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## THE REOPENING OF BOWDOIN'S MUSEUM OF ART



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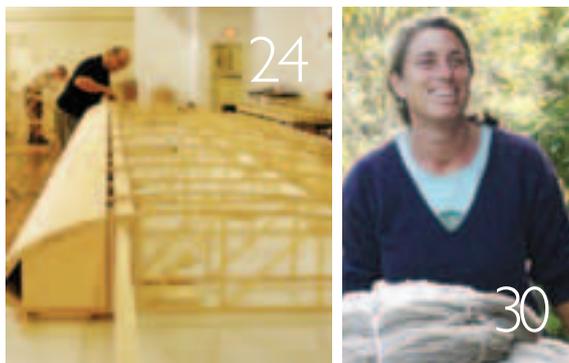
The Museum of Art celebrated its public reopening and its renewed position as the cornerstone of arts and culture at Bowdoin in October, following an ambitious \$20.8 million renovation and expansion project. Selby Frame gives us a look at the last stages of the project – the preparation of the exhibitions – as well as a glimpse of the first visitors.



#### 24 Arrivals and Departures

BY EDGAR ALLEN BEEM  
PHOTOGRAPHS BY JAMES MARSHALL

Professor of Art Mark Wethli came to Bowdoin in 1985 to direct Bowdoin's studio art program. In the 22 years since then, Wethli has mentored and inspired countless students and has led Bowdoin in elevating its profile in the state and national art scenes. In addition to discussing Wethli's most recent project, Piper Cub, Ed Beem writes of the many forms Wethli's aesthetic vision has taken over the years.



#### 30 Craftswoman, Farmer, Entrepreneur

BY JOAN TAPPER PHOTOGRAPHS BY GALE ZUCKER

Nanney Kennedy '82, a Bowdoin lacrosse player who earned her degree in the sociology of art, followed her own path from artisan to businesswoman and advocate for sustainability. Joan Tapper, who interviewed Kennedy for her upcoming book *Shear Spirit: Ten Fiber Farms, Twenty Patterns and Miles of Yarn* (Potter Craft: April 2008), tells us how she built new dreams on old foundations.

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## A year and counting

**O**n November 10, it will be exactly a year from the date of the launch of the public phase of The Bowdoin Campaign. To those not directly involved, all the terminology can be confusing and arcane. To fundraisers and volunteers, these benchmarks are critical, and that part seems obvious – hitting these objectives at the right time allows them to meet goals as planned. But what does the public phase mean to those who aren't directly involved?

At last November's launch event, participants received a document outlining the purposes and needs of The Bowdoin Campaign, the theme of which is The Place That Makes Us, The Place We Make. It begins, "For some of us, it was a place we had always dreamed about. For others, it was a place we had never imagined. For all of us, the years we spent here changed us forever. Hubbard Hall in October, Dayton Arena in February, Mount Katahdin at dawn, Casco Bay at sunset: these are the settings for some of our most formative days. They are the places where characters were shaped, where minds were opened, where friendships were formed. Together, they form a place like no other in the world. This is Bowdoin."

There is a sense of great achievement right now at Bowdoin. The completion of the Studzinski Recital Hall and Kanbar Auditorium last spring, the reopening of the Museum of Art in October, and the groundbreaking for the new Watson Arena at reunion are all tangible reminders of how beautiful the outcome can be when careful planning meets thoughtful generosity.

But there's more to do, extending well beyond exciting building projects. The campaign document puts it this way, in the beginning of a section detailing the funds needed: "Everyone who passes through Bowdoin is changed. And everyone who passes through Bowdoin changes it. As a result, the College is at once a place that is everlasting and a place that is never the same. We are each the beneficiary of a legacy that reaches back more than two hundred years, and each new day provides an opportunity for us to be careful stewards of that legacy. Today, we face a challenge to secure Bowdoin's promise in a way that both protects and transforms this remarkable place. This is The Bowdoin Campaign."

It is easy to connect the gift of a donor to a new building, or to an expansion or renovation project. Even the least financially-savvy of us can understand that money buys materials and pays architects' fees.

But money is also a necessary component in creating a vigorous and engaged faculty, and it is that as much as outstanding facilities that makes Bowdoin such a very special place. Ask any one of those whose scholarship we mention in this issue – Mark Wethli, Jim Higginbotham, Aaron Kitch, Susan Wegner, and many more – how endowed funds work to make them better scholars and teachers. As students, the benefits of such engagement may not be obvious, but they are in fact evident daily, in the way courses and curriculum evolve, in what and how professors teach, and in the vividness they bring to their subjects. And that, as they say, is priceless.

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Cover: The Bowdoin College Museum of Art celebrated its public reopening on October 14, 2007, following an ambitious \$20.8 million renovation and expansion project. Photograph by Michele Stapleton



**68 Knots**

A high-adrenaline story of adventure and struggle, the latest book from **Michael Evans '81** follows eight teenagers who find themselves with absolute freedom on a schooner full of food for the summer. The teens are participants in a leadership cruise, but when their leader commits suicide out of depression, they are left to their own devices. *Tanglewood Books, 2007.*



**Alaska Memories**

After his Bowdoin graduation, and before medical school, **John McGoldrick '77** traded the friendly confines of campus for the seemingly infinite wilderness of Alaska, which he would call home for the following six years. Through this memoir, readers experience some of the adventure, excitement, and wonder that McGoldrick lived in those years. Events ranging from salmon fishing to winter-long survival in the back of a broken-down school bus to jumping from a military helicopter to rescue plane crash survivors from

Mount McKinley are narrated with McGoldrick's sense of spirit and appreciation for Alaska's natural wonder. *iUniverse, Inc., 2007.*



**Doing Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy**

**Richard Bromfield '74**, a faculty member at Harvard Medical School's Massachusetts Mental Health Center, presents new tools and techniques for providing effective psychotherapy for children and adolescents. By discussing the therapy process in its entirety, Bromfield highlights the challenges, nuances, and rewards involved in child psychotherapy. His straightforward and engaging writing style makes the complexities of the therapy process understandable and interesting. *John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2007.*



**Four Seasons in Rome: On Twins, Insomnia, and the Biggest Funeral in the History of the World**

On the same day that **Anthony Doerr '95** learned he'd be going to Rome for a year for a fellowship

at the American Academy of Arts and Letters, his wife gave birth to twin sons. Doerr cleverly weaves together narratives about his exploration of Rome and the Italian countryside with the narrative of being a first-time parent (with twins). Divided by season, Doerr's stories range from lighthearted tales to a poignant depiction of the vigil for the dying Pope John Paul II. *Scribner, 2007.*



**A Gift of Dreams**

The '60s was a particularly formative era in which to grow up, when influences like rock-and-roll, war, and illegal drugs began infiltrating traditional society. In this memoir, **Robert A. Benjamin '66** shares his experiences as a high school student living outside the popular trends of the time and celebrates the power of individuality in the face of external pressures. *Helm Publishing, 2007.*

| Q & A |

FOOTNOTES

Matthew Klinge **Emerald City: An Environmental History of Seattle**

**A**ssistant Professor of History and Environmental Studies **Matthew Klinge** explores the history of Seattle and the importance of viewing nature, culture, cities, and the environment—natural history and human history—as inextricably intertwined. He applies the insight that one can't see nature without seeing human culture and vice versa to the study of the most seemingly unnatural human creation: the city. (Yale University Press, 2007)

**BOWDOIN:** How did you come across the topic?

**KLINGE:** I wanted to understand the relationship between cities and nature. Seattle was a perfect case study because it's a city that came of age when America became urban. When we think of North American cities, we tend to class them in two categories. There are those cities that seem to live in harmony with nature, and those that seem to displace nature. I wanted to show that that is a false dichotomy. Seattle, set among stunning beauty, also has this deeply unsettling history that its beauty has been created and preserved at a price to other people [and other creatures]. It's a story of complexities and entanglements.

**BOWDOIN:** What does studying Seattle teach in a larger scope?

**KLINGE:** That place and history matter. One of the ideas that I tried to examine in this book is an idea I call an ethic of place. How is it that you create a relationship with the natural world, and with the diverse communities that make that natural world their home, and do so in a way that balances environmental protection with questions of social equity and social justice over time? My hope is that though my

particulars might be relevant to Seattle, the larger ideas can apply to places as far flung as New York City or Millinocket, Maine.

**BOWDOIN:** Did you find anything surprising about the intersection between nature and culture?

**KLINGE:** Yes. We tend to think of an environmental ethic as only being associated with those groups we see as stereotypically and environmentally minded, like conservation or environmental groups. It was surprising to find that environmentalism isn't the province of the affluent, the white, and the suburban, but it's a far more diverse and complicated set of ideas.



**BOWDOIN:** What was a lesson that you took away from this project?

**KLINGE:** I learned how powerfully history and place intertwine; that history is place, and place is history. Our ethical understanding and obligation to place can't be disentangled from history, and thinking historically isn't a panacea for many of the problems I tried to outline in the book, from pollution to environmental injustice to disappearing salmon, to cities that are unsustainable for human communities because the commute patterns are so long and housing prices are so high. Thinking historically is a check on our hubris; it's a check on our tendency to see us as being above larger forces that we neither wholly understand nor control, and it's a check on our tendency to see the world narrowly and for our own particular interests.



### Homeland Insecurity

Former Maine Commissioner of Human Services **Michael R. Petit '68** gathered federal data to compile this book "and help spark

debate about the need for major new federal investments in children and families." Petit heads the nonpartisan advocacy group Every Child Matters, with a goal "to make children, youth, and family issues a political priority in the forthcoming presidential election." The book can be downloaded for free at [www.everychildmatters.org](http://www.everychildmatters.org). *Every Child Matters Education Fund, 2006.*



### Making the Ghost Dance

Emeritus Professor of English at the University of Utah **David Kranes '59** weaves an enchanting tale about a young boy who takes up magic as a hobby but ends up allowing it to

consume his life. The story follows the boy through his adventures and misadventures, providing a window into the so-called "Entitlement Generation," whose members sometimes believe that anything one desires can be produced by the wave of a magic wand. *Signature Books, 2006.*



### Michael Rockefeller: New Guinea Photographs, 1961

In 1961, photographer Michael Clark Rockefeller captured over 4,000 negatives while on an expedition in

New Guinea, and author **Kevin Bubriski '75** explores Rockefeller's journey in this captivating book. Bubriski includes over 75 of Rockefeller's photographs in what is the first publication of a substantial collection of Rockefeller's work. The author discusses not only the photographs—remarkable on their own—but also Rockefeller's cultural exchanges with the natives he encountered. *Peabody Museum Press, 2007.*



### Pinedale, Wyoming: A Centennial History 1904-2004

**Ann Chambers Noble '82** carefully traces the history of Pinedale, a

historically important outfitting town lying at the threshold of Wyoming's Wind River Mountains. Central to Noble's study is how a town as remote and sparsely populated as Pinedale can develop a government, economy, and sense of community. Noble's book has won numerous awards, including a bronze medal in the 2007 Independent Publisher Book Awards. *Museum of the Mountain Man, 2006.*



### Primary Mistake: How the Washington Republican Establishment Lost Everything in 2006 (and Sabotaged My Senatorial Campaign)

With tensions over the upcoming presidential election already high, **Steve Laffey '84's** political memoir is particularly resonant. Laffey, twice elected mayor of Cranston, Rhode Island, chronicles the drama and intensity of the Rhode Island Republican Senate primary in 2006, in which he ran against incumbent Lincoln Chaffee. *Sentinel HC, 2007.*



### Salt Dreams

Photographer **Jimmy Katz '79** and his wife Dena, discovered a variety of intriguing and often

bizarre sights while exploring the historic Utah salt flats. The pair captured surreal glimpses of human possessions littering the Great Salt Lake and the homemade racecars and rockets that are part of annual races and rituals on the flats. *PowerHouse Books, 2006.*



### The Story of Sugarloaf

**John Christie '59**, a prominent New England skier recently inducted into the Maine Ski Hall of Fame, explores the history and

development of Sugarloaf Mountain in Carabassett Valley, Maine. Christie, a former ski instructor and former president of Sugarloaf Mountain Corporation, draws from his experience as an early Sugarloafer to craft an enlightening history of the mountain and the now famous eastern ski resort. *Down East Books, 2007.*



### Tending the Garden: The Unique Gifts of the Jewish Woman

Well-known inspirational lecturer and author **Chana Weisberg '93** explores the unique gifts and contributions of Jewish women to society. The book uses dialogue, Torah sources, and years of Weisberg's own research to form a compelling statement on the Jewish approach to femininity and the divine mission of the Jewish woman. Weisberg's engaging style enhances the power of her inspirational messages. *Targum Press/Feldheim Publishers, 2007.*



### Why The Devil Chose New England For His Work

This collection of short stories from **Jason Brown '91** presents cast after cast of flawed characters under the influence of an abstract but ubiquitous evil, which loosely knits together the different tales. Brown's refined style evokes both tension and hope, allowing the reader to see the root of each of the central issues he presents through his twisted narratives. *Grove Press, 2007.*

## on my nightstand



**Steven Cerf, George Lincoln Skolfield, Jr., Professor of German**

- *The Lost: A Search for Six of Six Million* by Daniel Mendelsohn
- *Consuela Travis and the Domino Effect* by Barbara Kaster
- *Risë Stevens: A Life in Music* by John Pennino
- *Geheimreport* by Carl Zuckmayer
- *The Life and Death of Classical Music: Featuring the 100 Best and 20 Worst Recordings Ever Made* by Norman Lebrecht
- *Leni: The Life and Work of Leni Riefenstahl* by Steven Bach

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- *The Annotated Sherlock Holmes* by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, edited by William S. Baring-Gould
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- *South: The Endurance Expedition* by Ernest Shackleton
- *Wisdom of the Ages: 60 Days to Enlightenment* by Wayne W. Dyer

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- *Stumbling on Happiness* by Daniel Gilbert
- *The Namesake: A Novel* by Jhumpa Lahiri
- *The Places That Scare You: A Guide to Fearlessness in Difficult Times* by Pema Chodron
- *Always a Virginian* by Alice Winn
- *Five Sisters: The Langhorns of Virginia* by James Fox

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### How Much to Spend?

Dear Editor:

Many in college investment circles, like Bowdoin, are taking great pride in announcing superb investment results on their endowments in 2006-7 (*Bowdoin* magazine, Summer 2007, page 9). Harvard's \$36 billion, growing over 25% in 2006-7, has been all over the news. What is disturbing is how little of that growth and wealth is being distributed. I understand at Bowdoin it is 5% annually and at Harvard it was less. I worry about "endowment hoarding" in our colleges and universities and why there are not more "thoughtful philanthropists with concerned money" demanding higher "distributions" before or as a condition of giving. Just think if Bowdoin increased its annual distribution a mere 1% that would be \$8,000,000 or full tuition at \$40,000 for 200 qualified but needy students, Bowdoin's stakeholders of Bowdoin's endowment. Now that would be "laudable!" Is Bowdoin "endowment hoarding?"

David Z. Webster '57

*Editor: Bowdoin spends five percent of the endowment distribution annually in support of the operating budget. This endowment distribution plays a critical role in Bowdoin's operating budget, accounting for nearly one-quarter of the College's annual revenue. In fact, it is the second highest source of revenue after tuition, providing more than \$27 million this year alone. The spending policy, which is reviewed annually as part of Bowdoin's budget process, is designed to balance current and future needs of the College, while also insulating Bowdoin from fluctuations in the economy. As the endowment grows in value, additional funds are made available to the College to meet inflation and to support academic priorities, student programs, and financial aid.*

### Send Us Mail!

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

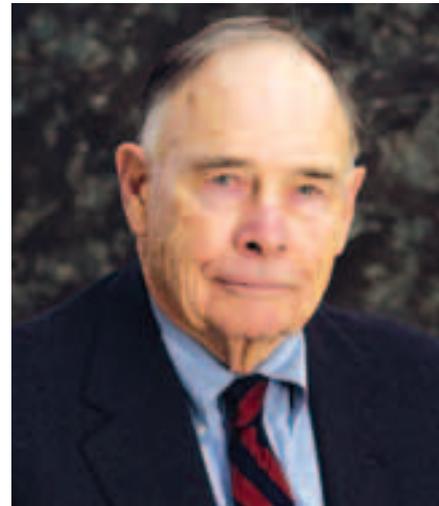
Submission deadline for Class News, Weddings and Mailbox for the Winter issue is Thursday, January 31, 2008.

### Fortunately, not Former

Dear Editor:

Although I was not an English major, I hope I remain a friend of Roy Greason, so I was distressed to read in [the] story about Coffin, p 16, (*Bowdoin, summer 2007, Vol. 78, No. 3*) that Roy is "former Bowdoin College President Emeritus." Emeritus defines a former. Former Emeritus means either: (1) his honor was revoked, OR (2) he is no longer with us. Did I miss some news about my friend? On [the] same page a bell either "rang" or "was rung" in the past. It didn't "rung" by itself. Just a hobby of mine to pick up on tidbits like these.

Phil McIntire '65



President Emeritus A. LeRoy Greason

### Corrections

In the piece about Reed House in our last issue, we misspelled the name of the fraternity; it is Chi Psi.

In the Bookshelf section of our last issue, we erroneously listed two class years: Henry Maxfield is the Class of 1945; Herbert Silsby is the Class of 1948.

The obituary for Richard Farr '50 in our last issue incorrectly listed his fraternity; it was Alpha Tau Omega.

We regret the errors.

