henry ’99, Elizabeth Cuesta ’00, Joshua Weiner ’00, Brian Flaherty ’02, and Darren Garcia ’98.

7 Jeff Molles ’00 and Elitsa Daneva (Trinity College ’04) were married on July 26, 2008, at the Warwick Country Club in Warwick, R.I. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (front row, l to r): James ‘Beagle’ Sawyer ’00, Brian Bowe ’00, Scott Schilling ’00, Jeff and Elitsa, Lyubitsa Gerasimova ’05. (Back row, l to r): Ben Gales ’00, Andy Howells ’00, Tim Saunders ’00, Andrew Caplan ’00, Matt Bitonti ’99, Adam Skuse ’07, Chris Lee ’00, Sophie Mendoza ’02, Monica Almendarez ’02, Alyson Shea Gilberg ’00, and Jeff Gilberg ’00.

8 Gina Laugelli ’02 and Michael Mulholland ’02 were married on November 10, 2007, at Saint Michael’s Roman Catholic Church in West End, N. J. Bowdoin friends in attendance included (back row, l to r): Annie McLaughlin ’02, Jenny O’Connor ’02, Stacy Vymne ’02, Andrius Knasas ’02, Brett Bowen ’02, Richard Suzor ’02, Christopher Sakelakos ’02, Seth Paradis ’02, Ryan Crow ’02, Travis Cummings ’02, Lindsay Crow ’02. (Front row, l to r): Michelle Jackson ’02, Jenny Morse ’02, Shellie Gauthier ’02, Anthony Small ’02, Jessica Mayol ’02, Laura Quinlan ’02, Lindsay Davis ’02, Katie Sheridan ’02.
Kate Lubin ’01 and Glendon Sutton were married at the White Elephant in Nantucket, Mass., on June 7, 2008. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (back row, l to r): Joe Doyle ’01, James Strohacker ’03, Chris Day ’99, Nicole Carpenter Day ’01, Nicole Lubin ’05, Erin Lyman ’01, Alaina Giampapa ’01, Nate Vinton ’01, and Liz Steffey ’01. (Front row, l to r): Emily Lubin Woods ’95, Jessica Gray ’01, Merrill Muckerman ’03, Kate and Glendon, Kimberly Bohlin ’01, Lauren Myers ’01 and Meghan Foley Doyle ’01.

Alex Meszaros ’05 and Christine DeChiaro were married on June 14, 2008, in Morristown, N. J. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Mark Yakavonis ’05, Jay Tansey ’07, Alexis Acevedo ’04, Nicholas Reid ’05, Ellis Pepper ’05, Lindsay McCombs ’05, Joseph Sargent ’05, Christopher Mosher ’05, Alex and Christine, Charles Moyer ’05, Nathan Smith ’04, Alison Smith ’03, John Ryan Chisholm ’04, Pamela Karches ’05, Patrick Keneally ’03, and Warren Dubitsky ’04.

James Garner ’96 and Lana Seibel (Fort Hays State ’00) were married on July 22, 2007, in Lawrence, Kan. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Lincoln Sise ’97, Ty Smith ’96, Stefan Gutow ’96, James and Lana, Dan Spillane ’96, John Dickinson ’96, and Matt Cates ’96.

Ryan Cauley ’03 and Naomi Shatz (Barnard College ’04) were married on August 24, 2008, in Elk, Calif. Pictured (l to r): Joseph Blunda ’03, Naomi and Ryan, and Melanie Keene ’03.

Brooke Jacobsen ’02 and Adam Fleit ’02 were married on June 1, 2008, in Ipswich, Mass., at the Crane Estate.
Emily Shubert '02 and Dan Burke '02 were married on August 16, 2008, at the Asticou Inn in Northeast Harbor, Maine. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): David Carlisle '61, Paul Newman ’67, Jay Shubert '66, Michael Carlson ’02, Travis Buchanan ’02, PJ Prest ’02, Dan and Emily, Karin France '02, Sara McManus ’02, Kathryn Penney ’02, Nissa Flanagan ’03, Paul Lazarus ’65, Jim Flanagan ’02, and Craig Hansen ’02. (Kneeling): Benjamin Burke ’99 (holding daughter Emma).


Kate Donovan ’02 and Macky McCleary (Yale ’00) were married on February 16, 2008, at the Red Lion Inn, Cohasset, Mass. Bowdoinites in attendance were (front row, l to r): Megan Faughnan ’02, Heather Nicholson ’02, Lydia Lundgren ’02, Shaina Zamaitis ’02, Ali Lavoie ’02, Sarah Hardy ’02, Macky and Kate, Margo Woolverton Reynolds ’02, Ryan Reynolds ’00, Papri Bhattacharya ’01, Alissa Rooney ’02, and Eric Batcho ’05. (Back row, l to r): Brian Newkirk ’01, Hannah Ilten ’02, and Sarah Tappan Luckin ’02.

Meghan MacNeil ’03 and Aaron Bitters (Ohio University ’00) were married on February 17, 2008, at the Powell Crosley Estate in Sarasota, Fla. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (back row, l to r): Julie Thompson ’02, Anne Cavanaugh Welsh ’03, Pat Welsh ’03, and Micah Roberge ’03. (Middle row, l to r): Sara Bodnar ’03, Carolyn Westra ’03, Kate Westley Roberge ’03, and Kate Brinkerhoff ’03. (Front row, l to r): Meredith Hoar ’03, Meghan and Aaron.

Melissa Mansir ’01 and David Steinberg (Tufts ’00) were married on August 3, 2008, at the Central Park Boathouse, New York, N.Y.
Callie Gates '05 and Jason Slocum '05 were married on June 14, 2008, at the Country Club in Chestnut Hill, Mass. Bowdoin friends celebrating the occasion were (back row, l to r): Sarah Walcott '05, Gia Upchurch '05, Tyler Boyer '07, Dan Wolf '05, Taylor Salinardi '05, Keely Boyer '05, Tom Elson '06, John Haines '05, Pat Hughes '05, and Walker Pruett '05. (Middle row, l to r): Sarah Begin '05, Jenny Bordo '05, Sarah Mountcastle '05, Sue Kim '05, Callie and Jason, Rachel Tavel '05, Eddie Briganti '05, Steve Gogolak '05 and Cole Bellamy '09. (Front row, l to r): Reverend Gil Birney, Edith Hazard Birney '83, Allison Barz '05, Madeline Lee '04, Amelia Rutter '05, Molly Juhlin '05, and Christine Bevacqua '04. (Not pictured): Philip Gates '40.

