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A Conversation with American Express’s Ken Chenault
By Scott W. Hood
Photographs by Don Hamerman

Kenneth I. Chenault, a member of the Bowdoin College Class of 1973, capped a steady 28-year rise to international corporate prominence in April 2001, when he was named chairman and chief executive officer of the American Express Company. As friends would later tell him, his timing couldn’t have been worse.

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Bowdoin’s women’s basketball team is undefeated and nationally ranked, and the team was placed on the 2002-03 Academic Honor Roll by the Women’s Basketball Coaches Association — an honor shared by only 25 colleges in the country. But it’s not just the combination of excellence on the court and in the classroom that makes them standouts. It’s how they make those skills work together.

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Doug Silton, a member of Bowdoin’s Class of 2000, is not only a championship swing dancer but a successful businessman, making a living doing what he loves — a little Lindy Hop.
I have a 15-year-old daughter, a 13-year-old son, a 13-year-old stepson, and a 10-year-old stepdaughter. As a result, our house is often very loud, filled with the whoops and laughs of teenagers and the thumps of their nearly grown-up size bodies careening up and down stairs and blasting through doors, the refrigerator opening and closing like a percussion back beat to it all. It can be astonishingly silent too, though, with just the clicking of multiple keyboards and the faint noise coming off several sets of headphones. It’s not just the moods of adolescents that are extreme, it’s their physical selves as well—full speed or idle.

But they are thinking people, too, and they have many things to think about these days, both in looking at the world and in deciding—for themselves, newly—what paths to take. We find that these conversations almost always turn into discussions about making choices. (My husband and I aren’t exactly consulted, mind you, but when we weigh in we are usually not ignored. That is, not totally.) We try to talk with them about how the ability to choose what you do in your life—what you will study and where you will do it, what your line of work will be, where you might live and with whom you might associate—is a great freedom, both precious and unusual, but that it is not just sitting there waiting for them to use it. It is theirs to gain. By taking advantage of opportunities. By readying themselves for choice, both in their minds and in the skills they develop and the knowledge they build. By being courageous in the face of failure and by opening themselves to newness. What they choose to do will always open the next few doors—and it can shut them, too, it’s important to say to teenagers—but the door to a person’s mind has to stay open permanently if he or she is to live the life that will be the most rewarding.

Any of our stories in this issue is an example of how that sort of thinking works. It can be brought to bear to gain the edge in a game situation, as Stefanie Pemper and her players describe. Or in choosing a satisfying way to make a living, as Doug Silton did when he left his corporate position to start a dance studio. And no one talks more eloquently about taking action within a thinking framework, even a philosophical one, than American Express CEO Ken Chenault. Ken says in his interview something that we have heard from other Bowdoin graduates—that Bowdoin provided not only a challenging academic environment amid some great natural beauty and interesting colleagues, but that it was also quite simply a good place to think. Suggesting that pure reflection has that kind of power and value is, in this world of perpetual stimulus, surprising.

It’s a good lesson to remember to pass on to our children when they’re ready. Know how to quiet the bombardment and pay attention to yourself. Decide what matters to you, use it to create a philosophy, and act within it. And then keep going—but also keep thinking, dreaming, and sometimes just sitting there, waiting for the thought to come.

AMB
Founders of the Fabulous Hats

To the Editor:
On page three of the Fall 2003 issue, there is an article and picture of the handsome McManus/Hayes family. Anna Hayes says that they all marched in the commencement procession and had the opportunity to wear “these fabulous hats.”

Perhaps Mrs. Hayes would be interested to know that these hats were introduced to the Bowdoin campus in 1996 by the Class of 1946 at their 50th reunion. The year before, at reunion time, several of us began talking about our 50th. We looked across campus and saw…baseball caps! White with black letters, black with white letters, but nothing but baseball caps.

We resolved to have a different hat for our 50th, and you have seen the result. They were a success with the class and also with our Alumni Relations adviser, Sara Eddy, who was director at the time. Sara received one. The hats have been copied by other classes, and we feel that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.

J. Morgan Heussler ’46

“A Dime A Dog”

To the Editor:

My special interest in this article is obvious when you read the enclosed letter written to me by former Dean of the College, Paul Nixon. As you will note, the letter was written on December 3, 1944, asking me to serve as official college dog catcher, and was prompted by an embarrassing, yet harmless, incident involving a dog and former President Sills while the President was speaking at the podium during a morning chapel service.

The job description called for my removing dogs from the chapel after they had “wandered” in through the old “swinging” doors.

I accepted the Dean’s offer mainly because of the very generous pay associated with the job, “a dime a dog.” Dick Crockford made out better than I at $20.00 per semester — but that’s what inflation will do.

I always played the game “fair and square” and never failed to adhere to Dean Nixon’s earnest request — “don’t coax any in, then to bounce them.”

Dick Johnstone ’44

All for One

To the Editor:
The “WeWantWork–Boston” article (Fall ’03) brings memories of a similar effort in Boston in early years of the great depression. My Dad was a director in the Boston YMCA on Huntington Ave., and one of his programs brought unemployed men together. Catchy name; can’t remember. They came in every morning dressed for business and spent the day working to place one of the other men in the club. It worked!

Lou Brummer ’39

Just ”Emperor,” Please

To the Editor:
Just thought I’d point out that the article on page 26, the column in lime color in the last paragraph: “In China, the Yellow Emperor’s Classic of Internal Medicine…”

Although the book might be called “Huang Di…” in Mandarin, (Huang Di) translates into Emperor. (Huang) in its many other Chinese characters might mean yellow, but when used in conjunction, it means Emperor.

Gary Tan
Boulder, CO

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**The Art of War Book and Card Deck**
This box set includes 50 cards with a principle from Sun Tzu on one side and contemporary comments on the other, guided instructions to bring the principles into daily life, a paperback edition of *The Art of War*, and in-depth essays on the key ideas of the classic. Professor of Asian Studies Kidder Smith is a member of the Denna Translation Group, whose new translation of *The Art of War* was published in 2001. Shambhala Publications, 2003.

**Demography in the Age of the Postmodern**
Associate Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Nancy Riley and coauthor James McCarthy, “use the lens of postmodernism to structure a critical analysis of the field of demography,” the statistical study of human populations. “Drawing on examples of new kinds of research in demography and related fields, this is an important new book that seeks to reinvigorate the field of demography.” Cambridge University Press, 2003. 212 pages.

**De Bankensysteme in Mittel und Osteuropa**

**Every Night When the Sun Goes In**
Josephine (Vodicka) Cameron ’98 “plays acoustic folk/pop influenced by everything from Leadbelly to Peggy Lee to Edie Brickell. She performs both original compositions and well-known tunes, and is most highly praised for her clear, expressive vocal style.” (from cdstreet.com). She co-produced this, her second album, with musician (and Bowdoin English Professor and Writer-in-Residence) Anthony Walton. Modo Records, 2003. www.josephinecameron.com

**Burning Down the House: ripping, recording, remixing, and more!**
This how-to by Elliot Van Buskirk ’95, a senior editor at Cnet.com, makes good on the Bowdoin writing award he won in 1992, with rave reviews from Rolling Stone to The New York Daily News. “Learn the perfect way to rip, copy, record, and burn your favorite songs, using free or open-source software.” McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2003. 267 pages. burningdownthehouse.net

**The Cardiovascular Cure: How to Strengthen Your Self Defense Against Heart Attack and Stroke**

**The Measurement of Environmental and Resource Values: Theories and Methods**
Professor of Economics Emeritus A. Myrick Freeman examines the relationship between benefits and environmental decision-making and the problems involved in measuring the values of environmental changes. This second edition adds to his distinguished first with reworked chapters and new sections. Resources for the Future, 2003. 420 pages

**Deconstituting Communities: Theravada Buddhism and the Religious Cultures of South and Southeast Asia**
Bowdoin Professor of Religion John Clifford Holt edits a collection that (from back cover) “explores how community functions within Theravada Buddhist culture. Although the dominant focus of Buddhist studies for the past century has been on doctrinal and philosophical issues, this volume concentrates on the discourses that produced them.” State University of New York Press, March 2003. 256 pages.

**Welcome Home or Someplace Like It**
Charlotte Agell ’81, well known as the author and illustrator of children’s books, arrives on the teen scene with this debut novel. Budding artist Aggie B. Wing and her brother, Thorne, spend the summer in Ludwig, Maine with their 91-year-old grandfather. Exploring the quirky little town, Aggie takes it all down in notebook #27, and in the process, wonders if this middle-of-nowhere place might just be her new home. Henry Holt and Company, 2003. 230 pages

**Play Better Live Better**
David O’Meara ’85 (with Barbara Luehring) imparts his coaching and teaching philosophy, honed at the highest level of professional tennis, to beginners and intermediate players. O’Meara’s coaching method inspires athletes to think and act for themselves, alternative to the typical “command-control” coaching model based on fear. O’Meara Press, 2003. 180 pages.

**Conviction**
The first 100% live album from renowned performance poet (four-time National Poetry Slam Champion) Taylor Mali ’87 was compiled from seven separate shows over the past two years, and includes a heart wrenching recitation of his poem, “Seventh Grade Viking Warrior.” If his Def Jam don’t get ya, his other words will. Produced by Words Worth Ink & The Wordsmith Press, 2003. www.taylormali.com

**Women Through the Lens: Gender and Nation in a Century of Chinese Cinema**
Associate Professor of Asian Studies Shuqin Cui “raises the question of how gender, especially the image of woman, acts as a visual and discursive sign in the creation of the nation-state in 20th Century China.” University of Hawaii Press, 2003. 315 pages

**The Dark Path**
The second novel from Walter H. Hunt ’81 is sequel to his 2001 sci-fi thriller, *The Dark Wing*. “Here’s action, adventure, and intrigue the way C.S. Forester would have told it,” praises William C. Dietz. Humans and their one-time enemy the zor join forces to fight the shape-changing, mind-controlling race of vulh. Tom Doherty Associates, 2003. 413 pages

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Hall of Honor

At Homecoming weekend, the Athletic Department celebrated the second annual Hall of Honor ceremony. The five inducted were Dr. Daniel F. Hanley '39, H '80; Robert A. Kullen '71; Lissa McGrath Millett ’83; Charles J. Butt; and Philip G. Good ’36.

For the full story of their accomplishments, visit the Bowdoin Athletics Web site at http://www.bowdoin.edu/athletics and click on the link to this feature.

Bowdoin’s Endowment Returns Among Nation’s Best

According to Cambridge Associates, a firm that tracks the performance of endowment funds nationwide, Bowdoin’s investment returns places it third among 158 college and university endowments and tenth among all endowed institutions.

These returns send an important message to those who support Bowdoin College because they show donors that the College is serious about and successful in preserving and building its assets for today and into the future," said Bowdoin President Barry Mills. "These exemplary results would not have been possible without the sophisticated fund managers, skilled professional staff and strong trustee leaders working together on Bowdoin's behalf. We are fortunate to have such an excellent team.

Bowdoin's endowment portfolio is diversified across different asset classes including domestic and international equities, fixed income, private equity, real estate and absolute return strategies. Portfolio diversification has enabled the College to protect endowment capital in a challenging investment environment. In fiscal year 2002 the College’s endowment generated an investment return of 1.5%, significantly outperforming the average return for college and university endowments of -5.0%, as well as the market index, represented by the S&P 500 index of -18%.

On June 30, 2003, Bowdoin’s endowment was valued at approximately $452 million, up from a market value of $430.6 million the previous year. The College’s growth in endowment assets includes investment performance and new endowment gifts, minus endowment spending in support of current programs at the College. Over fiscal year 2003 the College received approximately $6 million in endowment gifts while the endowment provided $21.25 million towards the annual operations of the College.

Bowdoin’s endowment is made up of over 1,400 individual funds earmarked for the perpetual support of a variety of College initiatives. Bowdoin’s Investment Committee is currently chaired by Richard H. Stowe. Paula Volent, CFA, is vice president for investments at Bowdoin.
Our World Neighborhood, Nuestra vecindad del Mundo, La Nostra Vicinanza del mondo, Unsere Weltnachbarschaft, Ons Wereld Burrt, Vår Verdennabolag, Nossa Vizinhança do mundo

by Lauren M. Whaley ’03

Jonna Bouré ’90 is a very busy woman. Between running her own production company, guest teaching French and Spanish at local schools, perusing old letters in Bowdoin’s special collections, ferrying her two children around, meeting with her business partner, repairing computers, and eating sushi on route, she still has time to change the world.

As a skilled linguist, teacher, and activist, Bouré seeks projects combining her passions for language and teaching. Her vision: to produce a local television program that features children from different cultures sharing their unique heritages. Her message: despite our differences, we can grow, learn to appreciate cultural differences, and be friends with one another. “It took a few years for my idea to evolve, but I wanted to use my talents in language, music, and social science to share with children the concept of Our World Neighborhood,” Bouré said.

The show opens with a song by Maine children’s musician Rick Charette:

Our world neighborhood
Look we come from different places
Our world neighborhood
Look and see our different faces.
Some things always change.
Some things remain the same.
I know we can live here together
If we try, we can all be friends.

The song accompanies the scene of a child playing with a soccer ball in a yard. He kicks the ball, passing it to a girl of a different ethnicity, who kicks it to another child, and it eventually rolls to the door of Madame’s house. Madame opens the door. “Bienvenue! Welcome to Our World Neighborhood,” she beams excitedly.

Bouré plays the character of Madame, a motherly figure who facilitates teachable moments, games, and problem solving to understand differences. The imaginative “Magic Flight” segment features make-believe travel in a plane Bouré herself constructed from plastic and duct tape. Other highlights include ethnic food, cultural crafts, and personal stories from various characters.

In addition to playing Madame, Bouré writes the script, casts the company, and directs the taping, and she enjoys every aspect of the project. “I meet interesting, creative people, I discuss my ideas about the show and culture in new ways, and I get to sing and speak French! What more could I want?” How about the inspirational people she gathers around herself, like Dinah Aldrich, her business partner? The two women run Two Chicks Productions, combining Bouré’s creativity and Aldrich’s marketing skills. “The people I work with are creative, intelligent and have vision. They not only see things as they are right now but as they could be. They have insight and are open-minded,” she said. Aldrich and Bouré met through a mother’s group that Bouré started after becoming a stay-at-home mom. “By some cosmic alignment of planets or whatever,” Aldrich remembered, “the two of us have found ourselves here, sharing a similar vision, passion, and sushi!”

Whether through serendipity or logical planning, Bouré’s cohorts unite in their shared enthusiasm for teaching children. Maine musician Rick Charette, who wrote the theme song for Our World Neighborhood, shares this passion and commitment. His children’s music has been a favorite in Jonna’s household and classroom for years, especially his song, “I Love Mud.” She liked this song enough to translate it into French for one of her language classes. It was such a success that she invited Charette into her class for a special celebration. “It was exciting,” Charette said. “The children were very much into it.” It was then that Bouré asked Charette to write the theme song for her show, bringing her one step closer to realizing her dream.

Bouré began exploring such multidisciplinary studies as music, education, and French while at Bowdoin. In her French theatre class with Professor William Vanderwolk, she spoke French while on stage. “It was inspirational to learn while doing what I really loved to do,” she said. And since then, Bouré has sought to cultivate this feeling in both her personal and professional endeavors. Now, as the mother of Nicolas (9) and Jacqueline (5), she frequently volunteers at their school, teaching French for all grade levels.

Surrounding herself with inspiring people fuels Jonna’s vision, but her compatriots thrive in her presence as well. Aldrich gushes about her business partner, “I truly have never met anyone so totally dedicated to the ideal of teaching and uniting children through the medium of language and music. You really have to see her in action to appreciate her! I always tease that she is not afraid to make herself look silly in front of her audience, be it a classroom or on stage, and the kids eat it up! There is something about her that connects.”

As for her long-term goals, Bouré said, “well, the sky is the limit but I now know that there is a niche for the work I’m doing and the timing is right for it.” Our World Neighborhood (OWN) is certainly unique in its multidisciplinary approach, methods, and audience. “I think that in comparison to other shows, OWN stands out as one that is truly multi-everything: national, cultural, even gastronomical. We aren’t just talking the talk; we are attempting to show how we can live together,” Aldrich said. While several Maine television stations have expressed interest in the OWN pilot, Bouré said “it’s not quiet ready for broadcast.” While she works out the pilot, she is concentrating on her live elementary school shows and concerts.

Our World Neighborhood’s concept and action is not merely Bouré’s hobby or even career, but her dream. “America is no longer a melting pot but a woven garment rich in color and texture, and I believe that it will be part of my life’s work to continue to weave at the ‘cultural loom’ for the common good.”

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2003 Fall Sports Wrap Up

MEN’S SOCCER (13-2-3)
Had one of the most impressive seasons in school history as NESCAC runners-up and qualified for the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1999. With a squad loaded with underclassmen, the Polar Bears set the school record for consecutive wins (10) and earned four First-Team All-NESCAC selections in Travis Derr ’04, Bobby Desilets ’05, Danny Sullivan ’05 and Andrew Russo ’06.

WOMEN’S SOCCER (12-3)
The women’s soccer team continued to be one of the premiere teams in the nation, posting their 15th straight winning season and reaching double-digits in wins for the 11th time in 12 years. Bowdoin won the regular season NESCAC crown, but fell to Bates in the Conference Tournament semifinals. The Polar Bears took three first-team All-NESCAC spots as Jill Falwell ’04, Michal Shapiro ’04 and Kendall Cox ’05 were honored. Nineteen-year head coach John Cullen reached the 200-win milestone with the first game of the season. He is just the 10th coach in D III women’s soccer history to attain that mark.

FIELD HOCKEY (13-3)
The Polar Bears had an outstanding season, placing second in the NESCAC and sweeping the conference postseason honors. Marissa O’Neil ’05 earned NESCAC Player of the Year honors by posting perhaps the best season ever for a Bowdoin field hockey player, tying the single-season goals record (19) and breaking the school record for assists (17) and points (55). First-year Taryn King ’07 was tabbed as NESCAC Rookie of the Year, while coach Nicky Pearson took Conference Coach of the Year honors. For the first time, Bowdoin had two members named first-team All-American; both O’Neil and goalkeeper Gillian McDonald ’04 were so honored. Midfielder Amanda Burrage ’04 was named second-team All-American.

WOMEN’S CROSS-COUNTRY (6TH AT NESCAC’S, 19TH AT NCAA’S)
After a disappointing finish in the NESCAC Meet, the Polar Bears came out of the pack to grab a fifth-place showing at the New England Championship and qualify for NCAAs. First-year Neoma Palmer ’07 earned All-American status with her 16th place finish at Nationals, and the Polar Bears also won the State Championship.

WOMEN’S RUGBY (5-2-1)
In their first season as a varsity sport, the squad excelled by placing third in the New England Rugby Football Union playoffs. The Polar Bears entered the postseason as the seventh-seed and upset second-seeded Southern Connecticut before falling in penalty kicks to Plymouth State. Bowdoin rebounded to win the consolation match against Bates, 17-0.

MEN’S CROSS-COUNTRY (10TH AT NESCAC’S, 8TH AT NEW ENGLAND’S)
The Polar Bears took a tenth-place showing at the NESCAC Meet and rebounded to place 8th at New England’s. Bowdoin was third at the State Championship, and first-year Owen McKenna ’07 qualified for Nationals, where he placed 112th.

WOMEN’S TENNIS (7-2)
The women’s tennis squad posted an impressive 7-2 record in their fall season, setting them up for a run at NESCACs and NCAAs in the spring. Bowdoin dominated in-state rivals Bates (9-0) and Colby (8-1) to take the CBB crown.
WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL (13-17)
Bowdoin started out the season 9-3 and won the Polar Bear Invitational in 2003. The Polar Bears won their most games (13) since the 1999 season and qualified for the NESCAC Tournament for the first time since 2000. The future looks bright for Bowdoin Volleyball, as the Polar Bears will graduate just one senior from the talented, young squad.

SAILING (EASTERN SERIES CHAMPIONS)
Bowdoin had an exciting season on the water, capturing the Eastern Series Title by winning three of the circuit’s six regattas. Bowdoin also placed fifth in the hometown Casco Bay Open and hosted the team’s first-ever Intersectional Regatta, with a fifth-place finish in the Atlantic Coast Tournament against traditional powers Navy, Rhode Island and Boston University.

GOLF (6TH AT NESCAC’S)
The men’s golf team had a successful campaign under coach Tomas Fortson, placing sixth at the rain-shortened NESCAC Championship at Williams, and collecting three second-place finishes in other events. First-year Brian Ciborowski ’07 took medalist honors at the CBB Championship. The women’s squad earned a victory on the year as well, defeating Bates in a scramble format to take the Bowdoin Invitational crown.

FOOTBALL (0-8)
The Polar Bears fell in numerous tight contests in 2003. They played Williams well in the opener before bowing 24-13. Bowdoin lost three games by three points or less to Hamilton (21-20), Bates (20-17) and Colby (7-6). Linebacker Jeb Boudreau ’04 earned second-team All-NESCAC honors.

ROWING
Continued their success in the fall head season at the Textile, New England Championships, Head of the Charles, and Head of the Fish regattas. Notably, the Men’s Varsity 4 placed 6th of 22 at the Textile and 4th of 33 at the Fish; Women’s Varsity placed 3rd and 7th of 25 at the Textile, 1st and 3rd of 13 at the NE Champs, 3rd and 10th of 47 at the Fish, and 39th of 47 in the Club 8 event at the Charles. The Novice Men finished 1st and 5th of 11 at the NE’s and 2nd and 12th of 27 at the Fish, while the Men’s Light took 3rd of 8 at Textile, 17 of 41 at the Charles, and 3 of 13 at the Fish. The Women’s pair had 2nd-place finishes at the Textile and NE’s.

Schuss…Tor!

Former Bowdoin hockey standout Sean Starke ’03 took off for Germany in November, where he’s playing professional hockey for Neusser EV, in the country’s western third division. “It’s similar to the North American system with the NHL, then AHL, then ECHL,” Sean explains. “It’s where the rookies usually start their careers in Germany.” Sean skates on the first line, and first power play and penalty kill units, averaging around 30 minutes per game. Twelve games into the season, he had 8 goals, 6 assists, and 37 Penalties In Minutes. He is tied in the Bowdoin hockey record book at number 7 all-time for power play goals/season (9), number 4 in power play goals/career (23), and is #26 on the Bowdoin 100-Point Club. Visit the Neusser EV Web site at www.neusser-ev.de.
Founded in 1850 as a freight forwarding business, American Express has continually reinvented itself over the years as market conditions and customer needs have changed. In its early days, the company transported cash, securities, gold, silver, beads, brandy and even live alligators across an expanding America. During the Civil War, it delivered packages to and from Union soldiers and their families. In 1891, American Express invented the “traveler’s check,” on its way to becoming a global travel services company by the 1920s. During two world wars, American Express helped war-stranded tourists and made travel arrangements for Allied war leaders and diplomats. In 1958, American Express introduced the first charge card – made of paper. A year later, the company issued the first plastic card. By the 1980s, bolstered by a hugely successful ad campaign featuring celebrities issuing the still familiar “Don’t Leave Home Without It” tag line, American Express joined the mergers and acquisitions mania sweeping the country. Criticized for losing its way (as well as a significant amount of money), the would-be expansion into a “financial supermarket” was later undone as the company refocused on its core businesses. Today, American Express is a $62 billion payment, financial services and travel company with more than 75,000 employees.

Like any organization that has endured for over 150 years, American Express has seen its share of ups and downs. For Ken Chenault, the “downs” came hard and fast. Just as Chenault was taking over as chairman and CEO from Harvey Golub in 2001, the economy started to head into a downturn. Almost immediately, Chenault had to deal with write-offs of more than $1 billion of risky junk bond investments at one of its subsidiaries and a downturn in the price of American Express stock as businesses began to scale back on their employee travel plans. Then came September 11th.

Chenault was on a business trip in Salt Lake City when the towers of the World Trade Center collapsed literally across the street from American Express headquarters at the World Financial Center. Eleven American Express employees working in the neighboring towers perished in the terrorist attacks. Meanwhile, thousands of other company employees were still in Lower Manhattan, and hundreds of thousands of American Express cardholders were stranded in airports around the world. Working the phones from Salt Lake City, Chenault instructed security to evacuate the company’s headquarters and then organized a meeting of the company’s top executives. Within hours, American Express was helping more than a half-million cardholders get home, increasing credit limits for those without cash and waiving late fees. Nine days later, at an emotional gathering of nearly 5,000 American Express employees at New York’s Madison Square Garden, Chenault went about personally consoling grief-stricken employees and giving them a sense of renewed hope and confidence. According to Business Week, Chenault that
day “...demonstrated the poise, compassion and decisiveness that vaulted him to the top.”

Nearly two and a half years later – two and a half years that have been as challenging as any for the travel and financial services sectors – things are looking up at American Express. The company's stock, which significantly outperformed the S&amp;P 500 in 2003, has doubled since the days immediately following 9/11. With a recent federal antitrust ruling against competitors Visa and MasterCard – which had blocked access to their member banks – American Express is poised to enter into card issuing partnerships with U.S. banks. It is also working to give something back to the New York City community it calls home by backing a $5 million campaign to reopen the Statue of Liberty – closed to visitors since 9/11.

From Ken Chenault’s 51st-floor offices at the World Financial Center, visitors get a sense of the complexities facing this man widely acknowledged as one of America’s most skilled corporate leaders. The scene outside the window – of New York Harbor, of the Statue of Liberty, of Wall Street, and up the entire bustling island of Manhattan – suggests optimism, accomplishment and power, while the lighted crater directly below at Ground Zero is reminiscent of the struggle still underway to move beyond the dark days of the last two years. In December, Ken Chenault sat down amid this backdrop for an informal 50-minute conversation with Bowdoin magazine’s Scott Hood – a discussion with the Bowdoin graduate and honorary degree recipient who almost never came to Brunswick – about his Bowdoin career, higher education, affirmative action, his rise to the top of American Express and the values that make him one of America’s principled leaders.

BOWDOIN: How’s business?

CHENAULT: Yes. As you know, the Statue of Liberty has been closed since 9/11 because of security concerns. American Express has a very long history supporting the Statue of Liberty, going back to 1885 when we provided money to help fund the Statue's pedestal. In 1976, we donated money for restoration work and underwrote a documentary film about the history of the Statue. American Express also developed a cause-related marketing program in 1986 to fund restoration work on the Statue for the centennial celebration and raised close to $19 million. So when we heard that the Statue could not be opened because of the cost of putting in more security, we decided to step forward. Every time you use your American Express card we will make a donation to the Statue of Liberty, up to $3 million, and if the campaign does not raise the full $5 million needed, we’ve made a commitment to make up the difference.

We believe that the Statue of Liberty is an important symbol of freedom for our country. And as [film director] Martin Scorcese, who is involved in the Statue's latest fundraising campaign, said, what is most impressive is not just what the Statue of Liberty represents for Americans but really what it represents to the whole world.

BOWDOIN: How’s business?

CHENAULT: Pretty good. In fact, we’re very pleased with the financial performance that we’ve been able to generate over the past couple of years. The external economic environment over the last few years has been challenging, and then obviously post-9/11 has been difficult for anyone involved in the travel sector, but we made a number of changes to develop a flexible, adaptable business model that’s given us the opportunity to generate good earnings and invest for growth, even so.

BOWDOIN: American Express has been in the news lately – one story having to do with the Statue of Liberty.
BOWDOIN: The other news was that you prevailed in court regarding a legal action against Visa and Mastercard.

CHENAULT: Yes – but what's important is the government prevailed. The focus of the case is really about freedom of choice. My personal view is simple: one of the things our Constitution stands for is freedom of choice. That's really all that's being sought by the government in this case — for banks to have the opportunity to work with us and the opportunity to choose freely. If that happens, there will be increased competition, and consumers will benefit. We think the ruling is a major victory for consumers. We obviously also think it's beneficial for our company, but the reason the government brought the lawsuit was not to help us but to help the consumer. I believe the legal machinations will be over by the second half of 2004 and we will then be able to work with banks to issue American Express cards.

BOWDOIN: You see that as a pretty important step for the future of the company.

CHENAULT: It's very important. If you look at the top 25 global financial services firms by valuation, we have the highest price earnings multiple. In addition, most of our growth has been driven organically. The reality is that the American Express network does not need to be open for us to achieve our financial objectives. However, certainly the opening of the network will provide substantial growth opportunity for our businesses. It will give us the opportunity to increase our scale and relevance in the marketplace, and enable us to introduce a wide variety of new products with our bank partners.

BOWDOIN: Let me ask you about your Bowdoin experience. I understand that you began your college career in Springfield.

CHENAULT: Right. I went to Springfield College.