## LOOKING FOR HOCKEY HISTORY

Interior design plans for the Watson Arena include display areas for exhibits about the history of Bowdoin men's and women's ice hockey. To make the exhibits as interesting and complete as possible, we are looking for new archival material, covering all eras of Bowdoin ice hockey. If you have photographs, programs, or other ephemera that you would like the College to consider for this purpose, please contact Margaret Broaddus, Senior Capital Gifts Officer; at 207-725-3957 or [mbroaddu@bowdoin.edu](mailto:mbroaddu@bowdoin.edu).



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*A hopeful hello: Hoyt Peckham '96 leads research to save the loggerhead turtle.*

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## Next Stop, Bowdoin Station (for Now)

The Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority (MBTA) announced over the summer that it will close the Bowdoin Station on the Blue Line within the next three years. The station, which opened in 1916, is located at Cambridge Street at New Chardon Street and Bowdoin Street, and services downtown Boston.

Bowdoin station is too small to accommodate MBTA's new six-car trains that will go into service soon, and is so close to the Government Center station that if it



were extended for the new trains, it would almost touch the Government Center platform. When the renovation of the Government Center Station is completed, Bowdoin station will only be 575 feet away, a two-minute, 20 second ride—barely a *Beata*—rendering the Bowdoin stop obsolete.

In another Bowdoin connection, when trolleys still rolled over the line, the Bowdoin Station tail tracks (now closed) extended to a tunnel that crossed Longfellow Bridge.

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### WHAT ARE THE CHANCES?

Despite being 1964 classmates at Bowdoin, John Pope and Phil Jones, to their recollection, “never met, spoke, or heard of the other’s existence.” They lived in different houses, had different majors, and were interested in different activities. For forty years, they had nothing in common other than their class year.

Add John’s son, Eric, and Phil’s daughter, Hannah, to the mix, change the setting to Worcester, Mass., and throw in a couple additional schools, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Clark University, respectively. Now, the fact that Eric and Hannah are the youngest of three children in their families, and both in the college class of 2004. See where this is going?

“They already were setting out along the road to matrimony when they discovered both their dads had recently: 1) attended their college reunion; 2) at Bowdoin; 3) for the 40th. The kids found the coincidence mildly amusing; we were amazed!” wrote John and Phil. “We’ll leave it to the math department

to calculate the probabilities/improbabilities of this match up.”

Eric and Hannah were married in an outdoor ceremony on August 11 at John’s lakeside home in East Machias, Maine.

John and Phil sent a photograph. “As the shutter clicked,” they wrote,

“several of John’s relatives (a broad and deep connection to Bowdoin there) and all of Phil’s kids were singing *Bowdoin Beata* in an uncertain key. As anyone can see, however heavily the years may weigh upon our shoulders, our ‘babies’ have grown up and do indeed make a handsome couple.”



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## LAUDABLE

**Samurai 7.0**, an original production by Associate Professor of Theater Davis Robinson, **was nominated for an Elliot Norton Award** from Stage Source...

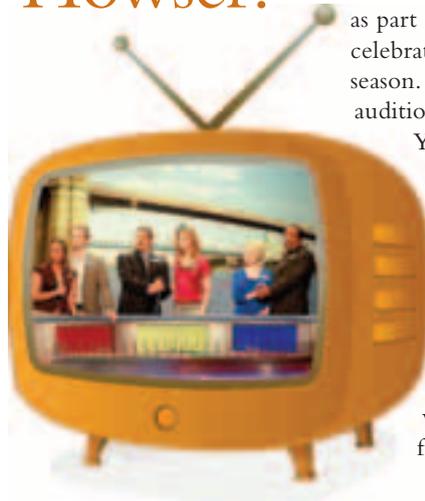
**Ken Chenault '73**, CEO of American Express and Bowdoin trustee *emeritus*, **was featured on the cover of the** October 1, 2007, **special leadership issue of *Fortune* magazine**...Library Assistant **Pat Myshrrall was named the 2007 Outstanding Older Worker in Maine** by Experience Works, a national organization that supports and promotes senior citizens in the workplace...The Intercollegiate Studies Institute (ISI), a national educational organization, selected **Ross Jacobs '10** and **Megan McCullough '10** as two of its 50 Honors Fellows for 2007...Associate Professor of History and Africana Studies *Emeritus* **Randolph Stakeman was awarded the 2007 New England Emerging Filmmaker Award** for feature documentaries at the Woods Hole Film Festival. Stakeman wrote, directed, and produced the film "Heritage Day," one of the film festival's featured documentaries...**William Barker**, professor of mathematics; **Rachel Connelly**, professor of economics; **Nathaniel Wheelwright**, professor of biology; and **Mary Lou Zeeman**, professor of mathematics, **have been named to chaired professorships**. In addition, **Eric Chown**, professor of computer science, and **Enrique Yepes**, professor of Romance languages, **have been named to two newly endowed chairs** created to support associate professors in their timely progression to the rank of full professor...Assistant Professor of Government **Laura Henry was awarded a Fulbright Scholar grant to travel to Russia** to study ways in which Russian citizens are trying to influence social policies, particularly those concerning healthcare and housing...**Michael Franz**, assistant professor of government, **was awarded the E.E. Schattschneider Award** by the American Political Science Association for the best doctoral dissertation in the field of American government...**An essay on the shrinking bird population by biology professor Nat Wheelwright appeared in** the August 24, 2007, edition of **The Christian Science Monitor**...Biology Chair **Bruce Kohorn won a four-year, \$600,000 grant from the National Science Foundation** to continue his research on communication between the plant cell wall and its nucleus...Associate Professor of Economics **Guillermo "Ta" Herrera received nearly \$100,000 from the Sea Grant Program** in support of research on the benefits and risks of spatial management of New England Groundfish Stocks...Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum Director **Susan Kaplan has received several grants totaling \$119,238 in support of upcoming exhibitions** commemorating the 100th anniversary



of Admiral Peary reaching the North Pole...Assistant Professor of Computer Science **Laura Toma was awarded \$264,811 by the National Science Foundation** for her research on algorithms for realistic terrain processing in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) software...Librarian **Sherrie Bergman won the 2007 Outstanding Paper Award from the Emerald Literati Network** in the Library Management category for her article, "The Scholarly Communication Movement: Highlights and Recent Developments."

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## Is That Doogie Howser?



**S**eth Ramus, assistant professor of psychology and neuroscience (middle, next to actor Patrick Harris), appeared on *Wheel of Fortune* on Wednesday, November 14, 2007. He taped the show at Radio City Music Hall in New York, N.Y., on Sept. 29, as part of "celebrity week," in celebration of *Wheel's* 25th season. Ramus, who originally auditioned for the show at the Yarmouth Clam Festival, was paired with actress Diane Neal of *Law and Order: SVU*. As for his performance, Ramus says he "exceeded expectations" and came home with \$3,300, which he'll use for "a fun vacation."

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**BOWDOIN'S 2007  
HALL OF HONOR**

**A**t Homecoming Weekend, Alumni Relations and the Athletic Department celebrated the sixth annual Hall of Honor Ceremony. The six inductees were baseball pitcher Robert Butkus '66; multi-sport sisters Jennifer Russell Mahoney '89 (lacrosse, soccer) and Sarah H. Russell '91 (soccer, hockey); men's lacrosse great Thomas J. Ryan '93; football and hockey player John Theberge '83; and legendary College Football Hall of Fame coach Adam Walsh.



Clockwise starting above: Thomas J. Ryan '93, John Theberge '83, Coach Adam Walsh, Robert Butkus '66, Sarah H. Russell '91 and Jennifer Russell Mahoney '89

*Nominations are now open for the 2008 Hall of Honor. Please contact Rodie Lloyd, associate director of alumni relations: [rlloyd@bowdoin.edu](mailto:rlloyd@bowdoin.edu), 207-725-3963.*



*For the full story of the inductees' accomplishments, visit the Bowdoin Athletics Web site at [www.bowdoin.edu/athletics](http://www.bowdoin.edu/athletics) and click the Hall of Honor link under the heading, "Polar Bears Off the Field."*

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## ONCE A POLAR BEAR, ALWAYS A... HUSKY?

Life in Maine can be captivating enough to keep alums close to campus – even if that means leaving the Polar Bear den and becoming part of a different Maine college. So it seems, upon glancing at the roster of the mathematics department of the University of Southern Maine (USM) in Portland, where six of the 21 faculty members listed on the University’s Web site are Bowdoin graduates. While many of this sextet are retired and emeritus faculty members, Maurice Chabot ’65 is still teaching full time at the university, where he is an associate professor of mathematics, as is assistant professor John Brunette ’73. “I think that we all loved Maine and the location of the college in Portland,” Maurice said in reference to USM. He added that the random cluster of Bowdoin alums had both personal and practical implications for him and the department. “As a group, we developed a math major program,” he said, adding that “We all have fond memories of our time at Bowdoin,” allowing for quite a unique faculty cohesiveness.

Why such a concentration of alums teaching in math? Part of the answer is in a special MA degree program Bowdoin featured in the 1960s. “Several of us came to Bowdoin in the 60s for their National Science Foundation program for teachers of mathematics,” notes Carolyn Foster ’66, a member of USM’s emeritus faculty. “I loved it here and started looking for a position, and USM was expanding.”

Additional Polar Bears with ties to the USM math department include retired assistant professor Anthony Soychak ’63; William Brown ’54, Bon Estes ’57, and Waldeck Mainville ’64, all of whom are emeritus USM faculty members.

| innovations |

## A (LAUNDRY) ROOM WITH A VIEW

Between classes, extracurricular activities, and the dining halls, Bowdoin students have a lot on their minds, and doing laundry often slips to the bottom of the to-do totem pole. Last spring, however, Bowdoin introduced a software program called LaundryView, brainchild of Scott Stephens ’91. The program allows students to check whether there are any washers or dryers available across campus. “In its bare essence,” says Stephens, “what LaundryView does is help students manage their lives more efficiently.” The software links all available machines to laundryview.com, where students can see which machines are available and how much time remains for cycles already in progress. After loading laundry, a student can receive e-mail notification that the cycle has finished or simply monitor



the remaining time from a computer. Stephens, President and Chairman of Boston-based Web development firm Pixel Bridge, co-founded the software program with fellow Bowdoinite Tim Bourgeois ’92, Pixel Bridge’s CEO. Stephens reflects on LaundryView as “a shining example of old technology (laundry machines) fusing with new technology (the Internet) in an innovative way to improve the quality of people’s lives – to streamline a clunky process and make it more amenable, if not enjoyable!”

In the illustration above, LaundryView shows that all three washers and three out of four dryers are available in the Appleton Hall laundry room.

In addition, a meter tracks how much water the College has saved by using high-efficiency, front-loading washers.



## TALES FROM THE CRYPT

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As Secretary of Development and College Relations John Cross '76 puts it, "there is nothing particularly 'haunted' about Adams Hall—as if the mere association with cadavers and dissection were enough to proclaim [it]." Recent renovations in Adams, a historic building on the northern edge of campus that now houses the environmental studies program and other academic offices, have led to discoveries of various curiosities that linger from the building's past as home to the Maine School of Medicine. The medical school opened at Bowdoin in 1820 and closed a century later. Subsequent renovations apparently failed to completely exhume the remains of the medical school. Among other artifacts over the years, coffins, body tags, and death certificates have been discovered in Adams, to say nothing of the "cadaver hook" that remains bolted to the stairwell ceiling. These discoveries have stirred popular myths about the building being haunted by its past, when pickled

corpses and dissected bodies regularly passed through its halls. Richard Lindemann, Director of Special Collections and Archives at Bowdoin's Hawthorne-Longfellow Library, noted that as construction workers began renovating Adams, they encountered floor planks that weren't actually boards but coffin lids, and other boards with mysterious labels attached to them. The labels turned out to be undertaker certificates that were used in shipping human remains. "We have an interest in maintaining the architectural history of the place," Lindemann noted, "so for us it's just another example of what at the time was a routine occurrence but that now seems ghoulish." Bits of Bowdoin's past like these are important to Lindemann and others in unraveling some of the more mysterious aspects of the College's history. "It's always interesting that pieces of history reveal themselves when they're ready to be shown," he said.

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WITH THE HOLIDAYS APPROACHING

## It's Time to Think Greenly

Did you know?  
Between

Thanksgiving and New Year's, Americans throw away about one million extra tons of waste per week. The winter holiday season brings 25% more solid waste to landfills, so here are some tips for enjoying the season in an environmentally conscious way.



- Consider a live potted tree or a reusable plastic tree. If you cut a tree, recycle or compost it.
- Bring your own shopping bags or consolidate your purchases into one bag.
- Save your wrapping paper to reuse next season.
- If you don't have or can't buy recycled wrapping paper, wrap presents in old maps, posters, sheet music, or comics.
- Instead of gift tags, write directly on the wrapping paper.
- Lots of food left over? Donate it to a shelter.

**Approximately one billion dollars worth of unwanted gifts end up in the garbage or in storage each year.**

Consider making a donation to an organization in someone else's name.

**All those holiday cards!**

Don't throw them away. Instead, support St. Jude's Children's Hospital by sending old cards to Pennsylvania Resource Council, 3606 Providence Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073. They'll recycle the cover from the old cards to create new cards that are sold to raise funds for the medical center.

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## PACKY'S CHAIR TODAY

When he graduated in 1969, Bo McFarland '69 gave his dad, Edward "Packy" McFarland '48, a Bowdoin captain's chair. Bo was born while Packy was a student at Bowdoin, and he lived with his parents in the TD house, where Packy and his wife Alice were chaperones. When Packy passed away in 2001, his daughter Martha Williams, Bo's sister, ended up with the chair.

Fast forward six years, to the entering Class of 2011, which includes Will Cabana. Will entered Bowdoin this year with the usual assortment of college gear, save a vintage Bowdoin captain's chair.

"My husband Glyn and I thought it would be appropriate to give the chair to our friend's son, Will, as he headed off to Bowdoin," Martha explains. "We all agreed that dad would have loved that; he was devoted to the College and to education."

"I was a little worried about it getting ruined or just sitting in the room, unused," confesses Will. "However, when we got to the room and moved things around, it looked perfect in the corner of the room, which was soon dubbed the 'classy corner.' We have since added two Van Gogh posters to enhance the

'classiness,'" he quips. "My roommates think it's great, and we sit in the chair often to read. It's definitely a highlight of the room, and the envy of many of our floormates."



Illustration by Theresa Hossenlopp

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## A MAXIS AD MINIMA



### Bowdoin Museum of Art

**10,400**

Combined weight (in pounds)  
of the stone lions.

**6,000**

Miles the Assyrian reliefs came to  
get to the Museum of Art.

**3,000**

Approximate number of visitors  
over reopening weekend.

**60**

Feet the Assyrian reliefs  
moved in the renovation.

**7**

Alumni who loaned works of art to the  
current exhibition in the Osher Gallery.

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# An Equine Affair

SARAH BRONSON '82, KAREN LAPPAS '88, AND KATE JOHNSON GRIMSLEY '98 SHARE A PASSION THAT HAS GUIDED THEIR CAREER PATHS AND LED THEM ACROSS THE GLOBE: A PASSION FOR HORSES.

**G**rowing up on a dairy farm in Connecticut, Sarah Bronson was surrounded by horses from an early age. After Sarah spent year at Bowdoin, however, her family decided to sell her last remaining horse to someone “who would get more use out of him.” This did not quell her love for horses, though. After earning a master’s in physical therapy from Duke, Sarah re-entered the equine world with a new and unique focus: therapeutic riding. “I volunteered in a program in Durham [North Carolina], and it was a great way to combine two of my passions: working with kids with disabilities and working with horses,” Sarah says.

In 1993, Sarah helped found a non-profit organization called Riding to the Top, a therapeutic horseback riding center in Windham, Maine. Riding to the Top provides therapeutic riding services to children and adults with physical, cognitive, or emotional disabilities. Sarah became increasingly involved with the organization through the 90s, becoming its executive director in 1999.

During that time, Sarah also began taking riding lessons again, something she hadn’t done since high school. “Horses and farm life create an amazing environment for learning,” she says. “I realized that in my own life, this had had a huge impact on my development of critical life skills, including responsibility, commitment, and problem solving, that no amount of formal education can give you.” These benefits are central to the philosophy behind therapeutic riding, which delivers a variety of physical, cognitive, sensory, and psychosocial benefits to patients. “The variety of natural stimuli that we have here at the farm is healthy,” Sarah notes, “and learning to control a huge animal is empowering for kids (and adults) who may have little control in their lives.”

The sense of control and accomplishment that is a keystone of Sarah’s therapy technique is also central to Karen Lappas’s philosophy as a coach and instructor. Karen, who has been riding horses since she was eight, coaches the equestrian teams at both



Top: four year-old Sarah Thayer, daughter of Dean Margaret Hazlett, with Sarah Bronson '82 of Riding to the Top. Bottom: Kate Johnson Grimley '98 and a rescued friend at VICCTRE.

Bowdoin and Bates and owns the Chez Chevaux Equestrian Center in Durham, Maine, where she is an active riding instructor. “For so many people, children and adults, the ability to control a thousand pound animal gives them a feeling of accomplishment and power that they don’t often experience in other parts of their lives,” Karen notes.

Karen initially ventured into the field of consulting after Bowdoin, but it wasn’t long before her passion for horses reshaped her career goals. “[Consulting] was the ‘ideal’ job in many ways,” she says, “but I found myself rushing in and out of work so I could get to the barn – the part of the day that I really enjoyed.”