Laurel Sucsy '98 and Ben Butler '00 were married on September 22, 2007, at their home in Quogue, N.Y. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (back row, l to r): Peter Ingram '98, Joan Denkla Ingram '98, Genie Arnot Titus '97, John Bisbee, Andrew McNerney '02, Susanna Drake McNerney '02, Chad MacDermid '00, Lindsay Harris '00, Ellen O'Shaughnessy '98, Tim Burke '70, and Mark Wethli. (Front row, l to r): Peter Duyan '00, Bryson Brodie '00, Kacy White Hintze '98, Ben and Laurel, Trevor MacDermid '98, Tilden Daniels '00, and Cassie Jones '01. (Not pictured): Jess Keating Lewis '98.

Nick Mian '02 and Cory Schreier (Brown University '01) were married on August 9, 2008, at the Diamond J Guest Ranch in Meredith, Colo. Bowdoinites in attendance were (l to r): Alex Koppel '02, David Bielak '03, Andrew Paget '02, Nick and Cory, Steve Kemper '03, Trevor Peterson '02, and Sarah Rodgers '02.

Nick Schullery '00 and Amy Walterick (American University '02) were married on May 31, 2008, in Media Pa. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Meredith Hanby (Saint Anselm '99), Bob Hanby '00, Leslie Webb '00, Jared Wilkinson '00, Matt, Raegan LaRochelle '00, and Amy.
Emily Smithgall ‘04 and Todd Williams ‘04 were married on August 9, 2008, at the Olympic Sculpture Park in Seattle, Wash. Friends joining them for the wedding weekend were (front row, l to r): Andrew Daigle ‘04, Emily and Todd, and Larry Heald ‘62. (Second row, l to r): Tristan Mullis ‘04, Sadie Wieschhoff ‘04, Matt Peters ‘04, Chelsea Spector ‘04, and Ian Smithgall (Skidmore ‘08). (Third row, l to r): Chris Perkins (University of Washington ‘06), Vincent Amoroso (Lehigh ‘09), Matt Amoroso (Hamilton ‘05), Jenny Saladik (Oberlin ‘08), Maren Smithgall (Lehigh ‘06), and Greg Brown (Lehigh ‘05). (Fourth row, l to r): Travis Brennan ‘04, Sarah Bullett (University of Maine ‘04), Jessie Solomon-Greenbaum ‘04, Dana Ragouzeos (Smith ‘04), Wyatt Henderson (University of Wisconsin ‘03), Emma Raynes ‘04, and David Saladik (Boston University ‘04). (Fifth row, l to r): Karin Power (Mount Holyoke ‘06), Jay Olin (University of Southern California ‘03), Kate Elston (University of San Francisco ‘09), Meg Elston (University of Washington ‘05), Sarah Bryce (University of Washington ‘06), Rachel Stampfer (Brandeis ‘06), Aviva Stampfer (Barnard ‘12), Caitlin Findlay (American University ‘06), Michael Saladik (Dartmouth ‘06), and Beth Williams (Wesleyan ‘06).

Charlotte Perry ‘99 and Aaron Mace (University Maine ‘03) were married on October 4, 2007, in Portland, Maine. Charlotte and Aaron are pictured on their one-year anniversary.

Bob Estes ‘57 and Lois Winchell were married in June in Chesterfield, Mo.

Jason Fortin ‘01 and Michelle Frey (Biola University ‘89, Arizona State University ‘04) were married on January 20, 2008, at FireRock Country Club in Fountain Hills, Ariz. Bowdoin alumni in attendance included Jason’s brother, Eric Fortin ‘00.
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27 Mike Balulescu ’03 and Sarah Staley (Brown ’03) were married on July 19, 2008, at the Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School in Rochester, N.Y. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (front row, l to r): Ryan Naples ’04, Claudia Marroquin ’06, Kirtsen Leitner ’05, Alli Hinman Smith ’03, Mike and Sarah, Jackie O’Hare ’06, Amanda Boer Lazarus ’03, Tim Lazarus ’03, Alice Byrd ’03, and Alex Moore ’03. (Second row, l to r): Truc Huynh ’05, Kris Bosse ’02, Nace Smith ’04, Nick Walker ’04, and Aryeh Jasper ’02. (Third row, l to r): Katie Irving ’04, Fred Warburg ’04, Bjorn Carey ’03, Pat Dwiggin ’03, Jeremy Braff ’03, and Alexis Acevedo ’04. (Back row, l to r): Anne Cavanaugh Welsh ’03, Pat Welsh ’03, Ed MacKenzie ’03, Matt Roberts ’03, Ryan Brawn ’03, and Warren Dubitsky ’04.

28 Ryan Giles ’99 and Jenn Kicis were married on February 3, 2008, in Banff, Alberta, Canada. Class of 1999 alumni in attendance were (l to r): Leif Olsen, Will Herrmann, Michael Naess, Ryan and Jenn, Michael Bouyea, and Paul Auffermann.

29 Alisia Wygant ’02 married Matthew Revitt (University of Birmingham, U.K., ’03) on August 15, 2008, at Colby College in Waterville, Maine. Pictured (l to r): Matthew and Alisia, Rebecca Fenning ’03, Allison Robbins ’02, Lydia Hale Rosado ’02, Lindsay Szramek ’02, Christine Caron ’02, and Ben Chan ’05.
The following is a list of deaths reported to us since the previous issue. Full obituaries may appear in this or a later issue.