BOWDOIN: So, how did you end up at Bowdoin?

CHENAULT: When I was in school I was very interested in sports and played soccer, basketball and track. Springfield offered me an athletic scholarship to go there, so I did. Eventually, I decided that I wanted an institution that had a very strong reputation in the liberal arts. One of my mentors at the time was the headmaster of my [secondary] school, Peter Curran, who was a graduate of Bowdoin [Class of 1946] and a strong supporter of the college. Peter brought me up to Bowdoin to spend a weekend. I liked the campus and I liked the people.

BOWDOIN: So you had a positive reaction?

CHENAULT: Very positive. Bowdoin was clearly more isolated, but I felt it was a microcosm of our broader society. At that time the College had made what I thought were some very good steps in increasing diversity. We had a fairly sizable African-American population on a percentage basis with a large number of international students. My sense that weekend was that Bowdoin was a very eclectic environment, so I didn't feel I was going into a narrow, highly parochial environment.
BOWDOIN: Yet Bowdoin was then and is now in a very homogenous state – today Maine is supposedly the “whitest state in the Union.” Was it enough just to have an eclectic environment on the campus?

CHENAULT: I was more focused on the overall college experience. I also liked that Bowdoin was not in an urban setting because I thought that would provide less temptation for me and I could focus more on my studies.

BOWDOIN: You've talked previously about the many hours you spent at the [Afro] Am debating the issues of the day with [fellow student] Geoff Canada [Class of 1974] and others. Did you consider yourself an activist when you were in college?

CHENAULT: Was I a raging radical? No. Was I someone who enjoyed arguing about ideas and concepts and was very aware of the issues that we all faced in the 60's and 70's? Yes. I was very aware and very involved.

BOWDOIN: But you had a different approach than some of your peers.

CHENAULT: My view was that it was important to try to bring about change within the system. I was a history major at Bowdoin and as I looked at different movements in different stages in history, it was clear to me that it was important to have some segments of any particular group work within the system. These people could bring an enlightened view or a different set of perspectives. I thought to work totally outside the system was destructive and counter-productive in the long term.

BOWDOIN: Did some of your friends butt heads with you about that?

CHENAULT: Some did. But what I think was unique about Bowdoin – and maybe it was the size of the school and its environment – is that you couldn't isolate yourself. We had real discourse, real debate on the issues. At the same time, there was also respect. As a result, people saw you on a personal level, not just as a representative of a certain group or of certain ideas. And I think that was quite important.

BOWDOIN: You actually wrote a paper while at Bowdoin that took issue with one of the ways the College was promoting itself.

CHENAULT: A number of colleges started to claim that they had graduated the first black in American higher education. At the time, Bowdoin was out in front with this claim [John Brown Russwurm, Class of 1826]. (It later turned out that [Russwurm] was not the first) I decided to do a paper on blacks at Bowdoin from the time Russwurm graduated through the 1960s.

I found that Bowdoin had some exceptional black grad-
uates. It was incredible reading about their trials and tribulations and successes coming into an environment that was sometimes hostile, or at the very least mixed in its reception. I also learned that there were a few people in the local community and faculty members who played important roles for these individuals. Writing that paper gave me a sense of awe at the level of talent that had come to Bowdoin over the years.

You asked me how I ended up at Bowdoin. Frankly it is far more interesting to find out how these people wound up at Bowdoin and what sustained them, what got them through. What Bowdoin can be, and should be proud of, is that it had some incredibly illustrious and impressive blacks who went there during some very challenging times. Also, I didn’t just focus on Bowdoin in my paper. I looked at other graduates of New England colleges. While there were similar experiences across the colleges, 80 to 90 percent of the blacks at Bowdoin at that time graduated with high or highest honors. So it was a very accomplished group.

**Bowdoin: You majored in history. Did Bowdoin’s Civil War connections with Brunswick interest you at all?**

**Chenaught:** Yes, absolutely. I was fortunate to have developed close relationships with a number of professors. In history I had Jim Bland and Dan Levine, who were both terrific. I also enjoyed Professor Karl’s European history course. The College’s breadth and depth of talent and its very history were impressive. Also, the fact that the Afro-Am was a site for the Underground Railroad was very poignant and very meaningful to me.

**Bowdoin:** Let me just shift a little bit and talk about higher education in general. Higher education – and particularly highly selective liberal arts colleges like Bowdoin – seems to be under fire these days for our cost, for questions about accountability and for worries about outcomes – whether we are preparing students properly to enter the workforce. From where you sit as the head of a Fortune 500 company, how do you view what’s going on in higher education today, and do you still believe in the value of a liberal arts education?

**Chenaught:** I am a strong believer in liberal arts education. It’s important both from the standpoint of our company as well as for society at large. Just think about the world today – about globalization, about the need to understand different cultures and perspectives, the ability to be intellectually curious. One of my concerns is that our young people must make choices very early in life about what they’re interested in. If they don’t, people think they will be pushed by the wayside. But what we really need today are people who have broad perspectives, people who are willing to take some chances intellectually and learn about subjects that they may not be the best in the world at. We need people who are going to be intellectually curious. In our society, some people don’t have the courage or don’t have the curiosity to explore even though they have the opportunity to do so. A liberal arts education enables you to develop a very broad perspective and to have an increased willingness to embrace the unknown.

**Bowdoin:** These days, some people think of college as vocational school, that you’re supposed to specialize in something and stick to it.

**Chenaught:** A liberal arts education is critical in providing people with broad perspectives and helping them to ultimately become effective leaders. Now, is it useful to have technicians in a range of fields? Absolutely. That’s part of what educational choice is all about. But the liberal arts institution has a very special role. It’s not an either/or situation at all, but I think more than ever in my view, liberal arts education is critical.

**Bowdoin:** Yet there are a lot of skeptics who question the ultimate value of a liberal arts degree. There’s the apocryphal parental question: “What are you ever going to do as an English major?!” Plus, colleges like Bowdoin are said to educate fewer than two percent of the population these days.

**Chenaught:** If we analyze the leadership that has come out of liberal arts institutions and the impact these leaders have made on broader society – not just in the U.S. but around the world – you can’t go by the numbers.
This is the unique role of liberal arts colleges, and particularly colleges like Bowdoin. The point I make is the same in business – there is a role for scale. And that's critical. But there's also a role for very poised and focused competitors. The impact of graduates of liberal arts colleges is disproportionate to the percentages and size of their population.

BOWDOIN: Let me take you back to the issue of diversity for a moment. It's thirty years since you graduated, and Bowdoin still struggles with creating a diverse campus community, although it's been reasonably successful in recent years. Some argue that the process of building racial, socio-economic, ethnic and other forms of diversity on campus is nothing more than unnatural social engineering or pandering to political correctness. I assume you truly believe in the need for a place like Bowdoin to become more diverse.

CHENAULT: Absolutely. American Express was a strong supporter and actually filed an amicus brief on the University of Michigan's affirmative action case. I would cite some of the work by one of our board members, Bill Bowen, former head of Princeton and head of the Mellon Foundation, who speaks in a very eloquent way in several of his books about the importance of having a diverse student population. First, it's reflective of the world in which we live. Second, and we see this every day, the inability to understand different perspectives comes at a great cost to our society overall, both on a domestic and international basis. It is essential for educational institutions that are preparing their students to function in a wider world to have a diverse environment. In addition, it is wrong to assume that historically all the problems are solved. There are a number of groups who have been denied opportunities over time. Affirmative action is an important way to redress these inequities and provide opportunity. What society needs now are people who understand other cultures, who have broad perspectives, and who don't just accept but embrace differences because they understand how it's beneficial to do so.

BOWDOIN: In the University of Michigan cases, the Supreme Court essentially set a time limit for affirmative action programs, saying it expects the use of racial preferences to be unnecessary in 25 years. Is that enough time?

CHENAULT: I was very pleased with the Supreme Court's decision. Social change sometimes doesn't come in step function. Who would have thought the Berlin Wall would have come down in the timeframe that it did? Who would have thought that Mandela would have gone from prison to being prime minister of South Africa? Although I think twenty-five years sounds optimistic, hopefully I'm proven wrong.

BOWDOIN: You are frequently featured in magazines and newspapers listing America's top African-American executives. Is there a disadvantage to being perceived not as a top executive, but as a top “African-American” executive? How do you react when you see those lists?

CHENAULT: A point my parents worked to impress on me is that while African-Americans were denied oppor-
tunity in this country, they historically had the capabili-
ties to perform. It would be incorrect to take a view that
all of a sudden someone was qualified to do the job.
However, the reality is that, given who I am and what I
am, I’m going to be scrutinized, so I think there is a
responsibility that I need to give back to society and
that I need to perform. So I don’t feel that I’m in a dis-
advantaged situation as an African-American CEO
because part of what one recognizes early on in business
is that results and outcomes are what are most impor-
tant. Of course you want to be in an environment where
that’s acknowledged. Fortunately at American Express

I’ve benefited from being in an environment where not
only results and outcomes make a difference but also
how you achieve those outcomes matters – what are the
leadership traits that you displayed, what are the values
that you try to manage by to motivate and inspire the
organization? That’s what’s most important.

BOWDOIN: But do you acknowledge a certain respon-
sibility as someone on one of those lists?

CHENAULT: Yes. I’m not one for lists in general,
because you don’t know the criteria they use or how
they construct the rankings. But I clearly recognize that
there are few African-Americans in my position and that
I do have a responsibility and an obligation to give
back. I think it would be a mistake to distance myself
and say, “I’m in this position so therefore I’m not going
to have any involvement at all.” That’s just not my
make-up. And like it or not, I don’t think I can take the
position of some people who say, “Look, I’m not a role
model.” I am a role model, and I’ve got a responsibility
and an obligation to live up to that.

BOWDOIN: American Express, though – what one
might say is the epitome of an old school, establish-
ment company – is it ironic or strange that this would
be the Fortune 500 company where an African-
American person would become CEO?

CHENAULT: What’s interesting about American Express
is clearly the card itself was originally targeted to busi-
ness people, and in those days most of those business
people were white men. The reality is that the company
has been a global company much of its history. Because
we’re in the service and travel business, which is a very
strong part of the heritage here, we’ve had to cross bor-
ders, we’ve had to understand different cultures, and
we’ve had to be far more open. Our culture is so
grounded in that service orientation and openness, that
American Express is a terrific fit for me.

BOWDOIN: You became CEO here at the start of
2001, and you had a pretty shaky first year. First the
economy, then the attacks on the World Trade Center
right across the street.

CHENAULT: A challenging first year. Absolutely.

BOWDOIN: 9/11 aside for a moment, were expecta-
tions too high for you, for the company, given what
was going on in the national economy?

CHENAULT: No. If you think about 2001, we had a very
difficult economic environment even before 9/11, and if
you think about how a number of companies fared in
that period, certainly post 9/11, it was incredibly chal-
lenging. A point I make to the organization, however, is
that when you’ve got a company that has strong values
and a clear understanding of what its strategy needs to
be, we can surmount those challenges. Since 2001 we’ve
made fundamental changes to make our business model
more flexible and adaptable so we can deliver solid
financial results without robust economic conditions.
We’ve improved our growth prospects, and we’ve gone
from a situation where some people were worrying about
the future of the company to now having the highest
price earnings multiple of the top 25 financial services
companies in terms of valuation.
Leadership is also obviously very important during challenging times. When I talk about leadership, I often think of something Napoleon said: that the role of a leader is to define reality and give hope. Now, I don’t want to wind up like Napoleon, but this is the most simple definition of leadership. In 2001 I tried to communicate to the organization the reality of the situation we were in. You’ve got to tell people the hard truth, that there are difficult actions that you must take, and what the consequences are of those actions. However, you must also provide reasons for why people should be hopeful. A reason for hope that I communicated to our employees during 9/11 was that American Express has been around for more than 150 years and we’d faced many crises during this time, including wars and natural disasters. Every time, the company dealt with the crisis head-on and emerged even stronger, more resilient.

The mistake some people make is that they use short-term data to come up with long-term conclusions. Clearly 2001 was very challenging but I was convinced, based on the history of the company, that our strategies, and the leadership direction that I was taking, would enable us to effectively deal with the challenges and issues. It would not have been helpful if I simply said, we don’t need to do anything, somehow things will work. But we probably brought about more change in this company in a two-year period than we brought about in decades, and that’s positioned us very well going forward. Overall, we succeeded, building on our values, not compromising them. That’s essential, especially in these times.

BOWDOIN: What are those values?

CHENAULT: First and foremost is integrity. I believe in that very strongly. I will not tolerate a lack of integrity in the organization. It’s not just about honesty— that’s critical, but it’s also about consistency of actions with words. We also have a very strong value in service. That service orientation is critical because I think it’s a privilege to serve. A point I’ve made to the organization is that we are here to serve our shareholders, our customers and our employees. We are not a not-for-profit institution, but if we serve our employees well, they’re going to serve our customers very well, and the shareholders will reap the benefits of that.

In 2001-02, we had to take some very tough actions, and reduced our workforce by over 15 percent. Very, very difficult actions. At the same time we were putting in programs for growth. What I tried to communicate to the organization was what I saw as the future of the company and why these difficult actions were necessary in the short term. These were a very tough set of decisions that I had to make, and while we didn’t hesitate as far as the need to make them, I made sure not to compromise the values that we think are important in implementing those actions.

At American Express, 25 percent of the compensation for our leadership group is derived from how well they meet their employee-oriented goals. One component of
that is an employee evaluation survey. Some years you get marked down on your compensation if the survey results decline. In 2001, 2002 and again this year, however, we achieved some of the highest scores. In fact, the scores improved year over year during this time. So with all the challenges that we face, we have a very highly motivated workforce that's in line with the direction that we're going, and that's critical. I feel good not just about the company's financial success, but also that our growth is sustainable because we have a highly motivated workforce and we have strategies and tactics in place that enable us to give value to our customers. That's how we'll generate consistent and good returns for our shareholders.

BOWDOIN: Overcoming periodic economic challenges is one thing, but no one could have predicted the events of 9/11 here in New York when the World Trade Center was attacked and collapsed directly across the street from your offices. You were described in the media as having handled that situation with a great deal of “compassion.” That's not a word typically associated with a hard-charging corporate leader.

CHENAULT: After 9-11, I told our senior management team that this was a tremendous leadership challenge that each of us was facing and I wanted them to be courageous. I wanted them to be decisive, to not shirk away from taking tough actions. I also told them to be compassionate. If the organization believed that they were not compassionate, particularly in these times, they would lose their privilege to lead. I wouldn't be the one to take away their leadership — the organization — the people — would. Compassion can be offered without sacrificing a sense of urgency or a strong will to win. That's one of the values I believe in very strongly, and I talk about it in the organization. I want to win the right way. I'm very competitive. I've got a strong will to win, but I want to win the right way. That's my focus.

BOWDOIN: One last question. You're a relatively young man at the top of a major company. You've worked hard your whole life, and have achieved this at a relatively young age. How do you sustain that drive into the future?

CHENAULT: I think, at the end of the day, that it is a mistake simply to pursue a job. Instead, you should pursue a way of life. The opportunity for me is to make a fundamental difference in people's lives, both inside and outside the company. To lead a very successful enterprise is not just focused on achieving business success. That's a consequence of doing the right things for our employees and our customers. The challenge of operating a global company is a terrific, terrific opportunity. You cannot be successful as a CEO in the short, moderate or long term if you don't have a passion for what you're doing. Because the challenges and the issues are so substantial that if you don't have that passion, you're going to wilt. Fortunately, I think I've got that passion.
HOOP DREAMS
THINKING YOUR WAY TO THE WIN
Bowdoin's women's basketball team is undefeated and nationally ranked, and the team was placed on the 2002-03 Academic Honor Roll by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association – an honor shared by only 25 colleges in the country. But it's not just the combination of excellence on the court and in the classroom that makes them standouts. It's how they make those skills work together.

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Just before the holiday break, the Bowdoin women's basketball practice in Morrell Gym was interrupted repeatedly by events of a largely un-athletic nature. The Polar Bear women were in the middle of a lay-up drill, for instance, when a young man wearing a New England Patriots jersey wandered in and read a love poem, much to the delight of her teammates, to sophomore guard Vanessa Russell. The team was doing stretching exercises when another young man showed up to challenge senior forward Lindsay Bramwell to a game of around-the-world, five shots from each of five spots around the three point arc. Bramwell's teammates cheered on the deadly outside shooter as she dispatched her challenger, 11-10.

Then things began to get really out-of-hand. In the middle of a black versus white scrimmage, a representative from the dean's office showed up to instruct first year guard Katie Cummings, who reportedly had failed to register for classes on time, in the art of course registration. Then a young woman arrived to apply make-up to the face of Erika Nickerson, the consensus being that the junior forward was chronically deficient in the cosmetics department. The spirited scrimmage was just underway again when a young man arrived to challenge team co-captain Lora Trenkle to “do body shots.” The stellar senior guard obligingly took a shot glass (filled not with tequila but 7-Up), licked salt from the young man's neck and took a wedge of lime from his lips with her teeth, all without ever losing her pre-season All-American cool.

And where was Coach Stefanie Pemper while all this foolishness was going on? Laughing harder than any of her players and egging the interlopers on. It was only when a dance between senior guard Beth Damon and a young man clad only in a bathing suit and bathrobe began to get a little risqué that Coach Pemper finally whistled the hijinks to an end.

All of these distractions, however, were aided and abetted by Coach Pemper as part of a Secret Santa tradition she has established. Old-fashioned whip-cracking coaches might disapprove of such unsportswomanlike conduct, but they couldn't argue with the success Stefanie Pemper's teams have had since she arrived at Bowdoin in 1998.

Banners hanging in Morrell Gym attest to the fact that the Polar Bears have won three straight New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) championships – 2001, 2002, and 2003. And as they were horsing around at practice, the Bowdoin women were riding high again, ranked #4 nationally out of 422 teams in NCAA Division 3 women's basketball. They would improve to #3 nationally a few days later. (At press time, they had moved up to #1). Indeed, the Polar Bears have been ranked in the top 10 nationally for the past three seasons, having won 32 straight regular season games, 28 straight home games, 27 straight non-conference games and 20 straight road games. No doubt about it, these Bowdoin women got game.

Nor are the 2003-2004 Polar Bear women hoopsters a bunch of non-scholarly ringers recruited to beef up Bowdoin's athletic resume. In October, they were the only NESCAC team named to the Women's Basketball Coaches Association's Academic Top 25 Team Honor Roll with a team GPA of 3.342.

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Read My Mind

And Stefanie Pemper knows about success. A multi-sport standout in high school in Huntington Beach, California, Pemper played Division I basketball at Idaho State University where she set a school record for free throw percentage and was selected the All-Big Sky team in her senior year, 1992. She has since been inducted into the Bengals' Sports Hall of Fame.

After serving as an assistant coach at her alma mater for two years, Pemper came east to serve as an assistant coach at Harvard from 1995 to 1998, during which time the Crimson women won three Ivy League titles. Harvard coach Kathy Delaney-Smith says Stefanie...
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Pemper “stood out right from the get-go” when she went looking for an assistant.

“Like a lot of coaches, Stef has a tremendous knowledge of the game,” says Delaney-Smith, “but that’s not why she is successful. I think she is successful because she has the ability to put basketball in perspective and maintain a balance. That’s particularly important at a school like Bowdoin. As a coach, you can get obsessed by your sport, but Stef does not do that. She teaches her players life skills through the sport of basketball.”

“I’ve always loved basketball. I love playing it and coaching it,” says Pemper, reflecting on the lessons her mentor taught her. “What I learned from Kathy Delaney-Smith at Harvard is that as a coach you can’t forget, even for a second, that you’re loving it and enjoying it.”

Pemper believes that communication, respect, trust, and collaboration are the keys to success on and off the court. When you talk to her players about the winning tradition Pemper has brought to Polar Bear basketball, it is these intangibles, not game strategy or style of play that they cite.

“A big part of our success is that Stef is an amazing coach,” says Beth Damon ’04. “She’s someone who sees a situation and knows what that situation needs. She has strong individual relations with the players and knows her players really well.”

“Stef is an exceptional coach,” echoes co-captain Lora Trenkle ’04. “She knows the game of basketball and she recruits well too. She’s always seeking players who bring what she values to our team — an academic orientation, enthusiasm, commitment to the team and commitment to the program.”

“When we are successful, I credit the players,” says Pemper, citing what might be considered her Golden Rule of Coaching. “When we’re not, I don’t blame them — I credit the other team.”

What Pemper brought to Bowdoin was a strong grounding in sports psychology and a belief in what she calls “the thinking athlete.” She has all her players practice pre-game visualization exercises in which they “see” themselves and their teammates executing plays and succeeding. She also tries to get her players to “think like a coach” — for example, waiting several minutes at half-time before entering the locker room in order to give the players time to talk about what they think is working and what’s not. During practice games, she calls frequent timeouts during which the players huddle to discuss among themselves how to improve their play.

In game situations, Pemper rarely disputes an official’s call and never screams at her players when they make mistakes.

“She’s intense, but she’s calm,” says co-captain Courtney Trotta ’04 of Pemper’s game demeanor. “She doesn’t want us to rattled, so she sets an example for us.”

“When kids make a mistake in a game,” says the coach, “you shouldn’t say anything to them on the court. You should think twice about saying anything to them when they come off. Maybe at half-time.”

A true student of the game, Pemper is a big fan of Los Angeles Lakers coach Phil Jackson’s book Sacred Hoops, which counsels a Zen-like approach to basketball, focusing on “being in the moment” and controlling what you can control and not worrying about things beyond your control, such as officials’ calls. She also makes a practice of visiting basketball powerhouses such as UConn, Duke, Arizona State, and Oklahoma to watch practices. What interests her in observing big-time Division I programs is not so much their strategies and plays as how the coaches communicate with their players and what they talk about.

Ultimately, Stefanie Pemper sees the coach’s role as the same as the teacher’s role — to prepare young people...
to be successful.

“One of my big coaching philosophies,” Pemper explains, “is, ‘There’s two minutes to go in a tie game and I have no timeouts left. Have I prepared my team to be successful in that game?’ One of my favorite things in sports is when the athletes read my mind. Jessie Mayol (’02) read my mind very well. This year’s senior class reads my mind very well. They think like a coach.”

**Inspire Your Teammates**

The seniors on the 2003-04 Bowdoin team – Lora Trenkle, Courtney Trotta, Lindsay Bramwell, Kristina Fugate and Beth Damon — began the season with a career record of 77-13, an amazing .853 winning percentage. And the fact that there are so many seniors on the team is a testament to the loyalty Stefanie Pemper has instilled in her charges.

“We have five seniors on the team. They were my second recruiting class,” Pemper says. “At a school like this where there are so many things that can pull you away, all five seniors have stayed with the program. They are getting something out of the experience that is very valuable to them.”

“Being on the team is one of the most valuable things here at Bowdoin for me,” confirms Beth Damon, “being part of that group of people and having a sideline role.”

Damon, who grew up in Livermore, Maine, and came to Bowdoin from Hebron Academy, stayed with the team despite minimal playing time. She understands and accepts her role, which is to push the starters at practice (Lora Trenkle hates being guarded by Damon), to bring her huge positive energy onto the court when she does get into a game, and to be a vocal leader on the bench. Stefanie Pemper says Damon deserves the “Biggest Contribution in Fewest Minutes” award.

The nucleus of Bowdoin’s recent basketball dynasty have been players from Maine — Jessie Mayol ’02 from Westbrook, Kristi Royer ’03 from Lewiston, Lora Trenkle ’04 from Surry and George Stevens Academy, Erika Nickerson ’05 from Benton and Lawrence High School, Alison Smith ’05 from Stockton Springs and Bangor High School, Lauren Withey ’06 from Rockport and Camden Hills High School, and Justine Pouravelis ’06, from Old Orchard Beach by way of a state championship at Catherine McAuley High School in Portland.

It is easier, of course, to attract good players to a winning program, and this year’s recruiting class of ’07 boasts four young out-of-state women – Julia Loonin from New York, Katie Cummings from New Jersey, Eileen Flaherty from Connecticut, and Kristen van der Veen from Massachusetts – all of whom were all-star players in high school. But Stefanie Pemper’s recruiting successes are all the more remarkable because Bowdoin’s highly selective nature limits her to going after athletes who are also academically gifted. Pemper, however, believes Division III NESCAC schools are increasingly attractive to female scholar-athletes.

“These are the places,” she says, “where you find the best balance between academic pursuits, athletic pursuits and social life. More and more young women are interested in finding that balance.”

Lora Trenkle, for instance, was recruited by several Division I colleges, yet she opted for early decision at Bowdoin.

“I wanted a life after basketball,” Trenkle explains. “It was appealing, but it wasn’t that appealing.”

As a four-year standout at Bowdoin, Lora Trenkle missed Stefanie Pemper’s first two seasons as coach. In 1999, the Polar Bears were good enough to win an at-large birth in the NCAA tournament and advanced as far as the round of 32, but in 2000 Pemper says she suffered “a sophomore slump,” her team posting only a
so-so 21-11 record. In hindsight, Pemper believes she carried her philosophy of empowering players to think for themselves too far, providing too little leadership in difficult situations.

In 2001, however, the Bowdoin women went 21-8, losing in the NCAA Sweet 16 round to New York University. In 2002, they compiled an outstanding 26-2 record, advancing to the Elite 8 before losing to runner-up St. Lawrence University. Last year, the Polar Bears went 26-3 and, undefeated in league play, made it once again to the Elite Eight before losing to runner-up Eastern Connecticut.

Some of Bowdoin’s biggest games in recent years have been against in-state rival University of Southern Maine, a public-private match-up that has become one of the best hoop battles in New England. In advancing to the Elite Eight last year, Bowdoin knocked off USM, 64-47, in the Sweet Sixteen tournament in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. But during the regular season, the Polar Bears and the Huskies battled into double overtime before Bowdoin managed a 78-75 victory.

“We've beaten USM four years in row now,” says Lora Trenkle, “but before that we hadn't beaten them in 21 years.”

Despite being ranked #4 nationally this year, the Polar Bears knew their national ranking was based on past performances and had to wonder going into the season whether they would be the same team after graduating stellar post player Kristi Royer. Coach and players alike knew they would have to do something to compensate for the loss of Royer, so, adopting the slogan “Inspire Your Teammates,” they focused on getting each and every player to elevate her game.

“This year more than any other since I’ve been here,” says co-captain Courtney Trotta, “we’re much more team-oriented. The last three years we had a one-two punch in Lora and Kristi. It was great to have them to go to and to have them deliver, but we’ve spread the offense out a lot more this year, so opponents can’t key on us the way they have in the past.”

Trotta describes the 2003-04 Bowdoin style of play in one word — “relentless.” Playing relentless defense, the guard-heavy Polar Bears (10 of 15 players are guards) force turnovers and use their team speed to advantage in fast breaks. With strong rebounding from forwards Erika Nickerson, Justine Pouravelis, Lauren Withey, Eileen Flaherty and Kristen van der Veen, they capitalize on put-backs and post moves. Opponents find it difficult to contain Bowdoin with full-court presses, because Trenkle, Trotta and Vanessa Russell are all deft ball-handlers, and two of them are usually on the court at any one time, meaning that whoever takes the outlet pass becomes the point guard. When action slows to half-court play, the Polar Bears have eight offensive set plays where most teams have only two or three. And when all else fails, Bowdoin has long-range scoring power that runs from co-captains Trenkle and Trotta to Ashleigh Watson ’06, a three-point bomber from California.

The defining moment for this new-look Polar Bear team offense came on December 3, 2003, when Bowdoin faced off with USM at Hill Gym in Gorham. With both teams playing smothering defense, the Polar Bears and the Huskies committed a combined 32 turnovers in the first half which saw USM take a 27-21 lead. But in the second half, Bowdoin exploded with a 15-3 run to take a 36-30 lead. USM battled back, retaking the lead 43-42, but by then, says Courtney Trotta, she and her teammates were confident that they could contain their arch-rivals and proceeded to hold the Huskies scoreless for nearly eight minutes in posting a decisive 59-52 victory.
In keeping with the “spread the offense” strategy, Bowdoin got 14 points out of Vanessa Russell and Erika Nickerson and a dozen from Justine Pouravelis, who also contributed 11 rebounds, four steals and four blocked shots. Lora Trenkle scored eight points with five rebounds and five assists, including a gorgeous feed to Pouravelis who put Bowdoin ahead for good at 50-49.

In their next game on December 10, the Bowdoin women won a lopsided 72-29 victory over Colby-Sawyer College in which all 15 players saw action and 12 of them scored. Now that’s what you call a balanced offense!