As a coach, Karen gives team members individual lessons each week and prepares them for weekend shows. “It’s always interesting” for Karen. “The horses, like the students, are always slightly different, so it’s a challenge to keep finding ways to communicate ideas and develop their skills,” she says.

Like Sarah, Kate Johnson is also involved in therapy and rehabilitation. She helped found the Virgin Islands Community Cooperative Thoroughbred Retirement Effort (VICCTRE), an organization in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, that helps rehabilitate and energize thoroughbred horses exhausted by years of racing.

After caring for them, Kate and her colleagues return the rehabilitated racehorses to renewed and fulfilling lives in the United States. “No matter where they end up or what successes are in their next chapter, they all have the opportunity to be someone’s dream horse,” Kate says. “Knowing that we are saving lives in some cases, improving lives in all cases, and offering a new opportunity for happiness, health, and career successes is what motivates and rewards me for the hard work and long hours.”

“Offering that opportunity, seeing it realized, and achieving that ultimate goal of leading each one into the greener grass on the other side of that fence,” says Kate, “is the most rewarding part of it all.”

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## THE SCIENTIST AND THE LOGGERHEAD

PEOPLE COMMONLY RECOGNIZE LARGE, INDUSTRIAL FISHERIES AS MAIN CULPRITS IN THE DEPLETION OF SEA LIFE, BUT BOWDOIN ALUMNUS HOYT PECKHAM '96 AND HIS COLLEAGUES HAVE DISCOVERED THAT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FISHERMEN AND THE OCEAN IS FAR MORE SUBTLE AND COMPLEX.

Hoyt Peckham '96, a Ph.D. candidate in ecology and evolutionary biology at the University of California, Santa Cruz, is lead author of a recent study that links small-scale Mexican fisheries to endangered loggerhead sea turtles. ([www.plosone.org](http://www.plosone.org)) Hoyt's research has upturned many common preconceptions. "For years we've known of the impacts of industrial fishing on the oceans' big animals," Hoyt says. "With this work, we've realized that small-scale fisheries, which are ubiquitous worldwide, may be impacting ocean wildlife as much as or even more than industrial fleets."

Of course, such a profound finding has been far



from simple for Hoyt and his team. "It has been a grueling process," he says. In addition to the research, which has spanned more than five years, dealing with Mexican legislation and attempting to raise necessary funds have complicated the project. The impact of the work on the communities Hoyt has encountered is gratifying, though. "Since we started working in these isolated fishing communities, we've seen lasting changes in people's attitudes and behavior toward sea turtles and other ocean wildlife," Hoyt reports. "Together, we have developed solutions that work, and we've transformed ourselves into true stewards of oceans. Seeing fishermen and their families transform as a result of their participation and partnership in our work both humbles and inspires me. That's really exciting for me – a bit of hope."



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## IN DEEP WITH THE BOWDOIN OUTING CLUB

IN A NEW TWIST ON BOC TRIPS, VISITING POET SEBASTIAN MATTHEWS ACCOMPANIED STUDENTS INTO THE WESTERN MOUNTAINS OF MAINE TO HELP BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE AND CREATIVE EXPRESSION.

We'd hiked an hour through a light rain, the trail beginning its ragged ascent up Bigelow Mountain. Packs shrugged off, we munched gorp and sipped water from Nalgens. A familiar scene on any BOC trip. On this day, however, our small group pulled out chapbooks and read aloud from a nature essay by Maxine Kumin, ending with "...the quest is real. To get there you have to go in deep." One Bowdoin student pointed out an image of an overhanging branch; another appreciated the piece's vivid details. Then, packs back on, we continued on our journey.

The trip was born as an extension of the reading series that the poetry non-profit From the Fishhouse organized with Bowdoin's Office of Residential Life and the House system the past three years to bring poets from around the country to campus to read, visit classes, and work with students. BOC Director Mike Woodruff '87 and I envisioned this trip as a way to link trail experience to the creative act of writing—a way to guide students toward a creative outlet for their many outdoor experiences.

The weekend began with my poetry reading Friday evening in the amazing Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center. My mother, poet Marie Harris, drove up from New Hampshire for the reading, and I enticed her to open for me with several of her own poems. Also,



long-time family friend Betsy Sholl, current poet laureate of Maine, drove up from Portland for the reading, which was broadcast live over the Internet, allowing friends and Fishhouse fans around the country to tune in. After the reading, I met the students who would make up our group for a quick planning session of our two-day excursion.

The good cheer continued early the following morning as we filled our packs then drove the two hours northwest toward Carabassett Valley. Abriel Ferreira '09 shared her

copy of Rachel Carson's *The Sea Around Us*, a text for the Telling Environmental Stories class she's taking with Anthony Walton, Bowdoin's writer-in-residence.

The rain was steady, the air chilly. Treetops swayed in the fog. We got to the top in time for a late lunch at the pair of Maine Appalachian Trail Club lean-tos, one of which we had all to ourselves. Still soaked in, we lay in our sleeping bags writing in our books and reading, including a poem by Maine poet Kate Barnes and some "American" haiku by Jack Kerouac, right through until dinnertime. Becca Lewis '08 coined a new phrase to describe the gusting spatter outside our lean-to: *rain drifts*. As night came on, AT thru-hikers appeared out of the gloaming and occupied the second shelter.

We woke inside a cloud. Too chilly to get out of our sleeping bags. We took our time with breakfast, sharing our writings. Here's a morning haiku from Zach Roberts '08:

A small poem  
is a gulp of cold water  
on a cold morning.

We decided not to pass over the cloud-covered ridge to Avery Peak, opting instead to follow the Bigelow Trail down. A stop at the elevated privy rewarded us with our only clear view of ski-trailed Sugarloaf Mountain across the valley.

As the group chatted quietly down the mountain, I thought back to our evening meal of burritos and fresh vegetables. We'd had so much food, we'd invited the thru-hikers to join us. One of the walkers, trail name "Kilgore Trout," was intrigued by the



Abriel Ferreira '09

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## Dismantling the Stigma:

DEPRESSION AND SUICIDE RELIEF EFFORTS  
CLOSE TO CAMPUS

**A**fter the death by suicide of her boyfriend Scott Fisher in 2005, Margaret Clark '09 helped found the Vera Foundation with Scott's family. The foundation seeks to not only open discussion on depression and suicide but also take action that treats depression at its root. Through a set of initiatives, including a yearly scholarship at Deering High School in Deering, Maine, where Margaret and Scott grew up, the foundation donates instruments and lessons in music, writing, art, and athletics, all of which were Scott's passions.

In addition, Margaret and the foundation hope to erase the popular, negative stigma that surrounds suicide, and to replace this stigma with facts and open discussions to illuminate an issue that most people avoid talking about. "When you put real faces to victims and survivors of suicide," Margaret says, "you prove that there is nothing to be ashamed of."

Margaret has been instrumental in engaging Bowdoin in this mission. On September 9, 2007, she led residents of Burnett House, a recent addition to Bowdoin's College House system, and its affiliate dorm, Winthrop Hall, to Portland to participate in the Out of Darkness Walk. The goal of this and similar projects, Margaret says, is to help people "realize the very real impact suicide has on our community, and especially how those who are most likely to die by suicide are men of college age."

To learn more about The Vera Foundation, please visit: [theverafoundation.org](http://theverafoundation.org).



(Left): Becca Lewis '08, Zach Roberts '08, and Oliver Cunningham '08 make use of some quiet time. Above: The weather was cold and damp, but the conversation warm, the burritos fat, and the Red Sox-Yankees score from the caretaker, oh so sweet.

poems we were drafting. Another talked local politics. The site's caretaker was studying Emerson. It seemed to me, walking down through the trees into a bright sunny day, that we'd been carrying on one long conversation the whole trip.

The trail eventually flattened out, and we began to pass swampy pastures and tracts of second-growth forest. Zach told me about his senior project, a critical response to eco-criticism with a focus on our culture's response to waste. Oliver Cunningham '08 told of his experience with the program Facing History. Matt and I slipped to the back and talked about future BOC and From the Fishhouse collaborations, starting with a canoe trip with poet Thorpe Moeckel '92 and emeritus professor Frank Burroughs in the spring.

Before we knew it, we were back at the van, happy to have gotten away from the weekly grind. Hiking boots traded for Crocs, pepperoni and cheese on bagels, a group photo snapped outside the van. Before we clambered into our seats, though, we pulled out our poetry chapbooks one last time and read aloud the beginning of Thoreau's "Walking," happy to let him have the last word:

If you have paid your debts, and made your will,  
and settled all your affairs, and are a free man—  
then you are ready for a walk.

### Author Note:

Sebastian Matthews is author of the memoir, *In My Father's Footsteps*, and co-editor, with Stanley Plumly, of *Search Party: Collected Poems of William Matthews*. His first full-length collection of poems, *We Generous*, was published by Red Hen Press in 2007. He teaches at Warren Wilson College and lives in Asheville, North Carolina.



# PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION

## REOPENING THE BOWDOIN MUSEUM OF ART

**Y**ou have to think Hercules would get a kick out of this: the sight of four men struggling under the weight of a precious marble relief in his likeness, attempting to affix it to the wall of a museum in Brunswick, Maine.

At a certain point, all the men could do was laugh. It had taken these Museum staffers a full week to get to this moment – a week of measuring, re-measuring, plaster-mounting, bracketing, painting, and general head-scratching – and it still came down to four guys hanging on like limpets to a centuries old art treasure.

“People are going to come in here and see that on the wall,” says Museum Preparator José Ribas ’76 of *Fragment of a Relief Depicting a Sleeping Hercules* (323 B.C.-1 B.C.), “and they’ll think, ‘Oh, there’s nothing to it.’ But just hanging that one piece took I don’t want to tell you what. . . it weighs a good 450.”

But of course he does want to tell. And it’s a good story.

Multiply that story by the 449 other art objects included in the inaugural exhibitions, and you begin to get a glimpse of what it takes to reopen the galleries of the Bowdoin College Museum of Art.

### PACKING AND PLANNING

In the two and a half years since the Museum shut its doors for renovation, all 15,000-plus objects from its collections have been hand-inventoried, packed, and shipped out for storage.

While they slumbered in crates, exhibitions were planned. A huge, consolidated art storage area was carved beneath the Museum. Dozens of storage drawers and cabinets were built – with foam “nests” custom crafted for each object. Mechanized painting-storage racks were installed. For the first time, everything the Museum has ever owned has been entered and described in a searchable database that pinpoints the exact location and history of each object.

By the time the collections began rolling back into town in June 2007 – in a staggered, month-long procession of 12 tractor-trailers – the Bowdoin College Museum of Art was actually ready to receive them.

This systematic pre-planning left curators to focus on the real business of a museum: creating exhibitions. But even that was subject to staggering multiples.

There isn’t just one exhibition to design and install. There are 11 different shows opening simultaneously, extending throughout the Museum’s 14 galleries (now doubled in number).



Mounting all exhibitions in a museum at once is, in the words of Bowdoin trustee *emeritus* David Becker '70, “a once in a lifetime opportunity to put it all together, a really beautiful thing.” He adds this comment with the understatement, “but it would be overwhelming.”

Happily enough, says Museum Curator Alison Ferris, it has been exhilarating, exhausting, but fairly smooth. “We planned well in advance,” she says. “We’re going to be working up to the last day, but there aren’t going to be any all-nighters. We’re all working hard and steady, which is how it’s supposed to go. We really are in good shape.”

### GETTING THE GALLERIES RIGHT

It’s a late July morning and Ferris is weaving among crates, dollies, blankets, plexiglass, pedestals, and lighting fixtures stacked in the new, lower-level lobby. Just beyond, in the Bernard and Barbro Osher Gallery, several paintings rest along the wall, the first of the alumni works to arrive for the boldly modern inaugural exhibition there.

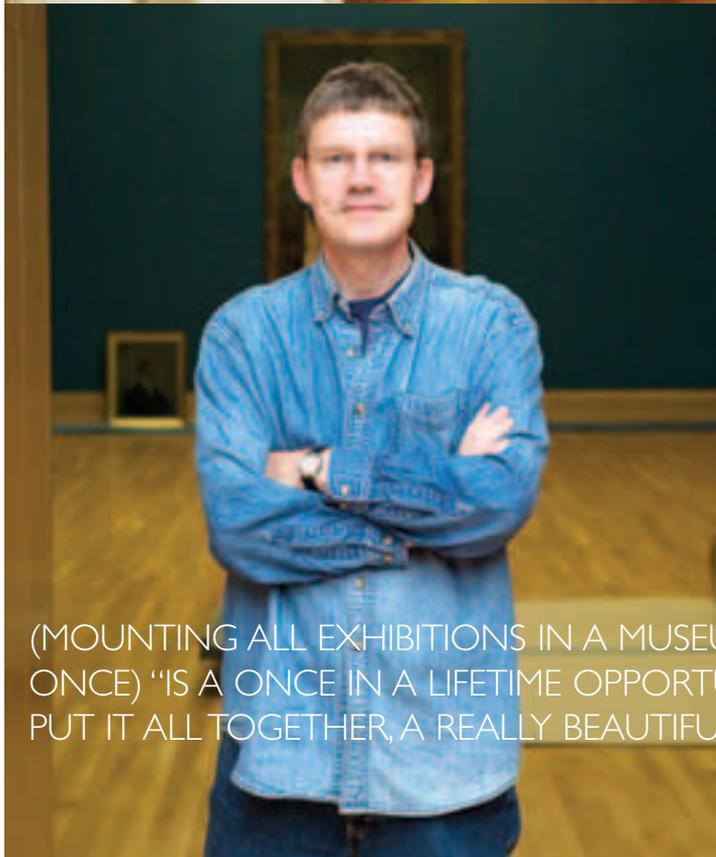
“We wanted to highlight alumni collecting right off because they have been such a strong part of helping us build our collection,” says Ferris. “And we started with modern and



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Above: members of the summer art tech crew work to prepare the galleries; Below: Director Katy Kline, Curator Alison Ferris, and collector and trustee *emeritus* David Becker '70 confer about placement.

# PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION



Clockwise from upper right: Museum Preparator José Ribas; a member of the summer art tech crew; David Becker '70; Alison Ferris and Katy Kline

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contemporary because it still surprises people and has an unexpected energy to it. We want to engage people right away with what's happening now."

While the progression from gallery to gallery is not something most museum-goers are particularly conscious of, it's one of many invisible arts that go into museum science.

"When we were looking at the plans, we wanted to have the flow of galleries be a marriage of practicality and an understanding of how people move through space," she says. "One of the things you want to avoid are dead-ends, spaces that just stop.

"Also, whether or not you are conscious of it, the proportions of the rooms and their relationship to one another are very important. The architects were very aware of that. The decision to dig underneath the Museum in order to get the gallery height was huge."

Art history professor Susan Wegner's long-anticipated spring 2008 show, *Beauty and Duty: The Art and Business of Renaissance Marriage*, will be the first major installation to put these issues to the test. The show features the Museum's 15th century cassone panel, recently attributed to Fra Angelico, and will extend from the Osher to the Halford Galleries downstairs.

"These are galleries you have to walk through to get upstairs," notes Ferris, "so we'll have to be comfortable with letting the public see us working. It's a common issue for museums; it just requires more problem solving."

"My American show has some of the more iconic works in the collection," notes Ferris, who curated both *The American Scene I* – with its portraits of James and Sarah Bowdoin by Gilbert Stuart – and the warmly eclectic *The Walker Sister and Collecting in Victorian Boston*.

"What I most hope is that people will see what a difference it makes to encounter these familiar paintings, in a familiar gallery that is restored to its full beauty. How the space itself makes these paintings sing in ways they didn't before because they didn't have proper lighting and surroundings. Our collection has an incredible life and vibrancy that we weren't able to

show to its full benefit before. This building is really doing that for us."

She rounds the corner and mounts the airy staircase leading to the Assyrian Gallery, where a plaster worker's CD player cranks out "Thus Spoke Zarathustra," an unintended pun on the Museum's own space odyssey. He is finishing a complex wall pedestal for the Museum's famed Assyrian relief of King Ashurnasirpal II, recently the subject of a *New York Times* article.

"We debated about the color for this gallery," she says. Three of its walls are lushly green. The one opposite Ashurnasirpal is pure glass, a Maine Street showcase.

"Because the reliefs are white, we wanted a rich color to make them pop out of the building, so to speak," says Ferris.

There have been a thousand small decisions of color: shades for each wall of each gallery, for the Rotunda, for wall tags and even the vinyl lettering on them. Some galleries are still airily white, but others are breathtakingly colorful.

## CHOICES FROM THE COLLECTIONS

Those decisions were actually the easy part. The far harder work began a couple of years back, as Ferris and Museum Director Katy Kline grappled with exhibition ideas that would showcase the depth and breadth of the collections in the Museum's vibrant new spaces.

They came up with a juicy mix of ancient, American, European, Asian, and modern works, all unified by what Kline describes as an underlying intent to "let the past and present intermingle in surprising ways."

Sometimes that intermingling plays out within a single gallery. In *Transformations: Traditional and Contemporary Chinese Art in Dialogue*, early 20th century Chinese scrolls are juxtaposed against the witty, hybrid calligraphy of contemporary Chinese artist Xu Bing.

In other instances, gallery layout provides the contrast: Bowdoin archaeology professor Jim Higginbotham's three-gallery exhibition of works from the ancient collection opens in four directions. At one end, it opens onto the lavishly



A HUGE, CONSOLIDATED ART STORAGE AREA WAS CARVED BENEATH THE MUSEUM. DOZENS OF STORAGE DRAWERS AND CABINETS WERE BUILT – WITH FOAM "NESTS" CUSTOM CRAFTED FOR EACH OBJECT.