Gilman C. Ellis '35 September 22, 2008
Raymond P. Pach '36 October 2, 2008
William A. O. Gross '37 September 24, 2008
Franklin B. Comery '41 December 6, 2008
Jack I. London '41 December 6, 2008
W. Bradford Briggs '43 November 1, 2008
Norman O. Gauvreau '43 Sept. 22, 2008
Alec D. Penny '44 October 11, 2007
Donald G. Scott, Jr. '44 July 8, 2008
John T. Caulfield '45 October 20, 2008
Merton E. Ober, Jr. '45 October 6, 2008
Richard C. Perkins '45 October 30, 2008
René L. Boudreau '46 September 19, 2008
Laureston C. Dobbrow '46 Dec. 3, 2008
William T. Hume '46 October 21, 2008
Clement A. Hiebert '46 July 3, 2008
Joseph F. Holman '47 October 12, 2008
Wayne M. Lockwood '48 November 30, 2008
Arthur H. Showalter, Jr. '48 Nov. 24, 2008
Robert C. Alexander '49 September 4, 2008
Henry C. Reardon '49 October 29, 2008
Arthur R. Bonzaghi '50 October 8, 2008
Paul C. Brown '50 September 13, 2008
Robert J. Beal '51 May 31, 2008
Lawrence D. Clark, Jr. '51 October 25, 2008
Eaton S. Lothrop, Jr. '51 September 21, 2008
Carl L. Wilcken '51 September 22, 2008
Paul B. Kenyon '53 September 24, 2008
Donald E. Landry '53 September 2008
Russell J. Fohta '54 September 8, 2008
Louis Schwartz '54 September 26, 2008
Perrit O. Lipas '55 September 22, 2008
R. Wendell Goodwin '56 October 22, 2008
Arnold L. Freedland '57 May 31, 2008
James M. Murdoch '57 November 5, 2008
F. Warren Gibson '58 December 7, 2008
Peter D. Lawrence '58 November 28, 2008
I. Carl Mayhew '58 September 25, 2008
Floyd B. Barbour '60 September 11, 2008
Emile R. J. M. Jurgens '60 November 29, 2008
Robert L. Freeman, Jr. '62 November 17, 2008
Robert C. Fay '63 October 20, 2008
James E. Byrne '65 September 19, 2008
Edward M. Fitzgerald '66 November 20, 2008
John R. Rapp G '66 September 25, 2008
Donald R. Brown, staff August 14, 2008
Louise C. Caron, staff August 5, 2008
Michael R. Demers, staff June 25, 2008
Jeanine T. Michaud, staff October 6, 2008
Marian M. White, staff September 23, 2008

Dr. Samuel M. Birch '35 died August 27, 2008, in Strasburg, Va. Born February 18, 1912, in Utica, N.Y., he attended Harvard Dental School after graduating from Bowdoin. He served in the Navy during World War II, receiving the American Area Campaign, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign with Stars, Philippine Liberation with Star and World War II Victory ribbons. A dental surgeon, he was a member of Blue Ridge Hunt Club and Piedmont Driving Club. His wife, Ruth Evelyn Smith Birch, predeceased him. He is survived by two sons, Christopher Birch of Berryville and Tim Birch of Henry, Tenn.; a brother, Dr. John Birch of Windham, Maine; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.


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Joseph Tuccio ’40 died July 31, 2008, in Ridgefield, Conn. The oldest of five children, he was born on May 17, 1017, in Campo, Calabria. He and his family immigrated to Bedford Hills, N.Y., when he was 13. After graduating from Bowdoin, Phi Beta Kappa, in 1940, he earned a master’s degree in English from Columbia University. He worked a wide variety of jobs before he began his own insurance agency in 1952. He moved to Lookout Point in Ridgefield in 1961, and he ran his insurance agency in Port Chester, N.Y., for 50 years. A poet, he published more than 10 books of poetry and was a consistent contributor to The Ridgefield Press and other newspapers and magazines. In addition to English, he spoke Italian, Spanish, and Portuguese, and could read Latin and Greek. He was predeceased by his wife Rita (Stazi), whom he married in 1954, and he is survived by his children, George, Joe, Bill, and Susy; a brother, Arthur, of Ridgefield; and eight grandchildren.

Quentin M. Maver ’42 died May 27, 2008, in Plymouth, Mass. Born in Roxbury, he prepared for college at Belmont High School and at Hebron Academy. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1941 until 1946, attaining the rank of major. He was a purchasing agent for many different companies over his career, serving as Director of Purchasing for the Kendall Company in Walpole, Mass., prior to his retirement. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Eleanor; his son Quentin M. Maver of Harrisburg, N.C.; his daughters, Marcia M. Kelliker of Waxhaw, N.C., Linda Goodnow of Hampton, N.H., and Betsy M. Maloney of Concord, Mass.; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.
Peter M. Rinaldo '43 died May 2, 2008, in Ithaca, NY. Born on June 21, 1922, in Evanston, Ill., he prepared for college at The Principia School and then entered a joint program at Bowdoin and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He graduated summa cum laude from Bowdoin in 1943 and then earned a master’s degree in chemical engineering from MIT in 1946. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Tau Beta Pi, and Sigma Xi. Immediately following graduation, he was commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve and sailed as an electronics officer of the USS Macon. He began work as a process engineer for Dewey and Almy Chemical Company in Cambridge, Mass., in 1946. Dewey and Almy was acquired by W.R. Grace & Company in 1965, and Peter spent the remaining years of his career as Vice President of the Industrial Chemicals Group and later the Industrial Products Group with W.R. Grace in New York City. He retired in October of 1982. He was very active in the Unitarian fellowship of Briarcliff, Croton, and Ossining, was a founding member and treasurer of the Ossining Peace and Justice Center, served for ten years on the Board of Trustees of the Ossining Public Library, and was a dedicated member of the Scarborough Fire Company. Following his retirement, he began a new career as an author and publisher, and his published works include The Great Reindeer Caper, Marrying the Natives, and The Five Day Weekend. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Dorothy Warren Rinaldo, and by five grandchildren: David Rinaldo and John Rinaldo; a daughter, Marjory Rinaldo-Lee; and five grandchildren.