**LEAD BY EXAMPLE**

The sustained success of the women’s basketball program has not gone unnoticed on the Bowdoin campus or in the community generally. “You have to see this team to appreciate it. This is not just another good team — good teams come and go. What Stef Pemper has brought is sustained excellence,” says Richard Mersereau ’69, Secretary of the College and former women’s basketball coach. With such a stellar reputation in the community, the players have become local heroes to young girls who hope to follow in their footsteps, and folks around campus have been impressed by how lightly the Polar Bear women wear their laurels.

“One of the great things about this college,” says Eric Chown, assistant professor of computer science and a fan of women’s basketball since he served as public address announcer at Northwestern University while in graduate school there, “is that the women’s basketball team is at the top of the heap, but they don’t carry around the attitude that successful sports teams usually do. These are not kids who are just here to play basketball.”

Lora Trenkle and Beth Damon, for example, are the senior class representatives on student government. Trenkle, Damon and Lindsay Bramwell network with alumni through the Young Alumni Leadership Program. Courtney Trotta is very active with residential life as a proctor for first year students. And Alison Smith is performing the in the Bowdoin production of “The Vagina Monologues.”

“This is a group of women who are really confident and really down-to-earth,” says Beth Damon. “We’re not a bunch of jocks at all. We’re well-rounded, smart females.”

Eric Chown credits the success of Stefanie Pemper’s teams with validating a style of leadership that is important for Bowdoin students to see and to experience.

“When they have success on the court it lends greater credence to what she is doing,” says Chown. “She’s not screaming on the sidelines or grabbing players’ jerseys. She has a very calm demeanor on the sidelines. She’s setting a leadership example for the rest of the school.”

College President Barry Mills agrees.

“Coach Pemper’s teams have been incredibly successful academically and athletically, and we’re very proud of them,” says President Mills. “I go to many of the home games, and they have strong support from students, the rest of the campus, and…this is pretty special…lots of young girls in the community who look up to our student-athletes. It’s hard to imagine a better example of the kind of athletic program we’d like to have at the College, and in NESCAC.”

Watching Stefanie Pemper interact with the young women she coaches, it is clear that she plays numerous roles in her players’ lives. Doubled over with laughter at their Secret Santa antics, she seems nothing quite so much as their big sister. Taking a player aside for a little one-on-one chat, she becomes confidant and mentor. Ordering the losers of a scrimmage to run wind sprints, she looks more like the traditional coach-as-whip-cracker. Observing them in action while she sits quietly on the bench however, she takes on an almost maternal aspect. But no matter what she is doing, her affection and enthusiasm for her players is obvious.

“If people come and watch us play and see confident young women putting themselves out there, playing hard, taking risks, handling failure with dignity and handling success with dignity,” says Coach Stefanie Pemper, “that’s pretty cool!”
Doug Silton, a member of Bowdoin’s Class of 2000, is not only a championship swing dancer but a successful businessman, making a living doing what he loves – a little Lindy Hop.

By Ajay Singh   Photos by James Marshall
The first time Doug Silton ’00 danced was on a cruise ship in the middle of the Caribbean. The year was 1987, and Silton was 12 years old. On a whim, he and his elder sister Stephanie took a few lessons from the ship’s dance instructor. Filled with inspiration and surprising confidence, the siblings entered a swing dance competition on the luxury liner a few days later. They snagged the third-place trophy, only conceding defeat to two couples, both in their 20s. For Silton, it was the beginning of a lifelong love affair with swing dance, and a prodigious start to an unusual career.

Silton was inspired to become a professional dancer after he attended a 1999 workshop in Boston with Johnny Lloyd, a noted hip hop expert. “He had this special energy – like any good professor,” says Silton. “It was so much fun that I decided I wanted to dance fulltime.” In his senior year, Silton drove from the Bowdoin campus to Boston every weekend to take swing dance lessons. Back on campus, he taught his fellow students what he learned for free.

In 2000, shortly after graduating, Silton entered the national “Strictly Swing” competition held annually in Stamford, Conn. He remembers sitting with some friends when the fifth, fourth, third and second places were announced. “One of my friends turned to me and asked who I thought will win,” he recalls. “I said jokingly that I would, and just then my name was called out. I couldn’t believe it. That’s when I knew I could continue to do what I wanted to do.” Upon returning to his home in Arcadia, a suburb of Los Angeles, Silton started getting phone calls from sponsors all over the country, requesting him to teach swing dance in their cities. “They told me they were just waiting for me to win a competition,” he says.

Today, Silton, 25, is one of the most accomplished practitioners and teachers of swing dance in the United States. He has twice won the national championship in Lindy Hop, a form of swing dance. “I should have been champion three times,” he says, referring to the most recent Lindy Hop contest held this past October in Stamford, Conn. “My partner and I got disqualified by two
judges who said we didn’t have enough Lindy Hop, which was nonsense. It’s like someone getting disqualified in an English competition for using the contraction ‘I can’t’ instead of ‘I cannot.’

If it hadn’t been for Bowdoin, Silton would probably never have realized his dream of becoming a champion dancer. “Bowdoin taught me the ability to excel at something if I really put my mind to it,” says Silton, who majored in art history. “Bowdoin is so small that if I wanted to, say, go on the crew team, I would try out and I would learn as I went along. In the outside world, I just have to put more effort into what I do, and I know I will succeed.”

The fact that Silton studied art history at Bowdoin played something of a synchronistic role in his evolution as a teacher. In his junior year, Silton was scheduled to go to India and Sri Lanka to study the region’s art for two semesters. But the political and security situation in South Asia was so volatile at the time that he was advised against traveling there. So he changed the subject of his thesis to Baroque art and went to Florence instead. One night, he happened to visit a cafe where an Italian woman was giving swing dance lessons. Her partner, an American, was away, and the teacher was looking for a replacement. “You know how to dance,” she said to Silton. “Please help me out.” And that’s how he started teaching dance.

Silton’s parents were worried about his odd career path right from the start. “They were very skeptical,” he says. It wasn’t just that Silton’s friends from Bowdoin had careers in such fields as investment banking, computer science and museum work. It was also that Silton had no particular training in swing dance, which meant, at the very least, that trying to become a professional dancer was a major risk. “If I couldn’t support myself after a year or so I would have had to get what people call a real job,” says Silton. “But I’ve made it work and I’m very happy.”

It hasn’t been easy. After college, Silton got a job as a publicist with Weber Shandwick Worldwide, one of the world’s leading public relations companies headquartered in Los Angeles. He was in the firm’s high-tech division, dealing with top companies like Hewlett-Packard and Dolby. “It was fun, but it was too much to work as well as teach,” he says. “I was getting sick all the time.” Silton quit his job after nine months, but his PR experience has been handy in his new career. “I know how to promote myself — instead of working for my clients, I’m my own client,” he says with a smile. Silton launched a website (www.dougsilton.com) and began producing his own instructional videos, including DVDs, at a cost of $5,000 apiece. He has three videos out so far, and has plans for more.
But by far the most important thing Silton has done to raise his profile is to compete. Competition, he says, is ultimately the key to his success as a teacher. “You don’t need to compete to be a well-known teacher, but it helps,” he explains. “It’s harder to get a teaching job if you don’t get noticed first.” And now that he’s well known, Silton cares less about winning than putting on a good show. He admits that’s partly because it’s harder to win consistently in the top division. But another reason is that having become something of a sultan of swing, he always feels like a winner. “It’s like making the Olympic team,” he says. “It doesn’t matter if you win or not – you’re on the team.”

Silton is five-foot-ten, slim and athletic. The first thing you notice about him is his cheerful demeanor and easy-going manner. But it can be a bit unsettling to take a lesson from someone who seems too young to teach a dance form that, by some accounts, originated in the 1920s. But then, as Silton points out, swing is increasingly popular with today’s younger generation, who see it as “a good exercise and a great way to be social.” In recent years, a string of movies and TV shows have also helped revitalize swing – and shape Silton’s business.

Swing, according to Silton, is “the first true American partner dance – made in America.” It’s also the nation’s first interracial dance, he says, originating in New York dance halls in the 1920s, when black and white people broke with racial taboos and began dancing together. This interracial aspect of swing can be strongly felt at LindyGroove, a dance organization that Silton co-founded in Pasadena, California, in 2001. The club, comprising scores of blacks, whites and ethnic Asians, meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in a huge, glittering hall at the local Masonic Lodge. After Silton gives an hour-long group lesson, the floor is open until midnight to anyone who knows how to do Lindy Hop, a form of swing also known as the Jitterbug. LindyGroove is considered the largest weekly gathering of swing dancers nationwide. It’s so popular that dancers come from as far as Las Vegas, and DJs fly in from across the nation.

At one recent jamboree, partners grooved energetically on a polished wooden floor, briefly breaking away from each other and occasionally rolling and flipping over each other’s back. Silton, dressed in a collarless black t-shirt, baggy jeans and black jazz shoes, sat on the stage from where the music blared, sipping a can of Coke and studying the sweaty dancers. “You can tell the good ones by their smooth movements,” he said to a visitor. Moments later, he shouted across the floor at someone: “Find your partner’s hip bone!” He jumped onto the stage and placed two fingers above his waistline. “Here’s where the hip bone is not,” he cried. Then, placing his fingers just
below the waistline, he repeated: “And here’s where the hip bone is not.”

A typical day for Silton begins at 8:30 a.m. He gives four to six hour-long private lessons to individuals or couples, charging $60 per lesson, plus a group class that costs $12 per person every evening of Tuesday and Thursday. His weekends are spent dancing or teaching in some city far from Los Angeles. In one recent month, for example, he traveled to Kansas City in Missouri, San Jose, Denver and Hawaii. Silton almost always teaches on the invitation of sponsors who pay his air fare as well as board and lodging. Sometimes he manages to combine teaching and competing in a single trip – at no cost to himself.

Silton enjoys teaching more than competing because, as he puts it, “when I teach I get to share what I love with everybody.” He stresses three things in his teaching: connection, musicality and centering. Connection is about leading and following your partner on the floor. “Traditionally, in ballroom-esque dance, the guy leads,” Silton explains. “My goal is for the partners to have a conversation, switching back and forth.” Most dance instructors, he adds, lay a lot of emphasis on steps, that is, they teach dance steps as a way of creating a connection between partners. “I do it backwards,” says Silton. “I teach connection as a way to do the steps.”

One of the ways Silton does this is by encouraging his students to use their imagination as an aid to connecting with their partners. “Imagine,” he says in class, “that your partner’s back and yours are connected with a piece of string, like a pair of fencers. When your partner moves forward, you automatically move backward. Connection is about anticipating each other’s moves.”

Musicality, says Silton, involves how dancers react to music. For example, whenever there’s a pause in music – and there’s a lot of it in swing, unlike, say, in salsa – the dancers stop. “A lot of times, with live music, swing dancers and musicians react to each other,” says Silton. “A good band doesn’t just play the notes – it takes cues from the dancers. So both the band and the dancers improvise.” But to do all this, adds Silton, a dancer has to practice centering, which he defines as the ability to hold your own weight and be able to move that of your partner.

Many of Silton’s students are in their late twenties to forties, and a surprising number of them are psychologists and computer engineers. Silton calls them “educational pros.” Swing, he says, is “an escape outlet” for them. “Instead of sitting in an office listening to someone or assembling computer chips, they get to go out and touch someone for three minutes.” They also tend to learn quickly, says Silton, because like most forms of dance, the steps in swing can be easily comprehended, at least at the amateur level.

Silton has about 125 students in the Los Angeles area alone, a number that has grown hand in hand with the guru’s reputation. Some of his students fly in from overseas. Last August, for example, he got a call from a
Japanese man he had never met. “He said he saw me competing in a video and wanted to come from Tokyo for training,” says Silton. “He took six lessons in four days.” People like that, Silton points out, make the best students because they love dancing and really care about learning. During his recent trip to Kansas City, where Silton won first and second place in two swing competitions, at least 10 people told him that they’d like to move to Los Angeles for a month just to take his lessons. These are the type of people, says Silton, who go out five times on average every week, wherever they might be living. “All they want is to get better at dancing.”

There’s a kind of student Silton likes working with the least. “This is the type who’s getting married and wants to dance at the wedding,” he says. “You can always tell a wedding couple – one partner wants to be there, the other doesn’t.” Not long ago, a woman called Silton, saying her boyfriend had paid for 10 lessons with him as a birthday gift. “After the first lesson she never called back,” says Silton, adding: “She still has a year to claim the lessons.”

About a year and a half ago, another woman approached Silton for lessons. Her name was Gabriella Bova, and she told Silton she teaches children with mild disabilities in a nonpublic school in Los Angeles. Bova was young and attractive but Silton didn’t make much of that – he frequently comes across attractive students, not a few of whom are out to win his heart. Moreover, Silton prefers to “separate dancing from dating – it’s like you should never date somebody from your office.” After giving Bova a few lessons, though, Silton decided that it was time to break his own rule. Bova was a bewitching dancer but, says Silton, “it was clear that she was dancing for herself and not for me.” The result: Silton forged his first romantic relationship through dancing. “It sort of felt right,” he says.

Silton lives with Bova and their four-year-old Chihuahua, Samson, in a two-bedroom apartment in a 1920s building in Beverly Hills, a short walk from Silton’s former office at the P.R. company. A student of Silton’s who owns a flooring business volunteered pro bono to redo the apartment’s original hardwood floors, which were showing the strain of years, thereby allowing Silton to give dance lessons at home. “I have a nice life,” says Silton. “The only problem is my girlfriend doesn’t like the fact that I’m away three to four days a week, often dancing into the morning.”

But an ability to overcome the status quo has always been one of Silton’s strengths. After all, he joined Bowdoin because he wanted to get away from L.A., where he was thoroughly pampered as a child. Silton grew up in a three-bedroom Ranch-style home with a big backyard and a swimming pool. His father, a retired pathologist, was an avid gardener who grew plenty of fresh fruit and vegetables at home. “I had a very cultural childhood, and my parents got me into everything – piano, theater, baseball, soccer, swimming,” says Silton. “But in the end I got to choose what I liked.”

Clearly, Silton belongs to that small minority of people who have the good fortune of making a living by doing what they love — especially tough in the arts. He expects to keep dancing “as long as my knees hold up,” which he figures will be at least for another 20 years, provided he has no major accidents pursuing another passion that he developed in his years at Bowdoin – snowboarding. The important thing, he stresses, is to dance primarily for oneself. “People get caught up in dancing and say they have to excel at it, but it’s really just dancing,” he says. “I have to take it seriously because it’s my job, but it’s really just fun.”
Raegan French LaRochelle ’00 and Jared T. Wilkinson ’00 were married on August 10, 2002, at the Phippsburg Congregational Church, with a reception at Sebasco Harbor Estates, Maine. Bowdoin friends joining the celebration included kneeling front row (l to r): Michael Khair ’00, Corinne Pellegrini ’03, Monika Durbin ’01, Samantha Good ’00, Tracy Mulholland Ercetin ’97. Second row (l to r): Jeffrey Bedrosian ’00, Navin Chawla ’99, Matthew Schuller ’00, Gwen Ambruster ’00, Holley Mazur ’00, Alexandra Codina ’00, Jared and Raegan, Nora Person ’00, Cynthia Maxwell ’01, Allison Ananis ’03, Jessica Mayol ’02, Kristi Royer ’03, Christine Cloonan ’03, Stacey Baron ’99. Third row (l to r): Nicholas Young ’00, Jonathan Christie ’00, Ryan Ravenscroft ’99, Courtney Mongell ’01, Jonathon Short ’00, Linsey Hankins ’00, Marisa Dulyachinda ’01, Brian Bowe ’00, Jamie Bennett ’01, Jessica Farmer ’02. Back row (l to r): Gregory Ortiz ’02, Adem Clemons ’02, Benjamin Gales ’00, Timothy Georff ’00, and Nicholas Lyford ’02.

Tammy Yuen ’97 and David Austin ’98 were married August 23, 2003 in the Berkshires. Bowdoinites joining them were (l to r): Chris Hourigan ’97, John Piazza ’97, Jamon Bollock ’98, best man Matt Polazzo ’98, Tammy and Dave, maid of honor Lei Stushak ’97, Jon Raskin ’98, Ellen Chan ’97, and Liz Burton ’97.

Maddi Hougen ’98 and Sara Murray ’98 were married on September 21, 2002 in Popham Beach in Phippsburg, Maine. At the ceremony were (l to r): Mark Sieffert ’98, John Sullivan ’98, Justin Haslett ’98, Matt and Sara, Rob Right ’98, Chad Olcott ’99, Susan Little ’99, and Katie Hansberg ’97.

Kate Fraunfelder ’94 and Kevin Kertscher (UVA ’86) were married on September 11, 1999 in Walpole, NH. Bowdoin alumni (all ’94 unless noted) in attendance were (l to r): Heather Gaede Regoli; Elzabeth Hearon Lindsey, Susan Millar Oldham, Kate and Kevin, Kim Weafer, Joanne Holland, Dave Johnson ’92, Jessica Guertin Johnson, and Amy Sachrisen.

Elena Albarrán ’98 and Juan Carlos Albarrán were married in Sandwich, NH on August 2, 2003. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Kim Pacelli ’98, Jim Hampe ’98, Kyle Apigian ’98, Juan Carlos, Elena, Christine Adolfo ’98, Professor Jane Knox-Voina, Brian Wedge ’98, Elizabeth Feeherry ’01, Deb Bornstein ’98, and David Fish ’98.

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Gabriel Civiello ‘03 and Jennifer Glidden Civiello (Eastern Nazarene College ‘03) were married on June 28, 2003 in East Millinocket, Maine. Bowdoin friends who celebrated with the couple included (l to r): Kevin Park ‘03, Emily Tompkins ‘03, Kate Getchell ‘03, Pat Burns ‘03, Afshin Family ‘02, Jim McGunness ‘03, Brooks Rich ‘03, Steve Carpenter ‘03, Chrysta Goto ‘04, Andrew Knapp ‘03, Heather Houiss ‘03, and Chris Bragdon ‘03.


Kristen Deftsos Haddad ‘94 and Ameen Haddad ‘93 were married on August 16, 2003 in Boston, MA, with a reception at the Boston Marriott Long Wharf Hotel. Many Bowdoin friends were in attendance, including seated (l to r): Tracy Boulter ‘94, Laura Groves ‘97, Emily Shanahan ‘94, Kristen and Ameen, Karin Stawarly ‘94, Laura Moon Hopson ‘94, Rebecca Salamone Coad ‘94. Standing (l to r): Jeffrey Naphtiano ‘94, Michael Starr ‘94, Michael Golden ‘94, Sean Marsh ‘95, Taran Grigsby ‘93, James Eck ‘93, Jamison Taylor ‘93, Phil Thompson ‘93, Tim Smith ‘94, and Jeff Coad ‘94.


Susan Legendre Ropacki ’95 and Michael Ropacki (University of Arizona ‘93) were married in Lewiston, Maine on August 2, 2003. Among Polar Bear friends at the ceremony were front row (l to r): Mary O’Loughlin ‘95, Susan, Mara Savacool Zimmerman ‘95, Alison Behr ‘95. Back row (l to r): Jessica Somerville Ruffolo ‘94, Claudia Dowling ‘95, Warren Empey ‘95, and Laura Folkemer Empey ‘95.

Jeremy R. Lake ’96 and Robin Steinberger Lake (University of Virginia ‘00, ’03) were married on June 1, 2003 at the Linodendron in Bel Air, Maryland. Fellow Bowdoin and Theta alumni at the ceremony included front row (l to r): Garrett Broadrup ’96, Aaron Pratt ‘96, Robin and Jeremy. Second row (l to r): David Payne ‘96, Michael Trembley ’96, Emily Levau ‘95, and Sara Folkemer Jacobs ‘98. Back row (l to r): Bradbury Johnson ‘96 and Jon Jacobs ‘96.
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Bill Christmas ’61 married his junior high school sweetheart, Polly Raye (Smith ’61) on June 21, 2003, in Taos, New Mexico. In July, a celebration was held in Boothbay Harbor, Maine. Bowdoinites in attendance were (l to r): Polly’s cousin, Pete Mundy ’53; Polly’s daughter, Hannah Rahill ’91, Bill and Polly, and Bill’s Bowdoin roommate, Pete Hanson ’61. Family members absent from the picture are Hanna’s husband, Tom Tunny ’90, and Polly’s cousin, Bill Hamblen ’72.

Dagny Cook ’01 and Adam Cook ’01 were married on August 23, 2003 at Camp Kawanhee in Weld, Maine. Helping in the celebration were front row (l to r): Kate Maselli Zimman ’01, Adam Zimman ’00, Erik Woodbury ’01, Dagny and Adam, Rachel Seabury ’01 Kimberly Stone ’01, Ashley East ’01, Christopher Proctor ’05. Back row (l to r): Marissa Steinfield ’01, Gemma Sanders ’01, Brian Dagle ’00, and Jon Sprague ’00.

Rud Platt ’96 and Monica Vini Ogra were married on May 17, 2003. Two sets of Bowdoin roommates flank the new bride (l to r): Doug Bates ’66, Mic Mukhija ’96, Monica and Rud, and Andy Platt ’66.

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Coren Caisse Moore ’97 married Mike Moore on August 23, 2003 at The Hanover Inn in Hanover, NH. Bowdoin friends at the celebration were (l to r): Wendy Bentsi-Enchill ’97, Tara Dugan ’97, Joe Michaud ’94, Betsy Jackson ’97, Tara Boland ’97, Eliza Wilmerding ’97, Mike and Coren, Kofi Bentsi-Enchill ’95, Laura Stanton ’97, Alison Harden ’97, John Harden ’98, Lindsey Furtney ’97, Holly Michaud ’97, and Matt Furtney ’93.

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Kristin St. Peter Hoffman ’96 married Lt. Andrew J. Hoffman, USN (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill ’99) in June of 2002.

Kelsey Albanese ’95 and Anthony Wolverton (University of Maine ’96) were married at Bowdoin on June 28. A strong cast of Bowdoin alumni joined in the celebration, including (l to r): Tony Ferreira ’71, Bill Moran ’71, Peter Mulcahy ’71, Trista North ’96, J. Duke Albanese ’71, Anthony and Kelsey, Mike Talbot ’71, Mark Manuel ’92, Derek Albanese ’93, Heather Potholm Mullins ’95, Moriah Coughlin Scott ’95, and Sinead Scott.


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Planned Giving Agent: Albert E. Jenkins

Correction
Anne Harmon Fear is the widow of Gil Harmon, not Gil Fear, as we erroneously reported in our Fall issue. We apologize to Mrs. Fear and to her family for this error. Ed.

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Planned Giving Agent: Edwin F. Estle

Edwin Estle writes: “Deborah and I celebrated our 62nd wedding anniversary with our three children—Martha, Nancy, and John—on Grand Manan Island, NB, Canada, where we have been vacationing for over 50 years. Grand Manan is Ed’s mother’s birthplace. Happy to say that we are still mobile and living in our own home.”

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Paul E. Floyd is “still able to go to UMF Health and Fitness Center three times a week; if we are granted all these years, we better stay healthy to enjoy them!”

Correction
We apologize to Sumner H. McIntire for incorrectly listing the name of his late, beloved wife, Julia Woods McIntire, in the fall issue of Bowdoin. We are truly sorry for this oversight. Ed.

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James P. Archibald briefs: “Boston University School of Law, 1937; Maine Bar, law practice, 1937-1965; Maine Superior Court, 1955, 1970, and 1980; Maine Superior Court, active retired, 1980 to present, U.S. Navy, WWII; Ph.D., Ricker College, Centennial Award, B.U. School of Law; Silver Shingle Award, B.U. School of Law, 1971.”

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Class President and Class Agent:
Nathan W. Watson
Planned Giving Agent: Richard V. Kemper

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Planned Giving Agent: Daniel W. Pettengill

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Class Secretary: Andrew H. Cox,
540 Harland St., Milton, MA 02186
Class Agent: S. Kirby Hight

Daniel W. Boxwell writes: “My wife, Jessie, and I continue in good health. We celebrated our 60th wedding anniversary in June. Sorry to have missed our 65th Class Reunion.”

Emily E. Hawkins, widow of Bill Hawkins, writes: “I moved to North Dartmouth, MA to be near my son and his family. Had a very nice visit from Bill’s Bowdoin friend Benjamin Cushing and his wife in August.”

Harry Leach “is enjoying retirement at Sawyer’s Island, Boothbay, Maine.”

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Class Secretary: John H. Rich, Jr., Rocky Point Lane, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107
Planned Giving Agent: Austin P. Nichols

Jane Tukey, widow of Philip Tukey, “particularly enjoyed the stories of all the generations who have gone to Bowdoin. I am a part of the Means Family; knew all of the Woodcock Family; and Bill Hyde ’38 was in college with my husband. Thank you for that history.”

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Class Agent: Harry H. Baldwin III

Lloyd Akeley writes: “At age 88, and wife 80, we’ve settled in the Southwest. Esther is well, but a weak heart has recently reduced my activities. Hope treatment will help. Sorry, we no longer can attend alumni activities. Miss them, but our children fly out regularly. Bowdoin and New England friends are welcome to visit.”

Philip M. Johnson writes: “I would like to visit the campus and view all of the changes. Let me know if you receive news from my classmates.” Also, Class Agent Harry Baldwin alerted us to a newspaper article about Philip, his Bowdoin roommate. The article was written on the 60th Independence Day since the 1943 attack on Philip’s Navy destroyer during WWII. “Seconds after a Japanese torpedo blew a hole in the port side of the destroyer USS Henley off the coast of New Guinea, Navy Lt. Philip M. Johnson lound himself floating in the sea. The 341-foot Henley, which had survived the Pearl Harbor attack two years earlier, sank that day, killing one officer and 16 enlisted sailors. Johnson
ALUMNI COUNCIL AWARD WINNER

Just before press time, we learned of Ingy Arnold’s death. He will be very much missed. ed.

C. Ingersoll Arnold ’39

Ingy Arnold is a 2003 recipient of a Polar Bear Award, given by the Alumni Council to longtime Bowdoin volunteers for outstanding service and dedication to the College. In 1987, he began serving as an Associate Class Agent, becoming a Class Agent in 2000. He has volunteered for BASIC and for various capital campaigns, and in the 1970s served as president of the Bowdoin Club of New Hampshire. In 1987, he represented Bowdoin at the presidential inaugural at Colby-Sawyer College. His carpentry skills led to the creation of various furniture items, lamps, and candlesticks, many of which adorn the Cram Alumni House today; he also coordinated the fund-raising for a granite floor for the Bowdoin war memorial. He lives in Contoocook, New Hampshire.

Polar Bear Awards

Established in 1999 by the Alumni Council, these awards recognize up to six alumni annually for significant personal contributions and outstanding dedication to Bowdoin through a record of service rather than a single act or achievement. This year, the Alumni Council has selected six recipients.

broke his leg in the attack, and was struggling to stay afloat without a life vest. Johnson owes his life to his buddies. He said they had life jackets and held him above water until one jacket came floating by and they scrambled to put it on him. About 14 hours later, the men were pulled to safety in a passing American boat. He still walks with a stiff right leg from his injuries but it didn’t hamper a successful business career. Johnson returned to his native Massachusetts, he met Virginia, his wife of 57 years. Johnson eventually joined a textile company and was reassigned to the Manhattan office. The couple, with four children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, are a 30- to 40-minute drive from NYC, so they enjoy City Opera, NY Philharmonic, and a continuous view of Long Island Sound. So, naturally, we swim frequently in the summer and indoors in the winter. We are fortunate to have six-and-a-half acres of beautiful property at our co-op, with a beautiful swimming pool, an esplanade along the water, and even a nice little beach, and a continuous view of Long Island Sound. So, naturally, we swim frequently in the summer, and ski in the winter. We also are a 30- to 40-minute drive from NYC, so enjoy City Opera, NY Philharmonic, and Manhattan Theatre. What a life!”

Class Agent: William J. Georgitis

Bob Bell “went to Florida State-Miami game with Bunt Wyman. Rose and I go dancing with Clark Young ‘43 and Peg.”

John E. Dale, Jr. writes sadly: “Dorothy, my wife of 58 years, died on July 24, 2003 of a massive stroke. I have a great grandson in San Francisco, Benjamin (2/12), and now a new great-granddaughter in New Jersey, Sena Jane, who was born on August 14. My son Stephen is director of the Baird Center for children with emotional and behavioral problems. He has just supervised the construction of a new $7.5 million building in Burlington, VT, which contains classrooms, a gym, and headquarters for social workers.” The Class extends its sympathy to John and his family for their loss.

Joseph Platt’s wife, Elizabeth writes: “Joe has Parkinson’s, but is holding his own fairly well. We visit our four scattered (Nashville; Memphis; Yorktown; Alexandria, VA) children and nine grown grandchildren from time to time and see friends.”