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HOW CULTURES DEAL WITH DEATH, HOW THEY EXPRESS IT IN ART.”

Victorian *Walker Sisters* in the Shaw Ruddock Gallery. At the other edge, 2nd century A.D. busts of Roman Emperor Antoninus Pius and his wife, Faustina, look past each other into the European splendor of the Bowdoin Gallery (their gaze perhaps reflecting the state of affairs in a multi-millennial marriage?).

“In the past, many of our ancient works have been displayed chronologically, or by culture,” reflects Higginbotham, who also is associate curator of ancient art for the Museum. “For this, I wanted to build exhibitions around themes: dreams of immortality, how cultures deal with death, how they express it in art. Over here, it’s contests and conflicts, hunt scenes, athletics, gladiatorial.”

Before reaching down into a crate to lift a mummy mask, he glances down at a pedometer clipped to his belt buckle. “Hmmm, only three miles today,” he muses. “Yesterday I logged four and half miles between here and storage.”

On a per-object basis, Higginbotham’s exhibitions clearly take the cake. However, it’s not just the volume, but the range of works that challenges him to create display cases that give each object its due.

“We come up with a populated case,” he says, lowering the mummy mask onto its stand, “and we move around objects three-dimensionally. We want to put things together that make sense, so viewers can make connections and contrasts, and also create elevations so you can see something in the foreground, then look beyond and discover other things.”

In the gallery directly below, David Becker is having challenges of his own. In two dimensions. As curator of *Great Graphics: Prints and Drawings 1470-1970*, he is charged with the difficult task of selecting just over 50 prints and drawings from among the Museum’s 6,000 works on paper.

His difficulty is not one of design, but of exclusion. He has planned the exhibition months in advance and calculated its layout down to the inches between pictures, but once the works begin to get mounted it’s clear – something’s gotta go.

His “reject” pile reads like an art dealer’s wish list: a LaFarge watercolor, a Daumier, a Pissarro.

“Wait! Leave the Pissarro!” says Becker, as José Ribas almost picks it up for return to storage. Their voices echo in the half-empty gallery as if they were underwater.

“This wall over here . . . the Kline is fabulous,” Becker says, stepping back. “I don’t know how to put these two together though. When we just had the Kline and Picasso, it looked quite good. This *could* work,” he says, cocking his head. “We may put that in the corner . . .”

And so it goes.

## FINAL PREPARATIONS

In his 25 years as Museum preparator, Ribas has helped hang many dozens of shows. While curators and art works may revolve, he says the process is essentially the same.

“You bring the work in the room, lay it out, sit with it, and you think about it. That’s the curator’s part. Some people seek our guidance, others have strong ideas. Still, it’s always a matter of creating a rhythm or space for the object. So that everything holds its own, so that everything breathes.”

There have been a couple of notable exceptions, says Ribas, like a 1970s installation of one ton of potatoes by some New York artists in an upper gallery. “They did rot by the end of the summer,” he chuckles, “so we had to haul them out.”

Katy Kline insists that, planning or not, an exhibition never really gels until you have actual objects in hand. “People sometimes say to me, well, you could just get digital images and you have a CAD program and you’ve got the gallery there and you just put things in.” She gives a knowing smile. “You absolutely don’t know what’s going to happen until it’s in THAT space, next to the thing next to it, with the angles of approach.”

Take her European exhibition, *Seeing and Believing: 600 Years in Europe*. Not until most of the paintings were propped along the floor of the Bowdoin Gallery did inspiration strike.

“It was clear there were way too many paintings if we were going to stick with the spare, contemporary style of hanging,” she says. “And then we remembered the exhibition style in 1894, when the Museum opened. Things were hung literally floor to ceiling. It occurred to me that we could include more works this way and it would reference earlier moments in the Museum’s history, as well as the evolution of installation design. I asked José, ‘Can we do this?’ And he said, ‘Sure.’”

That “sure” involved a full day of hanging art, much of it hoisted high above the gallery on the Museum’s Genie Lift. “It’s a little shaky up there,” remembers Ribas, laughing nervously. “You’re trying to hold the art piece, trying to keep your balance, and you’re hoping that you made the right measurements.”

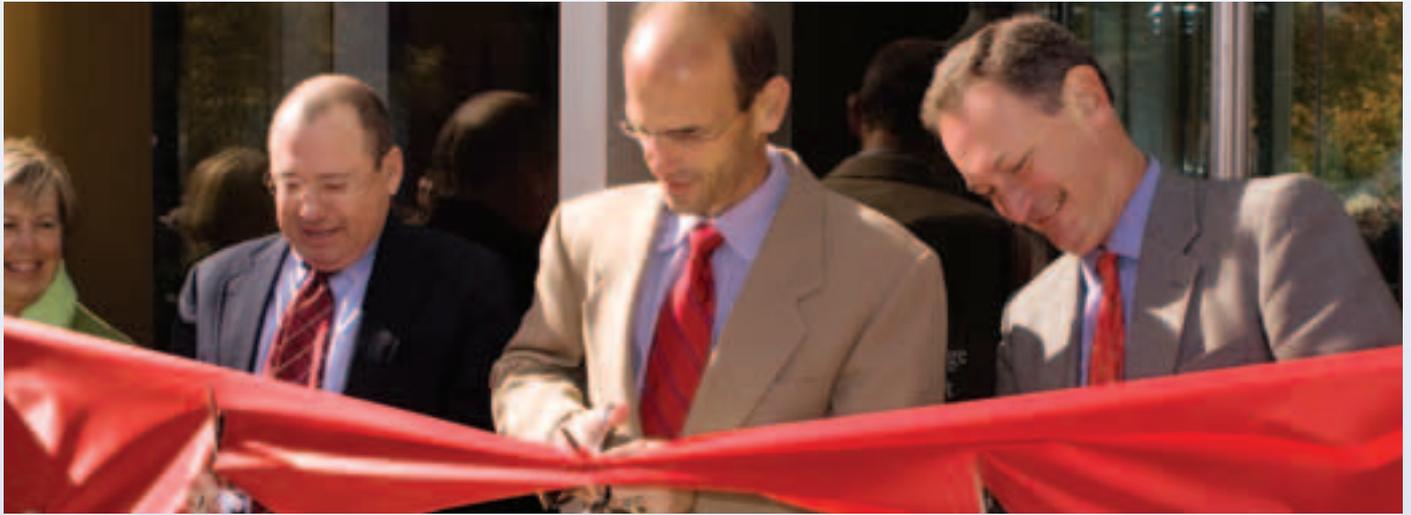
The result is nothing short of stunning: a sumptuously colorful wall of figurative works, topped by two Rococo panels by 19th century French artist Charles-Joseph Natoire, depicting both the triumph and vanquishing of *l’amour*.

“I just hope it takes people’s breath away,” says Kline, gazing up at the wall.



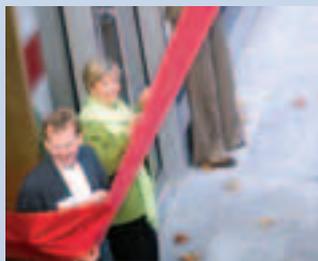
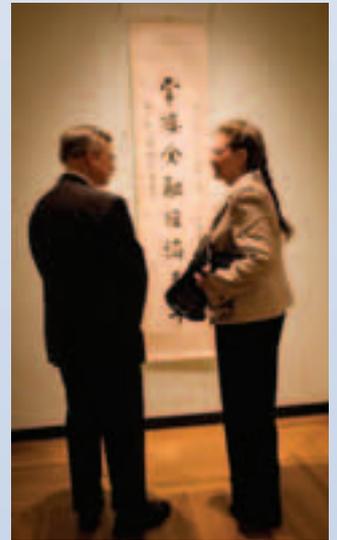
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# BOWDOIN MUSEUM OF ART REOPENING WEEKEND

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## ENTER THE PUBLIC

**A**ny hopes that Katy Kline may have held of watching the effect of all the planning and work on the Museum's first visitors were quickly trampled under an exuberant wave of trustees, artists, curators, and well-wishers attending a pre-opening gala.

In spite of a Nor'easter that drenched the Quad Friday, the Museum welcomed over 400 visitors that night – including architect Jorge Silvetti. Before the weekend was over, a total of 3,000 visitors crossed the threshold, including Director of the Maine Arts Commission Alden C. Wilson and Maine Governor John Baldacci, who assisted President Mills in the ribbon cutting on Sunday (left).

Like a radiant bride stationing herself in a never-ending receiving line, Kline prepared to greet her guests. "I'm so anxious to welcome them and take them through and hear them say ooh! and ah!," says Kline, "but I kind of have to stay here for a while. I want to say hello to people as they come in."

The first to arrive is artist Susan Hartnett, whose own charcoal drawing, *Sept. 13, 1998 II*, is among those hanging in the alumni collection, keeping company with Warhol, Rauschenberg, and Lichtenstein. "What, has no one else come through that door?" she says, realizing she has preceded the wave of people and umbrellas descending to the lobby. "The first. Well, here I am. I drove five hours in the rain from Lubec."

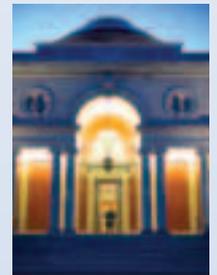
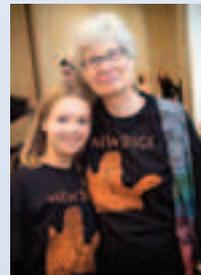
Close on her heels are Bob Hoehn '74 and his wife, Karen, who have flown in from San Diego for the reopening. "We've loaned a couple of works of art, some Old Master prints . . ." he says, looking expectantly toward David Becker's exhibition of prints and drawings. He puts on his glasses and scans a wall, soon finding one of his own, Martin Schongauer's (1448-1491) engraving, *Tribulations of St. Anthony*.

"Oh, it's perfect," says his wife, smiling. She squeezes his arm.

Their intimate view of the familiar and new is fleeting. Soon the Museum roars with the sound of voices. Paintings become land in a frothing sea of people. The wall of windows weaves lacy rain.

Jim Higginbotham is wedged in a mass of people, grinning. "It's great to see people in here," he shouts. "For months it was just a few of us echoing through the galleries."

Upstairs on Friday, one hidden pocket of quietude prevails. In the Bowdoin Gallery, a lone figure sits on a bench gazing up at the salon wall: Museum friend Howard Wilson seems rapt at Katy Kline's careful construction there. "It's just so captivating," he says, his eyes scaling the wall of art. "The detail, the color." Although she's not there to witness, it seems that Katy will get her wish.



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MARK WETHLI'S AESTHETIC VISION  
SOARS FROM REALISM THROUGH  
ABSTRACTION TO PUBLIC ART AND  
CONCEPTUAL INSTALLATIONS

# Arrivals AND Departures

By Edgar Allen Beem  
Photography by James Marshall

A full-size replica of a Piper Cub, or rather the structural skeleton of the classic little two-seater aircraft made of unpainted pine and birch, sits in the Coleman Burke Gallery at the rear of Brunswick's Fort Andross Mill like a child's model airplane writ large. On this day, hand-drawn plans for the plane are pinned to the creamy white walls of the cavernous, 4,200 square foot gallery. The 22-foot fuselage of the Piper Cub is all assembled, but the wings sit on sawhorses to either side of the plane, still a work in progress.

In fact, "Piper Cub" is a sculptural installation, the work of Bowdoin's A. LeRoy Greason Professor of Art Mark Wethli, an artist better known for his paintings of sublime interiors and abstract color grids. But then anyone familiar with the evolution of Mark Wethli's vision knows that his artistic career essentially recapitulates the history of modern

art from realism through abstraction to public murals and now conceptual art.

“This piece is both literal and conceptual,” acknowledges Wethli as he stands beside his latest creation. “It’s about the ideas that surround it.”

Wethli explains that the initial inspiration for “Piper Cub” came after being invited by his Bowdoin colleague, sculptor and gallery director John Bisbee, to exhibit in the Coleman Burke Gallery. The big, industrial rectangular box of a gallery, with a blank wall on one side and a wall of windows on the other, reminded Wethli of an airplane hangar. As his father was a flight engineer for a commercial airline, Wethli grew up around airports and airplane hangars. And when he thought of planes, he thought of the little Piper Cub his father once owned.

### THE IDEAS THAT SURROUND WETHLI’S PIPER CUB ARE AT ONCE FORMAL AND AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL, PART AVIATION HISTORY AND PART PERSONAL HOMAGE.

“I first thought of purchasing, renting, or leasing an actual airplane [to place in the gallery], but very quickly that idea dissolved,” Wethli says. “I decided I wanted to build an airplane with the act of building having a ritual or sacramental quality. So I built an airplane that won’t fly. My dad rebuilt the identical airplane 50 years ago.”

Wethli began the creative process by downloading plans for a Piper Cub from the Internet. He then made a one-fifth scale model before blowing the plans up and constructing the full-scale wooden reproduction. Though he had originally intended to sheath “Piper Cub,” he decided to leave the intricate structure of ribs and trusses exposed because “they are too beautiful to hide.”

Work began in June and by the September 14 opening the elemental little “Piper Cub” was all assembled except for the wings. As a site-specific conceptual installation, Wethli liked the idea of “Piper Cub” evolving over the first part of the exhibition, with the completed plane going on view for the last month.

The invitation for the “Piper Cub” show featured a 1956 black and white snapshot of a smiling seven-year old Mark Wethli with one hand on his hip and the other on the propeller of his father’s lovingly restored Piper Cub. As such, the ideas that surround Wethli’s “Piper Cub” are at once formal and autobiographical, part aviation history and part personal homage. The project is both a tribute to Wethli’s father and one in which he was personally involved, helping to construct a model of the very plane he’d worked on in the 1950s.

Though a life-size 3-D wooden airplane might seem a dramatic departure from the artist’s well-known two-dimensional paintings, Mark Wethli’s career has been a series of aesthetic arrivals and departures, all unified by an underlying interest in properties of light and how humans make meaning from what the light reveals.

“Even when I was a representational painter,” says Wethli, “my work was always conceptual. What always drove my painting was not what drives most representational painting,

which is by and large an affirmation of appearances. My paintings were intended as reflections of reflections, a dream within a dream.”

In an oddly serendipitous sense, Mark Wethli’s essence preceded him to Bowdoin. Two of his early paintings – Hopperesque evocations of light falling on domestic interiors – were exhibited at the Bowdoin College Museum of Art in 1984 as part of an exhibition entitled “West Coast Realism.” Curator Lynn Gamwell, who organized the exhibition for the Laguna Beach Museum of Art, recognized, however, that Wethli was not really a west coast realist.

“His work relates not at all to a Southern California milieu,” Gamwell wrote in the “West Coast Realism” cata-

logue, “nor to any other place he has lived for that matter, but has a timeless, universal quality that has more to do with Van Eyck and Vermeer than with contemporary variations on realism.”

In fact, Wethli is a decidedly east coast artist, and the fact that he was living and working in California at the time has a peculiar Bowdoin thread to it.

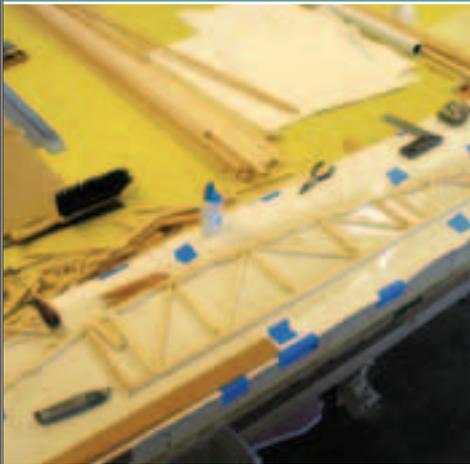
Born in Westfield, New York, in 1949, Mark Wethli grew up on Long Island and moved to Florida with his family when he was 16. After high school, he earned his BFA (1971) and MFA (1973) at the University of Miami. During his college years, however, Wethli was able to stay connected with the contemporary art world and to see the works of the great masters by flying almost weekly to New York City. He wasn’t rich, but the fact that his father was an airline pilot gave him a free pass to fly wherever he wanted.

“The free pass to fly provided the texture of my life,” Wethli said in a 1986 interview, a statement that resonates with more meaning 21 years later in light of Piper Cub.

While still in college, Wethli began showing in New York galleries and, in 1975, his work was included in the Whitney Biennial, a prestigious launching pad for many a contemporary art career.

In 1976, after living in New York for a time, Wethli accepted a teaching position at the University of Northern Iowa. Two years later, in 1978, he sought to return to the East Coast when he applied for and was offered a position at Bowdoin. The Bowdoin position, however, was a one-year appointment, so, in search of little more stability, Wethli instead accepted a tenure track position at California State University in Long Beach, where he taught for the next seven years. Then, in 1985, Bowdoin hired him to direct the college’s studio art program. It turned out to be a match made in heaven. Wethli stepped down only this year after 22 years as chair of the Bowdoin art department.

While in Iowa, Wethli had become fascinated by the art theories of Robert Irwin, a hugely influential conceptual



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artist whose work deals with modifying spaces to heighten perception and awareness, often by the installation of cloth scrims that modulate the quality of light. When he moved to California, Wethli met Irwin, whose work dealt with “conditions arising from the object.”