Raymond M. “Jack” Clarke ’47 died August 27, 2008, in Scarborough, Maine. Born in Stonington, he attended Stonington and Ellsworth schools. At Bowdoin, he was a member of three state series championship baseball teams and was drafted by the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II and served in the South Pacific Theater from 1944 to 1946. He taught in South Portland schools from 1951 to 1958, serving as principal of Lincoln School from 1952 to 1954 and as South Portland Elementary principal and area supervisor from 1954 to 1958. He was employed by Scott, Foreman & Co. from 1958 to 1978, was self-employed from 1980 to 1982, and worked in sales for Palmer Spring Co. from 1982 to 1987. He was a member of Educational Salesman’s Association of New England, served on the executive board, and was president of Maine Education Salesman’s Association. He coached youth baseball for many years, was awarded the Kenneth M. Sills Award as Little League Coach of the Year, and was inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame in 1989. He was a member of the South Portland Recreation Board of Directors, the South Portland School Board, VFW Post No. 832, and the Portland Eagles Club. His wife, Dorothy Graves Clarke, died in 2007. He is survived by his three children, Suzanne Clarke Greenleaf of Pinehurst, N.C., Thomas Clarke of South Portland, and Robert Clarke of Falmouth; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Donald G. Scott, Jr. ’44 died July 8, 2008, in Plano, Texas.

William T. Gill ’47 died September 3, 2008, in Boston, Mass. Known as “Bud,” he was born on May 30, 1925, in Waltham. He was raised and educated in Waltham and Belmont, and he prepared for college at Belmont High School and Belmont Hill School. After graduating from Bowdoin, he attended Wentworth Institute, Boston Architectural Center, and served during World War II in the Army Air Corps. He worked as an architectural representative for a number of companies throughout his career, and he owned an import company with his wife for several years. A longstanding member of the North Community Church, he enjoyed playing golf and tennis, and traveled much of the world with his wife of 59 years, Virginia (Graham) Gill. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Christine Gill of Duxbury; a son, William T. Gill III, of Sandwich, N.H.; a brother, James S. Gill IV, of Lake Ariel, Penn.; five grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Thomas O. Woolf ’48 died September 1, 2008, in Danbury, Conn. A lifelong Connecticut resident, he was born July 17, 1925, and was raised in Greenwich, where he attended the Brunswick School. He served in the U.S. Army at the close of World War II and was stationed in Germany. He graduated from Bowdoin in 1949 as a member of the Class of 1948. He married Mary Morrill in 1954, and the couple moved to Ridgefield in 1956 and raised two sons there. He spent most of his life selling advertising for government and trade publications, first working for his father at the family firm in New York, and then starting his own firm in the 1960s. In his later years, he sold industrial light bulbs, and after retirement he continued to work as a truck escort, escorting high and wide load trucks throughout the northeast. An enthusiastic sailor, he spent much of his youth sailing and teaching sailing on Long Island Sound. He is survived by two sons, Lawrence Woolf of Stamford and Thomas Woolf of Marin
County, Calif.; and a sister, Elizabeth Avery of Oneonta, N.Y. His wife Mary predeceased him.

Frederick W. Lacey, Jr. ’49 died September 5, 2008, in White River Junction, Vt. He attended Bowdoin and earned his degree from Columbia University. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, receiving the Silver Star and Purple Heart. He worked in the advertising industry at Young & Rubicam, and the McCann, Erickson and Leo Burnett agencies. A self-taught musician and composer, he wrote the words and music for “Potter’s Notch,” a musical staged at the Lebanon Opera House in 1984, and he was the musical director for “The Follies,” an annual musical review staged by the residents of Quail Hollow. He was a member of the West Lebanon Congregational Church. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Janice (Marjerison) Lacey; four sons, Frederick W. Lacey III of Lake City, Fla., the Rev. Thomas Getchell-Lacey of Milford, Kenneth Lacey of Lake City, Fla., and Peter Lacey of Sunderland, Mass.; a brother, Edward Lacey, of Concord; 13 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

John A. Pidgeon ’49 died May 12, 2008, in Indiana, Penn. Born in Lawrence, Mass., he was raised by his single mother, who worked as a cleaning woman. He won a scholarship to Phillips Academy, served in the U.S. Navy in the North Atlantic during World War II, and then graduated from Bowdoin in 1949, with a degree in German. After a short stint with U.S. Steel, he became a teacher at Deerfield Academy in Mass., teaching German and Latin and coaching swimming and football before becoming assistant headmaster. He left Deerfield in 1957 to lead the Kiski School in Salsburg, Penn., and he inspired generations of young men there over his 45 years as headmaster. He received the Distinguished Bowdoin Educator Award in 1985. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Hafer and by two sons, John A. Pidgeon of Great Falls, Va., and Kelly C. Pidgeon of Indiana; two daughters, Regan Hauser of Indiana and Beth Hafer of Pittsburgh; and four grandchildren. His first wife, Judy, preceded him in death.

William D. Ireland, Jr. ’49 died May 21, 2008, in Vero Beach, Fla. The son of William D. Ireland ’16, he was born on March 20, 1924. He prepared for college at Deerfield Academy and joined the United States Army Air Corps. He was admitted to the Bowdoin class of 1946 but, because of his service during the war, he became a member of the class of 1949 and ultimately graduated in 1948. He began his career with the First National Bank of Boston, and then joined the Canal National Bank of Portland, of which he later became president. He moved to Worcester, Mass., in 1964 to become president of Guaranty Bank and Trust Company. In 1972, he started the bank holding company called the Conifer Group and served as chairman and president until the company was sold in 1986. He served on numerous corporate boards during his career, including Hannaford Brothers of Scarborough, Maine, and Colonial Management of Boston, both of which he served for more than 30 years. He was active in many educational, civic, and community organizations, including service as a trustee of Worcester Memorial Hospital, Leicester College, and the New England College Fund. In Bowdoin affairs, he was an overseer of the College for 16 years and served as president of the Alumni Council. He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Dabney Morgan Ireland. He is survived by his wife Nancy (Buffy) Ireland of Vero Beach; by three daughters, Penelope Ireland Chambers of Baltimore, Md., Mary Elliott Ireland of Lincolnville, Maine, and Sara Ireland of Worcester, Mass.; one son, Jeffrey Ireland of LaVerne, Calif.; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Dr. Richard A. Winer ’49 died July 17, 2008, in Salem, Mass. He prepared for college at Salem High School, where he played football. Following his graduation from Bowdoin, he earned his degree from Tufts Dental School and was a practicing endodontist in Salem from 1954 until his retirement in 1992. Active in Jewish and community affairs, he had served as president of Temple Shalom in Salem, and as president of the North Shore Historical Society, and as a Diplomate of the National Endodontics Society. He was also a member of the American Dental Association. He was a well-known genealogist and an avid tennis player. He is survived by his wife Dorothy (Lipnick) Winer; his son Steven M. Winer of Bolton; a daughter, Heidi J. Aiman of Minneapolis; a sister, Betty McBride of Watertown, Mass.; and five grandchildren. A brother, Robert M. Winer ’46 predeceased him.