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Class Secretary: Henry A. Shorey, P. O. Box 317, Bridgton, ME 04009 (May 1-Nov. 20); 211 Islp Way, Sun City Center, FL 33573 (Dec. 1-Apr. 30)

Class Agents: Maurice T. Littlefield and Thomas J. Sheehy, Jr., M.D.

Charles W. Badger writes: “I have been married to Julia for 61 years. We have four children, five grandchildren, and two great-grands. I’m still working. If I retired, I wouldn’t know what I’d retire from. Neither Julia nor I are on medication. Still percolating—maybe with a few less perks than we had in ’42.”

Charles P. Edwards writes: “Licia and I will celebrate our 60th anniversary next August. In Florida, winters, we enjoy the company of Class Secretary Henry ‘Hank’ Shorey and wife Eula, our neighbors in Sun City Center. I keep busy—class secretary, Fletcher School; AFS Board Member, Barnstable, ME; masters swim team, Sun City Center. We hope some of us of ’41 can get together for Number 65 in 2006.”

Ed Stetson briers: “Fifteen grandchildren, playing golf and chess, traveling a bit—Nantucket, Wilmington, NC; Camden, ME; Houston.”

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Richard C. Johnstone ’44

Few Bowdoin volunteers have had as remarkable a record of service as Richard Johnstone, a 2003 recipient of a Polar Bear Award, given by the Alumni Council to longtime Bowdoin volunteers for outstanding service and dedication to the College. As class president, he has chaired every class reunion for the Class of 1944, and will do so again for the 60th reunion in 2003-04. He also served as a keynote speaker at the Campus Career Conference in 1963, a director of the Bowdoin Club of Boston from 1961 to 1969, an Associate Class Agent, and a capital campaign volunteer. He lives in Nashua, New Hampshire, and Siesta Key, Florida, with his wife, Marion.

Douglas Carmichael updates: “Steadily advancing macular degeneration. I use a Merlin video-magnifier and talking books.”


W. Robert Levin reports: “Winter residence: Indian Spring Country Club, Boynton Beach, FL, 561-736-3148, for alumni in the area.”

Bert Mason reports: “Twin sons celebrated their 50th birthday this September. Daughter works at San Jose Public Library. Another summer on Bailey Island and its proximity to Bowdoin provided many events, including the use of the fitness center at the Morrell Gym. I could not keep up with all the young people and middle-age athletes, but the inspiration was there! Am looking forward to the 60th Reunion of our Class of 1944 in June.”

Philip Slayton is “looking forward to the 60th.”

Jesse M. Corum, III reports: “This is the year we turned 80 and moved to a Christian retirement community in Penney Farms, FL, where everyone volunteers at something. We are on a Florida map and would be happy to show our classmates around this unique place west of St. Augustine and south of Jacksonville.”

George R. Dawson writes: “Roberta and I have moved to a new home at 18 Schooner Drive, Rockland, ME 04841. It’s called downsizing. We’re very happy in our new town house.”

Philip H. Philbin is “enjoying golf, fishing, the computer. Health has been great! Winter in Vero Beach, FL, Maryland in the summer. Ten grandchildren—two off to college next fall.”

Mathematician Charles W. Curtis published an article titled “Richard Brauer, Sketches from His Life and Work” in the October 2003 issue of American Mathematical Monthly. “Charles spent most of his teaching career at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and the University of Oregon. His main research interest has been the representation theory of finite groups and Lie algebras. He collaborated with the late Irving Reiner in writing three expository books on representation theory and developed his current interest in the theory as a result of that work.” From an American Mathematical Monthly article, October 2003.

Phil Smith writes: “A Nevis welcome to classmates and any who wish to flee to sun and sand—call 869-469-9445. B & B will be open November ’03 to April 30, ’04.”

Joseph W. Woods, owner and publisher of California Builder & Engineer (CB&E) magazine from 1970 to 1988, was the subject of an August CB&E article, which began: “A short biography of Joe Woods speaks volumes in one sense but does little to really capture how much he means to those who know him well and have formed a friendship with him over the years.” The tribute article concluded with several testimonials about Joe from admiring friends and colleagues. From a Riverside, CA CB&E article, August 4, 2003.

Wayne Lockwood reports: “Pat and I still enjoy good health and are happy to have three of the four children back in Maine. We see them often.”

Harold Lusher updates: “With the possible exception of bad knees, I appear to be in reasonably good health, and am still allowed to walk around unsupervised in public. Best regards to all surviving classmates!”

Martin Robinson has “three sons, five grandchildren, all well. I now reside in a residential ward since the death of my wife. I manage to keep busy.”

Thomas O. Woolf writes: “Lost part of my foot.”

Class Secretary: Kenneth M. Schubert, 11 Whisperwood Point, Galena, IL 61036
Class Agent: Robert L. Morrell
Planned Giving Agent: Robert L. Morrell

Clayton Reed writes: “I have served on the Capital Campaign Committee and managed to bat 100% on solicitations for the Somerville Union Meeting House (UCC Congregational). We more than met our goal and now are working to set up an endowment fund. The steeple work has been nearly completed. The new furnace has been installed in the parish house and the toilets are being made handicap accessible. The 150-year-old metal ceiling will be repaired and painted. The church is on the National Historic Register. One of our summer members teaches with Dr. Ernst Helmreich’s son.”

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Class Agent: Sanford R. Sistare
Planned Giving Agent: William T. Webster

Delbert R. Nash is “retired.”

Al Nicholson directs his note to Class Agent Sandy Sistare: “Sandy, real early this year! See you in church!”

Bill Norton reports: “A difficult year. My wife, Lily, died very quickly of an insidious, untreatable glioblastoma multiforme.” The Class extends its sympathy to Bill and his family for their loss.

Norman Rapkin “moved from Montreal, Quebec to Scarborough, Maine in June 2002. Maine is a haven; I recommend it to one and all.”

Raymond S. Troubh, “a founding director of ARIAD Pharmaceuticals, Inc, was honored in October as Director of the Year by the National Association of Corporate Directors, the premier organization for boards and directors of U.S. business corporations and an authoritative voice of matters of corporate governance policy and practice. Mr. Troubh, elected chairman of Enron in the aftermath of that company’s debacle, was recognized for his leadership ‘under intense public scrutiny’ of the newly constituted Enron board.” From a New York, NY Women’s Financial Network Online article, October 21, 2003.

ALUMNI COUNCIL AWARD WINNER

Richard M. Burston ’49
For years, Dick Burston has taken on leadership roles for the College whenever asked. He is a 2003 recipient of a Polar Bear Award, given by the Alumni Council to longtime Bowdoin volunteers for outstanding service and dedication to the College. For the 175th Anniversary Campaign, he was a member of the Southern Connecticut Special Gifts Committee. He has served as a BASIC volunteer, Associate Class Agent, a member of numerous Reunion Planning Committees, and chair of the Special Gifts Committee for his 50th reunion. In 1995, he was elected to the Alumni Council and served as its president in 1997-98. In 1990, he established the Richard and Phoebe Burston Scholarship Fund at Bowdoin. He and his wife, Phoebe, live in Harpswell, Maine, and he is the father of Mark A. Burston ’89.

ALUMNI COUNCIL AWARD WINNER

Leroy P. Heely ’51
Roy Heely’s devotion to the College seemingly knows no bounds. He brings limitless enthusiasm and creativity to the many roles he fills for Bowdoin, never more so than in 2002-03. For his selfless and hard-working efforts this past year, Heely was named recipient of the Foot Soldier of Bowdoin Award. Roy has been a dedicated volunteer for decades, serving as a capital campaign volunteer, reunion planner, and since 1999, as a Class Agent. In 2000, he was appointed to the Steering Committee of the Association of Bowdoin Friends, a group that sponsors Bowdoin events for Brunswick-area residents. He has been an active member of the ABF’s Marketing Committee, frequently blanketing the area with flyers and brochures, staffing booths, and publicizing ABF on his periodic jazz disc jockey programs on radio station WBOR. He has willingly volunteered to serve as a host for Parents Weekend and Commencement. In 2002-03, he agreed to serve as Class Secretary, drafting correspondence to his classmates and authoring a Class Notes column in Bowdoin magazine. He lives in Brunswick.

Foot Soldier of Bowdoin Award
Established in 1999 through the generosity of David Z. Webster ’57, this award recognizes an alumnus or alumna who exemplifies the role of a foot soldier of Bowdoin through his or her work for the development programs, BASIC, and/or other alumni programs during the prior year. A scholarship will be given in the name of the recipient to a deserving Bowdoin student or students.
As a result there's not much left of the old delta where our hockey team once toiled. It's early December and the well-publicized big snow has left its mark. It's great to be young and in Maine. We now have 158 classmates so there should be plenty of news not only of your golden years activities but also those of wives, others, children and grandchildren. You and yours are no doubt involved in pursuits unrelated to those of your past so don't be shy; let me (and classmates) know what's up. My addresses, both home and email, are shown above. Operators are standing by.

In the fall issue of Bowdoin I noted the long reign of Jim Decker in the football record book. Two other classmates (no longer with us) are also listed after 50-plus years: Dick Rosse ranks second in Best Average Carry per Season (1948) with 6.1 yards, while Jules Siroy is third in Longest Run from Scrimmage—79 yards vs. Amherst in 1948. Did you know there is a Class of 1951 Scholarship Fund? Well there is and it was established as part of our 25th reunion observance. It is now sizeable—well into six figures—and provides a grant of close to $6 thousand each year for a deserving student. So, if you would like to donate a specific amount to the Scholarship Fund as a part of your total Alumni Fund contribution, please feel free to do so. Our fund drive for 2003-2004 is now underway so let's maintain our high level of class participation! Our eminent class vice president Bob Kemp reflects upon his four years (ending April 2003) on the Bowdoin Alumni Council. 'Great progress was made from the initial days to my final sessions. We worked within a new Council Charter developed to assure that all eight eras of classes would be represented. It was a blended team working to execute positive results for the College. It was a joy to dialogue with the representatives of the younger eras, who demonstrated enthusiasm, intelligence, and remarkable talent. The many working sub-committees had specific agendas for spring and fall meetings. As one gained more experience each year the individual's contribution grew significantly. I enjoyed serving on the Communications, Officer Selection, Class Leadership, and Awards committees. The Plenary Session, which closed out the three days, was a wonderful educational tool to rally members around the mission of the Alumni Council. I would be remiss not to mention the leadership of the Council presidents. We alums are fortunate to have had outstanding leaders Greg Kerr '79, Bill Chapman '63, Mike LePage '78, and our new president-elect Mark Bayer '79. It was an honor and pleasure to have had this opportunity!' Our equally eminent class president Keith Harrison writes from Cape Cod: 'As a result of volunteering on an International Executive Service Corps four-week project in the country of Georgia, formerly part of the USSR, I have become absorbed into a small non-profit organization, American Friends of Georgia, that is dedicated to the plight of children and adults in a country that wants to be democratic but where corruption still
rules. I am the AFG’s most active volunteer assisting the director and am the single U.S. employee. Starting with 60 street children in an orphanage spearheaded by a young Christian Orthodox abbess, we have expanded to encouraging and funding a village to provide a home environment as the next step beyond the orphanage along with housing for single mothers and elderly women. We also sponsor start-up NGOs and schools for the young mentally and physically impaired, a clinic for psychiatric and depressed adults, a baby hospital, a children’s tuberculosis hospital and much more. It has now become a case study in how to build a firmer financial base to support a successful program that works directly for and with recipients. What starts out innocently often ends in chaos, as in the 40-foot, 15-ton overseas container carrying 547 boxes of clothing, toys, medical supplies, computers, etc. that reached Georgia in September—all repackaged here on Cape Cod during the winter and loaded on the hottest day in July by me and a few hardy Boy Scouts. Somehow writing pleas for money, stuffing envelopes, solving a myriad of problems and listening to and advising a self-trained leader who leads with her heart brings a great sense of accomplishment and pleasure. And we make progress—somehow! One other thought, as the years go by, reunions become even more important in maintaining a connection with our classmates and the College. And it is amazing to me to see how easy it is to pick up conversations about families, travel, retirements and medical situations from when we were last together. This was particularly evident, in a tangential way, in September when three members of Bowdoin ’51, with spouses, were in Sonoma, California. Dave and Ann Conrod, Don and Ann Moore, and Marilyn and I attended a mini-reunion of the Harvard Business School Class of 1956. Two other HBS classmates had vineyards and wineries for us to visit; thus the locale. We now look forward to getting together with other members of the class of 1951 for our 53rd in June 2006. We hope to start the planning shortly on making that a memorable occasion and look forward to seeing many of our Bowdoin classmates and friends there. Those attending our big five-oh reunion dinner may recall inducting lovely Eli Orlic as an honorary member of our illustrious class. Eli, from the Office of Annual Giving, went above and beyond with dedication to make our fiftieth reunion campaign the success it was. News alert: Eli and husband are expecting their first child—congratulations to our one of a kind classmate! As a closer I must note the touching support and condolences you rendered with your cards, letters, emails, phone calls and other gestures last summer and fall. You know who you are, and you were superb! Hope the holiday season was, in today’s vernacular, awesome for all of ’51!’

Theodore G. Rand updates: “Our new life in a retirement community in Bedford, MA (Carleton-Willard) provides a carefree, friendly lifestyle with freedom to visit family nearby. We still have our favorite haunt in New Hampton, NH, and trips to Bowdoin in the spring are always a walk down memory lane. Too few weddings, and too many memorial services.”

52 Secretary and Planned Giving Agent: Adrian L. Asherman, 15 Eben Hill Road, Yarmouth, ME 04096
Class Agent: Dr. Reginald P. McManus

53 Class Agent and Planned Giving Agent: J. Warren Harthorne, M.D.
Charles Shuttleworth is “very much enjoying the quiet and beauty of the Berkshire mountains after all the years in the city and suburbia. Since I am a Nathaniel Hawthorne Associate, for our 50th, I thought I would re-read and go for his work I hadn’t read. He is a great, great writer!”

54 Planned Giving Agent: John W. Church, Jr
Paul P. Brountas, senior counsel at Hale and Dorr, was among the panelists speaking in Boston on how controversial legislation is impacting the relationship between executives and boards in a discussion entitled “Sarbanes-Oxley: The First Year.” The panelists ‘explored how the make up, roles, and responsibilities of boards of directors have shifted as a result of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.” From a California Business Wire article, October 29, 2003.
Leo R. Sauvé writes: “As of the school year ending May 2003, I will have...
graduated from Bowdoin 49 years ago—fast approaching my half century mark in June 2004. As I see the surviving class members dwindling with each magazine issue, I consider myself blessed to be in such good shape—as are my wife, and children as well. Now that our fraternity is gone (Delta Upsilon/Delta Sigma) a piece of my memories is also gone—sometimes sadly, sometimes realizing that progress and time bring changes; I guess I’m coming to grips with my own mortality, but meanwhile I’m living life to the fullest and pressing on.”

Bob Hawley “finally got to Roque Island, Maine, in my 35-foot sloop out of Gloucester this last summer.”

Scott Sargent reports. “Helen and I continue to enjoy living full time in Maine and looking forward to the 50th reunion in 2005. We now have nine grandchildren spread out over four decades, for which we are very proud. Ages are from 28 downward to two years old.”

The Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) recognized Dr. Aaron J. Shatkin, a scientific leader at University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ)-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, as one of the nation’s foremost biomedical sciences researchers at a November 8 ceremony held in conjunction with its 114th annual meeting in Washington, D.C. Dr. Shatkin, director of the Center for Advanced Biotechnology and Medicine, received the Award for Distinguished Research in Biomedical Sciences. This distinguished research award, established by the AAMC in 1981, is awarded to medical school faculty members who conduct outstanding clinical or laboratory research.”

Dick Armstrong reports: “Had a busy summer between Greenwich and the Berkshires with a side trip to Ireland to confirm that mediocre golf is transatlantic. We did, however, not have one drop of rain over 10 days, which is a record! Pam is still busy in real estate, and I keep busy with beverage consulting and chairman of audit committee for UBS mutual fund group. Exciting times to be a mutual fund director, and wish I’d taken more accounting courses at Bowdoin!”

Jay Howard updates: “Enjoy summers in Kennebunk Beach, Maine, where there is a large number of great Bowdoin alumni.”

Class of 1957 News as reported in December by Class Agent Ed Langbein: “To again open on a sad note, Dick Smith passed away on 13 October of cancer. Our sympathy to Mary Jane and his son and daughter. From letters it appears that a number of us have some parts wearing out—wishing quick and complete recovery to Jill Perry (hip
Peter D. Fuller ‘59

Peter Fuller is a thoughtful and committed volunteer for Bowdoin, and a 2003 recipient of a Polar Bear Award, given by the Alumni Council for outstanding service and dedication to the College. He has been a Class Agent since 1998 and chair of the Leadership Gifts Committee for his 40th reunion, a role he will reprise in 2003-04. He served as a club representative to the Alumni Council from 1994 to 1997 and was president of the Bowdoin Club of York County (Maine) in 1994-95. In 2000, he was appointed to the Alumni Council. He also served as a Maine Regional Committee member for the New Century Campaign. He is the father of Karen L. Fuller ‘84, with whom he established a scholarship fund in 1998 to support Bowdoin students. He lives in Kennebunk, Maine, with his wife, Delta.

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Carl Olsson is “planning to step down from the chairmanship at Columbian Presbyterian Medial Center urology department this year. Will stay on doing a full urology oncology practice and research, but will give off tedious administrative tasks to others. Am presently secretary of the American Urological Association and have many jobs, including running the largest urological meeting in the world each year. Having fun with new assignments, having my son on my faculty, and my son-in-law, also in urology, at UC-Davis.”

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2083 Sheriff’s Posse Trail, Prescott, AZ 86303
Class Agents: Gerard O. Haviland,
Edward M. Kaplan, and Joel B. Sherman
Planned Giving Agent: D. Michael Coughlin

Dave Ballard writes: “While riding our Harley back from California this past summer, Linda and I had a delightful visit with Linda and Dick Hatheway ’61. Both Gordon and I are working full time and enjoying it very much. He’s still head of the geology department at SUNY Geneseo and mayor of Geneseo for the past 17 years!”

Bill Christmas married his junior high school sweetheart, Polly Raye (Smith ’61), on June 21 2003, in Taos, New Mexico. In July a celebration was held in Boothbay Harbor, Maine. See photo in Weddings section.

Peter Hanson is “thoroughly enjoying retirement in Maine. Have sung with many different groups and have been on two singing tours in Europe. Involved with many volunteer activities—a tutor and member of the board of directors of the Literacy Volunteers of America, and as a guardian ad litem with CASA—Court Appointed Special Advocate. Great to have many alumni in the area!”

On July 12, 2003, Nicholas E. Monsour “died at home of a massive heart attack,” reported a family member. The Class extends its sympathy to Nick’s family.

Class Secretary: Ronald F. Famiglietti,
9870 S. Rosemont Ave, #208, Lone Tree, CO 80124
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Michael Farmer is “still living in Europe, working for the Army. It is time to retire, but it is hard to give it up while our forces are deployed.”
“Dr. Marcus Homer Merriman’s book, The Rough Wooings: Mary Queen of Scots 1542-1551, was awarded The Saltire Society Scottish History Book of the Year Award for the year 2000, Scotland’s premier such honor. The Saltire Society was founded in 1936 ‘to preserve, enhance, and disseminate all that is best in Scottish society and culture.’ It is the country’s principal cultural organization and presents awards over a wide range of activities from poetry to first novels to primary schools, good housing, and civic engineering design.”

Neil Millman reports: "Eldest daughter, Shara Lynn, will be married at the age of 35 (!) in Providence on April 3. Shara is currently associate professor of radiology at Columbia University after graduating from the University of Michigan and serving her residency at Parkland Hospital in Dallas. Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Hartford, and holds a law degree from Syracuse University. The happy couple plans on living in Manhattan."

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Class Secretary: Charles J. Micoleau, 38 Coyle St., Portland, ME 04101
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Planned Giving Agent: John S. Goldthwait

Bob Simon reported in early November: "I was just at a conference in Palm Springs and spent time there with Joel Reck and Tom Phillips ’84, Marty Glazer ’68, and John Devine ’86. It was a good Bowdoin reunion."

Paul Wallace-Brodeur reports: "This past August, I stepped down from my position as Vermont Medicaid Director into semi-retirement. Enjoying the extra time at home and less job stress."

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Class Secretary: David W. Fitts, Jr., 63 Laurel Lane, PO. Box 341, Newcastle, NH 03854
Class Agent: Howard V. Hennigar, Jr.
Planned Giving Agent: Robert S. Frank, Jr.

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Class Secretary: James C. Rosenfeld, 109 Pinchney St., Boston, MA 02114
Class Agent: Robert E. Peterson
Planned Giving Agent: Kenneth M. Nelson

Steven K. Ingram, president of Andover College, “has been tapped to lead the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). Steven, who took over his post at Andover in July, will become the president of..."
the nation's oldest regional college accrediting organization when he is formally installed this December. The NEASC serves more than 1,800 public and independent schools, colleges, and universities in New England, as well as 110 American/International schools around the globe.” From a Boston, MA Boston Globe article, October 7, 2003.

Gerald F. Rath was the subject of a Boston Business Journal executive profile in November. He “has helped take Boston law firm Bingham McCutchen from being a dominant region firm to a dominant national one, its chairman says. Known for his plainspoken yet courteous demeanor, Rath—who does periodic consulting work for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission—has become a calm and ethical voice for the beleaguered securities field.” From a Boston, MA Boston Business Journal article, November 7, 2003.

Bob Warren wrote to Class Secretary Jim Rosenfeld: “I’m retired now from Lucent Technologies and enjoying it. In early September after three years in the planning, I returned to Maine, not to visit Bowdoin, but to camp and hike Mt. Katahdin in Baxter State Park with three former co-workers (Tom Grogean of Surry, ME; Bob Guenther of Red Bank, NY; and Bob Young of Califon, NJ). All of us scaled Mt. Katahdin on a beautiful day, crossing the vaunted Knife Edge with its treacherous Keyhole Notch, to reach the 5,267-foot Baxter Peak. This was by far the most difficult climb I’ve attempted but, I’m still going strong at 60!”

Jeff Zimmerman was the subject of a Lancaster, PA Sunday News article about his new role as the director of the city’s parks department. He lived in Maine for 30 years and vacationed in Lancaster County for 15 years before moving there to work last October. From a Lancaster, PA Sunday News article, October 5, 2003.

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Class Secretary: Daniel W. Tolpin, M.D., 50 Byron Road, Weston, MA 02193
Class Agents: John A. Bleyle and Jeffrey G. White
Planned Giving Agent: Peter B. Johnson

David A. Lander “received the Foundation Award at the Fellows of the St. Louis Bar Foundation recognition and awards dinner on Saturday, November 8. The award is given to legal professionals who exemplify outstanding community service and charity. Lander, a partner at Thompson Coburn, is president of Professional Housing Resources, Inc., and organization he co-founded that helps people find affordable housing and offers training to pro bono lawyers and accountants.” From a St. Charles, MO St. Charles County Business Record article October 15, 2003.

Jeff White writes: “My management consulting practice at Helms & Co (Concord, NH) continues to thrive and allows me lots of time off. Enjoy working with community hospitals, physicians, home health and hospice agencies, and other providers in northern New England. Time flies as I have been doing this since September 1992. Family is all well and both daughters, son-in-law, and two granddaughters live nearby me. Durham, NH is a vibrant university community, where I have lived for more than 20 years. Deeply saddened by the loss of Dan Ralston in December 2002. A number of Psi U classmates have created a memorial...”
award fund in his name at his high school in North Adams, MA, where he was born and lived after college and his Army service. Anyone interested in joining in, contact Drury High School, Alan Ayer in Middlebury, VT, or me at (603)-868-6294.”

G. Calvin Mackenzie, “Goldfarb Family Distinguished Professor of Government at Colby College, has been elected a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration, a non-profit organization chartered by Congress to provide expert advice and analysis to government leaders on issues of governance and management. Over the past 25 years, Dr. Mackenzie has testified before Congress on numerous occasions concerning the issues of public administration, public personnel management, and government ethics. His book, The Politics of Presidential Appointments, is one of the most important works on that topic. His recent work, Scandal Proof: Can Ethics Laws Make Government Ethical?, sparked public debate about ethics regulations.” From National Academy of Public Administration news release, November 24, 2003.

Harvey Wheeler writes: “On August 9, I walked my oldest daughter down the aisle and shed a tear as she became Bethany Lynn Taglieri. I am enrolled in a support group for young prospective grandfathers.”

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Class Agent: Richard P Caliri
Planned Giving Agent: David F Huntington

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Class Secretary: Roger W. Raffetto,
18 Thompson Ave., Hingham, MA 02043
Class Agents: Donald C. Ferro and Robert E Lakin
Planned Giving Agent: Gordon A. Flint

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Class Secretary: James M. Barney,
18 Brown St., Ipswich, MA 01938
Class Agents: Kenneth M. Cole III and Peter E. Driscoll
Planned Giving Agent: Paul R. Gauron

Peter Hardy was joined at his daughter Sarah’s September wedding by his brothers Erland ’70 and Stephen ’70, and classmate Ken Martin. See accompanying photo.

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wife, Janet Clapp, in September. Bucknell president Rogers wrote: “It gives me great pleasure to announce the appointments of Maurice Aburdene, Charles Clapp, and Martha Verbrugge to Presidential Professorships, effective January 1, 2004. Each of these faculty members has exhibited to a remarkable degree high achievement in teaching, research and other scholarly activities, and professional accomplishment. In addition, they have been strong leaders in educational affairs at Bucknell, and their talents will bring to these appointments considerable distinction. Professors Aburdene, Clapp, and Verbrugge join a distinguished group of former Presidential Professors.” Charles began teaching at Bucknell in 1983 and has been a full professor since 2001. He became chair of the chemistry department in 1997.

Greg Darlin received his second Ph.D., in English, from City University Graduate Center (New York City) in February 2003. His first Ph.D., in South Asian religion, was obtained in 1982 from Columbia University. He teaches in NYC at Fordham University and at John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Mark “Chick” Levine reports: “Both children were married this fall, Mandy over Labor Day in Portland, Aaron in October in Chicago. Sharon is now executive director of Rochester’s Ronald McDonald House. I’m enjoying my ob/gyn practice here and the challenges of teaching residents and medical students.”

James Sterio is “still practicing law in the metro Boston area. Son, Tim, graduated from Colby last May and is now living and working in Manhattan. Daughter, LeAnne ’05 is spending the fall semester abroad, participating in the ISLE program in Sri Lanka. Eileen and I are enjoying the hiatus as empty nesters. Caught up with Tom Ryan, Chick Lavine, Mac Young, and John Olson at the marriage of Susan and Bud Christy’s youngest daughter, Laura, in York, Maine this past September.”

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Class Secretary: Owen W. Larrabee, 213 Drexel Road, Ardmore, PA 19003
Class Agent: Craig W. Williams
Planned Giving Agent: Leonard W. Cotton

Michael S. Cary “is the new executive director of the Yellowstone Park Foundation in Bozeman, Montana. The Foundation is the fundraising organization of Yellowstone National Park. Its mission is to fund projects that protect, preserve and enhance
Yellowstone National Park, such as research studies, education programs, and historic preservation. Cary, who has a master’s degree in teaching from Brown, and a master’s in religion from Yale Divinity School, has been an assistant dean of admissions at Amherst, assistant dean of students at Bates, dean at Deerfield Academy (MA), and for the past seven years, headmaster at The Lawrenceville School in Princeton, NJ. He credits Bowdoin with ‘changing my life.’” From a Presque Isle, ME Star Herald article, September 3, 2003.

Patrick McDonald writes: “I now have two grandchildren! Granddaughter, Tahlia, was born in September last year. Grandson will soon be five years old.”

Richard Wilson reports: “Karen and I are new empty nesters. Our last two children (out of four) are in college: Emily (Harvard) and Alex (Claremont McKenna). I’m now in cardiology practice in Salem, OR.”

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Class Secretary: William T. Hale, 5 Larrabee Farm Road, Brunswick, ME 04011
Class Agents: Thomas R. Friedlander and Clifford S. Webster
Planned Giving Agent: Beverly Newcombe Woodcock

Alexander Mesrobian reports: “Son Nicholas at Rochester Institute of Technology, a photography major. Son Benjamin at Morse High School in Bath. Hopes for Bowdoin.”