“Robert Irwin’s art is about raising an awareness of the act of perception itself,” says Wethli, who brought Irwin to Bowdoin as a visiting artist soon after he was hired. “He was working with the verb, the active sense of perception. Where a painting says, ‘this is what I have seen,’ Irwin’s work is always in the present tense.”

Influenced by Irwin, Wethli sought ways to elevate his own representational paintings above mere imitation such that they pointed beyond appearances toward more sublime states. This transcendental endeavor was informed by Wethli’s reading of *The Republic*, in which Plato wrote, “The imitator or maker of the image knows nothing of true existence: he knows appearances only.” In Platonic aesthetics, a painting is seen as “thrice removed from the truth,” an imitation of an appearance that in itself has an ideal form.

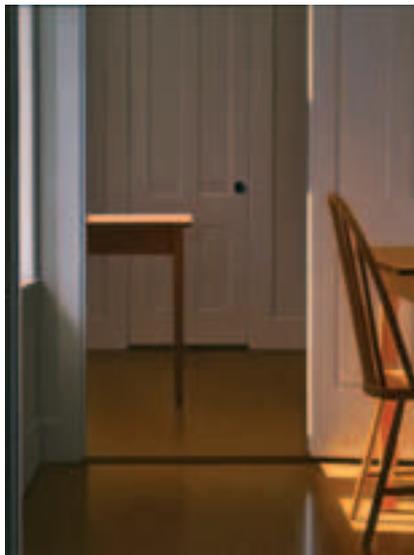
Where most realist paintings describe a certainty and tend to reinforce the status quo, Wethli wanted his paintings to “beg the question of appearances.” He has sometimes used the analogy of gardens to make the distinction. Western gardens tend to be filled with things to look at, while Eastern gardens draw your attention to the spaces between things.

“My realist paintings were made in doubt,” he says of the elegant, moody, meditative interiors for which he first became known. “They were meant to remind us that what we see is very fleeting.”

In 2000, after 30 years of painting subversive interiors, Wethli made a bold and daring departure in his art, simply because he “ran out of stories to tell.”

“I decided I wanted to make objects that had an identity that preceded observation,” he says, “paintings that went straight to the senses.”

Reducing his paintings to geometry and color moved him theoretically closer to the realm of ideal forms, but when Wethli debuted his new series of wavy grid paintings at ICON Contemporary Art in Brunswick in 2001 some viewers (*mea culpa*) just didn’t get it. It took some time for the



Top: “East Light” (1997), oil on linen, 5 x 4 feet; Bottom: “Four Quartets” (2001), acrylic on panel, 10 x 50 feet, in place at Mid Coast Hospital, Brunswick

subtlety and seriousness of his abstract color relations to sink in. By the time Wethli painted “Transom,” a 13.5 x 34.5 foot grid of 21 color squares directly on the wall in the Great Hall for the 2003 Portland Museum of Art Biennial, however, he had clearly arrived as an abstract painter.

“Transom” also represented another departure for Wethli, that from studio painter to public artist. That evolution began in the fall of 1999 when, never having painted a mural himself, Wethli was asked to teach a course in mural painting.

“It was teaching the course that turned my practice in that direction, which I have Bowdoin to thank for,” says Wethli of his mural work.

Initially, Wethli led Bowdoin students through the process of painting murals on the exterior of Dayton Arena and in the interior of Druckenmiller Hall. He found that he enjoyed not only the collaborative process but also getting out of his studio and working in public.

“It was invigorating to re-join my community,” says Wethli of the social benefits he experienced after decades of working alone in the privacy of his studio.

Wethli’s first major mural project, completed in 2001, was “Four Quartets,” a series of four 10 x 10 foot panels inspired by T.S. Eliot’s poem of the same name and creat-

ed in collaboration with two Bowdoin alumni, Kyle Durrie ’01 and Cassie Jones ’01. The mural, which symbolically evokes both the change of seasons and the seasons of a human life, was commissioned by the new Mid Coast Hospital as part of its Healing Environment Program. In much the same way that “Piper Cub” is dedicated to his father, Wethli dedicated “Four Quartets” to the memory of his mother, who passed away in 1997.

Subsequently, Wethli created murals for the Maine Department of Transportation Building in Augusta and the Knox County Courthouse in Rockland through Maine’s Percent for Art program, and he also painted murals at the Bowdoin College Museum of Art, the DeCordova Museum in Lincoln, Massachusetts, the June Fitzpatrick Gallery in Portland, and Yarmouth High School.

Like “Four Quartets,” “Frieze,” the colorful abstract mural Wethli painted for Yarmouth High School, was a *pro bono* art project. Contacted by the local Yarmouth Arts group to ask

how much his murals cost, Wethli unexpectedly offered to undertake the project for free if Yarmouth Arts would supply the materials. Not only did Wethli paint the mural in the lobby of the school's new performing arts center, he spent a semester leading Yarmouth High students through the process of developing the visual vocabulary he would use.

"Mark's demeanor with students paved the way to exceptional participation and student engagement in the classroom," says Yarmouth High School art teacher Melissa Noack. "The process of involving students in the creation of the mural was a remarkable learning experience for both the teachers and the students. He used music, collaboration, and intriguing discussions to involve students throughout the process."

When asked at the time how he could afford to work for free, Wethli credited Bowdoin with providing him with a good living and, in typically modest fashion, insisted, "There's no true altruism here."

"It's an opportunity to work with an exciting space, an intriguing space, but a space that felt in need," he explained. "As a muralist, I require spaces like this one, so it was more than a fair trade."

"Mark is a true gift to Maine, to Bowdoin, and to all of us," says Bruce Brown, curator emeritus of the Center for Maine Contemporary Art (CMCA) in Rockport. "He gets his kids to do all these wonderful internships. He sees to it that they have wonderfully enriching experiences. He is in every student's corner. He's the most amazingly generous fellow in every possible way."

During his 22-year (1985–2007) chairmanship of the Bowdoin art department, Wethli worked with curator Bruce Brown to establish the annual summer Picker Internship at CMCA and with former Maine College of Art Dean Ray Allen to establish an exchange program between the two institutions. During that same time, visual arts facilities

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(including individual faculty studios) doubled at Bowdoin, total art faculty increased from four to nine, and the number of art majors tripled from 10 to 30. The overall effect of all this growth and vitality has been to elevate the profile of Bowdoin and Bowdoin artists on the Maine and national art scenes.

“Students come to Bowdoin expecting to become biologists or economists,” says Bruce Brown, who has seen many Picker interns go on to careers in art. “Then along comes Mark Wethli and they’re never quite the same.”

As a teacher and a mentor, Wethli says his mission is sim-

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ply to show others “how to be an artist-citizen.”

“As an artist, a chairman, a musician and a friend, Mark is always steering toward expansion,” adds his colleague John Bisbee. “He never gets small, provincial, or locked into a dogma. He’s always looking to progress and to help others progress. He’s a remarkable dude.”

As a musician, Wethli plays bass for a folk-blues band called Bright Common that is fronted by Bisbee, who sings and plays guitar, banjo and harmonica. Bright Common (named after a kind of nail) also features artists Cassie Jones ’01 on keyboards and Courtney Brecht ’00 on violin, as well as artist Gordon Bok on lead guitar and Anthony Gatti, manager of the Fort Andross complex, on drums. Portland Museum of Art director Dan O’Leary sometimes sits in with the band, as does Bowdoin English professor Peter Coviello, who plays guitar on one track of Bright Common’s forthcoming CD.

“For young people of my generation – and I came to Bowdoin in 1998,” says Pete Coviello, “meeting Mark and the folks in the art department was really galvanizing and solidifying. I knew this was a place you could follow joyful pursuits.”

In the acknowledgements for his Piper Cub show, in which he thanks a host of friends and family, artists and artisans, for their contributions to his artistic enterprise, Wethli thanks Coviello “for advocating ‘joy’ as a respectable motive and objective for making art.”

Building Piper Cub would seem to qualify as just such a “joyful pursuit.” As to what comes next, Wethli insists, “I never know. If you’d asked me that in March, I wouldn’t have said anything about an airplane.”

Almost certainly more three dimensional work, possibly

airplane parts abstracted from the whole, definitely more paintings.

“I still love moving the brush around,” he says, “and seeing light moving across an object.”

Even when painting and building realistic-looking objects, however, Wethli never forgets that he is essentially a trafficker in illusions.

“For me,” says Wethli, “one of the quintessential artworks of the 20th century is Rene Magritte’s ‘The Treason of Images’ – a dry, sign-painter style image of a pipe with the cursive inscription below it, ‘This is Not a Pipe’ [translated



*"Tiansom" (2003), acrylic on drywall, 14 x 35 feet in place at the Portland Museum of Art*

from the French]. Piper Cub is basically a full-size airplane that is simultaneously telling the viewer ‘This is not an airplane,’ which, implicitly or not, has been the refrain underlying almost all of my work – ‘This is not a chair, this is not light passing through a window, etc.’”

“We all want to fly, and it’s as hard as starting,” says John Bisbee of Piper Cub. “Mark’s building a plane, after a thousand paintings. All departures are imminent.”

So what might appear to be a series of abrupt departures in Wethli’s art – from realist

interiors to abstract grids to symbolist murals to conceptual installations – is, in fact, a continuing embrace of the aesthetic pluralism Wethli believes “reflects the conditions of the art world.” Contemporary art has no use for orthodoxy. All things are permitted.

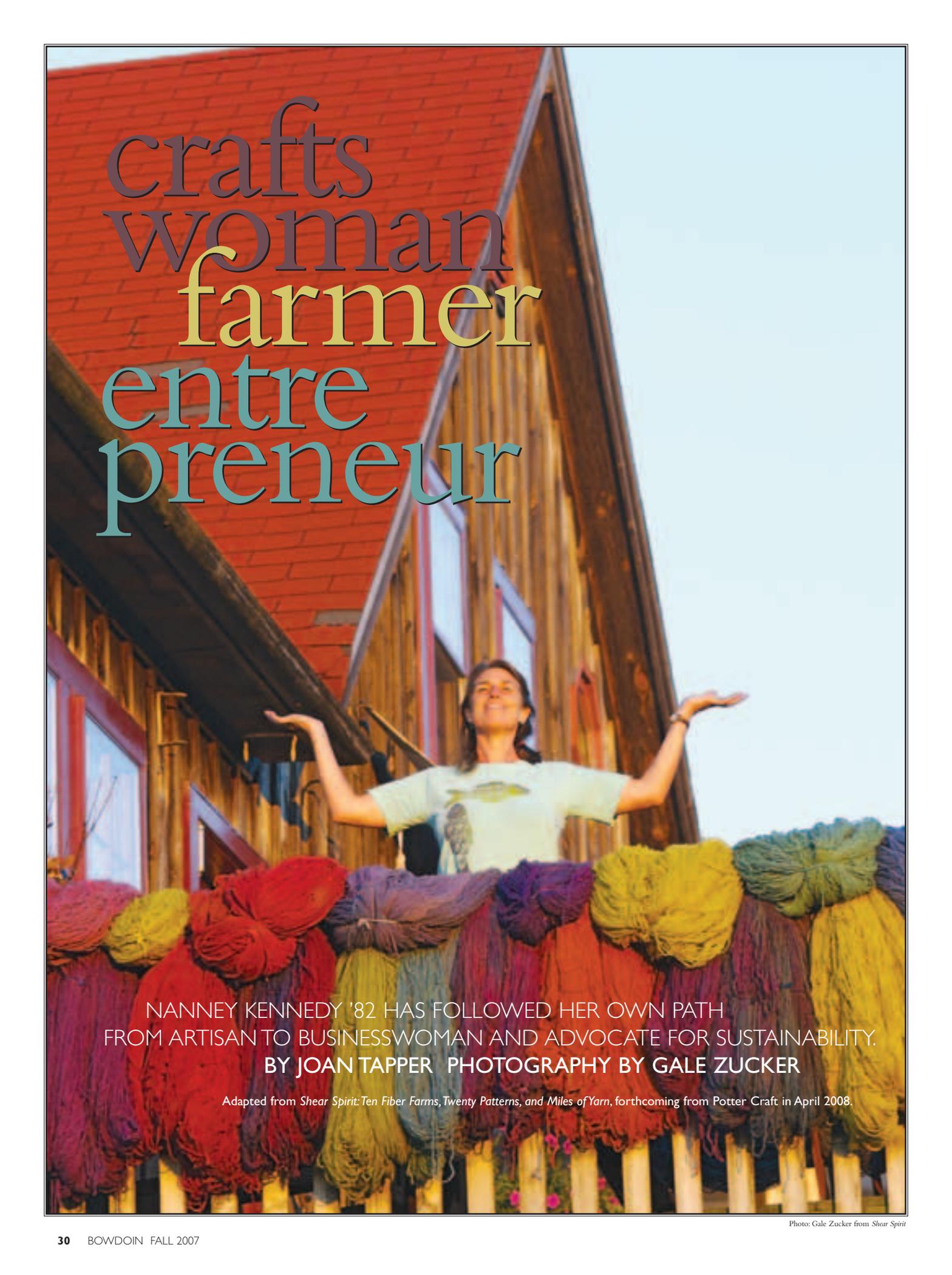
“Artists now are not identified by medium or style,” he says, “but by ideas.”

The central idea unifying Mark Wethli’s work is that art is a form of inquiry, a search for universal truths beyond the phenomenal world of appearances. In his search for meaning, he is guided by the words of T.S. Eliot’s “Four Quartets”:

*We shall not cease from exploration  
And the end of all our exploring  
Will be to arrive where we started  
And know the place for the first time.*

“It’s quite difficult to escape your own skin,” he observes. “When I was eight years old I was building model airplanes. Now I’m a 57 year-old building a *big* model airplane.”

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A photograph of a woman with her arms raised in a gesture of joy or pride, standing on a wooden balcony. In front of her is a railing covered with numerous skeins of yarn in various colors including red, purple, green, and yellow. The background shows a red brick building with a wooden structure, possibly a barn or workshop, under a clear blue sky.

# crafts woman farmer entre preneur

NANNEY KENNEDY '82 HAS FOLLOWED HER OWN PATH  
FROM ARTISAN TO BUSINESSWOMAN AND ADVOCATE FOR SUSTAINABILITY.  
BY JOAN TAPPER PHOTOGRAPHY BY GALE ZUCKER

*Adapted from Shear Spirit: Ten Fiber Farms, Twenty Patterns, and Miles of Yarn, forthcoming from Potter Craft in April 2008.*

**I**T'S HARD TO GET NANNEY KENNEDY TO SIT DOWN AND TALK ABOUT HERSELF. THE MAINE NATIVE – “I WAS RAISED ON DAMARISCOTTA LAKE” – SEEMS TO BE IN CONSTANT MOTION, ANIMATEDLY DISCUSSING NEW PLANS AND PROJECTS, INTERSPERSED WITH PHILOSOPHICAL OBSERVATIONS. AS PROPRIETOR OF MEADOWCROFT FARM, SHE RAISES 100 SHEEP FOR FIBER, DYES YARN, PRODUCES ARTFUL SWEATERS AND BLANKETS, AND OCCASIONALLY SETS UP TRAINING CLINICS FOR BORDER COLLIES IN THE NATURAL AMPHITHEATER ON HER 80-ACRE PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON. BUT IF YOU ACCOMPANY HER AS SHE WALKS THE FARM ON AN EARLY FALL DAY, CHECKING FENCES, MOVING HER FLOCK FROM ONE PASTURE TO ANOTHER, JUDGING WHETHER HER GRASS IS READY FOR HAYING, SHE'LL SHARE HER STORY.

Nannee (a nickname for Anne) credits a family friend for teaching her about farming. “When I was 13, I was mentored by a woman who was married to the agricultural commissioner,” she remembers. From her, Nannee learned about animal care and the value of healthy food and a healthy lifestyle.

She went to Bowdoin, where she played varsity lacrosse and earned a degree in the sociology of art. While in college, she also lived for a few months on a farm, helping with lambing and finding out more about animal husbandry. It was in a folklore class, she says, that she had an inspiration

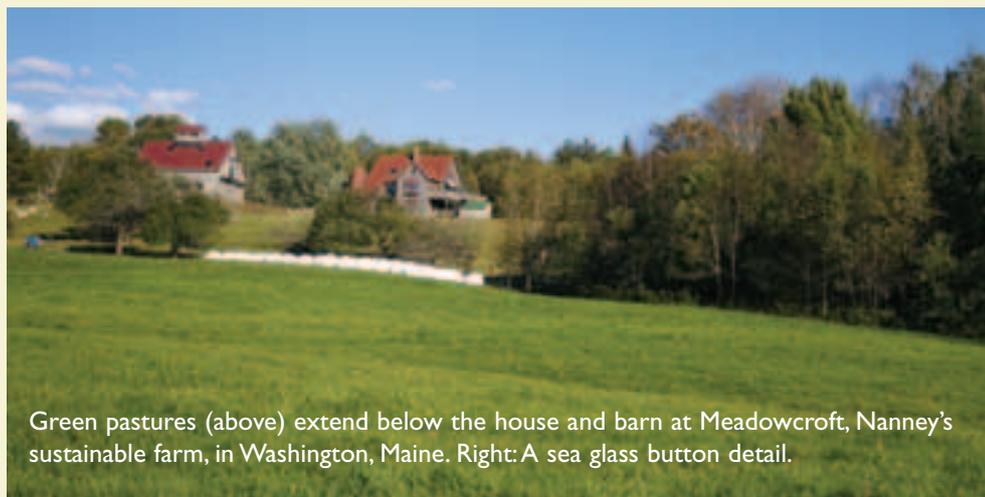


Photo: Gale Zucker

Nannee Kennedy (opposite) exults in a day's dyed yarn and gathers plants from her dyers' garden (below). Her sheep (above) provide fiber for sweaters and blankets.