Charles W. Lovejoy, Jr. ’50 died July 13, 2008, in Duxbury, Mass. Born in Rumford, Maine in 1927, he graduated from Winchester High School in 1945 and served in the Navy from 1945 to 1946. At Bowdoin, he was captain of the football team, a member of Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, and a member of the Meddiebempters. After graduation, he was commissioned and recalled to active duty and attended the Naval Intelligence School
in Washington, D.C. He was subsequently posted as Assistant U.S. Naval Attaché to the U.S. Embassy in Japan with the rank of Lieutenant, Senior Grade. Following his Naval service, he worked as a stockbroker on Wall Street and later in Boston. In 1976, he started his own antique restoration business, working with many local clients as well as with the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. He married Janet Spinney in 1968, and they moved to Duxbury, where he was a member of the Duxbury Historical Society and the Duxbury Nuclear Advisory Committee. He was an avid reader, a builder of miniature ships, a bird watcher, and a Red Sox fan. He was a vestryman of the Church of the Epiphany in New York City and later served as a trustee and deacon of the Pilgrim Church in Duxbury. He is survived by his wife Janet; two daughters, Susan B. LeBlanc of Doylestown, Penn., and Constance D. Lovejoy of Duxbury; a son, James M. Lovejoy of Bedford, N.H.; a sister, Virginia Allyn of Marion, Mass.; and three grandchildren.

John H. Maxson ’50 died July 19, 2008, in Brookfield, Conn. He was born in Greenwich on November 7, 1924 and grew up in Old Greenwich. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II. He raised his family in Wilton, working in New York City as an advertising executive. Upon retirement, he moved to Candlewood Lake in Brookfield and worked as a real estate broker for a number of years. He was a member and past director of the Candlewood Lake Club. His brother, Robert P. Maxson ’37, predeceased him. In addition to his wife of 56 years, Marilyn Smith Maxson, he is survived by two sons, James H. Maxson of Everett, Wash., and Jeffrey S. Maxson of Brookfield; two daughters, Lesley M. Bowman of New Milford and Amy M. Calcavecchio of Brookfield; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Alexander McWhorter Wolfe, Jr. ’50 died September 3, 2008, in Miami, Fla. Born in Baltimore, Md., he graduated from the Massachusetts Maritime Academy in 1946 and from Bowdoin in 1950. He entered the U.S. Navy, becoming a lieutenant on the USS Wright. He joined the Bank of Boston in 1952, starting his career in Rio de Janeiro and rising to run the bank’s international operations. He joined Southeast Bank in 1976 and eventually became Vice Chairman. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Diana Alys (Paterson) Wolfe of Key Biscayne; a daughter, Diane Acosta of Wellington, Fla.; a son, Bob Wolfe of Fairfield, Conn.; a brother, Dayton Clarke Wolfe ’53 of Winston–Salem, N.C.; and five grandchildren.

Charles A. Jortberg III ’51 died May 12, 2008, at his home in Naples, Maine. Born on June 13, 1929, in Portland, he lived most of his life in Lynnfield, Mass. After graduating from Bowdoin, he entered the National Security Agency, had a successful career with IBM, and in 1974 started Jortberg Associates, a consulting firm specializing in high tech patent litigation and computer systems integration. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen M. (O’Brian) Jortberg and by a daughter, Ellen; two sons, David and Paul; and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Susan.

Dr. John H. Topham ’51 died June 6, 2008, in Dover, N.H. Born on January 11, 1927, in Dover, he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and attended Tufts School of Dental Medicine after Bowdoin. He worked as a dentist in his own practice for 26 years until 1981, and he was the dental director at the Laconia State School for 10 years. He was a member of St. John’s United Methodist Church in Dover, a former member of the Lion’s Club, a member of Moses Paul #96 F & A.M., and former Dover School Board member. He was predeceased by his wife, Shirley (Scharf) Topham in 1984. He is survived by five sons, David E. of Newbury, Paul F. of New Durham, Stephen J. of Pittsfield, Jonathan H. of Canterberry, and James H. of Barstead; two daughters, Julie Turcotte of Lebanon, Maine, and Lisa Bennett of Berwick, Maine; 16 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Richard C. Gibson ’54 died July 16, 2008, in South Brooksville, Maine. Born on June 28, 1932, in Newton, Mass., he prepared for college at Newton High School. After graduating from Bowdoin, he joined the Army and became a helicopter pilot serving in Japan and Korea. He married Geraldine Lappin of Portland, Maine, and they had three children. After earning an MBA at University of California, Berkeley, he worked as an accountant in San Francisco. He and his family moved back to Portland, where he became controller at Jordan Meats. After he and his wife divorced, he moved to New York City and then to Cincinnati, Ohio, and finally to Saudi Arabia, where he spent 18 years working for Aramco Oil Co. In his retirement, he spent most of the year in Thailand, traveling extensively in Southeast Asia and visiting his homes in Ft. Myers, Fla., and South Brooksville. His family was one of the founders of the Bucks Harbor Yacht Club, and he was a Mayflower descendant. He is survived by two sons, John and Roger; a daughter, Chris; and two grandchildren.
F. Allan MacDonald '54 died September 8, 2008, in Cohasset, Mass. Born and raised in South Quincy, he was a Scituate resident for 30 years before moving to Cohasset. The son of Frank E. MacDonald '23, he prepared for college at North Quincy High School. He earned master's degrees from both Boston University and Wesleyan University and taught AP English at Cohasset High School for 29 years. He was co-founder of the Alternative School in the mid-1970s and its director into the mid-1980s. He served in the U.S. Army as a First Lieutenant in 1955 with the Ranger Division in post-war Germany. A member of First Parish Church in Cohasset, he also served as chairman of the publicity chairman for the Cohasset Recycling Committee, a member of Sustainable Cohasset and Voluntary Simplicity, and was a Vedanta Centre devotee. He wrote a column for the Cohasset Mariner for several years on the environment and recycling issues. He is survived by a daughter, Alison L. MacDonald, of Nantucket; a son, Rod A. MacDonald of East Hampton, Conn.; two sisters, Jean Peterson of Aptos, Calif., and Nancy Cultrera of Eliot, Maine; a brother, Fred MacDonald of North Quincy; and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son, Andrew S. MacDonald.