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Class Secretary: C. Scott Smith, Jr., 13714 Boquita Drive, Del Mar, CA 92014
Class Agent: Jeffery D. Begin and Thomas J. Costin
Planned Giving Agent: Charles W. Redman, III

“Dr. Samuel B. Broaddus [presented] a lecture entitled ‘Finding Common Good: the Health Care Tragedy in Haiti’ at the Baxter Memorial Library [in Westbrook, ME] on Wednesday, November 5. Broaddus is a urologist in Portland and the 2003 recipient of Bowdoin’s Common Good Award. He has spent over 20 years promoting international cooperation among urologists and has volunteered his time and expertise at hospitals all over the world.” From a Westbrook, ME American Journal article, October 22, 2003.

Peter F. Healey reported in September: “After many years overseas, have returned to ExxonMobil downstream headquarters in Fairfax, VA. With both children now at Langley H.S., we need not wander the world anymore. Both kids doing crew and putting off college application process as long as they can! I’m to take over Global Wholesale Fuels business Oct 1 and relinquish my current position as head of Global Customer Service. Instead of running a truck fleet, I’ll now begin selling to them! Hoping to get to Brunswick to see some football this year: Washington-based Class of ‘73, where are you?”

Vista Medical Technologies, Inc. announced that Michael H. Owens has been appointed to the newly created position of President of the Obesity Surgery Management Services business unit, which is soon to be incorporated as a subsidiary of the company. He will also be chief medical officer of Vista Medical Technologies and a member of its board of directors. Prior to joining Vista Medical, Dr. Owens was president of Imhotep Health systems, a healthcare and managed care consulting firm specializing in strategic business and clinical resource planning and implementation.” From a PR Newswire (CA) article, September 10, 2003.

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Class Secretary: Robert D. Bardwell III, 259 High St., P.O. Box 626, Pittsfield, MA 01202
Class Agent: Stephen N. Gifford
Planned Giving Agent: Joseph J. Leghorn

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Class Secretary: Barbara Tarmy Fradin, 101 Central Park West, New York, NY 10023
Class Agent: Leo J. Dunn, III
Planned Giving Agent: Paul W. Dennett

“After a limited run one year ago in Connecticut, Wilton (CT) playwright Jonathan...”

“Harry, can you help me? That’s a question which Harry K. Warren, director of career counseling and placement, fields from students and alumni...On the retirement in 1972 of Samuel A. Ladd, Jr. ’29, the College’s first placement director...Harry was named to his present position...he also has major responsibilities as director of the Moulton Union (since 1969) and co-coordinator of Bowdoin summer activities.”
Bell was encouraged by producers to bring his play, 9/11 Portraits, to New York audiences. Now titled Portraits, it opened Off-Broadway on Sunday, September 21, at the Union Square Theater. Portraits, a canvas of life stories, is a collection of personal experiences viewed from the perimeter of events surrounding September 11, 2001. Bell is a writer and actor, a past member of the 42nd Street Workshop, and a current member of the Dramatists Guild. He attended Circle-in-the-Square Theater School and the MFA program at Smith College for acting and playwriting. From Darien, CT Darien Times article, August 28, 2003.

Doug Buckley writes: “We’re in the midst of planning my 50th party, and just finished a major remodel of the house. Both boys are competing in gymnastics and Jacob (10) just completed his first book—soon to be available on Amazon.com. Shelley is finishing a six-month sabbatical this week with a trip to Vienna, where she’ll be presenting the results of her work. As for me, life at Exelixis is great and the company is now putting its first drugs into the clinic. All is well!”

John Danaher wrote in early fall: “I have now just completed 12 years on the Grosse Pointe, MI city council—four as mayor. My focus continues to be primarily my three teenage daughters and my career in health system philanthropy. No one said it would be easy!”

Victor ‘Vic’ Fields reports: “My wife of 22 years, Regina Bryant-Fields ’77, finally convinced me to pursue my dream. So, for the past decade, I have been performing and writing music. The LA Times described me as a ‘stylistically accomplished singer,’ and my most recent CD, 52nd Street, climbed to #12 on the Billboard Contemporary Jazz Chart. I love music and my affinity for jazz began with my Friday night radio show on WBOR, at that time the only jazz show north of Boston.”

Jo Greene writes: “I am proud to announce that as of October 1, 2003, I began my year as Lt. Governor for the New York District of Kiwanis International. Our Web site address (for events and news), which is linked both to the New York district and to Kiwanis International is: http://hometown.aol.com/linorthkiwanis/LongIslandNorthKiwani.html. Also, our monthly publication, which you will receive via email (should you choose to read it) is called the Northerner. I expect the upcoming year will be filled with equal parts of hard work and lots of fun and I hope to see you all in my travels!”

Ray Votto, Jr. reports: “My daughter, Lindsay, graduated from Providence College last May—summa cum laude. Sure doesn’t
take after her dad. I was inducted into the Cranston Hall of Fame in October. Requirements: had to have graduated from the Cranston Public Schools and be nominated for professional and personal achievements.”

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Class Secretary: Glenn A. Brodie, P.O. Box 1618, Duxbury, MA 02331
Class Agents: Anne M. Ireland and Stephen P. Maidman
Planned Giving Agent: Dr. Ellen Shuman

John Erickson ‘had a wonderful time with ’76 ex-laxers Dave Barker, Dave Hansel, Mal Gould, Ken Hollis, Bill Clark, Bill Janes, and Tom Tsagarakis trying to pick up ground balls at altitude during the Vail Shoot Out this past June. We shone more by virtue of exposed scalp than by play! During the past year, I have also had the honor to meet and become involved with local support for Hanley Denning ’92 and her remarkable Safe Passage project in Guatemala. She’s living proof of the impact Bowdoin has worldwide!”

Guy Holliday reports: “Cathy and I are well, now married 30 years. Our daughter, Jamie, born in Brunswick during winter finals my senior year (Nate Dane ’65 noted that she was the rare ‘legitimate’ child of a Bowdoin student) is also in Naval Intelligence. Son, Jack, is in his senior year at Virginia Commonwealth University, closing in on a mechanical engineering degree.”

Christopher R. Sherwood, an American Geophysical Union (AGU) member since 1980, is an oceanographer at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in Woods Hole, MA. His major research interest is the measurement and modeling of sediment and contaminant transport in coastal waters. He as a Ph.D. in geological oceanography from the University of Washington. Prior to joining USGS, he held research positions at Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, Hobart, Tasmania; and Battelle, Pacific Northwest Laboratories, Sequim and Richland, WA.” From a Washington, D.C. Eco-Transactions, AGU article, September 23, 2003.

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Class Secretary: David M. Garratt, 7800 Chagrin Road, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023
Class Agents: Gail M. Maltius and James S. Small
Planned Giving Agent: Keith D. Halloran

For news of Regina Bryant-Fields ’77, see Victor Fields ’75

Jay DiPucchio says: “I’m broke, but please don’t send money to me, send it to the Alumni Fund.”

Carl L. Leinonen ‘of Scarborough (ME) has been appointed by Gov. John Baldacci to the Dirigo Health Board of Directors. Leinonen is executive director of the Maine State Employees Association/SEIU, a position he has held since 1990. The MSEA advocates on behalf of state employees, it is a multi-million dollar organization with more than 30 staff.” From a Scarborough, ME Current article, September 18, 2003.

Anne Pendergast ‘still lives in Big Horn, WY and has taken back her former name. My kids still keep me busy; Sally is a junior at the Madeira School in McLean, VA, and Cyrus is a freshman at Sheridan Jr. High School. Life is good!”

Rebecca Rose ‘moved back to Normandy, France after eight years in Berlin. Worked for German TV (documentaries) and taught English. Many interesting adventures. Trekked this summer in the Cevennes with my donkey, ‘Jeep’—we star in an upcoming TV film for German/French channel, ARTE. Check it out! All Polar Bears welcome here. I’m just a stone’s throw from Omaha Beach.”

Vicki Weeks is “continuing my work as

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Bowdoin graduates who worked for Summer School 2003 included: Dean of Admissions Richard “Hobart” Hardef ’72, Dean Christopher Seeley ’94, Instructors Werner Brandes ’61, Suzanne Gigante ’94, and Elizabeth Stevens ’87. They were joined by Bowdoin Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology Janet Lohmann.

Summer School 2003 marked the fourth summer of a special recruitment initiative, the Chamberlain Leadership Scholarship. Mayra Alvarado, Alicia Crumbs, Kai Ford-Ellison, Dotan Johnson, and Deryn McKesss attended Exeter’s summer session prior to matriculating into Bowdoin College, Class of 2007.

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service learning coordinator and college counselor at Lakeside School in Seattle. One favorite part of my job is taking groups of students on a month-long trip in the Peruvian Andes. Another favorite (?) part is living with two teenage boys in the house, watching them grow before my eyes. Come visit the beautiful Pacific Northwest!"

Jeffrey Zacharakis reports: “November 2, 2003 was my first time back to Maine in 16 years. After graduating Bowdoin in 1985, I moved to Iowa, where I started working at the University of Iowa. I later moved to Iowa City, where I became the first director of the Iowa City Campus Center. I have recently been appointed executive vice president of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. I am looking forward to returning to Maine and visiting my alma mater."

Reed E. Bunzel updates: “Diana and I this summer relocated to our home on the beautiful island of St. John in the U.S. Virgin Islands. Aside from an annoying lack of phones, we’re having a wonderful time. Through the wonders of telecommuting, I’m still editor-in-chief of Radio Ink magazine, and Diana is a nurse at the health clinic on the island. My stepdaughter (Diana’s daughter), Jenny, is a freshman at Cal State-Chico in California, majoring in business and marketing.”

“After 16 years of practicing law at the Wright Lindsey & Jennings law firm, Nancy Bellhouse May left two years ago to become editor of The Journal of Appellate Practice and Process at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law. May’s impact on the UALR journal has already been felt. It has attracted articles from academics affiliated with top law schools, from lawyers at some of the country’s leading law firms, and from influential judges. It has been cited by courts across the country and recognized for its contributions to legal writing by the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers.” From a CNN Money article, December 1, 2003.


Dan Shannon updates: “The last several years, I have been focused on creating a family (and somehow getting in a few weekend rounds of golf)! My youngest child, son Kai, was recently born September 14, 2003, and he completes our family of two boys and two girls. So, for the next 16 years or so, my wife and I will be doing the family thing full time while still trying to preserve our sanity (and perhaps have lives of our own as well!). Anybody out there privy to the real scoop why Jim Small ’77 turned down the Chairman and Chief Executive position for the NYSE?”

Michael E. Haylon was appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer at The Phoenix Companies, Inc. “Prior to his appointment, he served as executive vice president and chief investment officer. As CFO, he will be responsible for corporate finance, comprising corporate financial reporting, treasury, tax planning and compliance, financial planning and budgeting, and investment accounting, as well as risk management and corporate audit. He joined Phoenix in 1990 as senior vice president and progressed through a series of promotions within the company’s asset management operation.” From a New York CBS Marketwatch article, November 20, 2003.

Jimmy Katz, “a professional photographer and jazz lover, has worked for most of the major record labels. His photographs have appeared in the leading jazz publications, and are included in a number of private collections.” From a Springfield, PA All About Jazz article September 23, 2003.

Peter F. Richardson “has been named east region manager for KeyBank’s trust and investment services. In his new position, Richardson, a senior vice president, is responsible for overseeing the trust and investment services portfolio management team in KeyBank’s east region, including Maine, New York, and Florida. He will work out of Key’s Augusta (ME) office.” From a KeyCorp news release, August 21, 2003.
Peter Steinbrueck, incumbent Seattle (WA) City Council president was featured in a Seattle Times “Voters Guide” in October, prior to the city’s November City Council elections. From a Seattle, WA Seattle Times article, October 21, 2003. Peter was reelected to the city council by an overwhelming majority.

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Class Secretary: Deborah Jensen Barker, 20 Adams Ave., Short Hills, NJ 07078
Class Agent: Amy H. Woodhouse
Planned Giving Agent: Deborah Jensen Barker

Barbara Hendrie is “a senior policy advisor with the British Government’s Department for International Development, living in London with my Welsh husband, Stephen. Where are all the old Psi U’s now?”

John G. McHenry is “enjoying playing tennis and doing neuro-ophthalmology, and oculoplastic surgery at UT Southwestern in Dallas.”

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Class Secretary: Susan A. Hays, Apt. B-5, 104 Oakwood Ave., West Hartford, CT 06119
Class Agent: Mary Kate Devaney Barnes

Mary Kate Devaney Barnes reports: “Dave and I are still living in New Jersey with our three daughters, Emma (10), Kelley (8), and Meg (2½). Soccer, Irish dancing, etc., fill our weekends and afternoons. Saw Dan Spears, Peg Williams Spears, and Wiley Spears at Ben Snyder ’80 and Sara Dickinson Snyder’s ’77 in Cedar Run, PA—our 23rd year gathering there to celebrate the Fourth of July. Also, there were Kate Greene Brower ’82 and Dave Brower ’82, and their four children, Mark Luz ’82 and Donata Luz, Ned Horton ’82, Big Joe Cogguillo and his son, Luke; Dave Dankens and Anne-Sophie Dankens, and their three children; and Ann Robinson Wadsworth ’81 and Bill Wadsworth, with two of their three children. The adults go to bed earlier and earlier every year, and quarters is now a game for the hardest of souls!”

“Nanosys Inc., a leader in nanotechnology-enabled systems, announced that founders Dr. Paul Alivisatos and Larry Bock were selected as the 2003 Small Times Magazine Best of Small Tech Top Researcher and Top Business Leader Finalist, respectively. Mr. Bock, Nanosys executive chairman, is recognized for his outstanding vision in founding Nanosys, his business leadership, and his role in steering the company towards a leadership position in the emerging nanotechnology industry.” From a PR Newswire (CA) article, November 30, 2003.

Audrey Kurth Cronin “just left Georgetown University to be ‘Specialist in Terrorism’ at the Library of Congress. Have a book coming coming out next month, Attacking Terrorism. Husband Patrick and children, Natalie and Christopher, all busy, happy, and doing well—thank God!”

Vivian Siegel writes: “I have recently returned to San Francisco after nearly 9 years in Boston to become the Executive Director of Public Library of Science, a nonprofit organization of scientists and physicians committed to making the world’s scientific and medical literature a public resource. We will be launching our first journal PLoS Biology in October and then PLoS Medicine in 2004. Everything we publish will be freely accessible online and deposited in PubMedCentral and other public repositories. Check us out at www.plos.org.”

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Class Secretary: CDR David F. Bean, 2610 Dow Drive, Bellevue, NE 68123-1736
Class Agents: Mark H. Luz and John A. Miklus

Beth Brodie writes: “I’m having an exciting year. I have been doing adjunct courses for..."
UVM and sit for teacher training in addition to my full time teaching duties at Wilmington Middle High School. It has been very rewarding to work more at the graduate level. 

Kevin Conroy reports: “Janet and I continue to enjoy living in Manhattan with our three daughters, Chace (10), Paige (8), and Clare (4). I left Bertelsmann in 2001 to join AOL, and recently became COO of AOL Broadband.”

John F. Fish was the subject of an October Boston Magazine article titled, “This Man is Building a $1 Billion Construction Empire.” To view the article, visit http://www.bostonmagazine.com/ArticleDisplay.php?id=294

David Prescott reports: “Diana, Rachel (9), Meredith (6), and Eleanor (3), and I continue to live in Hampden, Maine. Heard through the grapevine that Dave Randall-Bodman moved to the west coast. I’ve started teaching some undergraduate courses in psychology, which I enjoy very much.”

Mark Richard “has taken the position of assistant professor of social studies education and social science at the University of Maine at Fort Kent. He received his Ph.D. from Duke and his master of arts from the University of Maine at Orono. Prior to coming to UMFK, he was teaching history through the humanities department at the Maine School of Science and Mathematics.” From a Madawaska, ME article, August 27, 2003.

Roger Waldron is “living in Vienna, Virginia, working for Uncle Sam. Married Pam Reiner (Michigan alum and Ohio State Law School) in 1997. We have three children. Kaitlin is in first grade this fall. Gregory is 3½ years old, and Roger James (we call him RJ) is just four months old. Life is busy, needless to say”

83 Class Secretary and Class Agent: Charles G. Pohl, 26 Bemis St., Weston, MA 02193
Class Agents: Jeffrey M. Colodny and Charles G. Pohl

Donald “Chip” Wiper is “doing well living in Portland (ME) with wife, Theresa, and son Michael (6).”

84 Class Secretary: Steven M. Linkovich, 100 Green St., Melrose, MA 02176

For news of Bill Mushkin, see Betsy Crane ‘85

Jonathan H. Newman was named Wine Enthusiast magazine’s Man of the Year for 2003. “In his role as Chairman of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, Jonathan, a native of Philadelphia and a lawyer by training, is responsible for some $1.4 billion in wine sales annually. Some 46 million bottles of wine transit his warehouses and store counters every year. But more important by far, and the reason we have selected him as the Wine Enthusiast Man of the Year, is that he is the first person in an official, governmental capacity who is promoting the cause of wine and its pleasures.” From a Wine Enthusiast article, December 15, 2003. To read the article in full, visit http://www.winemag.com/issues/dec03/wine_awards.htm#manofyear.

Bart Surrick was the subject of a Fairfield, CT Fairfield Citizen-News article in October when he ran for the local board of education. “A member of the Stratfield School PTA, and a senior marketing professional, he has a master’s degree in business administration in marketing and management from the University of Texas at Austin. This year, he launched his own marketing consulting firm that works with a start up company that provides response and risk management solutions for direct marketing companies.” From a Fairfield, CT Fairfield Citizen-News article, October 24, 2003.

“Monsignor Marc Caron [was] the guest speaker of the Saints Peter and Paul Society on September 14, in Lewiston, Maine. A native of Lewiston, he completed seminary studies at Catholic University of America and was ordained a priest in 1989. Since 1997 he has served as one of the chancellors of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland. In addition he directs the diocesan office of worship and is the head of the department of ministerial services of the chancery.” From a Lewiston, ME Sun Journal article, September 3, 2003.

“Attorney Pamela J. Khoury is a general practitioner with emphasis in civil litigation, divorce, and other civil and business litigations. Last June she was presented the 2003 Judge Robert D. Marshall Founder’s Award bestowed by the Greater Salem Bar Association at its Law Day Celebration. The award, given annually by the association, recognizes a lawyer who has worked to maintain the honor and dignity of the legal profession.” From a Salem, NH Sale Observer article, November 13, 2003.

Michael Kopp “completed a 4+2 program at Columbia, and then received a Ph.D. in materials engineering from the University of Texas in 1992. I am an analyst and project director for the Center for Naval Analyses (CNA) in Alexandria, VA, however I am currently assigned to the Navy Warfare Development Command in Newport, RI. I can still be reached through my CNA email koppm@cna.org.”

85 Betsy Crane and Bill Mushkin ‘84 announce the addition of baby Elsa Sky Mushkin on June 5, 2003. She joins brothers Noah (4½) and Alexander (2½). “And, we’ve had another moving experience: Four Mushkins & a Crane, 360 Franklin Street, Denver, CO 80218.”

Class Secretary: Kemedy K. McQuillen, 130 Spring St., Portland, ME 04101
Class Agent: Gail Goldsmith Worthington

David Little “was appointed the Director of Adult and Academic Programs at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. His e-mail is dlittleandalexander@earthlink.net”

Suzanne Sorter O’Malley is “still living in Medfield with my husband Bill and kids, Caitlin (19), Sean (13), Jake (12), and Brian (9). Caitlin plays soccer for Jodi Mendelson...”
Feence! Jodi is coaching soccer while eight months pregnant with her third child.

Nancy Shachnow Banker has moved to Harvard, MA, where I travel frequently to take in ‘God’s country.’

Professional tennis coach David O’Meara was the subject of a Sarasota Herald-Tribune article in October about his coaching philosophy, which he recently put on paper in his book, Play Better, Live Better. “He thinks coaches should talk less and listen more. He thinks that instead of intimidating players, coaches should inspire them to think and act for themselves. Essentially, he thinks they should coach themselves out of a job by helping players learn to discipline and motivate themselves.” From a Sarasota, FL, Sarasota Herald-Tribune article, October 11, 2003. See Bookshelf section, this issue.

For news of John Pappas, see Tony Stais ‘87 and accompanying photo.

Eric S. Silverman, founder and general partner of Transitions Capital, LLC, was the subject of an October Boston Business Journal profile. He “likes to describe himself as a ‘parallel entrepreneur.’ That’s because, unlike a serial entrepreneur, he doesn’t shed businesses as he moves on. Instead, he accumulates them. Today, Silverman is a founder, chairman, or director of at least five financial and real estate companies, including St. James Capital LLC, based in his home state of Michigan; Rent Grow Inc., in Waltham (MA); Leader Bank NA in Arlington; and Holtzman and Silverman Construction and Realty, a Michigan company started by his grandfather in 1919.” From a Boston, MA, Boston Business Journal article, October 3, 2003.

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Class Secretary: Mary Haffey Kral, 5132 Woodland Ave., Western Springs, IL 60558

Class Agents: Susan L. Pardus-Galland and Carter A. Welch

Joanne Saint-Louis Butterfield and Peter Butterfield report: “Baby brother Graham joined older sister Samantha (7) and big brother Henry (3) as part of the Butterfield family on April 25, 2003. We continue to enjoy life in Tokyo, going on year number four!”

Roger Clement announces: “My wife, Amy, and I welcomed our first child, Eva, into the world on August 28, 2003. What a blessing!”

Robert S. Mower updates: My partner Jeff Morey and I are celebrating eight years together this fall and recently/finally bought a quintet of women from the late ’80s sang a whole set of songs during the reunion concert Homecoming weekend. (L to r) Susan E. Peirez ’86, Amy E. Winton 90, Lisa Burnett Bossi ’87, Jennifer Graham Billings ’86, and Renee E. Reso ’87 took part in the Miscellania fun.

our first home together in the East Village section of Manhattan this past spring. Jeff is excited to be performing at the Brooklyn Academy of Music’s Next Wave Festival in December. I’ve also recently been in touch with Scott Lateur who, with his long-time partner, Mark Yesayan, has adopted two beautiful boys and is enjoying the California sunshine. Ran into Curtis Cole on the ferry to Fire Island this summer on his way to his new summer home in Cherry Grove. The ‘Bowdoin Go Go’s’ seem to be doing well.”

Greg Norman is “still with Mandel Group in Milwaukee, in real estate development. Wife Margy and I now have two young daughters, Ellie and Mimi, ages one and three.”

Carl R. Pebworth announces: “We just had our third child. Charlie Pebworth was born October 8, 2003 and joins big brother, Hugh, who is four, and sister, Maggie, who is 2½.”

Eliza Leventis Peters “was recently awarded ‘Citizen of the Year’ by the Greater Crofton, MD Chamber of Commerce for her volunteer work in the community. Her projects included acquiring a $1 million gymnasium addition for the Crofton Elementary School.”

Elizabeth Ranucci Varney says: “I have decided to switch gears in my professional life, from my role as a Weight Watchers Leader to being a Mary Kay consultant. It’s wonderful to have a home-based business, and to have more time with my family! Would love to hear from old friends!”

Mitchell Sullivan reports: “Although I still feel young, I guess we are getting older. My father died in September 2003, and it was a great loss, as he was a true friend and mentor. My wife and I are expecting our third child in April 2004. Between kids and work, life continues to be a blur. Hope all my Bowdoin friends and their families are well.”
Fish Story: (L to r) Tony Stais ’87 and John Pappas ’85 met up in New Orleans last fall to celebrate the 15-year anniversary of their record-setting blue marlin catch off the coast of Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. Sure, guys—we want to see the fish! Ed.

Cynthia Latham updates: “After almost 15 years in New York, I finally left the city and moved to Dallas. I can’t believe it, but I bought a house, a car—the whole deal! This is suburbia! I got a job working for AIG, managing a Southwestern region. I’m still evaluating homes, but now only those over five million. Visitors are welcome.”

Tom Richardson writes: “My partner, John Brancato, and I took great pride in the birth of our angelic daughter, Elizabeth Grace (‘Ellie’), on November 5, 2003. While not doting on Ellie, John and I both work at Connecticut Children’s Medical Center in Hartford, he as attending physician in the emergency department, and I as director of academic administration, grants & sponsored programs.”

Jonathan Sigel, partner at Bowditch & Dewey LLP in Worcester, MA was the subject of a Worcester Business Journal profile in September. “What started as a suggestion by his father to take a few law courses as part of his liberal arts education turned into a fascination with the law that led Jon to a career as an attorney. He went on to spend a year as a paralegal in a Boston law firm, eventually enrolling in Emory University School of Law. Outside the workplace, he has been involved with the Jewish Federation of Central Massachusetts since 1992 in many capacities from board member to vice president and in 1998, the federation awarded him the Samuel Seder young Leadership Award. He also works with the United Way of Central MA and the Worcester-based Solomon Schechter Day School.” From a Worcester, MA Worcester Business Journal article, September 8, 2003.

Tony Stais ’85 of Gulfport, MS met up in New Orleans, LA last fall to celebrate the 15-year anniversary of their record-setting blue marlin catch off the coast of Cabo San Lucas, Mexico.” See accompanying photo.

George Zinn, was the subject of a November 2003 Treasury and Risk Management profile: “Microsoft Corp’s assistant treasurer for corporate finance and financial risk says working at the software company, which had $32.1 billion in 2003 revenues, provides the same kind of excitement he experienced in his very first job, working for Shearson Lehman Hutton in the currency pit on the tumultuous floor of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. ‘I started on the floor right out of college. Most people would say that’s not a normal sort of job—the dynamics, the energy, let alone the ability to wear high tops to work,’ says Zinn. ‘That’s my frame of reference for what it is to work for a living.’ In his current position, Zinn is responsible for Microsoft’s $9.2 billion strategic portfolio, its financial risk management and treasury’s IT systems.” From a New York, NY Treasury and Risk Management article, November 2003.

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Class Secretary: B. Steven Polikoff, 610 Cheese Spring Road, New Canaan, CT 06840
Class Agents: Sarah A. Bullock, Heidi A. Cameron, and Kevin B. Daner

Brenden Diffley announces: “James Hollister Diffley was born May 29, 2003. All of the Diffleys are happy and healthy. We continue to be excited about our southern living outside of Charleston, SC.”

Chris Lacke announces: “Cheryl gave birth to our third child, Nolan Christopher, on May 12. His sisters, Bailey and Madeline, are now in second grade and kindergarten, respectively. We finally closed on a house in November, but we have been living out of boxes since June because the sellers pulled out of the first house we tried to buy, six days before closing! I’m tenured now, and I’m going up for promotion to associate professor. My latest work is a statistics textbook. It will be on the shelves this summer. For those of you who hated stats, the book will change your mind, or be a great cure for insomnia.”

‘Moody Investors Service announced its hiring of Gregory W. Lipitz, who joins the regional ratings team as a vice president and senior analyst covering New York local government credits. For six years before joining Moody’s, Lipitz was a financial analyst at the state Dormitory Authority of New York, participating in the authority’s bond issuance transactions. He also analyzed the financial condition and credit-worthiness of not-for-profit organizations eligible for authority financing. He holds a law degree for Brooklyn Law School.” From a New York, NY Bond Buyer article, August 12, 2003.

Matthew Vokey says: “Good to see Morgan Binswanger in the area. Continue to renovate our new/old 1850 farmhouse. Kids, Richard (5), Alexander (3½), are growing fast, and love the Bowdoin Polar Bear uniforms and logos.”
ALUMNI COUNCIL AWARD WINNER

Kathleen McKelvey Burke ’89

Kathleen Burke is a 2003 recipient of a Polar Bear Award, given by the Alumni Council to longtime Bowdoin volunteers for outstanding service and dedication to the College. She has served in key leadership roles for the Class of 1989 from the day she graduated. She served as a Class Agent from 1989 to 1994 and again since 1996. She served as chair of the Participation Committee for her 10th reunion, a role she will resume this year for her 15th reunion. Her fundraising excellence has earned her the Class of 1929 Trophy twice (1990-91 and 1998-99), the Robert Seaver Edwards Trophy (1998-99) and the Robert M. Cross Award (1989-90). In 1999, she became a Fund Director, during which time she served on the Alumni Council’s Ad Hoc Committee on Minority Alumni Relations. She was recently appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee on Young Alumni Participation. She lives in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, with her husband, Patrick, and their two children.

Class Secretary: Suzanne D. Kovacs-Jolley, 108 Carolina Club Dr., Spartanburg, SC 29306

Wendy Brown Jorgensen writes: “Doug ’91 and I are enjoying living in Manchester, Maine. We now have two daughters, Taylor (3½) and Lauren (1). Doug’s medical practice is going well and I’m working part time and enjoying motherhood. Taylor has expressed an interest in going to Bowdoin, but she’s also debating about being a firefighter or a ballerina—we’ll have to wait and see!”