Photo: Gale Zucker



Green pastures (above) extend below the house and barn at Meadowcroft, Nannee's sustainable farm, in Washington, Maine. Right: A sea glass button detail.

Photo: Gale Zucker



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Nanney transports natural yarn (above) to her outdoor dyeing platform (below), where excess color on newly dyed skeins drains into buckets. Right: a moment for spinning.



Photo: Gale Zucker from *Shear Spirit*

that would affect her career path. “I was sitting and listening, fully engaged, when I began to wonder how we can go forward sustainably and build on our history.”

After graduation, she spent almost a year in New Zealand, learning about grass farming, going to shearing school, and studying farm economy. Later, she became a night shepherd for the Forbes family estate on Naushon Island, and lived in Nantucket off and on over five years. There, she did research on sheep grazing for conservation management and started the Nantucket Craft Alliance.

In 1988, she bought Meadowcroft Farm. By then she was married with a two year-old son and an older step-daughter, working on a graduate degree in agriculture and resource economics, while she and her husband restored the property’s old farmhouse. Her second son was born in 1989, the same year she acquired her own flock of sheep. But in February 1990, a fire destroyed the house, along with all her academic research; three years later, her husband left.

Since then, she’s constructed a new house over a former two-car garage and built a life as a single mother, a farmer, and a crafts entrepreneur. “Trying to figure out a business plan took a long time,” she says. She gauged her resources – the grass she could grow, the topography of the farm, the animals she could raise. “It’s part inspiration, part planning: How to move the sheep, how to breed the sheep, how to cull the flock. I love creating the systems.”

Of course, the animals and the art are interrelated. Nanney raises sheep whose wool meets her exacting standards of firmness, luster, weight, and spinnability. And she manages the farm with an eye toward best environmental practices, whether that means putting extra fencing along erodible slopes and waterways or delaying mechanical haying until ground-nesting birds like bobolinks and killdeers have fledged their young.

The foundation of the burned-down house now holds glass-topped dye vats where she produces her delicately tint-



Photo: Gale Zucker

As she moves her sheep from one paddock to another (right), Nanney also works on training her border collie, Ollie, to efficiently herd the flock.



Photo: Gale Zucker from *Shear Spirit*

Nanney and a friend wear two of her Seacolors sweaters (right) as they collect sea water for use in her dyeing process. Bottom right: another colorful Nanney creation.



Photo: Gale Zucker from *Shear Spirit*



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A lamb's fleece gets a close examination (above) to see if it meets Nanney's standards; a farmhand checks another sheep's fiber (below) for crimping. Left: Ollie on a mission.



Photo: Gale Zucker from *Shear Spirit*



Photo: Gale Zucker

ed yarns. She uses solar energy instead of fossil fuels to heat the dyes and uses clean Maine seawater instead of chemical salts to fix the colors. She sells the yarns and also incorporates them into her line of blankets and the sweaters she designs and consigns to home knitters.

One goal is to “help consumers understand that they can indulge themselves,” with a gorgeous sweater or a beautiful warm blanket, perhaps, “while helping sustain agriculture,” she says. Yet she’s careful not to “teach or preach about all the idealistic reasons why sustainable solutions matter. If I can create something from nothing, with extreme integrity, all the way through every stage of production, and deliver it to the right customer, who is equally engaged, enchanted, and inspired to know they got a bargain, we all win.”

She’s brimming with projects – finishing her barn, dreaming about international trade missions for Maine wool growers, constructing an apartment for visiting fiber enthusiasts who might be inspired to apply some of the ideas to their own lives. “The important part,” she says, “is becoming a population of critical thinkers who insist on standards that include sustainability, not just marketing fog and mirrors.”

When asked about her plans for the future, though, Nanney, ever the farmer, has a down-to-earth answer: “Compost.”



Photo: Gale Zucker

# BOWDOIN alumnotes

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*Try and Try Again!: The new rugby scoreboard reports a good match: Bowdoin 27, Guest 12. The guest just happened to be a herd of pesky White Mules from up the road. The Polar Bear ruggers beat them soundly in the first game that the new scoreboard tallied. Men's rugby alumni donated the scoreboard in a fundraising effort spearheaded by Andy Palmer '88 and Mike Daoust '92. The seniors on this year's squad are: Mark Fuller, Ryan Devenyi, Alex Chittim, Sam Kamin, and Paul Dwyer. Photo by Mark Fuller '08.*

# newsprint

As compiled from media around the world.

**Jerry Blakely '43 was cited in a *New Yorker* article titled "The Tycoon: The making of Mort Zuckerman."** The article reads, "In 1962, [Zuckerman] got a job in Boston at the commercial real-estate firm of Cabot, Cabot & Forbes, working with its chief executive, Jerry Blakeley, who had spearheaded the development of industrial parks along Route 128. Blakeley became a kind of surrogate father to him. Zuckerman rose quickly, and within two years he had become a partner and the chief financial officer" ... **Maine Governor John Baldacci appointed Shepard Lee '47 to the new Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority**, which will succeed the Brunswick Local Redevelopment Authority and implement the reuse plan for the Brunswick Naval Air Station. Lee, chairman of Lee Automalls, was once appointed by President Jimmy Carter to organize the White House Conference on Small Business. ... ***Business Week* named former Senator George Mitchell '54 among its top 100 most influential people in the business of sports.** "Senator Mitchell and his team have been interviewing players, doctors, pharmacists - anyone who can shed light on the steroids / HGH issue hovering over Major League Baseball. If his much anticipated report names names, it will shake up baseball." ... ***The Chronicle of Philanthropy* featured a "special report" titled, "Way to Grow: Charities use business practices to rapidly expand their programs," focusing in part on the success of Harlem Children's Zone, the non-profit led by Geoffrey Canada '74, and Year Up, a charity founded by Gerald Chertavian '87.** ... "Career diplomat and the top U.S. negotiator on the North Korean nuclear issue, **Christopher Hill**

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## Marcus Giamatti '84

### Actor, Musician

**M**arcus Giamatti '84 blames Bowdoin for his choice of professions. "They said 'do what you love,' they encouraged it!" he says of the mantra that has become a trademark of liberal arts institutions. But, really, Marcus has nothing to complain about after starring for six straight seasons on the CBS drama *Judging Amy*, in the role of Peter Grey. *Judging Amy's* success (repeats are currently aired on TNT) led to several guest appearances on shows such as *The X-Files*, *Homicide: Life on the Street*, *Criminal Minds*, and *Cold Case*, which in turn led to several movie roles, including a part in Rob Schneider's upcoming movie, *The Chosen One*. "I do work, and hope it leads to more work," he says, "it's pretty simple."



"Work" for Marcus has a dual meaning. Although his acting jobs have provided the bulk of his income, Marcus is also an accomplished bass guitar player and believes that the two go hand in hand. "I'm very lucky to be able to do both [acting and music]," he says, "At this point I can't really imagine doing one without the other." During his Bowdoin years, Marcus played in "tons of bands," ("The Threads" and "History of Brazil" being two of the more uniquely titled groups), and for his senior project he teamed up with slam poet Taylor Mali '87 in a performance of the Sam Shepard play *True West*. During his post-grad years at the Yale School of Drama (which his brother, *Sideways* star Paul Giamatti, also attended; and where his late father, former actor and commissioner of baseball Bart Giamatti, was president),

Marcus continued to write music while simultaneously working on at least five plays at once.

The realities of the business didn't hit him until after his graduation from Yale when he found himself working as a bartender to pay bills, while flying from New York to L.A. in between Broadway productions looking for television roles. When money became tight, Marcus hit the road, traveling to all corners of the country doing regional theatre. "When you're in grad school, you think you can do anything," Marcus admits, "but in reality it'll never be like [that] again." When he started filming *Judging Amy* in 1999, the young actor was happy just to go to work every day. "It goes in waves," he says of the acting industry, "but it's still very gratifying." Musically, Marcus works as a session and live player in L.A. and plays bass in a band for singer/songwriter (and fiancée) Olivea Watson, whose debut album, *Way Down Deep*, was released in September.

Compared to the countless young musicians and actors whose careers are built around fame and fortune, Marcus's goals seem rather old-fashioned. "I just want to be a really good actor, and a really good musician, and enjoy the process," he says. "So many things are out of your control. I try to approach every audition with creative indifference and just learn from it." Although *Judging Amy* did put him on the public's radar (people still recognize him two years after the show's completion), Marcus takes his success with a refreshing air of practicality. He's the first to point out that he's no rock star, or movie star for that matter, although most fans who meet him suppose differently. "[People's perception of] L.A. is jaded," he says with a laugh. "They assume you're a billionaire who rides around in a limo all day."

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## LAUDABLE

As compiled from Class News and from media around the world.

**S. Kirby Hight '38, Edward F. Woods '43, Thomas J. Costin '73, and Lisa Butterworth Michalski '87 are 2007 Polar Bear Award recipients** – Established in 1999 by the Alumni Council, these awards recognize alumni for significant personal contributions and outstanding dedication to Bowdoin through a record of service rather than a single act or achievement.

**Charles A. Cohen '47 is the 2007 recipient of the Robert M. Cross Award** – Established in 1990, the Robert M. Cross Award is given annually to the Class Agent or Agents whose outstanding performance, hard work, and loyalty to Bowdoin, as personified by Robert M. Cross '45, H'89, during his many years of association with the Fund, are deserving of special recognition.

**The American Lung Association of Maine honored former U.S. Senate Majority Leader George J. Mitchell '54 its their Lifetime Achievement Award.** “Senator Mitchell is one of the most widely-recognized and inspirational leaders in Maine. His healthy air policy leadership spans decades and is responsible for saving lives and reducing disability throughout the nation. While in the United States Senate, Senator Mitchell led the successful 1990 reauthorization of the

Clean Air Act, including new controls on acid rain toxins.”

**Bruce Chalmers '59 was inducted into the Bridgeton Academy Hall of Fame** on Saturday, June 2, 2007, “for his outstanding contributions to the community and service to the Academy.” Bruce was an Academy trustee from 1989 to 2004.

**Longtime public address announcer for Portland (Maine) High School sports, Peter Gribbin '61, received the President's Award from the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame July 29.** The President's Award is an annual award given to non-inductees who have contributed significantly to amateur baseball in Maine.

**David Fernald '62 was inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame** on June 10, 2007. He played both football and lacrosse at Bowdoin, and captained the football team his senior year. “No opponent ever out-battled Dave on the football field,” said teammate Gerard Haviland '61. “He was fast, tough, intelligent, and relentlessly competitive.”

**Lawrence Cohan '71 and Judith K. Clancy '75 are 2006-2007 recipients of a Presidential Award for Leadership in BASIC** to acknowledge unusual dedication to the College through recruitment and promotion efforts over a lifetime of service to the College through BASIC.

**Samuel B. Broaddus '73, recipient of the 2003 Bowdoin Common Good Award, has been awarded the 2007 Mary Cushman, M.D. International Award** by the Maine Medical Association for his volunteer medical work in Asia, Africa, and Haiti. The award recognizes Maine physicians who have distinguished themselves with exceptional humanitarian service as a medical volunteer.

**Richard G. D'Auteuil '82 is the recipient of the 2006-2007 Alumni Council 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 is given in the name of the recipient to a deserving Bowdoin student or students.

**The American Lung Association of Maine presented the Roselle Huddilston award Dora Anne Mills '82, M.D., M.P.H., Director, Maine Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,** “for her tireless efforts to prevent tobacco use among Maine kids and adults” during the Association's 2007 Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony on Friday, September 28.

**Ella Brown '84, “an attorney at Pierce Atwood LLP, ranks among the best attorneys in the nation for 2007** by Chambers and Partners, an independent British legal research firm that publishes rankings of the leading global law firms based on client interviews.”

**Artist Sam Vokey '86 received Boston's Copley Society of Art's most prestigious honor, the John Singleton Copley Award.** Honoring his dedication to the Copley Society, this coveted distinction also attests to Vokey's merit as an artist. The Copley Society, the oldest nonprofit art organization in the country, is devoted to encouraging new talent and community outreach.

**J. B. Dilsheimer '88 is the 2006-2007 recipient of the Alumni Council Bowdoin Club Volunteer of the Year Award** – Established in 2004, this award recognizes volunteers for Bowdoin's regional clubs program who have demonstrated enthusiasm, initiative, and outstanding execution and achievement in the previous year.

**Staci Williams Seeley '90 is a 2006-2007 recipient of a Presidential Award for Leadership in BASIC** to acknowledge uncommon effort and commitment to increasing the diversity of Bowdoin College through the recruitment of outstanding students of color.

**Thornton Academy Middle School teacher Hope Lipp Hall '92 is among 100 educators from across the country to receive an ING Unsung Heroes Program Award** for her innovative ideas in the classroom.

**Michele L. Cobb '93 is the 2007 recipient of The Class of 1976 Trophy** – Established in 2004, the Class of 1976 Trophy is awarded annually to the Class Agent, Associate Agent, or team of volunteers whose energy, creativity, and leadership in a non-reunion year is deserving of special recognition.

**Michael L. Volpe '97 is the 2006-2007 recipient of the Alumni Council Young Alumni Service Award** – Established in 1999 by the Alumni Council, this award honors outstanding service and commitment to Bowdoin by graduates of the past ten years.

**The Boston Bar Association (BBA) named Jennifer M. Ryan '99 of Dwyer & Collora, LLP, as one of 15 new members of the BBA's prestigious Public Interest Leadership Program.**

**The Boston Globe named Kate Waller '02 Massachusetts High School Coach of the Year.** Kate is the head coach of the boys' track team at Lexington High School.

'74 has learned that successful diplomacy often requires taking circuitous routes: ‘You have to be very clear what your destination is but realize you won't be able to go right after what you want.’...Negotiating with the North Koreans over their use of a nuclear-weapons program has been his most difficult assignment. ‘When you're dealing with the North Koreans, not only do we have a difference of views of their aspirations for nuclear weapons, but they think differently...**In February, Hill helped coordinate the so-called ‘six-party talks,’ in which the North Koreans agreed to shut down their main nuclear facility in exchange for fuel oil and short-term humanitarian aid.** The plan stalled over when the financial aid would be delivered. Hill says he remains hopeful. ‘I think it will be a step-by-step process, a very difficult process, but we've really got a good framework for dealing with it.’...**Novelist Douglas Kennedy '76, who has lived in London since 1988, was the subject of a British newspaper interview about his career and his new novel, *The Woman in the Fifth*,** which at the time was vacillating between numbers one and three on the French bestseller lists. His books have been translated into 18 languages, but the French remain his biggest fans...***The Wall Street Journal* featured an opinion piece titled “Mortgage Madness” by Lawrence B. Lindsey '76,** president and CEO of the Lindsey Group and President Bush's chief economic adviser from 2001 to 2002...In mid-September, Republican presidential candidate Fred Thompson named Lawrence Lindsey senior economic advisor to the campaign...**Vermont attorney and former GOP legislator Tom Little will**

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## Paul Todd '58 Chief Scientist for Techshot, Inc.

At age 18, while his classmates planned their weekends "and complained about the Maine weather," Paul Todd '58 (a native Mainer) attended a guest lecture by Robert Brent, after which he decided to become a biophysicist. His decision was a slight deflection from his original intent to become a chemical engineer since day one of his Bowdoin career; however, it did lead to a unique educational experience that included a physics degree from Bowdoin, botany and zoology classes at Harvard, and a bachelor of science degree in quantitative biology from MIT (1959). Thanks to the teaching efforts of Bowdoin Professor William "Doc" Root, Paul was able to skip an entire semester of physical chemistry at MIT. He earned his Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley just five years later, with a stop for a M.S. at the University of Rochester in 1960 (Dr. Brent's university, as it turned out).

Before his involvement in the company now known as Techshot, Paul taught at Penn State University for about 20 years then, at the age of 53, became a professor of chemical engineering at the University of Colorado. His career in biophysics did not really end, and in 2000 Paul accepted a position at Space Hardware Optimization Technology (SHOT), a small engineering firm in Indiana specializing in space shuttle instruments used in life sciences



experiments. SHOT, whose only customer was NASA until 2001, provided equipment for seven shuttle flights from 1988 until 2003 and developed several robotic miniature laboratory systems, most about the size of a lunch box, in which the work of an entire laboratory could be done in outer space on a few watts of power.

Seven years later, a lot has changed for Paul and his company, which was forced to diversify its products after a sharp decrease in government funding for space technology. Now known as Techshot, Paul and his team of about 30 "professional inventors" have expanded their services to include a myriad of technologies in fields such as stem cell research, diabetes, cancer, area lighting, concrete sealing, and warehouse inventory management. Today, only three of Techshot's current 17 projects are space related. In contrast to many researchers who remain tightly focused on specific areas of study, Paul says he enjoys the challenge of inventing products for markets that have not been fully developed. "I have always been pulled toward applied science where the reward is seeing one's own work as a contribution to the pioneering of a whole field that barely existed at the outset," he says.