William J. Brown '55 died July 21, 2008 in Hudson, Ohio. An economist, he had earned a master's degree from the University of Chicago and a Ph.D. from New York University. He had retired to the Laurel Lake community after serving as the dean of several business schools. He had also written textbooks for McGraw-Hill, and had worked for the American Banker's Association and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency in Washington, D.C. An avid hiker, he had explored peaks from the Eiger and the Matterhorn in Switzerland to the Canadian Rockies. He raced sailboats, traveled extensively, and was a voracious reader who loved history books. He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Patricia (Hackney) Brown, and by a daughter, Laura J. Brown of Alexandria, Va.

Dr. J. Ward Kennedy '55 died June 8, 2008, in Seattle, Wash., after a battle with lung cancer. After graduating from Bowdoin, he earned his medical degree at University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry in 1959. He went to the University of Washington for an internship that year and spent nearly his entire professional career there until he retired in 1997. A leader in cardiology, he was director of the University of Washington's Division of Cardiology and served as president of the American College of Cardiology from 1995 to 1996. He was among the pioneers in the early days of heart catheterizations and ascertaining how heart functions are measured, conducted studies of the effects of cardiac and coronary artery surgery, and performed the first heart catheterization and helped to establish the first cardiac unit in Malaysia. He was part of a U.S. Department of State tour to the Soviet Union to help develop cardiac treatment programs there in the mid-1970s, and he taught in the Czech Republic in 1996. He played in bands ever since high school, including playing trombone with the physician jazz group Ain't No Heaven Seven. He is survived by his wife, Kathryn Davis Kennedy; three children, Will, David, and Celia; three stepchildren, Sarah Holt, Mike Davis, and Ann Davis; a sister, Margaret Kennedy Gogerty; and eight grandchildren.

Carroll E. Pennell II '56 died July 30, 2008, in Brunswick, Maine. He was born on August 12, 1934, the son of Alice Coffin Pennell and Andrew Simpson Pennell ’25. He attended Brunswick schools through high school. After graduating from Bowdoin, he worked for several years and then earned his master's degree in business administration from New York University. While working at IBM, he was drafted into the Army and served at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. After leaving the military, he worked with a real estate assessment firm Cole Layer and Trumble, and then worked as a real estate appraiser for various companies in New York and Boston over the next three decades. He also taught real estate courses at Northeastern University and Babson College. In 1987, he moved his family to a Brunswick home that the Pennell family had built in 1837. After a time with Eastern Appraisal of Freeport, he founded General Real Estate Co., which he managed until suffering a stroke in 2002. He is survived by his wife Nancy (Sutliff), whom he married in 1966; a son, Samuel Stuart Pennell; and a sister, Arline Lay. He was predeceased by a son, Andrew Sutliff Pennell.

Dr. John W. Riley III ’58 died May 13, 2008, after a short battle with lymphoma. He was the son of John W. Riley, Jr. ’30 and Matilda White Riley H’72. After graduating from Bowdoin, he attended Cornell University Medical College, completed his residency in internal medicine and neurology at Rush Presbyterian St. Luke’s Hospital in Chicago, and served with the U.S. Navy in Vietnam on the USS Repose. He practiced as a physician in Seattle for over thirty years and was granted titles of
Associate Clinical Professor at the University of Washington, president of the Washington State Society of Internal Medicine, and Fellow of the American Society of Internal Medicine. His passion for sailing brought him many racing titles and lifelong friendships. In 1999, while training to summit Mt. Rainier, he suffered a rare type of stroke and spent the ensuing years “mastering the art of genuinely enjoying the simple things.” He is survived by his sister, Lucy E. Sallick of Westport, Conn.

David C. Walker ’64 died April 8, 2008, in Waterville, Maine. Born in Damariscotta on October 13, 1942, he graduated from Bowdoin in 1964 and received a B.Litt. degree from Oxford University, where he was a Fulbright Scholar. An accomplished and widely published poet, he taught for more than 20 years at the University of Southern Maine. During his long career, he also taught at Bowdoin, and at Colby College, The College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass., and at the University of Canterbury, New Zealand. His collected works have been published in *Voiceprints*, *Moving Out*, and the chapbook *Composed for Dying*. He is survived by his wife, Frances (Silenzi) Walked of Freedom; a daughter, Emma J. Walker of Brattleboro, Vt.; a stepson, Ezra Rugg of Freedom; and a step-grandchild.

Terrence J. P. Dwyer ’65 died May 27, 2008, in Wayne, N.J. An attorney with Dwyer, Kinburn, Hall and Golub in Totowa, he was a member of the Foundation Board at St. Joseph’s Wayne Hospital, former chairman of the Wayne Chamber of Commerce, and Cub Scout Master of Troop 104, Packanack Lake. He is survived by his partner, Kathe Crimmins; a sister, Kathleen Foz; three sons, Sean, Daniel, and Michael; two daughters, Nancy Conlon and Megan Bocklet; and three grandchildren.

John A. Gage, Jr. ’69 died June 6, 2008, in Sacramento, Calif. He was born in Boston, Mass., and lived in Hingham, Mass., from 1947 to 1965. He attended Bowdoin and graduated cum laude from M.I.T. with a B.S. in civil engineering in 1969. He also earned a master’s in civil engineering from California State University, Sacramento, in 1992. He was a Registered Civil Engineer and worked for the state of California Department of Water Resources from 1985 to 2000. He was a senior transportation engineer with the California Department of Transportation, Caltrans, from 2000 to 2008. He served as the chair of the membership committee of the Sacramento section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, was a Mayflower descendant, and a member of the Faith Presbyterian Church in Sacramento. He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Susan Behler Cage; a daughter, Abigail Gage Farahmand of El Dorado Hills, Calif.; a sister, Beau Cage of New York City; and a granddaughter.