David A. Shacter updates: “My wife Melita & I have recently moved to Marblehead, MA. I keep busy in the warm months cycling, heading Team Polar-Type Bears on charity rides, raising money to fight Multiple Sclerosis. Other Bears on the squad include Susan Lyons, Kevin Daner ’88, with Pat Coughlin and Damon Guterman as their family schedules allow. Team Polar-Type Bears: Riding To Ice MS! Anyone want to join us for next year’s 5th Anniversary Ride?”

Brandon Sweaney sends: “Greetings from San Francisco! Lisa and I are thrilled to announce that Kathryn Winter Sweaney was born December 30, 2002. Kate is a joy, but hasn’t yet figured out that midnight to 6:00 a.m. is supposed to be ‘quiet time.’ Had a west coast golf reunion in September with Val Foti and Kevin Sanborn. Fotto Motta was low score for the first time ever and Kevo should keep his day job. Life in the Bay Area continues to be good.”

Tom Tihen updates: “I now work in a library only a few minutes walk from home. I live one block away from the bay in Rhode Island. I have a lot of family in the area and am very happy. I look forward to the class reunion.”

Kevin Wesley reports: “We are very pleased to announce that Adam Snyder Wesley was born on Monday, October 20, 2003, at 4:59 p.m. He weighed nine pounds, six ounces, and is 21.5 inches long. Gretchen and Adam are both doing great. Adam is alert, loud, feeling well, loud, and did I say loud?”

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Class Secretary: Penny Huss Asherman, 12 Hemlock Dr., Cumberland, ME 04021 Class Agents: Hillary M. Bush, Eric F. Foushee and Katherine S. LaPine

Dan Courcy “has been appointed executive director of development and alumni affairs of Choate Rosemary Hall, an independent secondary school in Wallingford, CT. For the past decade, Courcy has held senior development positions at the University of Vermont, The Hotchkiss School, and most recently at St. Paul’s School in Concord, NH as associate director of development and director of capital gifts and planned giving.” From a Choate Rosemary Hall news release, December 2003.

Ansley Morrison Dauenhauer announces: “Joseph David Dauenhauer was born June 14, 2003. He weighed in at 7 pounds, 13 ounces. We are all thrilled with his safe arrival, including his sister, Maddie, now three. We continue to enjoy living in London and see lots of Anne Beseler Cook ’91 and Stephen Cook and their children, Eleanor, Kay, and Beatrice.”

Gary E. Furash writes: “After excessive time spent studying over coffee at Borders, I’ve gained my PMP (Project Management Professional) certification, part of my never-ending quest to add additional letters to my business card. I’m now out in Phoenix managing software projects for the county attorney’s office (just like TV’s Law and Order but much slower), spending a lot of time with my three-year-old son, and playing horrendous mandolin at my weekly bluegrass circle. My best to all ARUs out there.”

Dave Meyer is “in my fifth year teaching history at Colorado Rocky Mountain School. I also direct the climbing program, teach telemark skiing, and work in the outdoor program. Shannon is associate director of Aspen Valley Land Trust. Two kids keep us busy and we love living in the mountains. Liz Sharp Penzel ’90 and her family live on campus, too, and we see other Bowdoinites living the Roaring Fork Valley often. Saw Renate Scholz-Lague ’90 and her family in Maine this summer.”

Moy Ogilvie was elected to the board of trustees at the Westminster School in Connecticut in October. She is an attorney with the firm of Cummings & Lockwood in Hartford, where she specializes in litigation and dispute resolution. She is a 1986 graduate of Westminster School and received her law degree from Boston University School of Law.” From a West Hartford, CT Valley News article, October 23, 2003.

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Class Secretary: Melissa Conlon McElaney, 6 Buttonwood Road, Amesbury, MA 01913 Class Agents: Judith Snow May and Scott S. Stephens

Ed Burton reports: “News from Pine Street: A. Dale Murray and I both finished our dissertations this year. Dale got a great new job teaching down South at Virginia Commonwealth University. I defended my thesis in June, got it published by the University of Göteborg [See Books/Section of Bowdoin, Fall 2003], and now teach American history at the University of Aberdeen. Pretty crazy, especially since I...
never had a course in U.S. history at Bowdoin—or anywhere else for that matter. So, after ten years, I’ve finally left Sweden and am now giving Scotland a try. Better beer, but I can’t figure out their language yet! My other Pine Street A roommate Kurt Keller ‘90 got married this spring. Still haven’t heard from Matt Schechter yet."

Kim Eckhart writes: “I am working in intellectual property in San Francisco. My husband and I recently became parents. George Colin was born August 6, 2003.”

Brian Goldberg reports: “Becky, Spencer (our son), Stirling Moss (our cat), and I moved from Alpharetta, Georgia to Saint Louis, Missouri in early August 2003. We are now much closer to her family (as they live less than 10 minutes from our house), and her sinus troubles are hopefully going to get better. We are mostly unpacked (late September) and we love our new home. I now work as a trainer for the Sandy Corporation, doing automotive training once again. My current assignment is training Saturn retailers on XM satellite radio, and when that wraps up, I’ll begin a three-year stint as a Cadillac product trainer. Over the next eight weeks, I’ll be all over the Western US (Wyoming to California, and most states in between) singing the praises of XM. If you haven’t heard it, you should check it out! Becky is teaching at the St. Louis JCC Preschool, and Spencer is a student there as well (just not in her class). He is growing like the proverbial weed, and is surprising us every day with new phrases and talents. We hope that all of you Polar Bears out there are doing well, and if you’re ever in St. Louis, look us up; we should be in the book by now.”

For news of Joe Hughes, see Randy Steinberg ‘95 and accompanying photo.

Douglas Jorgensen, D.O., “who practices in Manchester, Maine, and founded Manchester Osteopathic Healthcare, received the Young Alumni Achievement Award from the University of Health Sciences at its 2003 alumni banquet September 5 in Kansas City, MO. The award is presented to an individual who has been an alumnus for fewer than 10 years and has attained a high level of achievement early in his or her career.” From a University of Health Sciences news release, November 3, 2003.

Ned May “is the program manager for International Data Corporation’s (IDC) worldwide services program. In this position, he provides research, market analysis, and consulting on key aspects of the worldwide IT services market. Specific research areas include a competitive analysis of the major IT service vendors, worldwide market trends and forecasts, and identification of new business opportunities and global strategies for the IT services industry. Prior to joining IDC, Ned worked in Prague, Czech Republic, where he designed and implemented operation improvements for a Central European law firm. Before this, he worked in Portland, Maine, as a regional correspondent for Money magazine and as a reporter for The Writing Company.” From the IDC Web site, November 28, 2003.

Jonathan Matthew Perkins and Caroline Grace Gordon, “both of Alexandria, VA, were married May 3, 2003, in Grace Episcopal Church, in downtown Charleston, SC. The bride is a graduate of Furman University in South Carolina. The couple received graduate degrees from the University of Washington-Seattle, and each is employed by the U.S. State Department of Foreign Service. They expect (as of late August) to be sent to China this fall to spend two years there at the embassy. Some of those attending from out of town for the groom were grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Perkins of Orrington, Maine; cousins Mr. and Mrs. Phil Bowdoin of Savanna, Georgia; aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Peter Perkins from Gainesville, Florida; friends Mr. and Mrs. David Morton of Bryant Pond, Maine; brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Steven and Jackie Schroeder of Flagstaff, Arizona; as well as friends and fraternity brothers of the groom from all over the United States. The couple honeymooned in Belize, South America and will reside at their home in Alexandria. Following graduation in 1991, Perkins taught with Mike Frost in Osaka Japan for five years while studying the Japanese language. He has traveled extensively throughout Europe and Asia. In 1996, he returned to Seattle, WA to accept a teaching fellowship while attending the University of Washington’s Jackson School of International Studies, majoring in Japan studies. After receiving his master’s degree there, Perkins worked in Seattle for the Japan-America Society for two years.” See photo in Weddings section.

Michelle Melendez Rasich is “still living in Salt Lake City, UT and enjoying my job as a high school guidance counselor. The kids are great: Lauren is 6½, and Megan is 2. A bunch of us are planning a reunion at Homecoming 2004—please try to attend. Email me for details: michelle_rasich@ydehs.org.”

Yunhui Singer writes: “We are happy to announce the birth of our second daughter, Charlotte Mei Singer, born on May 29, 2003 (6 pounds, 2 ounces, and 19 inches long). Her big sister, Louise, who turned three in October the same year, was very excited about the new addition in the family. We will move to Vilnius, Lithuania in the summer of 2004. My husband will be posted there for two years as a U.S. Foreign Service officer. Would love to see Bowdoin friends if you are in the area. I can be reached at yunhui@ymail.com.”

For news of Gretchen Snyder Wesley, see Kevin Wesley ‘89.

David Wilby “has been named executive director of the Independent Energy Producers of Maine. He brings substantial public policy experience to the statewide association as a former senior adviser to both Gov. Angus King and Sen. William Cohen ’62 on energy and natural resource issues. His role will include providing information to the public and serving as a source for the media on energy issues, including the role of renewable power in Maine.” From a Lewiston, ME Sun Journal article, September 16, 2003.

Hanley Denning was the subject of a Christian Science Monitor article in September for her work with Safe Passage, the organization she founded “to give some of Guatemala’s neediest children a chance to work at a school desk instead of a junkyard.” From a Boston, MA Christian Science Monitor article, September 30, 2003. Hanley and her work with Safe Passage was profiled in Bowdoin, Fall 2000, and she was the 2002 recipient of Bowdoin’s Common Good Award. Ed. "Chris Edwards and Angela Nelson Edwards had their second son, Benjamin, on February 19, 2002."

Eric Engleman "and Susan King (Lewis and Clark ’92) were married on August 31, 2003 in Portland, OR." See photo in Weddings section.

“Dave and Jacquie Box Fredericks are pleased to announce the birth of their son, John David Fredericks. Jay was born on May 9, 2003, during a spring snowstorm in Denver, Co.”

For news of David Johnson, see Jessica Guertin Johnson ‘94 and accompanying photo.

Scott Landau announces: “My wife, Cheryl, and I are proud to welcome into this world our third daughter, Arley Beth Landau. Big sisters, Jordyn and Samantha, are very excited. Arley was born on March 19, 2003. Work is going very well for me as I am currently...”
Andrew C. Wheeler ’93

Andrew Wheeler has been named a winner of the 2003 Young Alumni Service Award, given by the Alumni Council for outstanding service and commitment to Bowdoin by graduates of the past 10 years. Wheeler has served as a Class Agent since 1998, previously having served as an Associate Class Agent. For his 5th reunion, he was chair of the Special Gifts Committee. For the past five years, he has worked as a BASIC volunteer and board member of the Bowdoin Club of Philadelphia. In the fall of 2003, he became club president. His leadership in both organizations has led to seamless planning of successful yield events and student send-offs. An executive recruiter for Heidrick & Struggles, he lives in Philadelphia with his wife, Kathleen Guerrero Wheeler ’94, and their three children.

Managing one of ABN AMRO/LaSalle Bank's wealth management offices.

For news of Shannon Smith Meyer, see Dave Meyer '90.

Sam Pleasant "had her baby boy on August 5, 2003. His name is Cameron Fischer Pleasant. All is well with both mom and baby," reported Associate Vice President and Director of Capital Giving Eli Orlin.

Holly Rayder reports: "Shawn and I joyously announce the birth of our beautiful son, Lucas Roger Rayder. Lucas was born on September 29, 2003 and weighed in at 8 pounds, 15 ounces! He is named for my father, Roger Pompeo '62."

Paul Safanda, fifth year orthopedic chief resident at the University of Illinois at Chicago was the subject of an Arlington, IL Daily Heights “What It's Like @ Work” series article. In his interview, titled “It’s Hip To Repair Bones,” Paul says “I was drawn to orthopedic surgery because it combines the ability to master the physical craft of working with my hands while being academically stimulating. In addition to helping people, I am continually challenged intellectually through new procedures and technology.” From an Arlington Heights, IL Daily Herald article, August 31, 2003.

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Class Secretary: Mark C. Schulze,
1823 15th St., Apt. 4, San Francisco, CA 94103
Class Agents: Michele Lee Cobb, Andrew Wheeler, Mark C. Schulze, and John A. Sotir

David Ames wrote in early October: “Getting married next Saturday. I’ll send a Bowdoin picture. There will be at least 10 Bowdoin people at the wedding.”

Jenny Ford Barrett and Peter Barrett “are proud to announce the birth of our son, Samuel Hayes Barrett, born March 15, 2003.”

John Eikenburg and Melissa Carroll are elated to announce the birth of their first child, Eleanor Ensley Eikenburg, on October 9, 2003.

For news of Ameen Haddad, see Kristen Deftos Haddad ’94 and photo in Weddings section.

Melissa A. Schulenberg, “St. Lawrence University Assistant Professor of Fine Arts, received the Innovative Printmaking Award at the Cooperstown Art Association’s 68th Annual National Juried Show in Cooperstown July 19-August 22. Schulenberg’s print, titled ‘Pod,’ was accepted for the exhibition and won the award. It is a 2-foot by 3-foot reductive woodcut. Melissa joined the St. Lawrence faculty in 2002. She holds a master's degree in printmaking for Purdue and a master of fine arts in printmaking for the University of Colorado.” From an Ogdensburg, NY Advance-News article, August 17, 2003.

Alison Vargas is in her “final year of residency at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.”

Andrew Wheeler writes: “Life is full with a new job (as an executive recruiter for the pharmaceutical and education industries) and caring for three children five and under. Kathy is involved with Luke's school, and she makes everything run in the home front. Great to see everyone at reunion (10th), and if anyone needs a place to stay in Philadelphia, please call.”

Andrea C. Wing announces: "Chase William Wing was born August 5, 2003, weighing 7 lbs, 10 ounces and was 22 inches tall.”

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Class Secretary: Katherine L. Young,
Apt 3528, 42 8th St., Charlestown, MA 02129

Kristen Deftos Haddad and Ameen Haddad '93 "were married on August 16, 2003 in Boston, MA. After a Greek Orthodox ceremony, we hosted our reception at the Boston Marriott Long Wharf Hotel. Many Bowdoin friends were in attendance, including bridesmaid Laura Moon Hopson and groomsman Taran Grigsby '93. After a two-week honeymoon in Hawaii, we have settled in to married life together in Beacon Hill. I continue my work as an HR generalist with Wellington Management Company, LLP in Boston, and Ameen is working at corporate counsel with Oracle Corporation in Waltham.” See photo in Weddings section.

Amy M. Fish writes: “Ed and I are thrilled to announce the birth of our daughter, Abigail Vera Lott, born August 3, 2003. Big sister, Sarah, can't wait to bring her to Maine to see the 'great big polar bear.' I am taking the school year off to stay home with the girls while Ed continues to teach math and coach at Falmouth Academy. Still loving life on Cape Cod, especially during the off season!”

Kate Fraunfelder writes: “I know this is laughably late but…” She and Kevin Keritscher (UVA ’86) were married on September 11, 1999 in Walpole, NH. See photo in Weddings section.

Holly L. Guydish "has opened for practice at 300 Market St. in Kingston (PA). A licensed clinical social worker trained in psychotherapy, Guydish provides confidential counseling to individuals, couples, children, and families who are experiencing depression, anxiety, and other emotional problems. She earned a master's degree in social services from the Bryn Mawr College of Social Work and Social Research in Pennsylvania.” From a Wilkes-Barre, PA Times Leader article, September 28, 2003.

Paul D. Johnson "is a consulting manager in International Data Corporation’s (IDC) service industry research group. He manages custom research and consulting projects for clients in the technology services industry. In this role, he provides strategic consulting and analysis to assist companies with identifying market opportunities, developing strategic marketing messages, and performing competitive analysis." From www.idc.com, August 8, 2003.
Jessica Guertin Johnson and David Johnson ’92 “are still enjoying living in Cape Elizabeth, ME and welcomed a baby girl, Hannah Mae Johnson, on May 3, 2003. Dave is an Associate at Verrill & Dana, a Portland law firm and Jessica works as a staff architect at JSA Inc., an architecture, planning and interiors firm, in Portsmouth, NH.” See accompanying photo.

Mindy Martin writes: “I am thrilled to be back in New England after three years in Augusta, Georgia! I am living in Northbridge, MA and teaching fifth grade in Hopkinton, MA. I’m already looking forward to the 10-year reunion this summer!”

For news of Adam Moroze see Cara Janko Moroze ’95

Christina Pelletier updates: “Currently, I am a flutist, an elementary general music teacher, and a band director north of Columbus, OH. In June 2000, I graduated with a M.A. in music education with a focus in special education from OSU. During grad school, I was fortunate to teach at the Ohio State School for the Blind as well as teach African drumming in a program for children whose parents had cancer. Last year, I received a both a state and a local grant to build Taiko drums with my students. (By the way, very fun for the kids.) The studies continued with lessons from a member of Portland Taiko last summer. Drop me a line if passing through Ohio—we can drum.”

Putt Smith reports: “I have just moved back to New York City as my wife, Selena, is pursuing her MFA in sculpture at Hunter College, and as my interests have decidedly turned to the theater. After acting professionally up in Bangor, I managed to attract some attention as a playwright with a production of Gretu and Arrow here in New York, and first place in the Sciotoville Theater Project’s Plays for the New Millennium Festival with my absurdist play, Bacon, My Little Flower? We both hope to return to a more simple life back up in Maine, either farming or homesteading, once we’ve put in our obligatory time down here in the big city.”

Class Secretary: Deborah A. Lifson, 221/6 Bolton St., Waltham, MA 02453
Class Agents: Warren S. Empey and Sean M. Marsh

“In true Bowdoin tradition, the College played host to the celebration of the wedding of Kelsey Albanese to Anthony Wolverton (University of Maine ’96) on June 28. Guests traveled to Brunswick from all over the country, including Hawaii, California, Florida, Tennessee, and North Carolina. All would agree that Bowdoin has earned its number one rank in college dining! A strong cast of Bowdoin alumni were in attendance. Thank you, Bowdoin!” See photo in Weddings section.

“Anne Burkett, Ingrid Saukaitis Dyott, Molly Fey, and Lindsay Artwick celebrated their 30th birthdays together in Napa Valley, CA.” See Accompanying photo.

For news of Bob Dunn, see Amy Ferro Dunn ’96 and photo in Weddings section.

Peter E. Gribbin, Jr announces: “My wife, Jennifer, gave birth to our first child, Peter E. Gribbin, III, on July 13, 2003. He was 7 pounds, 10 ounces.”

Seth G. Jones reports: “My wife, Suzanne, and I just had our first baby, Elizabeth Anne Jones. I still fondly think back to my days at Bowdoin, and hope that Elizabeth will be Class of 2025!”

Tim Kittredge writes: “Tarrah and I are excited to share the news about the arrival of our first child, Alexandra Grace Kittredge. She was born on September 15, 2003 in Atlanta, GA. I have resided in Atlanta, where I work in sales for Unum Provident, since graduation. All is well and our family feels very blessed. Wishing my Bowdoin friends the best as well.”

Courtney Lower updates: “I’m living near Portland, OR, with my job as family practitioner going well. Saw many alumni at Marney Pratt’s ’97 wedding. Recent travel was sailing in a thistle for a week in the wonderful San Juan islands. Memories of Bowdoin marine science in every tide pool.”

Anand R. Marr writes: “I am happy to report that I received my Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction from the University of Wisconsin-Madison this summer and am now an assistant professor at Teachers College, Columbia University. It’s good to come back home to NYC.”

Cara Janko Moroze and Adam Moroze ’94 are “proud parents of Daniel Joseph Moroze, born July 28, 2003 in Chicago.”

Susan Legendre Ropacki ’95 “and Michael Ropacki (University of Arizona ’93) were married in Lewiston, Maine on August 2, 2003.” See photo in Weddings section

Sarah Buchanan Rose and Graham Rose “are proud to announce the arrival of their son, Peyton William Rose. He was born on September 7, 2003 in Boston, MA. The Rose family is doing well!”

Bowdoin Blast from the Past

January 1995

“At New York City’s Rheedlen Centers, under the leadership of Geoffrey Canada ’74, Bowdoin graduates work to redevelop and heal communities in crisis.”

Canada, George Khaldun ’73, Rasuli Lewis ’73, and Eric Bell ’93 “[were] drawn back to New York City to address the many needs that were going unmet.”
Harold Silverman is “currently employed by Price Waterhouse Cooper and am recently engaged with plans to be married next summer, although our current attention is on the sale of our house and purchase of our new home.”

For news of Nico Sloss, see Leigh Fowler Sloss ’97.

“Screenwriters Joe Hughes ’91 and Randy Steinberg attended the 10th Annual Austin Film Festival in October in Austin, TX. Both Joe and Randy have MFAs in film from Boston University in ’98. Last year they formed a writing team dubbed The Script Sages. Please visit them at their Web site, www.scriptsages.com.” See accompanying photo.

(L to r) The Script Sages, Joe Hughes ’91 and Randy Steinberg ’95, attended the 10th Annual Austin Film Festival in October in Austin, TX. Armed with film MFAs from BU, the duo partnered as a screenwriting team last year. Check them out at: www.scriptsages.com.

Rebecca Garrett Talbert updates: “Jeff Talbert and I were married on June 7, 2003 in Cape Nedick, Maine. We are working as attorneys in Washington, D.C.”

Eliot Van Buskirk published his first book in June 2003, called Burning Down the House: Ripping, Recording, Remixed, and More. It’s a non-fiction book that tells anyone how to get more out of their music using a computer. As Rolling Stone magazine wrote, “even savvy users will learn something.” Check out the Web site at BurningDownTheHouse.net. In other news—I’ve mostly seen Bowdoin peeps at weddings. If anyone who knows me wants to get in touch, I’m at eliotvb@cnet.com.” See Bookshelf section, this issue.

Class Secretary: Cara H. Drinan, 1300 Oak Creeks Drive #411, Palo Alto, CA 94304 Class Agents: Terence M. Crichtelair and Patrick S. Kane

Amy Ferro Dunn and Bob Dunn ’95 were married on September 13, 2003 in Hume, VA. See photo in Weddings section.

“It was more of a reunion than a golf tournament, as more than 100 people gathered [in August] for the 10th Annual Peter Schuh Memorial Golf Tournament and Barbecue held at St. Mark’s School in Southborough, MA. After all these years, it’s still going strong. That speaks to how much he touched us,” said Mike Flaherty, Pete’s roommate at Bowdoin. “The tournament raises money for The Peter Schuh Memorial Scholarship at St. Mark’s, where Peter attended high school. ‘Previous tournaments have raised $8,000 to $10,000 per year’ for the scholarship fund. Each spring at Bowdoin, the Peter Schuh Memorial Softball Tournament also draws great participation on campus in support of Pete’s scholarship. From a Framingham, MA Milford Daily News article, August 10, 2003.

Kristin St. Peter Hoffman reports: “I married Lt Andrew J. Hoffman, USN (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill ’99) in June of 2002. At present, we live in Manama, Bahrain. I am working as a civilian lawyer/administrator for the Naval Criminal Investigative Service. My job has taken me all over the Middle East and Africa, including Kuwait, Cairo, and Djibouti. This is certainly not the life I expected, but it is fun and exciting.” See photo in Weddings section.

Sara K. Kornbluh updates: “Jed and I were married on August 16 in Hartford, CT with lots of Bowdoin friends present. Sarah Murphy, maid of honor, Yvonne Troya, Ann Russell, Todd Lynch, Paige Rosella Casey ’95, Scott Friedman ’97, Diana Malcom ’97, E.T. Price ’82 and Bruce MacDermid ’69.”

Jeremy R. Lake and Robin Steinberger Lake (University of Virginia ’00, ’03) were married on June 1, 2003 at the Liriodendron In Bel Air, Maryland.” See photo in Weddings section.


Rud Platt and Monica Vini Ogra were married on May 17, 2003. See photo in Weddings section.

“Physician Elisa Thompson Rusznis began her medical career when she joined Dover-Foxcroft Family Medicine in August. She completed three years of training at the Eastern Maine Medical Center Family Practice Residency Program in Bangor this summer, serving as chief resident for the past year. She received her medical degree in 2000 from Dartmouth Medical school.” From a Bangor, ME Bangor Daily News article, August 8, 2003.

Audrey Snowden writes: “After a difficult period, I’m back in control of my life (as much as one can be) and am praying for no more huge unpleasant surprises. In August, I completed my master’s degree in library science, but have not yet found a job in that field. I have moved back to Maine (Brewer) to live with my sisters, and am hiking, reading film textbooks, and taking a night course in Latin. This is a good year for seeing classmates. I just returned from Kristin Caruso’s engagement party, where I was also able to catch up with Vik Mulkhi and Ben Nolan, and next week (10/18) I will have the pleasure of watching Amy Welch marry a very nice (albeit non-Bowdoin alum) guy.”

Jonathan D. Stuhlman began as the Norton Museum of Art’s curator of American art in Palm Beach, Florida in August. “He is also working on his doctorate in art history. To say he has been busy is an understatement. Most recently, he’s been a curatorial fellow at the University of Virginia Art Museum and assistant director of the nonprofit contemporary Second Street Gallery, both in Charlottesville, VA. The move to Florida hasn’t slowed him down. To get to his job in West Palm Beach, he commutes an hour and a half from Plantation, where he lives with his wife, Megan, a clinical psychology intern at the Mailman Center for Child Development in Miami.” From a Palm Beach, FL Palm Beach Daily News article, August 27, 2003.

“Matthew Erlich ’97 and Kristin Witty will be getting married in May.”

Class Secretary: Shannon M. Reilly, 45 Sandy Brook Dr., Durham, NH 03824 Class Agents: Dr. Ellen L. Chan, Andrew L. Stevenson, and Michael L. Volpe

Ellen Chan reports: “I have moved to Providence, RI to start my residency at
Erin Sierak Hegarty '97 and husband David greeted their baby girl, Meaghan Riley Hegarty, on May 16, 2003.

Brown in Pediatrics. I love being back on the East Coast. I live almost across the street from Kate Miller Dennead '97! I also enjoy being in close proximity to Boston and NYC, where I’ve run into and met up with many Bowdoin alums.

Martina Morrow Duncan is “currently living in Bath with my new husband, Roger. I am really enjoying my job as executive director at Portland Harbor Museum, as well as my volunteer work serving on several community boards of directors.”

For news of Matthew Erlich, see Kristin Witty ’96.

Mollie McGowan Harb was “married September 27, 2003 to Rami Harb in Boothbay Harbor, Maine.”

Erin Sierak Hegarty reports: “David and I announce the birth of our baby girl, Meaghan Riley Hegarty, on May 16, 2003.” See Accompanying photo.

Coren Caisse Moore married Mike Moore on August 23, 2003 at The Hanover Inn in Hanover, NH. See photo in Weddings section.

Mark Patterson is “currently a Ph.D. student in the health policy division of the UNC School of Pharmacy. This past summer (2003), I interned in the commercial analysis division of GlataSmithKline in Research Triangle Park. In my spare time, I spend time with friends, travel to Washington, DC regularly, and hang out in Chapel Hill. Only three more years until I’m done! Give me a call whenever you’re in North Carolina.”

Leigh Fowler Sloss reports: “Nico ’95 and I are expecting our first baby in early February. Until then I will continue to teach fourth and fifth grade at a year-round public school in Salem, MA. Nico is still working at the U.S. General Accounting office in Boston.”

Michael W. Thwing “moved out to Hawaii to start my internship in pediatrics. Have been surfing about twice a week. Working the rest. Have kept in close contact with Ken Barber, Ryan Gray, and Nate Oxnard. Would like to hear from any other Bowdoin alums in Hawaii.”

Lillie Mear West married Justin West on June 21, 2003 at The Newstead in Paget, Bermuda. Bowdoin alumni Carrie Ardito Johnson ’97 and Paul Johnson ’94, Alethea Walton McCormick ’97 and Mark McCormick ’96, and Nancy Roman Sacco ’97 and Dan Sacco ’96 were there to celebrate with us.” See photo in Weddings section.

For news of Chris Whipple, see Larisa Pennington Whipple ’99.

Tammy Yuen and David Austin ’98 “were married August 23, 2003 in the Berkshires.” See photo in Weddings section.

Jacqueline Zinn is “currently working as a medicine resident, then will be moving to Seattle in June to finish up my residency in PM and R.”

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Class Officers: Peter E. Sims, president; Joanna R. Hass, vice-president; Kimberly A. Pacelli and Mairade E. McSweeney, class reporters

Class Agents: Kimberly A. Pacelli and Justin Pearlman

Elena Albarrán and Juan Carlos Albarrán were married in Sandwich, NH on August 2, 2003.” See photo in Weddings section.

For news of David Austin, see Tammy Yuen ’97 and photo in Weddings section.