The success of Techshot has reflected well on Paul, who recently shared (with three co-authors) the Meriam-Wiley

Award of the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) for the best engineering textbook in a two-year interval. He was also elected president of the American Society for Gravitational and Space Biology (about 400 members), from which he recently completed a one-year term. While he appreciates the recognition, Paul insists he is not in the business to win prizes. "I never really considered that a goal, especially in view of the fact that most significant achievements in science today are extensive collaborative efforts," he says. Paul's most fulfilling moments occur in the laboratory, where his work between 1960 and 1985 enabled the use of accelerated particles in cancer radiotherapy. The process of discovery continues to both challenge and fascinate Paul, who has grown accustomed to the technical problems that come with new territory. "Scientific research is full of false starts," Paul says, "but sometimes there is satisfaction in being permitted to embark on a road with an unknown destination." Fittingly enough, he has found the solutions to many of his current research problems in saved research notebooks that date back to his post-grad days.

Although Paul recently turned seventy-one, he shows no signs of slowing down. "To quote my Bowdoin acquaintance Rod Forsman '59, 'I have failed retirement twice already,'" he says with a laugh. With eight grandchildren scattered across the U.S., and with a cottage in Maine, Paul and Judy, his wife of fifty years, hope to set aside some time for travel in the near future. But does this mean that Paul is finally ready to abandon his work? To this he replies, "It's a profession, not just a job."

chair a 10-member commission to study the expansion of Vermont's civil unions law to gay marriage... **Joan Benoit Samuelson '79** was the subject of a CNNMoney.com article in June titled "Benoit Ran Ahead Of Her Time," a retrospective of her record-setting career that isn't over yet: she has qualified for the 2008 Olympic trials in the women's marathon, which will be held in Boston in April... **Jes Staley '79**, head of wealth and asset management for JP Morgan Asset Management, the largest hedge fund manager in the world, was quoted several times in a hedge fund article about JP Morgan by Financial News online... **The October 2007 issue of *The American Spectator* reviews a new book by Steve Laffey '84**, *Primary Mistake: How the Washington Republican Establishment Lost Everything in 2006 (and Sabotaged My Senatorial Campaign)*. See *Bookshelf* section this issue... **The Treasury Department has named Michael Duffy '85**, deputy CIO of e-government at the Justice Department, its new chief information officer... **Former Microsoft executive Ed Bland '87 has joined Unitus, Inc.**, as chief operating officer. Unitus is "a worldwide leader in scaling innovative solutions to global poverty." Prior to his position at Unitus, he was "general manager in the entertainment and devices division at Microsoft, leading the global marketing efforts for Microsoft's \$2 billion games business, launching Xbox 360 in North America, Europe, and Japan in November 2005... **Jenny Freedman Weisberg '93**, who lives in Jerusalem and has become a popular author on Jewish orthodox pregnancy, was the cover story of the July 23, 2007 *Jerusalem Report* magazine. See *Bookshelf* section this issue.

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## Victor Fields '75

### Jazz Musician

For all Victor Fields '75 has accomplished in the music industry it is hard to believe that only a decade ago the talented jazz artist was a full-time businessman. But in fact, after graduating from Bowdoin with a political science degree, Victor made his way to the west coast to try his hand at insurance—and



met with success. Although he was musically active during his four years at Bowdoin, hosting a Friday night jazz show on WBOR and singing in a percussion ensemble led by

Geoffrey Canada '74, Victor's career goals steered him out of the spotlight and into the office, where he was quickly promoted to the position of regional vice president at his San Francisco company. Only after losing his mother to cancer, did Victor recognize the second void in his life: music.

Victor's transition from businessman to musician took time, but his determination to follow his dreams was immediate, "Years from now I didn't want to say, 'What if?' or 'I should have.' If you have dreams, you should pursue them," he says. Victor began taking voice lessons and sitting in with jazz bands in the San Francisco area before performing regularly for various corporate events. "I was like the musician's businessman," Victor says of the role reversal that saw him negotiating contracts with corporations his former clients referred him to, "I was basically moonlighting as a musician."

Victor recorded his first album in 1998 alongside Grammy-nominated producer-songwriter Kashif. Ironically, Victor's freshman roommate, Eric Meza, was responsible for introducing the two musicians and turning Victor into an

overnight recording artist. Over the past decade Victor has worked with some of the biggest names in music, collaborating with guitarist Chris Camozzi on his second CD, which landed on Billboard's jazz album chart. Victor, who says his major influences are classic artists such as Sam Cooke, Marvin Gaye, and Joe Williams, has even gotten a chance to sing Gaye's famous hit "What's Going On" on his fourth album, *Thinking of You*. "I've had a chance to be involved with some really great artists," says Victor "and the music has taken me to a lot of great places."

Harry Belafonte, the man behind the "Banana Boat" song, equally well-known for his political and social activism, has become a role model for Victor: "Mr. Belafonte told me that an artist is also an activist. With any type of celebrity you have to use it wisely." Victor has played countless benefit concerts supporting issues such as African American health. He recently performed at the Urban Peace Awards in Los Angeles for a crowd that included two rival Los Angeles gangs. The purpose of the concert was to encourage a truce between the notoriously violent groups and recognize the peace-keeping efforts of social activists and law enforcement. At the end of the show a city-wide peace treaty was signed.

These days, Victor has a lot to look forward to. He recently signed a licensing deal in Japan and plans on taking his wife Regina '74 to Europe for a few months while he works abroad. But perhaps even more exciting for this Bowdoin grad is his upcoming New York City debut at the Sugar Bar, where he will reconnect with college classmates he hasn't seen in years. "I'm almost more excited about seeing them than the show itself," he says with a laugh. Visit [www.victorfields.com](http://www.victorfields.com) for information on upcoming shows.

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## Matt Marolda '96 Founder and CEO of StratBridge, Inc.

If you've ever tried to buy a ticket to Fenway Park you know how expensive and hard to find these gems are. The current World Champions have sold out 400 consecutive games with seats averaging a \$50 price tag and re-selling for more than \$300 during the regular season. And yet the Red Sox are one of three New England teams to join the vast client base of StratBridge, Inc., which includes over 100 organizations, including the entire NBA and NHL, along with dozens of other profession sports franchises. StratBridge, founded in 1999 by Matt Marolda '96, helps teams sell tickets more effectively using its StratTix analysis platform that tracks ticket sales and provides the front office with live updates on how tickets are selling and at what prices. The concept behind StratTix, known as yield management, has been used by airlines for decades and allows teams to adjust ticket prices to ensure that no seats are wasted.

Marolda, who admits that prior to his first job he "didn't know anything about technology," first recognized the need for a data visualization tool while working for Braxton Associates, a consulting firm where he helped clients understand complicated data. At the time, charts were largely drawn by hand, a ridiculous concept only a decade later. Still a novice when it came to programming, Marolda bought a simple how-to book and began trying things out; writing the code for what would eventually become StratBridge's first product, a Microsoft Office plug used to create sophisticated charts.

When he was far enough along, Marolda quit his job at Braxton to continue creating new data technology for consulting firms and large corporations like Hewlett Packard. As a young college grad with little experience

in the field, Marolda lacked outside funding and had to rely on his own resources to keep his fledgling company afloat. "I sold [software] during the day, and wrote it at night," he says of his first few months as an entrepreneur which saw his bank account balance dip to \$70. Luckily, Braxton saw promise in Marolda and left his position open for him should he choose to return. Marolda never took them up on the offer but he admits "it made my mom feel a lot better." StratBridge built a thriving business around this software, growing to over 20,000 users world-wide.

Marolda's next big break came in 2003 when the Boston Celtics approached him to create a visual tool that would help them analyze ticket sales at weekly meetings. A native New Englander, Marolda's first thought was "that's cool; at least I'll get some tickets out of it." Two and a half years later StratTix was finished and the Celtics were able to sell out the final 14 games of their unsuccessful 2006 season by effectively packaging tickets according to data collected by the new technology. Only a few weeks after StratTix was unveiled, the NBA licensed the system for all teams in the league.

Today, StratBridge employs twenty people, including Bowdoin grads Mike Daoust '92 and John Regan '07, and earns "well into the seven figures" in annual revenues, according to Marolda. StratTix recently expanded its clientele to include non-sport organizations such as the Atlanta Symphony through its deals with

all of the major ticketing systems. "Anyone who sells tickets can potentially benefit from [our product]," says Marolda, who has appeared in the media countless times since StratTix caught fire in 2006. StratEdge, a tool similar to StratTix that allows a team to analyze player stats and scouting reports easily and effectively, represents the newest addition to StratBridge's technology menu and presumably the next wave of high-tech sports management. However, Marolda insists that his products are not trying to turn organizations into fantasy sports teams. "It's true you can't ignore the

quantitative information but you also can't ignore the stuff you see with your eyes," he says.

In the next few years, Marolda plans to continue to grow his company, located in Harvard, MA, and will look to hire college grads with liberal arts



### STRATBRIDGE inc.

backgrounds like his own. An economics and math double major at Bowdoin, Marolda describes his senior year honors project, "Valuing Pro-Sports Teams," as an "unbelievable opportunity" to get a business perspective. Marolda went on to attend the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth but recalls this project as a crucial part of his eventual success. "The whole liberal arts thing, it works," says Marolda, "you learn to be versatile and well-rounded." The skills he acquired at Bowdoin were put to the test during the early days of StratBridge's existence, when Marolda was the only employee. "Building something from one [person] to twenty – that's a liberal arts experience."

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## ALUMNI FUND AWARD RECIPIENTS

### Leon W. Babcock Plate

Awarded annually to the class making the largest contribution to the Alumni Fund, the Babcock Plate was presented in 1980 by William L. Babcock Jr. '69 in honor of his grandfather, Leon W. Babcock '17.

**2007 Recipient: Class of 1982**

### The Alumni Fund Cup

Awarded annually since 1932, the Alumni Fund Cup recognizes the reunion class making the largest contribution to the Alumni Fund unless that reunion class wins the Babcock Plate; in that event, the Cup is awarded to the non-reunion class making the largest contribution.

**2007 Recipient: Class of 1976**

### Class of 1916 Bowl

Awarded annually to the classes with the greatest improvement over their Alumni Fund performance of the preceding year, the original Class of 1916 Bowl was presented to the College by the Class of 1916 in 1959.

**2007 Recipients: Class of 1962 and Class of 1977**

### Class of 1929 Trophy

Established in 1963 by the Class of 1929, the Class of 1929 Trophy recognizes that one of the ten youngest classes attaining the highest percentage of participation.

**2007 Recipient: Class of 2006**

### Robert Seaver Edwards Trophy

Awarded annually to that one of the ten youngest classes making the largest contribution to the Alumni Fund, the Edwards Trophy honors the late Robert Seaver Edwards, Class of 1900. It was presented to the College in 1965.

**2007 Recipient: Class of 1997**

### Harry K. Warren Trophy

Awarded annually beginning in 1998, the Harry K. Warren Trophy recognizes the two reunion classes achieving the highest percentage of participation.

**2007 Recipient for 5th–25th Reunion: Class of 1982**

**2007 Recipient for 30th–50th Reunion: Class of 1957**

### Fund Directors' Trophy

Established in 1972 by the directors of the Alumni Fund, the Fund Directors' Trophy is awarded annually to the class or classes that, in the opinion of the directors, achieved an outstanding performance that deserves special mention.

**2007 Recipient: Class of 1987**

### Special Appreciation

**The Class of 1957 for 50 years of outstanding service to Bowdoin:**

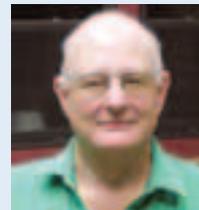
*Reunion Gift Chairs:* John I. Snow '57, David Z. Webster '57

*Reunion Honorary Chair:* Frederick G. P. Thorne '57

*Reunion Planning Chair/Class Agent:* Edward E. Langbein Jr. '57



*John Snow '57*



*David Webster '57*



*Fred Thorne '57*



*Ed Langbein '57*



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**1 Dawn Rackliffe '03 and David MacDonald '02** were married in Rhode Island on Saturday, June 2, 2007. Bowdoin alums in attendance were (standing, l to r): Karen Finnegan '03, Sarah Manz '03, Dawn and Dave, Katherine Roboff '03, Aubrey Brick '05, Courtney Tolmie '03, and Adrienne Luoma '03. (Kneeling, l to r): Alexis Goldstein '03, Leslie Wittenbraker '06, and Ellie Dorg '03.

**2 Christina Stahlkopf '99 and Jonathan Palmer (Oxford University '00)** were married on July 28, 2007, at Tench Vineyards in Napa, Calif. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Liz Brookes Gordon '99, Jennifer Knaut Hoenig '99, Jon and Christina, Sean Raymond '99, and Marisa Zahler Raymond '99.

**3 Jen Pelkey '04 and Jim Weeks '04** were married on June 9, 2007, in Wolféboro, N.H., on Lake Winnepesaukee. Bowdoin friends who traveled to share in the ceremony and reception were (back row, l to r): Nicole and Travis Derr '04, John Koster '04, Andrew Nichols '04, Jarret Young '05, Liz McCaffrey '04, Tom Finn '04, Mary Melnik Penney '04, Bill Brancaccio '04, Kyle Staller '04 on top of Mark Drauschke '04, and Chris Wagner '04. (Middle row, l to r): Fe Vivas '04, Heather Wish '05, Sadie Wieschhoff '04, Jess Burke '04, Whitney Young '05, Nicole Stiffle '04, Kirsten Larsen '04, Rebekah Metzler '04, Brit Carr '04, Gillian McDonald '04, Marissa O'Neil '05, Cathie Quinlan '05, Alex Harris '04, Katie Adikes '04, and Patrick Rockefeller '04. (Front row, l to r): Kimberly Medsker '04, Shelly Miller '03, Beth Muir '03, Jim and Jen.

**4** Bowdoin friends pictured celebrating the wedding confirmation of **Lindsey Scott '03** to Captain Bo Bergstrom, USMC (United States Naval Academy '03) on June 23, 2007, in Sheridan, Wyo., are (l to r): Hillary Bernstein '03, Joshua Scott '98, Lindsey and Bo, Alex Franke '03, and Caroline Budney '03. Not pictured: Peter Taylor '00.

**5** On August 4, 2007, **James Fisher '02** married Kathleen Moran (Cornell '03) at the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C. Bowdoinites in attendance were (l to r): Alex Koppel '02, Tiffany Mok '02, Adrian Doyle '05, Kathleen and James (holding banner), Steve Rulison '02, John Thorndike '02, and Sarah Castonguay '02.



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**6 Sarah Yantakosol '05** and Daniel Gayer (Harvard '06) were married on July 21, 2007, in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Anne Torregrossa '02, Jim Bowie '74, Christopher Choi '04, Braulio Peguero '05, Lisa Kurobe '05, Howard Law '05, Europa Yang '05, Ruo Ruo Zhao '05, Min Kim '05, Siri Ashton '05, Heather Johnston '05, Matthew Yantakosol '10, Sarah and Daniel, Kacy Karlen '05, Fred Fedynyshyn '05, Rebecca Economos '05, Sue Kim '05, Allison Barz '05, Cathy Showalter '04, Marc Donnelly '07, Zaynah Rahman '05, and Carlos Montalvo '05.

**7 Glenn Waters '89** and **Kristin Zwart '89** were married on July 14, 2007 at a family camp on Little Sebago Lake, Maine. Pictured are: Glenn and Kristin with Jack's son Jack (11) and daughter Annalise (4).

**8 Katherine Shoemaker '95** and Anand Srinivasan (Manipal Institute of Technology '94 and Iowa State MBA '96) were married on August 18, 2007, in the Hudson Valley of New York, and again on September 7 in Bangalore, India. Bowdoin friends in attendance at the N.Y. wedding were (first row, l to r): Elizabeth Stewart Baker '95, Maya Khuri Plotkin '95, Kristin Noonan Hall '95, Katherine, Cortney Perkins Stevenson '95, Alicia Collins '93, Caroline Wickenden Finizio '95, Michelle Comeau Hoffmeister '94, Kimberly Hyland Perry '95, Elizabeth Iannotti '96. (Second row, l to r): Ingrid Saukaitis Dyott '95, Sara Michelmores Ortega '95, Anand Jed Stevenson '95. Missing from photo: George Khaldun '73 and Geoffrey Canada '74.

**9 Nora Pierson '00** and Erik Thoren were married on May 6, 2007, at the Historic Prallsville Mill in Stockton, N.J. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Katie Davis Westreich '00, Jaica Kinsman '99, Nora and Erik, and Nick Young '00.

**10 Cristina Kormann '00** and Steven Driver (Case Western Reserve '00) were married on July 8, 2006, at Annunciation Church in Crestwood, N.Y. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (bottom, l to r): Anne Marie Alexander '00, Marriane Lipa '01, Cristina and Steve, Elizabeth Goley '00, Kristen Winters '00, Meredith Crosby '00. (Top, l to r): Elizabeth Heuser '00, Nora Pierson '00, Josh Schneider '00, Lauren Webb '00, Gwen Armbruster '00.