Barry L. Wilson ’70 died August 22, 2008, in South Portland, Maine. A native of South Portland with a long family history there, he graduated from South Portland High School. At Bowdoin, he was a French major, a member of the Delta Sigma fraternity, and a member of a jug band called Ben Steele with His Bare Hands. He married Naomi Grotton in 1974, and they lived in the Rockland area. In 1980, the couple went to live on the Navajo Reservation in northeastern Arizona, where he earned master’s in education from Northern Arizona University and helped to build the Native American Bahá’í Institute. In 1991, they moved back to Maine, where he taught at University of New England and Maine College of Art, and was an adjunct professor of English at Southern Maine Community College. A British Morris dancer and a Celtic harp player, he was involved in many different organizations and performance groups. He was awarded the Order of the Troubador by the Society of Creative Anachronism and was involved with Celtic heritage groups and the South Portland Historical Society. He is survived by his wife Naomi; his brothers; and a large extended family.

Bennett J. Thompson ’82 died July 8, 2008, in Burlington, Mass., after a prolonged struggle with complications following a liver transplant. Born on April 22, 1960, in New Haven, Conn., he grew up in Berwyn, Penn., and Boxford, Mass., where he attended Masconomet Regional High School. At Bowdoin, he was a member of Theta Delta Chi fraternity. After graduation, he worked for Proctor and Gamble in New Jersey, and then returned to New England in 1984, where he worked in the telecommunications industry for more than 20 years. At the time of his death, he was sales engineer for Verizon Business in Portland, Maine. He served on the board of the Baxter School for the Deaf, as vice president of the Pillsbury Shores Association of Pine Point, and as term as town chairman of the Scarborough Republican Party. He belonged to the Riverside and Nonesuch Golf Club and was a member of the Maine State Golf Association and the U.S. Golf Association. He is survived by his partner of 20 years, Marcia Taylor; a sister, Lisa Thompson Waldrop of...
Ithaca, N.Y.; and a brother, Stuart Thompson of Weymouth, Mass.

Geoffrey M. Lynn ’92 died June 3, 2008, in North Conway, N.H. Born in Dover on July 31, 1969, he prepared for college at Kennett High School in North Conway. He was a managing director of Vista Associates and a member of the board of the North Conway Library, serving most recently as president. He is survived by his mother, Barbara Lynn; his father, Michael Lynn; his stepfather, Dwight Conan; a brother, Benjamin (Jamie) Lynn; his wife, Kerry MacDougall Lynn; a daughter, Celia Katherine Lynn; a son, Nathaniel Orne Lynn; and his grandmothers, Marjorie Mace and Doris Lynn.

Joel Cartwright ’06 died June 27, 2008, at his family’s cottage in Tenant’s Harbor, Maine. Suffering from depression, he committed suicide. Born in Damariscotta, he grew up in Waldoboro, where he read books, played chess, sailed the coast, and hiked Mt. Katahdin and Gulf Hagas. At Bowdoin, he majored in anthropology and environmental studies, founded the Bowdoin Organic Garden, volunteered with disabled people, and was a leader in the Outing Club. He was awarded Bowdoin’s Community Service Award in 2006. An avid musician, he played piano, mandolin, banjo, fiddle, guitar, and djembe, an African drum. Among his many talents was carpentry, and he designed and built a post-and-beam frame for a solar hot water system at his parents’ home as well as helped build greenhouses at the Bowdoin Organic Garden and the Warren Community School. He is survived by his parents, Steve and Kathy Cartwright of Waldoboro; and a sister, Chelsea, of Berkeley, Calif.

Walter Rubin G’62 died June 30, 2008, in Bath, Maine. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he graduated from Brooklyn College and served in the Army as an instructor during the Korean War. When he returned home, he taught mathematics while attending New York University and went on to teach at Erasmus Hall High School and Francis Lewis High School. In 1959, he enrolled in a summer institute program at Bowdoin, earning a master’s in mathematics in 1962. He became chairman of mathematics at Bushwick High School in 1967 and, in 1972, he became assistant principal of mathematics at the Harry S. Truman High School in the Bronx, where his work won him city and statewide commendations. He served on the mathematics committee for the New York State Regents Examinations, taught evening courses at Queens College, was a Life Master in bridge, and a passionate movie fan. He retired to Brunswick in 1994. He is survived by his wife, Rita; a son, Seth Rubin; a daughter, Rachel Ladutke; and two grandsons.

Elinor J. Writt G’63 died August 18, 2008, in Brunswick, Maine. Born in Moline, Ill., she attended public schools in Cincinnati, Ohio, and graduated from the University of Cincinnati with high honors in mathematics, Phi Beta Kappa. During World War II, she received an ensign’s commission as a Navy WAVE officer in 1944, followed by eight years of active duty at Great Lakes, Ill., and Washington, D.C. In 1950, she was the first woman officer in Naval history appointed to attend the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School. She graduated at the top of her class, with a master’s degree in aerology. After his discharge at the rank of lieutenant, she moved with her husband to the Naval bases in Moffett Field, Calif., Pensacola, Fla., the island of Malta, and, in 1959, to Brunswick. She taught school for 18 years at Brunswick Junior High School, where she was appointed chair of the mathematics department, and earned a master’s degree from Bowdoin in 1963. She is survived by two sons, Christopher P. Writt of Brunswick and Frederick A. Writt of Falmouth; a daughter, Delia Austin of Brunswick; a brother, Robert E. Wagner of Harrison, Ohio; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. Her husband, Navy Lt. Cmdr. William W. Writt, died in 1980.