Alexis Bailey and Michael Treat have announced their engagement. Alexis is a speech and language pathologist at Mass General. Michael is a biology teacher at Saint Mark’s School in Southborough, MA. A November 2003 wedding is planned. From a Middlefield, CT Town Times article, October 17, 2003.

Christine Chiao writes: “I’m enjoying my third year of medical school.”

Andrew Lee Chung married Charity Denise Gravitt, of Boston, on August 2, 2003 at the Healing Springs Baptist Church in Hot Springs, VA. From a Clarksville, VA News-Progress article, October 8, 2003.

“Sarah Cross, Katie Gibson, and Jeff Busconi ’00 hopped into each other minutes after each crossed the finish line (all under four hours, and before celebrity P. Diddy!) of the New York City Marathon on November 2. It was a pleasant surprise and a nice way to end a tough run!” See accompany photo.

Chris Evans “recently took a leave from the law firm Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett, where he was a litigation associate, to begin a federal clerkship for Judge William H. Pauley III in the Southern District of New York. Chris graduated from Duke Law School in 2002.”

Gordon Holman is “currently in Portland, Maine working as a Web designer and animator for my start-up company called Slick Fish Studios. I specialize in Web design and am excited to be back in Maine.”

Matt Hougen ’98 and Sara Murray ’98 were married on September 21, 2002 in Popham Beach in Phippsburg, Maine. See photo in Weddings section.

Dan Pollard “bumped into Lori Cohen at the annual San Francisco Bridge to Bridge road race. She, like myself, is in grad school in the Bay Area.”

Adam Smith “and Roxana McAllister were married Saturday, October 4, at St. Luc in Menerbes, France. Yves Rousset-Rouard, mayor of Menerbes, performed the civil ceremony. The couple will reside in Mountain View, CA, where both are employed by Google, Inc, the bride as a new products coordinator, and the groom as an associate products manager.” From a San Antonio, TX San Antonio Express-News article, October 26, 2003.

Kacy White is “still living in Lander, WY and working for NOLS, primarily in fundraising but they let me out into the mountains and the Sea of Cortez every once in a while. Give me a shout if you’re in the Rockies.”

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Class Officers: Sarah Bond Phinney, president; Lauren S. Key, vice-president; Melissa W. Bravemen and Maria P. Pistone, class reporters

Robert Blaney says: ‘Hello! This is DJ BigDaddyRob. Life is still one big learning and party experience as I am teaching,
deejaying, and attending grad school to be a principal! Beware, all you Boston alums; your kids could be in my school one day! If you ever need a DJ or some laughs, check out my Web site: www.BigDaddyRob.com.

David DeCew reports: “In August 2003, began new position as head men’s soccer coach and head baseball coach at New England College, 24 Bridge Street, Henniker, NH 03242. Web site: www.nec.edu.”

In September, Michael F. Dowley joined the law firm Burns & Levison, LLP, a leading law firm with offices in Boston, Providence, Washington, DC, as well as Hingham and Wellesley, MA. Michael joins the firm’s real estate group as an associate. He received a J.D. cum laude from Suffolk University Law School in May 2003, where he served as note editor of the Suffolk University Law Review. From a Burns & Levison, LLP news release, September 16, 2003.

Tanya Freedman Weitz reports: “I am a third-year graduate student in molecular and cell biology here in Berkeley, CA and am desperately trying to live the stress-free life I promised myself after my qualifying exam was over! I recently got married to a great guy, Scott Weitze, (some of you may remember me talking about ‘Sweitze’ in college).” See photo in Weddings section.

Susan Little Olcott and Chad Olcott were married on August 9, 2003 in Kennebunkport, Maine. See photo in Weddings section.

Kate Osborn Lively reports: “and Ethan Lively were married in Steamboat Springs, CO on July 19, 2003.” See photo in Weddings section.

Gerald May reports: “As a third-year student at Boston College Law School, I am participating in a lawsuit that defends the right of law school communities to define the values they live and work by. The legal action challenges the Solomon Amendment, a federal law that allows the Office of Defense (DOD) to terminate the federal funding of any law school that ‘prohibits or in effect prevents’ military recruiter access to students. Anyone interested in the lawsuit can visit solomonsupport.org, click on the Solomon Amendment litigation tab, and then click on Fair et al. v. Rumsfeld.”

Rob Najarian is currently in the graduate acting program at the Shakespeare Theater in Washington, D.C., in conjunction with George Washington University. “It’s a one-year, intensive program where I work from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.,” he said. “It’s a classical program, with a lot of Shakespeare. We also do voice work, movement training, and even stage combat.” From an Albany Academy alumni magazine, The Cupola, article, summer 2003.

Katharine DiResta Sullivan reports: “an optometry student.”

Larisa Pennington Whipple and Chris Whipple ’97 “have returned from a 10-month backpacking adventure around the world. A highlight included a three-and-a-half-week trek through the Himalayan Mountains of Nepal. They visited five continents and 15 countries. Currently they are temporarily residing in the Boston area.”

Class Officers: Sarah Roop DeBenedictis, president; Megan E. Curran, vice-president; Naeem Ahmed and Karen A. Viado, class reporters; Class Agents: S. Prema Katari, Emily M. Rey croft, Scott M. Roman, Jessica L. Rush, Michelle A. Ryan, Gretchen S. Selche, and Jonathan C. Sprague

Tara Barker reports: “After completing culinary school in NYC, I returned to Maine and settled in Rockland. I am currently a pastry cook at the Atlantic Bakery Co, and looking forward to my wedding in June 2004.”

Geoff Fasel “recently joined the law firm of Spencer Fane Britt & Brown, LLP as an associate practicing in the firm’s business transactions group. He was awarded his juris doctor from the University of Virginia School of Law. He is admitted to the Bar in Missouri.” From a Spencer Fane Britt & Brown news release, November 7, 2003.


Bob Hanby, “former Hebron Academy teacher, presented a program at the Hebron Community Baptist Church on September 28 about his year in the village of Shishmaref on an Alaskan barrier island in the Bering straight. He taught and lived among the 600 native Alaskans in the isolated community, 150 miles by plane from Nome.” From a Lewiston, ME Sun Journal article, September 22, 2003.

Raegan French LaRochelle and Jared T. Wilkinson were married on August 10, 2002, at the Phippsburg Congregational Church, with a reception at Sebasco Harbor Estates, Maine. See photo in Weddings section.

Abel McClennen married Kerry Elizabeth Piazza—now McClennen—(UNH ’00) on July 19, 2003 on Pleasant Bay, Orleans, Cape Cod, MA.”

David Nakashian “is still having a great time in NYC, and I hope everyone is doing well.”

Sam Plotkin is manager of digital artist relations at McCartney Multimedia/Franz in
Playa del Rey, CA. A feature article about his company appeared in the September 15-28 issue of Music Connection Magazine.

Kathryn Sodaitis reports: “Last summer, I worked as a resident printmaker at the Vermont Studio Center. I am currently teaching art in the Boston area.”

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Class Leadership Committee Chair: Stephanie R. Mann, stmann@dc.com

Dagny Cook and Adam Cook were married on August 23, 2003 at Camp Kawanhee in Weld, Maine. See photo in Weddings section.

Ellinor P. Wareham writes: “I am in my third year teaching math to learning disabled students at the Landmark School near Boston. I hopefully will complete my master’s at Simmons in special ed this spring. I see lots of Zeid Barakat, who is doing cystic fibrosis research in Cambridge, MA and is now thinking about an MBA.”

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Class Leadership Committee Chair: Melissa A. Tansey, tansey.ma@mellon.com

Elizabeth Buell is “currently working as events coordinator for Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson (CT-5) in her New Britain district office. I was involved in planning both President Bush’s and Barbara Bush’s visit to New Britain. President Bush came on June 12 to speak to seniors about Medicare. Barbara Bush read to second graders in New Britain as part of the Congresswoman’s Read to Succeed tour.” See accompanying photo.

Marshall Escamilla rebuts: “Ian LeClair is a lying b------d. I am a rock star, and have been attending my Accountants Anonymous meetings regularly. I haven’t balanced a book in almost three months! Rock ‘n’ Roll!”

James Fisher “is typing madly for the Salisbury Daily Times on Maryland’s Eastern Shore, reporting on Ocean City and regional news. He recently left the Medill School of Journalism in Chicago with a graduate degree in reporting and writing.”

Leslie Hackmeier writes: “I’ve been living in London since graduation, except for a brief five-months spent in Hollywood (not as glamorous as it may sound). I’m now taking a full-time studio course in printed textiles at Goldsmith’s College in London.”

Sarah Hoening wrote in late October: “I am still living in New York City, where I stage manage an Off-Broadway show entitled, The Nuclear Family. Looking forward to cheering on my sister, Leigh ’00, and dad, Don ’73, in the NYC Marathon on November 2!”

Margaret Magee is “currently in my second year teaching biology at Kent School, where I am surrounded by fellow Polar Bears. I coach swimming and JV softball and run my dorm of 47 girls. Looking forward to another swim season and being able to see Elliot Dickson ’02 and Andy Shaw ’02 every few weeks.”

James Nachbaur writes: “Last summer, I worked in Amman, Jordan, and now I am back in Santa Barbara again. In Jordan, I met a few Bedouin, but no one from Bowdoin.”

Jeff Neill updates: “I am working at the Salisbury School in CT, teaching English and coaching soccer, hockey, and lacrosse. I was married on June 14 to Ann Peller (Conn College ’01).”

“Adient, a CommonHealth professional advertising and promotion unit announced that Michael Shaughnessy has been hired as a traffic coordinator, responsible for making sure all projects for their assigned accounts are completed on time and within budget. Prior to his employment at Adient, Michael worked at Sadler & Hennessey as a traffic coordinator.” From a Business Wire (CA) article, September 4, 2003.

Meghan Tierney reports: “I have been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship for 2003-2004 to continue my research of the Limbo people of Nepal. I spent my junior year at Bowdoin in Nepal and began this research. I continued it in my honors paper at Bowdoin senior year. Now I have the opportunity to further my studies.”

**03**

Class Leadership Committee Chair: Joan A. Taylor, jtaylor@alumni.bowdoin.edu

Mara Caruso is “currently attending Columbia University graduate school for a master’s of arts in education, concentrating in elementary education. Anticipate completing my master’s degree in the summer of 2004. Plan to work and reside in NYC after graduation. Recently attended Bowdoin’s 2003 Alumni Weekend and renewed acquaintances.”

Dottie Chalmers reports: “During the summer and fall ’03, I have been employed at the Chalmers Insurance Agency as an assistant in the commercial lines department, in my home town of Bridgton, Maine. In January 2004, however, I will be traveling to New Zealand for one year through a work abroad organization called BUNAC. I hope to work and travel,”
primarily residing in Wellington, New Zealand’s capital city, located on the North Island. Although I will miss the States, I am looking forward to this experience.”

Gabriel Civiello “and Jennifer Glidden Civiello (Eastern Nazarene College ’03) were married on June 28, 2003 in East Millinocket, Maine.” See photo in Weddings section.

Alex Duncan updates: “In August, seven members of the recently graduated Class of 2003 gathered in Nantucket, MA for a weekend ‘reunion.’ One of the activities was an afternoon fishing aboard the Pricsilla J, a charter boat owned by Tom Mleczko ’70. On this day I captained the trip. I’ve worked for Tom for a number of years. We had a good day, caught bluefish, enjoyed the weather and the sun. We’re hoping to do it again next year.” See accompanying photo.

Lillian K. Keller is an “employee benefits consultant.”

Emily McKissock is assistant director of admissions and hockey coach at Proctor Academy in Andover, NH.

Sara McLaughlin is pursuing a doctoral degree in clinical psychology at Antioch New England Graduate School in Keene, NH. From a Laconia, NH Citizen article, October 8, 2003.

Corinne J. Pellegrini joined “the staff at Foxboro High School as a biology teacher” this past fall. From a Foxboro, MA Foxboro Reporter article, August 28, 2003.

Former Faculty

Michael Ong, former assistant professor of math reports: “In April 2003, I decided to retire from the financial industry and moved back to Chicago. This now allows me to enjoy a good, peaceful life of bliss (hopefully). But, I am far from being sedentary. The business school at the university (Illinois Institute of Technology) has tempted me from ‘complete’ retirement by offering me a fully tenured full professorship in finance—not bad for someone with an academic background in mathematics and physics. I’m also executive director of the Center for Financial Markets. So, I’m back now to academia in my retirement—not too bad, actually, for teaching only one course per quarter and having all the resources of the university to do my writing and speaking. I still plan to accept about 10 speaking engagements per year. This also allows me to spend more than six weeks down here soaking up the sun in sunny, warm Ft. Lauderdale, where I’m writing this greeting. At the end of this month, my latest book, The Basel Handbook: A Guide for Financial Practitioners, will be published. I’m in contract now to do another book for next year entitled, Risk Management: A Modern Perspective.”
William Curtis Pierce ’28 died on November 12, 2003, in West Baldwin. Born on March 18, 1906, in New York City, he prepared for college at the Groton School in Massachusetts and became a member of Psi Upsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation summa cum laude in 1928, he entered Harvard Law School, from which he was graduated in 1931. He joined the New York law firm of Sullivan and Cromwell, where he became a partner in 1941, and he remained with that firm until his retirement in 1972. From 1942 to 1945 during World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy, attaining the rank of lieutenant commander. He was a trustee of Knickerbocker Hospital from 1946 to 1972 and a trustee of the Stevens-Kingsley Foundation beginning in 1968. Also a trustee of the East Baldwin Library Association and the Episcopal Mission Society, he was for many years a trustee or director of the European-American Bank and Trust Company, the Marine Midland International Corporation, Bonneville Ltd., and International Holdings Corporation. He had served as president of the Maine Historical Society and as treasurer of the Brown Memorial Library in East Baldwin and was a member of the Council of the Society of Colonial Wars, The Society of the Cincinnati, the West Baldwin Grange, the Cumberland Club in Portland, and the University Club of New York.

In Bowdoin affairs, he was elected to the Board of Overseers in 1962, became a member of the Board of Trustees in 1967, served as vice chair of the Trustees, and was elected a trustee emeritus in 1981. In 1973, he was the recipient of an honorary doctor of laws degree from Bowdoin, the citation for which concluded with the words “Steeped in Bowdoin history, his vision has never been confined by that tradition, but has constantly illuminated new ways in which the College can serve the common good.” Two years later, in 1975, he received the Alumni Service Award: “Appointed to lead [the Special Study Committee on Underclass Campus Environment] in 1968 during a period of nation-wide student unrest, you encouraged the candid expression of all shades of opinion, and displayed those qualities of fairness of mind, clarity of statement, tolerance for sharply opposing points of view, and penetrating critical judgment which your College delights to honor.”

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Neall Gay Pierce, whom he married in 1929; a son, Josiah Pierce ’69 of West Baldwin; a daughter, Elizabeth Fuchs; Stephen M. (“Mackin”) Pulsifer ’68, for whom Mr. Pierce was former guardian and father; a brother, Benjamin Pierce; seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Hale Christy Whitcomb ’28 died on April 14, 2002, in Santa Maria, CA. Born on August 16, 1907, in Pittsburgh, PA, he prepared for college at the Arnold School in Pittsburgh, which became Shade Side Academy. He was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended in 1924-25 before transferring to Yale, from which he graduated in 1929. He received a master of business administration degree from Northwestern University in 1949 and a doctor of business administration degree from Georgia State University in 1965. He was associated with the Fillmore Foundry in Buffalo, NY, from 1929 to 1934, when he joined Roger W. Somers & Company in Chicago, IL, where he was office manager, manager of the tax department, and a partner. From 1942 to 1944 he served on the comptroller’s staff of Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corporation in Toledo, OH, and from 1944 to 1958 he was a management consultant and a certified public accountant, except for two years, 1951 and 1952, when he was a controller of the Home Appliance Division of the Murray Corporation of America in Scranton, PA. From 1958 until his retirement in 1975, he taught successively at Northwestern University, Evansville (IN) University, Georgia State University in Atlanta, Purdue University (IN), Mississippi State University, Duquesne University in Pennsylvania, the University of Wisconsin, and California State University in Fullerton. He was a member of the American Accounting Association, the American Economic Association, the American Finance Association, the American Institute of Certified Accountants, and Financial Executives Institute, and the Financial Management Association. He became a chartered life underwriter in 1936 and was the author of numerous publications, including The Dow Theory and the Seventy Year Forecast Record in 1969. He was married in 1934 to Margaret Murphy, who predeceased him, and is survived by a son, Roger P. Whitcomb and a daughter, Julia W. Evans.

Frederick Hamilton Oakes ’29 died in October of 2003 in Walnut Creek, CA. Born on September 5, 1905, in Forest Hills, MA, he prepared for college at Newton (MA) High School and Hebron Academy and attended Bowdoin from 1925 to 1927, becoming a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity. He was with the American Radiator Company in Providence, RI, until 1931, when he became a salesman with Jones and Laughlin Steel Company in Boston. He was a branch manager with Reece Machine Company in Cincinnati, OH, from 1933 to 1944. In 1944, he moved to the West Coast to join the Blue Cross Service of California, where he held a number of positions through the years, including as San Francisco sales manager and as western regional manager. In 1963, he was appointed to the newly created position of regional manager of the Northern California Blue Cross Plan, being responsible for marketing in 11 counties. In 1964, he became western regional manager of the National Blue Cross Association, serving California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Utah. He retired in 1967. He was married in 1928 to Esther Clement, who died in 1983, and is survived by a son, Robert C. Oakes of Walnut Creek, CA.

Richard Edmond Morris ’31 died on October 11, 2003, in Burlingame, CA. Born on October 23, 1906, in Quincy, MA, he prepared for college at Norwood (MA) High School and worked for three years before entering Bowdoin in September of 1927. Following his graduation in 1931, he worked for some years with a paint manufacturing firm in Norwood and, in 1939, became a salesman with an optical company in Boston. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps in Europe and was awarded two Bronze Stars for bravery. He attended the Massachusetts School of Optometry in 1946 and then worked in Massachusetts for some years. In 1957, he moved to Portland, OR, and in 1958 to CA, where for some years he was associated with Pierce Realty. He also worked for the U.S. Postal Service in San Mateo, CA, before his retirement. He was married to Evelyn Gilberts, who predeceased him.

Vincent Nowlis ’35 died on May 24, 2003, in Fresno, CA. Born on September 13, 1913, in Wilkes-Barre, PA, he prepared for college at Wyoming Seminary in Kingstown, PA, and became a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1935 summa cum laude and as a member of Phi Beta Kappa, he received
John Thomas Gould — The Quintessential Maine Storyteller

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John Thomas Gould, the subject of this eulogy, was born in Brighton, Mass., on Oct. 22, 1908. His father was a Maine farm boy, born at Lisbon, Maine, on Oct. 8, 1878, to Thomas Jordan and Hannah Foster Gould. Franklin Farrar Gould, John’s father, was named for a tent mate of Thomas in Company I of the 16th Maine Volunteers, a regiment active at Gettysburg and other places. Tom and Hannah had eight children.

John’s mother was Hilda Dobson Jenkins, born Dec. 14, 1886, daughter of John Henry and Catherine MacLeod Jenkins of Vernon River, Lot 50, on Prince Edward Island in Canada.

Frank quit school and left home at 15 to seek his fortune in Boston. Hilda, half Scottish, was as pretty as a field of Highland heather. She’d come to Boston to seek a husband. Frank was the lucky man. The couple lived in a three-decker apartment house on Champney Street until John was born. Then they moved to suburban Medford, first to a flat and then to a single-family home on a double lot at 28 Grant Ave. Here, Frank had land enough for a garden and a stable for hens, rabbits, and pigeons. The neighborhood was mostly immigrant Belgian, and the Belgians ate rabbits and raced homing pigeons. The hens and eggs were the assertion of a homesick Maine boy.

Two weeks’ work in six days

Frank studied by mail and passed the exam for a railway postal clerk. In 1916 he was appointed such, and for the next 40-odd years “ran” on the Vanceboro & Boston Railway Post Office. His job began and ended at Portland, Maine, so he found a house in Freeport. In May 1918 the Goulds moved to Maine. John was 10 and had a sister Louise and a brother circa. His family subscribed to two magazines, the Youth’s Companion and the Rural New Yorker. Both had “kiddie pages” and encouraged contributions. John was published in both while still in grade school. Later, the family “took” the Boston Post, a daily morning paper that had the largest circulation in the country.

Two columns on the Post’s editorial page every day were All Sorts, by Newton Newkerk, and The Observant Citizen, by several unidentified writers. Both were written rather much by readers. An early contribution to All Sorts by John Gould was a limerick that used abbreviations:

There was a young fellow from Me. Who went out with a beautiful Je. But he found with dismay Later on in the day, That she’d lifted his watch and his che.

The Observant Citizen column liked short pieces about odd New England matters, and John’s first item was about a cat in Pownal that jumped to the porch railing and rang the doorbell when it wanted to come in. John was happy to learn that the Post paid 50 cents for each “obs cit” item, and he managed to find a good many of them as time ran along.

A tender age for a cub reporter

In 1924, when John was a sophomore in high school, he wrote the editor of the Brunswick Record to offer his help, and editor Rob Toby replied to start sending news. John wrote gainfully for the Record until 1940. Since then he contributed an occasional essay to the daily Times-Record for memory’s sake.

John also moonlighted as stringer for other papers, and this led to his becoming a featured writer for the Boston Sunday Post. In 1942 he began a weekly column for The Christian Science Monitor, which is perhaps the longest-running dispatch of its kind. In that same year, his first of 30 books was published. He was published in all major magazines in the United States and nearly all the newspapers. His weekly Monitor column was syndicated. For five years he did a daily radio show for WLAM in Lewiston, Maine. He also did a remote weekly show for WBZ in Boston. For many years he was “most frequent contributor,” by tape, to an evening show on the Trans-Canada English network of CBC.

John lectured at colleges across the country. For two years he taught journalism at Goddard College in Vermont. He was editor of the Lisbon (Maine) Enterprise, a weekly. He was a featured writer for The New York Times Magazine. For many years he had the spot in the Baltimore Evening Sun once filled by H.L. Mencken. He was a member of the Maine Press Association, and among the first group of inductees to their Hall of Fame. He was graduated by Bowdoin College in 1931 with a B.A. degree, and received honorary doctorates from Bowdoin (1968) and the University of Maine (1976). He served as president and trustee of the Boston Veteran Journalists Association. In 1953, the U.S. State Department asked him to survey the newspaper situation in occupied West Germany. Gould conferred with more than 400 West German newspaper publishers.

On his birthday in 1932, John and Dorothy Florence Wells of Arlington, Mass., were married in Arlington and honeymooned on Prince Edward Island. They returned to make their home in Brunswick, where John resumed writing for the Record. Dorothy became the Records household editor.

Rescuing the Gould family farmstead

It wasn’t until 1946 that they could build a house on the Gould family farm at Lisbon, which John had bought at the estate auction after his grandfather’s death in 1929. The farmhouse built by his great-grandfather in the late 1700s had burned, but with money from his books John replaced it. Their two children thus grew up on a farm. They are John Jr. (born June 6, 1938, in Brunswick, died Oct. 4, 2002, in Rangeley, Maine) and Kathryn MacLeod 2nd (born Jan. 4, 1943 in Brunswick). John Jr. married Ellen Dornbusch of Rye, N.Y., and had two boys; Kathryn became Mrs. Terence Christy and has three girls. There are five great-grandchildren.

John Gould held two political offices. In the 1930s he was a Brunswick fence viewer, and for more than 30 years he was moderator of Lisbon Town Meetings. Besides his journalistic affiliations, he was a Granger and an honorary member of United Lodge No. 8, Free and Accepted Masons, of Brunswick. For many years he was a registered Maine guide. He was also a justice of the peace. He held a commission as admiral in the Navy of the Great State of Nebraska, and was a fellow of the Guild of Former Pipe Organ Pumphers, having pumped in the First Parish Congregational Church at Freeport. In 2001, John was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in Journalism.
his doctor of philosophy degree in psychology from Yale University in 1939. He taught at Yale from 1939 to 1942 and then at the University of Connecticut from 1942 to 1944. He taught at Indiana University for two years and at the State University of Iowa as an associate professor from 1946 until 1951. In 1951, he joined the faculty at the University of Rochester as a full professor, and he taught there until his retirement in 1979. He was a member of Sigma Xi, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Psychological Association, the Eastern Psychological Association, the New England Psychological Association, the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, and the editorial board of the *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*. A recognized authority on the scientific study of human moods, he was a consultant in social psychology to the Veterans Administration, the National Institute of Mental Health, and the World Health Organization. At the invitation of President Richard Nixon, Dr. Nowlis served in the Special Action Office for Drug Abuse Prevention. Earlier in his career, Dr. Nowlis collaborated with Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey ’16 on the volume *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male*. He was married in 1939 to Eleanor Riley, who died in 1937, and was married in 1938 to Helen Howard, who died in 1986. Surviving are two sons, David Nowlis of Fresno, CA, and Christopher Nowlis of Jacksonville, FL; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**Gustave Omer Leclair ’36** died in Augusta on October 13, 2003. Born in Brunswick on February 12, 1915, he prepared for college at Brunswick High School. Following his graduation from Bowdoin in 1936, he joined Leclair and Son, a men’s clothing store on Maine Street in Brunswick. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Forces from 1942 to 1946, attaining the rank of sergeant. After the war, he attended T ufts University from 1947 to 1949 and rejoined the *Brockton Enterprise* as a reporter. After many years there as a reporter and as an editorial writer, he retired in 1981. An Eagle Scout as a young man, he began jogging in 1965 and was the lead jogger at the Old Colony YMCA for many years, winning the Paul Dudley White Award for his achievements, including more than 37,000 recorded miles. He was a member of the Masons, the American Legion, the Quarter Century Club of the *Brockton Enterprise*, the 500 Club of the Square Dance Foundation of New England, and several square and round dance clubs in the Brockton area. Surviving are his wife, Charlene Baker Johnson, whom he married in 1942; two sons, Ralph G. Johnson, III ’66 of Rockland MA, and Charles Johnson, also of Rockland; a daughter, Charlene S. Holmes of Bel Air, MD; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

**William Wilson Owen ’41** died on November 13, 2003, in Bath. Born in Portland on July 8, 1919, he prepared for college at Morse High School in Bath and attended Tufts University from 1937 to 1940, when he transferred to Bowdoin and became a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity. Following his graduation in 1941, he worked at the Bath Iron Works as a data processor before entering the U.S. Army, in which he served from 1942 to 1946 and attained the rank of second lieutenant. After the war, he attended Boston University Law School for a year and then worked again at the Bath Iron Works until 1950, when he returned to active duty in the Army. He served in the Army until his retirement in 1967 as a major, following assignments that included Japan, Germany, Loring Air Force Base in Maine, Korea, and the Army Language School at the Presidio, Monterey, CA. He received the Army Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service and the Bronze Star while in Korea. In retirement he worked for some years as a loan officer with the Bath Savings Bank. He served as treasurer of the Grace Episcopal Church in Bath and was a member of the Bath Rotary Club, the Lions Club, and the American Red Cross. Surviving are his wife, Dorothy Quinn Owen, whom he married in 1948; two daughters, Colleen R. Evans and Sandra U. Gerow, both of Phippsburg; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**Basil Philip Babcock ’42** died on September 10, 2003, in Tilton, NH. Born on May 26, 1920, in Chicago, IL, he prepared for college at Newton (MA) High School and Edison High School in San Antonio, TX, and became a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended from 1938 to 1942. During World War II, he served for more than three years in the U.S. Navy, attaining the rank of lieutenant junior grade. He returned to the College in 1946, and following his graduation in 1947 as a member of the Class of 1942, he became a salesman with Armour and Company in the Boston area. Later he became a sales representative for the National Cash Register Company and a salesman for Eagle Pitcher Company. He also worked for some years at the Riverside Country Club in Portland in the summer and at the Professional Golfers Association Country Club in Palm Beach Gardens, FL, in the winter. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. Surviving are his wife, Eleanor Van Valen Babcock of Santa Rosa, CA, whom he married in 1943; two sons, Peter Babcock of Santa Rosa and Jeffrey Babcock of Westport, CT; two daughters, Christine Culver of Larkspur, CA, and Diane Babcock of Santa Rosa; two sisters, Barbara Dohle of Olympia, WA, and Katherine Hansen of Philadelphia, PA; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandsons.

**Leonard Bernhard Tennyson ’42** died on September 30, 2003, in Greenbrae, CA. Born on July 29, 1919, in New York City, he prepared for college at Roosevelt High School in Yonkers, NY, and became a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity at
Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1942, he served in the U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Navy Air Corps from 1942 to 1946 during World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant. After the war he was a newsmen in New York City for the United Press Association and later was a correspondent in London for United Press Association and the National Broadcasting Corporation. He was also a correspondent in London and Vienna for The London Observer and from 1950 to 1952 worked on the Marshall Plan for the economic rehabilitation of postwar Europe and its mission in Vienna and Rome. In 1954, he established and became director of the information service of the European Coal and Steel Community, based in Washington, DC. In 1957, he became director of the European Community Information Service, serving the coal and steel community, the European Economic Community, and the European Atomic Energy Community, which are now in the European Union. After retiring from the European Union in 1974, he was the Washington, DC, correspondent for the New York-based newsletter of the American Research Institute of America. He retired in 1985. He was an editor and author of articles and publications on European economic and political affairs. Along with his various positions, he was a member of the graduate faculty of American University; a guest lecturer on European affairs for 20 years at U.S. colleges and universities; a consultant to The Ford Foundation, the U.S. Foreign Service Institute, the National Planning Association, and the Foreign Policy Association; founder and publisher of the magazine Europe, about European integration affairs; and co-founder and board member of the Jean Monnet Studies Council. Surviving are two daughters, Noel Tennyson Hoffman of Stratton, VT, and Leslie Tennyson of Salt Lake City, UT.

Robert Smith Burton ’43 died on August 4, 2003, in Cleveland, Ohio. Born on November 2, 1921, in Cleveland, he prepared for college at Shaker Heights High School there and became a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin. He attended Bowdoin from 1939 to 1942 before serving in the United States Navy and then the Marine Corps for three years during World War II, attaining the rank of first lieutenant. In 1945, he received his bachelor of arts degree cum laude as a member of Phi Beta Kappa and as a member of the Class of 1943 while still in the Marine Corps. In 1946, he was a teaching fellow in government at the College, and in 1949 he graduated from Harvard Law School. After practicing from 1949 to 1951 in Cleveland as an associate with the firm that eventually became Arter and Hadden, he served for two years on active duty with the Marine Corps during the Korean conflict, attaining the rank of major. He returned to Arter and Hadden in 1953, became a partner in 1961, and remained with that firm until his retirement in 1985. He served as president of Children’s Services in Cleveland, as president of the First Unitarian Church and as chair of the Shaker Heights Citizens’ Committee on School Board Candidacies. In retirement he was treasurer and a member of the board of Case Western Reserve University’s Association for Continuing Education. In Bowdoin affairs, he was president of the Bowdoin Club of Cleveland and director of Cleveland area activities for the Bowdoin Alumni Schools and Interviewing Committee (BASIC). Surviving are his wife, Sally Finley Burton, whom he married in 1949; a son, John F. Burton of Cleveland; and a daughter, Jane E. Burton of Boulder, CO.

John Souther Hartford ’43 died on May 6, 2003, in Boothbay Harbor. Born on June 3, 1918, in Cleveland, Ohio, he prepared for college at Millburn (NJ) High School and the Morristown (NJ) High School and attended Harvard College for two years before teaching at the Norfolk School for Boys in Norfolk, CT, from 1939 to 1941. He entered the junior class at Bowdoin in 1941 and, following his graduation in 1943, worked for two years in endocrine research at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston. He was a technician at the Electro-Medical Laboratory in Holliston, MA, from 1945 to 1947, when he became a sales engineer with the General Electric Company in Ashland, MA. After he moved to the Boothbay area in 1958, he was an electrician and refrigeration worker with Paul E. Luke, Inc. until 1967 and again for some years beginning in 1970, after a three-year stint as a shipwright with Goudy & Stevens. He also worked for Norman Hodgdon’s, Sample’s Shipyard, Robinhood Marina, PSECO, and Twin Rivers Engineering and established Jack Hartford, Inc., designing control panels. Surviving are three daughters, Kitty Hartford of East Boothbay, Chapin H. Cull of Boothbay, and Cory Hartford of East Boothbay; two sons, Keith Hartford of Portland and John S. Hartford, Jr. of Nashville, TN; a sister, Barbara Condon of Bourne Dale, MA; a brother, Elliot Hartford of Cape Cod, MA; nine grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Donald Stuart Ulin ’43 died on March 2, 2003, in Ville St. Pierre, Quebec, Canada. Born on December 23, 1920, in New York City, he prepared for college at the Boston Public Latin School, Roxbury (MA) Memorial High School, and the Mount Hermon School in Massachusetts. Following his graduation from Bowdoin in 1943, he served for three years in the U.S. Navy during World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant junior grade. After the war he taught French and Spanish at the Taft School in Connecticut and then did graduate work at Grenoble University in France, at Mexico City College, and at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, from which he received a master of education degree in 1951. Through the years, he was a leader, coordinator, and participant in many special programs. He was one of the leaders for the Harvard University-Boston program for two summers at Columbia Point in Dorchester, a program that sought better ways to serve people living in deprived areas. He was also the coordinator of the Migrant Workers Education Project of the Massachusetts Commonwealth Service Corps. He taught in the Belmont, MA, schools system. His wife, Susan, predeceased him, and he is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth Ulin of Montreal, Quebec, and a son, Robert Ulin.

Richard Lansing Webb ’45 died on August 13, 2003, in Meriden, CT. Born on July 28, 1923, in Mountain Lakes, NJ, he prepared for college at Mountain Lakes High School and became a member of Chi Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended for a year before transferring to the University of North Carolina. He served in the United States Army for three years during World War II and attained the rank of technician fourth grade. After the war, he studied at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he graduated in 1948. In 1950, he received a master of science degree in chemistry from Columbia University and then worked for many years as a research chemist with American Cyanamid Company in Stamford, CT, before his retirement. He was a member of the American Chemical Society and the First Baptist Church in New London and attended the First Congregational Church of Cheshire, CT. He was married to Nina Hill, who predeceased
Charles David Maguire ’46 died on September 6, 2003, in Englewood, CO. Born on June 7, 1924, in Nashua, NH, he prepared for college at Nashua High School and became a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended in 1942 before serving in the U.S. Army Air Forces during World War II from 1943 to 1946 and attaining the rank of first lieutenant. He returned to the College in 1946. Following his graduation cum laude in September of 1947, he entered Harvard Business School, from which he received a master of business administration degree in 1949, and joined the Johns-Manville Corporation as a cost accountant at the company’s plant in Manville, NJ. He later served as a cost accountant at the Waukegan, IL, plant and in 1951 was transferred to the company’s New York offices, where he became comptroller for the firm’s Pipe Division. In 1972, he was transferred to Colorado, where he was a vice president with Manville Corporation until his retirement in 1983. He was married in 1957 to Jacqueline Lewis, who predeceased him, and is survived by three sons, Charles D. Maguire, Jr., Daniel Maguire, and Paul Maguire, a daughter, Tracy M. Robinson of Englewood, CO; a sister, Mary Maguire of Nashua, NH, and 11 grandchildren.

Martin DeForest Smith, Jr. ’46 died on May 27, 2003, in Longmont, CO. Born on November 29, 1924, in New York City, he prepared for college at Vermont Academy and entered Bowdoin in the summer of 1942, becoming a member of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity. Beginning in June of 1943, he studied at Bates as a member of the Navy’s V-12 Program and continued at the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons from 1944 to 1948, when he received both his Bowdoin bachelor of science degree and his Columbia M.D. degree. During this time, he reached the rank of lieutenant junior grade in the Navy. After internning at the Maine General Hospital in Portland in 1948-49, he served in the Navy’s Medical Corps for two years, attaining the rank of lieutenant senior grade, and from 1951 to 1954 did his residency in internal medicine at Washington University in St. Louis, MO. After a year’s fellowship in radiation therapy at the University of Texas’s M.D. Anderson Hospital under a grant from the American Cancer Society, he became a self-employed radiologist at St. Anthony Hospital in Denver, CO, where he was named the chief radiologist in 1957. He was the chief of staff there in 1968-69, was a member of a number of professional organizations, and had served as senior warden of Calvary Episcopal Church in Golden, CO. He was married in 1948 to Patricia B. Green, who died in 1949, and was married again in 1953 to Emma Lou Ann Wolfe, who died in 1990. Surviving are two sons, Franklin Smith and Allan D. Smith, and two daughters, Barbara Smith and Laura Smith.

Campbell Craig Ryder ’49 died on August 27, 2003, in Austin, TX. Born on October 17, 1927, in New Bedford, MA, he prepared for college at Classical High School in Springfield, MA, and attended Bowdoin in the summer of 1945 before serving in the U.S. Marine Corps for 14 months and attaining the rank of private first class. Returning to the College in February of 1947, he became a member of Delta Upsilon Fraternity and graduated in February of 1949 as a member of the Class of 1949. He was with the General Electric Company in Bridgeport, CT, for four years as assistant supervisor of production control and then became an assistant production control supervisor with that company in Trenton, NJ. He was a plant manager with Better Packages, Inc., in Shelton, CT, from 1954 to 1958, and then joined Texas Instruments, where he was a production control manager and later a data processing manager in Atleboro, MA, and then manufacturing manager and a senior systems analyst. In 1969, he received a master of arts degree from Northeastern University. Before his retirement in 1991, he also worked for Texas Instruments in Madrid, Spain, and in Houston and Austin, Texas. After retiring, he was first a senior partner and later financial partner of the TIARC Investment Club, as well as treasurer of the Texas Instruments Retiree Club. While living in Massachusetts until 1981, he was president, vice president, and clerk of the corporation of the Foxborough Savings Bank, of which he was also a trustee. At the Bethany Congregational Church in Foxboro, he was treasurer of the church and chair of the Executive Council.

He served as chair of the Town of Foxboro’s Personnel Wage Board, was president of the Mansfield (MA) Jaycees, and was a charter member of the Foxboro Jaycees. Surviving are his wife, Joan Warriner Ryder, whom he married in 1949, three daughters, Melinda R. Schiller of Colleyville, Texas, Diana R. Kaminsky of Fredrick, MD, and Susan R. Knowles of Fairport, NY, a brother, Phillips H. Ryder ’47 of Jupiter, FL, and six grandchildren.

Theodore George Tatsios ’49 died on October 4, 2003, in Athens, Greece. Born on January 22, 1921, in Lowell, MA, he prepared for college at the Third Gymnasium in Thessaloniki, Greece, and during World War II served in the U.S. Army Air Force, attaining the rank of second lieutenant. He entered Bowdoin in 1945, became a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, and graduated in 1947 cum laude as a member of the Class of 1949. He did graduate work at the Russian Institute of Columbia University, receiving the Certificate of the Russian Institute and a master of arts degree in 1949. As an Air Force career officer from 1947 to 1967, he was an air attaché, a staff intelligence and operations officer, a personal pilot for the commanding officer of NATO at Izmir, Turkey, and chief of the military environment division of the Air Command and Staff College, retiring as a lieutenant colonel. He earned a doctor of philosophy degree from Georgetown University in 1967 and a second Ph.D. degree in 1973 from Columbia University, with a major in history and a minor in political science and international relations. After his retirement from the Air Force, he taught history at Elmira College in New York for ten years, and at the American College (Deree College) in Athens, Greece, for ten years. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters. During his career with the Air Force, he assisted with the establishment of a number of overseas programs for the University of Maryland and taught in Libya, Turkey, Germany, and Greece, for which he was awarded a Certificate of Merit by the president of the University of Maryland in 1990. He also graduated with honors from the Air Command and Staff College, the Air War College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Surviving are his wife, Margaret Boobyer Tatsios, whom he married in 1945; three daughters, Anna T. Stocker of Trumbull, CT, Helen Tatsios, and Georgia...
Benjamin Morrill Greely, Jr. '53 died on October 16, 2003, in Norwood, MA. Born on December 9, 1931, in Boston, he prepared for college at Thayer Academy in South Braintree, MA, and became a member of Chi Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1953, he joined the Norfolk County Trust Company in Brookline, MA, before serving as an officer in the U.S. Army. For some years he worked in Missouri, and in 1967 moved back to Massachusetts to become a sales engineer in the medical electronics life systems group of Bourns, Inc. of Ames, IA. For 10 years, he was the comptroller at the University of Massachusetts in Boston. In 1970, he became an instructor of fencing at the Center for Creative Arts in Medfield, MA, where he lived for many years. He is survived by his wife, Madeline Greely; a son, Christopher W. Greely of Bridgewater, MA; two daughters, Dorothea Ayrton of Derry, NH, and Lisa Van Ness of Plymouth, MA; three stepchildren, Judy Mannone of Derry, NH, and Lisa Van Ness of Plymouth, MA; and Joyce Exel of Woburn; a sister, Joan Greely of Mt. Pleasant, MI, 15 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Didrik Christofer Severin Bent '54 died on May 11, 2002. Born on December 4, 1929, in Linköping, Sweden, he prepared for college at a number of schools in Norway and the United States and entered Bowdoin in February of 1951, becoming a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity. Following his graduation in June of 1954, he did graduate work at the Amos Tuck School of Business Administration at Dartmouth College. For some years he was associated with the Empire Trust Company in New York City as a credit investigator. Later, he became an assistant to the deputy superintendent of the New York State Banking Department in New York City.

Richard Wallis Smith '57 died on October 13, 2003, in West Yarmouth, MA. Born on September 7, 1934, in Malden, MA, he prepared for college at Medford High School and the Browne and Nichols School in Cambridge, MA, and became a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1958 as a member of the Class of 1957, he served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army for six months before joining the faculty at the Browne and Nichols School, where he taught mathematics and coached football and basketball. From 1966 to 1968, he held the same positions in Weston, MA. He was an assistant to the superintendent of schools in Northampton, MA, from 1968 until 1980, when he joined the faculty at the Frontier Regional School in South Deerfield, MA, where he was an assistant principal and athletic director. He was also a color commentator for radio broadcasts for the Northampton High School football team for many years and, as a reservist in the U.S. Army, attended the Armed Officers School in Fort Knox, KY. He received a master of education degree from Boston University in 1968 and also did graduate work in mathematics at Framingham State Teachers College and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He retired in 1986. He was a member of the Kings Way Golf Association, the Handel and Haydn Choral Society of Boston, and the Elks. He also was a court investigator for the Hampshire-Franklin District Courts. Surviving are his wife, Mary Jane Davis Smith, whom he married in 1964; a son, Richard W. Smith of Whitman, MA; a daughter, Melissa P. Smith of Northampton, MA; a brother, Arthur D. Smith of Baltimore, MD; and two grandchildren.

Nicholas Edward Monsour '61 died on July 12, 2003, in Powder Springs, GA. Born on October 2, 1939, in Pittsburgh, PA, he prepared for college at Bethel High School in Library, PA, and Shady Side Academy in Pittsburgh and became a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1961, he entered the University of Chicago Law School, from which he was graduated in 1964. During the next two years, he served in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of captain, and then was a law clerk with Hampton & Dietel in New York City for a year before joining the firm of Bigham, Eglar, Jones, and Houston in New York. He was an attorney with Reid and Priest in New York in 1972-73, and then was an attorney and assistant administrator at Monsour Hospital and Clinic in Jeannette, PA, before joining Martin, Ade, Birchfield, and Johnson
in Jacksonville, FL. After practicing law in the St. Augustine area beginning in 1980, he became a financial consultant with CS First Boston Corporation in Atlanta, GA, and later became a stockbroker with Lehman Brothers, Inc., in Atlanta. He is survived by his wife, Sarah Montgomery Monsour; a daughter, Jamee Monsour; and a son, Nicholas E.C. Monsour.

Emery John Gorondy ’64 died on September 8, 2003, in Wilmington, DE. Born on April 22, 1940, in Debrecen, Hungary, he prepared for college at Escuela Industrial de San Miguel in Argentina and attended the Universidad de Buenos Aires in 1958-59. He studied at Bowdoin in 1960-61 as a Bowdoin Plan student sponsored by the Sigma Nu Fraternity and then attended the University of Maine from 1962 to 1967, receiving a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering in 1965 and a master of science degree, also in chemical engineering, in 1967. In 1975, he received a master of business administration degree from the University of Delaware, attending classes at night while working for E. I. Du Pont de Nemours Company; doing research and process development for the dye and chemicals, electronic, and specialty chemicals divisions. Through the years, he worked at the Chambers Works facility, the Experimental Station, and the Chestnut Run and Jackson Laboratory locations. He was granted 22 patents and retired as a senior engineering associate. Surviving are his wife, Dr. Susan Collins Gorondy, whom he married in 1982, a son, John E. Gorondy of Wilmington; a daughter, Elizabeth I. Gorondy of Wilmington; his mother, Ethel Gorondi; and three brothers, Alexander Z. Gorondi ’62 of La Palma, Argentina, Pedro Gorondy of Wilmington; his mother, Loretta Margaret Cliford, a son, Robert Anderson; a daughter, Mary Anderson; two stepdaughters, Laura Rebhan and Jennifer Moore; a brother, John Anderson; three sisters, Dorothy Anderson, Patricia Anderson, and Margaret Fuller; and three grandchildren.

Marcia Ann Masters Bush ’76 died on October 30, 2003, in Westford, MA. Born on April 14, 1954, in Boston, she prepared for college at the Girls’ Latin School in Dorchester, MA, and became a member of Psi Upsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following her graduation in 1978 as a member of the Class of 1976, she worked at Public Radio Station WABR in Cambridge, MA, as news and public affairs moderator and producer and as a stand-by on that station’s Jerry Williams show. She also wrote and performed comedy bits, impersonations, and song parodies for Charles Laquidaira on WBCN in Boston. In addition to being a radio and stage comedienne/singer, she was a project administrator with Primark Corporation in Waltham, MA. Surviving are her husband, Robert Bush, whom she married in 1996; her mother, Bernice R. Masters, and a brother, David Masters of Beverly, MA.

Robert John Anderson ’65 died on August 11, 2003, in Raleigh, NC. Born on January 25, 1943, in Millford, CT, he prepared for college at Rockland High School and became a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended from 1961 to 1963. During the Vietnam conflict, he served in the U.S. Army and then joined the IBM Corporation, working in New England, New York, and North Carolina for 30 years, retiring as manager of marketing communications in 1998. He was a member of the Appalachian Mountain Club, the Raleigh Ski and Outing Club, the Greystone Lake Watch Committee, and the Raleigh Racquet Club, a certified ski instructor, a counselor for the Small Business Administration’s Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), and had served as president of the Dunbarton Pointe Homeowners Association. He was a charter member of the National Prostate Cancer Coalition, a consumer advocate with the Department of Defense, and a member of the Wake County Prostate Cancer Coalition. In 2001, he founded the Prostate Cancer Coalition of North Carolina and was honored by Business Leader Triangle Magazine as one of its choices for its “Impact 100 for 2002” list. He was also a recipient of an American Cancer Society IMPACT 2002 Award and received the Joseph C. Paige, Sr. Award, given by the Prostate Cancer Coalition of Wake County for outstanding leadership, advocacy, and visionary guidance in support of awareness and the fight against prostate cancer. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ellen Kuehn, his mother, Loretta Margaret Cliford, a son, Robert Anderson; a daughter, Mary Anderson; two stepdaughters, Laura Rebhan and Jennifer Moore; a brother, John Anderson; three sisters, Dorothy Anderson, Patricia Anderson, and Margaret Fuller; and three grandchildren.

Katarzyna Berenika Winiarczyk ’89 died on October 25, 2003, in Minneapolis, MN. Born on October 26, 1967, in Poland, she prepared for college at Winslow High School and became a member of Alpha Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Bowdoin. She spent her junior year at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland and, following her graduation from the College in May of 1989, was for some years a computer systems coordinator with Harmon Contract in Bloomington, MN. In later years, she was a structural engineer with AEC Engineering in Minneapolis. She is survived by her husband, Piotr Nasiadka; a daughter, and her parents, Bogdan and Zofia Winiarczyk of Winslow.

Doris Charrier Vladimiroff, Honorary 1994, died on August 1, 2003, in South Harpswell. Born on November 5, 1927, in South Bristol, she prepared for college at Sanford High School, was graduated from Dule University in 1949, and received a master of arts degree from Middlebury College in 1956. She also studied at Yale University, the University of Nottingham in England, and the New School for Social Research in New York City. She taught at the Needham Broughton High School in Raleigh, NC, in 1949-50 and taught French and English at the Hamden Hall Country Day School in Connecticut from 1950 to 1956. For 26 years, from 1966 to 1992, she worked in the Upward Bound Program at Bowdoin, starting as assistant director of the program and being named project director in 1967. She also taught English and education courses for the University of Maine System and at Bowdoin and taught English at Friends Academy in Locust Valley, NY, from 1960 to 1966. She served on a number of councils and commissions, including the Maine Council of Language Arts, the National Council of Teachers of English, the New England Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel, the Maine State Governor’s Council on Education, and the Bath-Brunswick Mental Health Association Board of Directors. In 1994, she received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree from the College, the citation for which said, in part, “…your own youthful discovery of the wonder of literature, the pleasures of writing and the joy of teaching gave you the means to guide students in developing a larger awareness of themselves and their possibilities, you stimulated many to be the first of their family to complete high school or the first to graduate from a college or university.” She is survived by her husband, Vladimir Vladimiroff, whom she married in 1970, three sons, Frederic Davis of Berkeley, CA, Stephen Davis of Crookston, MN, and Serge Vladimiroff of San Francisco, CA; a daughter, Martha Davis of El Cerrito, CA; a sister, Frances Martin of Twickenham, England; and three grandchildren.
When he's not teaching classes, playing noontime basketball, or otherwise engaged on campus, Dale Syphers can often be found in the business of providing expert testimony in the area of accident reconstruction. We talked to Dale about his sideline business of using physics in the real world.

SH: Tell us about your accident reconstruction work.
DS: It's basically applied physics — physics in the real world, where most of us live, not in the journal world, where I do my research. I got into this because years ago there was a Physics Today article, and the writer was talking about the need for physicists to have a greater presence in society as a whole and especially in things like the courtroom. His example was a trial in New Jersey, where a lawyer summed up by saying after hearing expert testimony, “Well, we all know the laws of physics are made in the laboratory, but, ladies and gentlemen of the jury, we know it's a different thing entirely on the roads of New Jersey.” And that lawyer won.

SH: So that will get your blood boiling!
DS: Exactly. But it's fascinating. What I've learned is, much like the stuff I do in my research, I can't tell what's going on, other than by what the data tells me. Same thing here. I come, and I find evidence. I look around and I just keep asking the same kind of questions – what is it trying to tell me? What's the information, where is it hidden?

SH: So you look at debris, you look at tire marks...
DS: And you look at the vehicles themselves. That tells you a lot about the angle of impact. There was a criminal case, where somebody was in a collision at 2 a.m. And the evidence that I used was a tire mark from one car onto the fender of the other car, and from the mark that it left, I was able to look at the tire and figure out a certain pattern – this was one of those ones where I said, “there's information here, I just gotta figure out how to get it out.” And it turned out that there was a sequence of places where there wasn't rubber on the fender and that turned out to be the places with the little tiny eighth-inch long nub from the injection molding machine that stick out from the tire were folded over and slid along. And those occurred at certain distances and that allowed me to figure out what the relative speed between the cars
was. And contradict what the other, the police accident specialist, said. And the case was dropped, and the person was set free.

**AB:** So, are you always able to in these cases make science overrule police experience or judgment or witness testimony?

**DS:** When I'm finished with a reconstruction, I'm pretty sure about what happened. I'm more than pretty sure – actually I find that in most cases there's too much information. There's about four different paths that all have to correlate. So it creates sort of a fabric and by the time I'm done, and everything comes into the same answer, I know that's the answer – that's what happened. (But) how is that used, and does it overrule? It depends. Sometimes it does, sometimes it depends on what the jury and the judge thinks is more important. For instance, in several cases I'm able to show that someone is speeding 15 miles an hour over the limit…

**SH:** How do you do that?

**DS:** By looking at the conservation of angular momentum and conservation of linear momentum and conservation of energy and apply the dynamic physical formulas that we teach students here to the specific situations.

**SH:** You're an advocate for the science, but also for your employer, the insurance company.

**DS:** Yes. Everyone has to make their own peace with how that functions, and I've made mine in that I will say whatever I can say that is definitely true for the person who's employing me. I won't lie. If someone asks me a question that totally undermines their case and it's correct, I will answer that, and I tell everybody that. And half the times I get called, my initial answer alter looking at the site is "I can't help you. There's nothing I can say that will help you."

**SH:** Do you ever use any of this experience in the classroom?

**DS:** Yes. I worked a little bit with Bill Barker to construct a motorcycle accident scenario for use in their calculus program, and I use it in courses that I teach here. Often the lessons one leaves physics with are somewhat esoteric, but I also try to leave students with life lessons, like how to recognize when you're about to have a collision. We have a problem we assign that has them figure out what's happening in relative motion between two objects, and we give them a very easy take-home message, and that is that if the relative angular position – the o'clock position, if you will – doesn't change, regardless of what direction they're going in or you're going in, you're going to have a collision. If they're not moving in your field of view, then you're going to have a collision. And real life examples can make some things easier to understand. Rotational motion and angular stuff is actually some of the hardest stuff we do in intro physics. People don't have a very good intuitive feeling for it, and it causes lots of panic and fear. But when you can show what happens to people who were in a head-on collision vs an off-center collision where a lot of the energy goes into rotation and you have less energy absorbed in the collision…Not much of a take-home message, but — if you have that last ounce of control and you're heading toward something, try to move it off center.

**AB:** You must be fun to go to an action movie with.

**DS:** My wife will not let me open my mouth in movies. The first time I do, she says "I'm warning now, don't do that again."

**SH:** This is why he can play basketball – he knows the angles and bounces and all that. Was it you a few years ago who was talking about how many times it was possible for a basketball to bounce on the rim before it would have to fall?

**DS:** Yeah. There's a limit. Quantum mechanics puts a limit, and it's not hundreds – it's something like 13, the number of times a basketball can bounce on the rim and not violate quantum mechanics.

For a longer version of this interview, see the Bowdoin Magazine web site: www.bowdoin.edu/bowdoinmagazine
P eople achieve different ends through their college educations: passion for a certain academic field, exploration of a new area of the country, direction for a specific career path. For Albert F. Lilley ’54, his Bowdoin education provided a sound foundation for numerous aspects of his life.

Al’s studies as a government major at Bowdoin set the stage for his later academic achievement at University of Virginia Law School, where he fell in love with legal studies and served as an editor of the Virginia Law Review. According to Al, these academic pursuits “created disciplines that he could never shake” and which proved invaluable during Al’s long career as a partner in the corporate department at the New York law firm of Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy.

Al’s years at Bowdoin also provided him with friendships and leadership opportunities through his involvement with the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. Fraternity life was “extraordinarily important” to Al while he was at Bowdoin. He made life-long friends, many of whom will convene on campus in June for their 50th Reunion, and served as President of DKE in his senior year.

Perhaps the most important discovery Al made while at Bowdoin was the identity of a certain Colby College student: his future wife, Judi. Al met Judi, a member of Colby’s Class of 1956, on a group date at a basketball game. Their long-distance courtship continued after Al graduated from Bowdoin, and they were married after Judi’s graduation. This Bowdoin-Colby match provided the foundation for a marriage approaching its golden anniversary, three children (Kirk ’83, Kristin and Alex), and five grandchildren to date.

Al’s experience at Bowdoin also provided a starting point for his later volunteer involvement with the College. After a few years away, Al reconnected with Bowdoin through his service to the Alumni Fund. After serving as Director of the Alumni Fund and President of the Alumni Council, Al sat on the Board of Overseers. Al has served in similar leadership positions for Virginia Law School and a New Jersey hospital, and even in retirement has become a Rotary leader in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Al and Judi’s commitment to Bowdoin is at the heart of their philanthropic giving. Al has remained a staunch advocate of giving through the Alumni Fund, and even in retirement has found that in his 50th Reunion year, planned giving could be combined with annual giving in a way that makes sense for him and his family. Without sacrificing his Alumni Fund commitment, his 50th Reunion gift is “enhanced by planned giving.” After a somewhat disappointing investment experience over the last three years, he was attracted to the fixed income available through a charitable gift annuity. Al and Judi will receive a competitive payout rate based upon their ages and a fixed annual annuity payment for the rest of their lives, bolstering the solid foundation of their retirement plan with a guaranteed income stream. Their generous gift eventually will be added to the Lilley Family Fund, which benefits faculty research and scholarship, providing a strong financial base for the work of Bowdoin’s faculty in the future.

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October 2003 was the rainiest October on record for Brunswick but you could still walk rather than paddle across the quad. Before new drainage was installed in the 1980s, the quad flooded regularly, as in this March 1942 photo of (left to right) George Hebb ’44, Roy LaCasce ’44, and the late Richard Means ’44. Professor Emeritus LaCasce recalls, over the years, watching students canoe, kayak, fly-fish, sail, and even scuba dive the quad.

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