Joyce P. Brown G’67 died August 26, 2008, in Brunswick, Maine. Born in Brunswick, she was a graduate of Brunswick High School, and she received her bachelor’s degree from the University of Maine and a master’s degree from Bowdoin. She taught as a math teacher at Brunswick High School and was active in the community and the outdoors. President of the Maine Master’s Swim Club, she held state records in her age group and placed fourth in a national Master’s event in Tucson, Ariz. With Charlie Butt, she started the Harpswell Summer Swim Program, and she also started the West Harpswell Children’s Swim Program; she headed both groups for more than 20 years. An avid dancer, biker, hiker, and skier, she climbed Mt. Katahdin more than 30 times and was a “Ski Mountain Ambassador” at Sunday River for four years. She was the wife of Keith Brown. She is survived by two sons, Stephen Brown of Lisbon Falls and Timothy Brown of Lantana, Tex.; a daughter, Caroline Ochtera of Bethel; a brother, Bernard Pagurko; a sister, Georgette Miller of Topsfield, Mass; and five grandchildren.
AWAKENING FROM A LONG SLEEP

There are times in our daily lives when seemingly unrelated ideas, experiences, and images come together in unexpected ways. A recent chain of associations was triggered by an illustration of Rip Van Winkle, rising bearded and bewildered from the pile of leaves that had accumulated on and around him over the course of his 20-year slumber. N. C. Wyeth H’45 created the luminous painting for a 1921 edition of Washington Irving’s short story about a man who shared a drink with the enchanted crew of Hendrick Hudson’s ship, The Half-Moon, and slept through the events of the American Revolution. Both Rip and the community that had thought him long dead were forced to come to terms with a present that required revisions to the accepted narrative of the past.

At any number of points in the history of the College a sudden jump forward of two decades might leave a Bowdoin time traveler disoriented, out of sync with social networks, societal rules, physical landscapes, and technology, and unaware of the consequences of recent historical events.

A prolonged nap from 1930 to 1950 would have removed from direct experience the effects of the Great Depression and a world war on the nation and the College. If the alumnus awoke early enough in 1950 he could watch the Commencement exercises and marvel at how the G.I. Bill had redefined the size and character of the student body in irreversible ways. Sills Hall and Smith Auditorium were under construction on the old Delta, the site of baseball and hockey games in days gone by. It would have been a source of comfort for a pre-1930 alumnus to find that Kenneth C. M. Sills ’01 still occupied the President’s Office in Massachusetts Hall.

To fall asleep at Bowdoin in 1960 and wake up in 1980 would challenge a modern-day Rip Van Winkle to navigate a fully coeducational Bowdoin, a grading system of HH, H, P, and F (high honors, honors, pass, and fail), a curriculum without distribution requirements, the absence of Saturday classes and mandatory Chapel services, and a terrain that included Coles Tower, the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library, Morrell Gymnasium, and the Visual Arts Center. Several trends in music, fashion, and phases of popular culture played out over this interval.

Dozing off in 1990 would have left an alumnus largely ignorant of the future impacts of personal computers and electronic communication on society and on higher education. E-mail, cell phones, text messaging, and the Internet have shortened the intervals that separate communications, and have made available a vast array of sources of information (and disinformation). The College House System, the McKeen Center for the Common Good, Smith Union, Thorne Hall, Osher and West dormitories, and Watson Arena mark social and physical changes in the campus since 1990. Who can say what may change before our hypothetical deep sleep ends in 2010?

In our own lives we often hold some things constant so that we are able to focus on movement or change in other aspects of our lives. The demands of a career, family relationships and responsibilities, financial pressures and uncertainties, or health issues may claim our immediate attention, crowding out an awareness of the ways in which the rest of the world is changing at the same time. Like Rip, we may be left with outdated knowledge, information that is tethered to a particular point in time. A former athlete in a pick-up game may discover that body weight, conditioning, flexibility, and stamina don’t match up to a self-image fueled by memories of the last game. Children – our own or someone else’s – mark the passage of time in their physical, emotional, and intellectual growth, growth that proceeds at a pace that challenges our ability to keep current. At holiday gatherings families may measure new realities against static perceptions, in the same way that pencil marks on a doorframe record the growth of siblings and cousins each year against the comparatively fixed heights of parents, grandparents, uncles, and aunts. Although we may be surprised that the “constants” in our lives may have shifted while we were not watching, we don’t have to wait 20 years to make the necessary adjustments.

With best wishes,

John R. Cross ’76
Secretary of Development and College Relations
Dick Burns ’58 reflected, “the good fortune I had to be able to go to Bowdoin has been a significant and positive force in my life. I have been most fortune in my family, my children, my grandchildren, my work and my circumstances, all of which I know Bowdoin directly or indirectly contributed to and enriched.” Bowdoin has, in turn, been more fortunate in having Dick as a committed and engaged alumnus. Along with his wife Martha, Dick is now a part-time resident of Mere Point in Brunswick, which makes it easier for the College and the Class of ’58 to “keep him busy and out of mischief.” And, indeed, Bowdoin has kept Dick very busy, in recognition of his outstanding and dedicated service in a wide variety of roles, including class agent, reunion planner, Alumni Council member, Alumni Fund Director, and phone-a-thon volunteer; the Alumni Council awarded him the 2002 Polar Bear Award. Dick also served as Gift Co-Chair for his 50th Reunion.

Dick went on from Bowdoin to earn a law degree from New York University and has spent close to 50 years practicing law in New York City, including a 23-year partnership with brother Bruce Burns ’62 and many years serving in local and state government. Martha has worked with Dick as manager of his law practice since 1984, and they raised four children together. They now enjoy four grandchildren, including granddaughter Colleen Maher ’12.

Dick and Martha have contributed generously to the College, helping with the renovations of Pickard Theater and the Curtis Pool, funding scholarships, and supporting the Polar Bear Fund, and the Alumni Fund. In 2008, they donated a lithograph by Käthe Kollwitz and a painting by Aaron Henry Gorson — two wonderful pieces that are now part of the Museum of Art’s permanent collection. In honor of Dick’s 50th Reunion, they created a legacy gift at Bowdoin by establishing a charitable gift annuity to fund the Richard E. and Martha F. Burns Endowment Fund to provide general support to the College. Dick notes with approval that the College “continues its vital and unique connection to the State of Maine and continues to get better and more successful with the passage of time.” Dick says he is fortunate to count himself a Bowdoin graduate; the College is fortunate indeed to have Dick and Martha’s support, both now and in the future.

For more information about gift planning options and endowed scholarships, contact Steve Hyde at shyde@bowdoin.edu or 207-725-3436 or Mary Richardson at mrichard@bowdoin.edu or 207-798-4232
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**Last Lap**

The Bowdoin Campaign, which seeks to raise $250 million, ends on June 30, 2009. With $243 million raised to date, the finish line is in sight, but there are still important needs to meet, particularly in those goals supporting academic excellence. Visit bowdoin.edu/support or contact Elizabeth Orlic at eorlic@bowdoin.edu to learn more.