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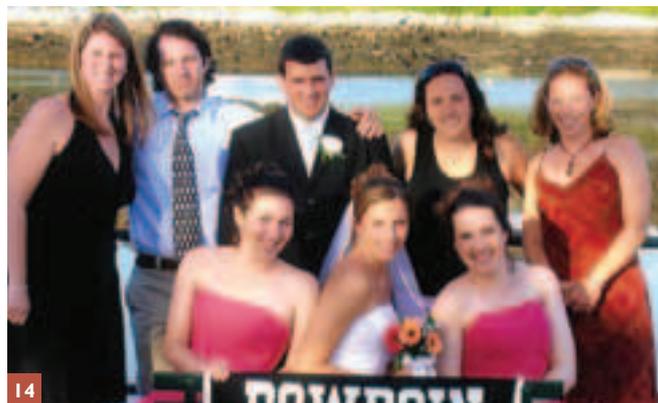
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**11 Rachel Jones '04 and Kevin Folan '03** were married on August 18, 2007, at St. Katharine Drexel chapel in Harpswell, Maine. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (front row, l to r): Liz Swedock '04, Bart McMann '03, Rachel and Kevin, Gretchen Lyons Jones '79 (mother of the bride), and Don MacMillan '83. (Second row, l to r): Laurie Hurd '79, Whitney Alexander '04, Bobby Jones '78 (father of the bride), and Joey Gauld '51. (Third row, l to r): Brendan Wakeham '03, Lyndsey Sennet Wakeham '02, Mike Schindelar '03, and Malcolm Gauld '76. (Back row, l to r): Rick Binelli '03, Chris Fuller '03, Seth Harmon '02, Paul Hurd '71, and Linda Rosenberg McGuire '85.

**12 Lauren Fitch '01 and Andrew Nassif** (Grinnell College '97) were married on July 28, 2007, at the Spruce Point Inn in Boothbay Harbor, Maine. Bowdoin friends in attendance

included (front row, l to r): Hilde Petersen Steffey '00, Perrin Lawrence Hicks '01, Kelly Keniston '01, Lauren and Andy, Carrie Simonds '02, Katie Dorney Wong '01, Danny Wong '01, and Stew Steffey '01. (Back row, l to r): Erik Pletcher '01, C.W. Estoff '01, Tommy Ryan '01, Erin McDonough '01, Steve Patterson '01, Barb Thurston '01, Melissa Goodrich '01, and Justin DeGeorge '01.

**13 Sarah Buckley '98 and Jordan Anderson** (University of Chicago '99) were married on September 8, 2007, at the Dalles Ranch in Central Oregon. Bowdoinites in attendance were (l to r): Stina Park '99, Amy Dillon '98, Jordan and Sarah, and David Platt '98.

**14 Kristi Royer '03 and Joe Ouellette** were married on June 30, 2007, in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, with a reception at the Newagen Seaside Inn in Southport Island, Maine. Bowdoin friends in attendance

were (front row, l to r): Jenn Laraia '03, Kristi, Colleen Pellegrini '03, Kevin Castonguay '03, Joe, Britney Carr '04, and Katie Sheridan '02. Not shown but in attendance: Jessie Mayol '02, Travis Cummings '02, and coach Stefanie Pempfer.

**15 Sarah Cheng '03 and J. P. Box '03** were married on July 22, 2006, at the Bowdoin Chapel. They celebrated with family and friends at the Spruce Point Inn in Boothbay Harbor, Maine. Bowdoin family and friends in attendance included (front row, l to r): Jay Fredericks (2025?), Jacque Fredericks '92, J. P. and Sarah, and Megan Lim '03. (Second row, l to r): Elizabeth Chew '02, Tim Riemer '03, Ryan Walsh-Martel '03, Francesca Klucsevsek-Whalen '03, Jana Richardson '03, Kim Cooper '03, and Elisabeth Pearson '03. (Fourth row, l to r): Allison Benton '03, Christina Edwards '03, and Gloria Shen '03. (Fifth row, l to r): Jamie Holte '03 and Spenser Wepler '01.



**16 Frannie Hochberg '97** and Jeff Giuffrida (Dartmouth '98) were married on June 10, 2007, at the Evergreen House in Baltimore, Md. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (kneeling, l to r): Kennedy Helm '97. (Front row, l to r): Kristin Witty '96, Coleman Lindsley '97, Jeff and Frannie, Merrill Maiano '98, Willing Davidson '99, Sarah Titus '97, Esther Baker-Tarpaga '97, and Danielle Richardson '97. (Back row, l to r): Aaron Bornstein '95, Brendan Matz '97, Nathan Michel '97, Matthew Erlich '97, Andy Weiner '97, Chris Pastore '97, and Brad Pistorio '97. Missing from photo: Chris Evans '98.

**17 Amy Brockelman '95** and David Reilly (Boston College '94) were married on May 19, 2007, at St. Joan of Arc Church in Orleans, Mass. A reception followed at the Wequassett Inn in Chatham. Bowdoin friends in attendance were (l to r): Kristi LeBlanc Paquette '96, Mindy

Zych Martin '94, Theresa Claffey Carnegie '95, David and Amy, Emily Lubin Woods '95, Patrick Callahan '95, Jennifer Bogue Kenerson '94, and Alison Burke Albers '94.

**18 Carrie McGilvery '00** and **J. Scott Logan '99** were married on August 18, 2007, at the Bowdoin Chapel. Bowdoin friends and guests in attendance were (clockwise, l to r): Jennifer Nelson '00, Thom Clark '99, Colleen Mathews '03, Derrick Alderman '96, Carrie and Scott, Michael Cadette '00, Patti Lu '00, Adam Schuldt '00, Jessica Bernier '98, and Jim Molleur '76. Not pictured: Peter Webster '62.

**19 Yanina Golburt '00** and Jon Devin Samuels (University of Chicago '97) were married on Saturday, January 13, 2007 at the Grand Prospect Hall, Park Slope, Brooklyn, New York. Bowdoin guests were (third row, l to r): Dessi Dimitrova '00, Ruth Junkins '00, Francis Kayali

'01, Naeem Ahmed '00, and Anthony Roy '00. (Middle row, l to r): Qiao Qiao Wang '00, Shuli Ren '00, Ellen Munley '00, Krisyen Winters '00, and Roodly Jean '99. (Bottom row, l to r): Rebecca Nesvet '00, Eena Khalil '00, Jon and Yanina, Lisl Hacker '00H and Isabella Sarkisyan Jean '01.

**20 Charles Walsh '00** (and MIT '04) and Tyra Gettleman (Amherst '00 and Harvard '04) were married in Bar Harbor, Maine, on September 2, 2007. Bowdoinites in attendance were (top row, l to r): Zach Wheeler '00, Seamus Britt '99, James Kayler '99, and Micah San Antonio '00. (Second row, l to r): Chris Henry '99, and Claire Newton '02. (Third row, l to r): Brian Knapp '00, Laura Shick '00, Meghan Carrey '00, Doug Stow '99, and Margo Woolverton Reynolds '02. (Bottom row, l to r): Elizabeth Cuesta '00, Tyra and Charles, Ryan Reynolds '00, and Ted Maloney '00.



### 36

**Hunter Nicol** reported in mid-April: "Still alive and kicking – about almost everything, but happy hanging in there!"

### 38

**Daniel Boxwell** writes: "Sorry to miss the reunion this year. Look forward to our 70<sup>th</sup> in 2008."

**Frederic Newman** wrote on May 25: "At ninety I still feel well but my wife's condition has made it necessary for us to go into independent living at a retirement home. I still play golf twice a week but handicap keeps going up."

### 39

"August 4 was a beautiful day, weather wise and party wise. At Hannaford Cove, Cape Elizabeth (Maine), many friends and relatives enjoyed the party for **John H. Rich, Jr.'s** 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration." Anne B. Foote and **Harry T. Foote '38** were at the party, and Anne wrote about it in her Westbrook, Maine, *American Journal* column. *From a Westbrook, Maine, American Journal article, August 23, 2007.*

### 41

**Robert Barton** wrote in early June: "Still enjoying winters in Washington and summers in Boothbay Harbor, travel a bit, Christmas in Fla. with family, April in Mexico with oldest son, September '07 to Calif. for wedding of a granddaughter."

### 42

In May 2007, **Joe McKay** attended the Intergenerational Luncheon with grandsons **Luke McKay '07** and **Micah McKay '09**. Sadly, Joe passed away in September. *The Class extends its sympathy to Polly, to Joe and Polly's daughter Jane McKay Morrell '81, Luke, Micah, and to the McKay family. See accompanying photo.*



The late Joe McKay '42, who passed away in September, with grandsons Luke McKay '07 and Micah McKay '09 at the Intergenerational Luncheon in May 2007.

**Mayland Morse** wrote on May 25: "Our 65<sup>th</sup> class reunion at Bowdoin will remind us as we remember those who have not been so lucky as we are being here today. The College has never been better! Winding up a long practice in the law since 1948."

### 43

**Robert Walker** wrote in June that his wife of 63½ years, Eunice, passed away on November 3, 2006. *The Class extends its sympathy to Robert and his family.*

### 44

**Tom Donovan** wrote in early June: "So sad to lose classmate **Pete Hess** suddenly last year. We have moved into a retirement community and sold our house of 50 years. Still use our Tarpon Springs, Fla., condo from Christmas to Easter, as we have done yearly for 25 years. Have five Bowdoin alumni in our condo community, owned by a Bowdoin man, **Paul Liistro '75.**"

**Roy LaCasce** "was the luncheon speaker at the Fryeburg Academy Reunion where the dining hall was dedicated to his parents, **Elroy '14** and **Marion LaCasce.**"

**Henry Maxfield** emailed in late August: "Release of *Justice Justice*, a satire on the failure of our justice system to deliver justice. Refer to my website: [www.southwickhouse.com](http://www.southwickhouse.com)."

### 45

**Ken Senter** wrote that he is 'alive and kicking.' *See accompanying photo.*



Ken Senter '45 is "alive and kicking" for happy hour on Conzaga Bay, Baja, Calif., during a spring camping trip.

### 46

**Proctor "Proc" Jones** wrote in mid-May: "I am soon to leave for our 61"

reunion, hoping, after the rains of 2006, that we'll have four sunny days to greet each other once again beneath the pines. Each year we seem to gather in a newcomer or two; it's never too late to start. On my way I'll pick up **Seavey Bowdoin '42** and we'll have our own party if the rest of you are feeling too old to come! May God bless you all."

**Neil Taylor** wrote in May: "I retired in 2000 from medical practice. I spent most of my life as a family practitioner in a rural community in northern Maryland. During my career, I delivered over 2,000 babies, including a few in my office and the backseats of cars."

**Jordan Wine** wrote in mid-May: "My wife Jean and I are still in reasonably good health, and we still go often into New York City to enjoy the many cultural activities the city has to offer. We both continue to do volunteer work in our community. Jean for many years helped out at the Family Court, and has recently changed her focus assisting speakers of other languages to increase their proficiency in English, in the Conversation Partners Program at Westchester Community College. Both Jean and I work with a group at the New York State Taconic prison, helping prepare prisoners who are about to be released to learn the skills necessary to procure employment and assure stability in their lives after their release. I, for many years, have been doing Lemon Law arbitration and also mediation, most recently in the Restorative Justice Program through our Westchester Mediation Center. We find these volunteer activities to be most rewarding and hope to continue them as long as we are physically able."

### 47

**Clement Hiebert's** wife May wrote in mid-May: "Clem's Parkinsons disease has progressed, and he is in the Hawthorne House nursing home in Freeport."

**Eugene McGlauffin** and wife Dot celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with a family gathering. Gene is retired from Arkansas Power & Light of Little Rock, Ark., and have two daughters and three grandchildren.

**George Shaw** wrote in late June: "We've been enjoying retirement for several years. Now spending most of our

time in sunny, but cool most of the time, Vero Beach, Fla. Also spend two to three months on the shore of Caynge swimming, sailing, skiing (until recently) and enjoying ourselves with our son and his family, who have a cottage next door, and other son and daughter and families who also visit us there and sometimes here, too.”

**Widery Thomas** wrote in mid-May: “I consider myself semi-retired. I spend five days a week in the office ’til mid-afternoon, then it’s home! Joannie and I are doing fine; our health seems to be improving with the benefits of modern medicine. We’re very happy at Piper Shores in an independent living cottage. We hope friends and classmates will come visit us. Florida ownership is in the rear view mirror. Planning some trips and more vacation time. We are fondly looking forward to our 60<sup>th</sup> reunion this year.”

**48**  Bowdoin 2008 REUNION WEEKEND

The Class extends sympathy to **Bill Charles** and his family on the passing of his wife **Barbara** in June 2006.

**49**

**Paul Hennessey** wrote in mid-May: “We celebrated my birthday in Boston. We were at the old Boston Garden, now Bank North Center, to attend a Josh Groban performance. The mass transit system is getting “modern,” and we got a chance to use our new Charley Cards instead of tokens or cash. In July, a week in Vt.; in August, a few days in Maine.”

**50**

**Chris Crowell** wrote on June 5: “Doris and I are in good health. She and I are heavily involved in the Unitarian Church (U.U.) here in Bedford. Our assistant minister Sylvia Stocker has been called by the U.U. Church of Brunswick, Maine, starting in the fall. Terrific woman! I’m still tearing around the tennis courts three times a week as I near my 83<sup>rd</sup> birthday, and still working ten months of the year. Balance in Calif. Best to all of ’50 thru ’54.”

**51**

“**Rose and Dick Coffin** celebrated their third wedding anniversary September 2 at their lovely seaside property in Falmouth (Maine), hosting a large group of friends

and family.” *From a Westbrook, Maine, American Journal article, September 13, 2007.*

**George Harrington** wrote in early May: “Nancy and I are still getting used to Maine temperatures after living in the deep south for 15 years. Seeing old friends makes it easier!”

**Roy Heely** reports: “Since transplanting to Maine eighteen years ago I have heard most every spring an expression which goes something like:

why go away when you’re already here? I and most of my friends indeed relish summers here and enjoy (for the most part) the influx of children, grandchildren, houseguests and others who take the “Vacationland” license plates to heart. And who also keep Maine green. Or so our Augusta solons fervently hope.

“I am sorry to relay news of two departed classmates. My part year freshman roommate in Winthrop Hall **Ben Haywood** died June 21, 2007 in

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Lighthouse Point, Fla. A native of Salem, Mass., Ben graduated from University of Miami law school and practiced law there forty years. (Mrs. Elizabeth Haywood, 2316 NE 30<sup>th</sup> Court, Lighthouse Point, FL 33064.) **Bob Strong** died, August 27, 2007. A lifelong resident of Damariscotta, Maine, Bob was the owner of Strong Chevrolet, which he operated there for over forty years. The agency was taken over by a daughter when Bob retired several years ago. (Mrs. Jean Strong, 86 Elm St. PO Box 40, Damariscotta, ME 04543.) The Class extends its sincere sympathy to the families of Ben and Bob.

"Another reunion elapsed last June – our sixth as members of Old Guard, a moniker of geriatric overtones which we try not to take too seriously. Classmates spotted included **Burt Gottlieb** and **George Harrington**. (Did I overlook anyone?) In this assortment of Old Boys there are plenty of OB's in classes just before or after ours with whom to hobnob. So if you are ever around these parts some early June there is a good chance of running across non-classmates that you knew in varying degrees. Then of course there is the matter of our *Sixtieth*, which slowly but steadily creeps up. (At least let's *think* about it.)

"As our respective biological time machines advance, we experience the infirmities that go with living up to or past the life span of our parents. Most of Our Gang is on the threshold of octogenarianville, while several have passed that mark and we are thus on a first name basis with our sundry medicators. From phone calls to various classmates it is most evident that we adapt to these years with style and class. **Bob Kemp** is slowly recovering from ordeals such as hospital stays that go with gall bladder surgery, pneumonia, and kidney disorders. **Dudley Dowell** underwent lung surgery, which revealed non malignant melanoma. Like many of us in the over three score and fifteen set, Dud lives with arthritis of one hand which does not crimp fly fishing in his Iowa locale and points beyond. **Jim Blanchard** gave up playwrighting due to a nasty fall on the head a couple of years ago but continues to attend Big Apple events like opera (regular and light) and makes periodic jaunts to the theater to mix it up with theatrical notables. The **Paul Pelletiers** rattle around

a five bedroom Clemons, N.C., home with a garage location that requires traipsing up flights of stairs with groceries, which is a task that is becoming more onerous. Paul has undergone operations on his hands that crimp his golf and penmanship prowess but feels fortunate being near quality medical care at the Duke University hospital. **Angus Johnston** was recently diagnosed a borderline diabetic, which has not deterred him from his daily three mile walk. Angus has lived in Westwood, Mass., over fifty years in the same house on property that encompasses an acre with over one hundred trees and a swimming pool. After a long career with John Hancock Insurance Company as second vice president in mortgages and commercial real estate, he was widowed after a fifty-year marriage and keeps busy grand-parenting grandchildren ages seven to twenty-five from daughters in nearby Norwood and Dedham. Angus installed his first computer last August and is fortunate in having nearby sons-in-law as willing mentors in a field that baffles many of us oldies but not our children and grands. Conversations with these gentlemen demonstrate attitude and spirit that go a long way towards making the best of our reasonably golden years.

“Can it be true? But yes – it really *has* been *sixty* years since we as fresh faced freshmen trudged up the hill from the train on our way to becoming collegiatized. The Class has dwindled but our support for the school has been unflagging. Heed the words of class treasurer **David Conrod**: “Thanks and congratulations to the Class of 1951 for another fabulous display of excellence in response to the needs of the Alumni Fund with a best yet participation rate of *eighty-six* percent. Bowdoin is a better institution for this and from this accomplishment you can take justifiable pride. Roy and I, plus **Chet Homer**, **Bill Nightingale**, and **Bob Kemp** (the gang of five) thank you all! And here are some not so dry numbers behind Dave’s remarks: there were 103 donors out of 120 classmates who gave almost \$36 thousand. *And*, our class was one of sixteen to attain a giving rate of 80 percent or better. Well done, boys.

“In my glass-half-full and optimistic demeanor, I feel that each of you has something to share with your fellow

alums. You enjoy reading news – nothing is too mundane – of your classmates, and they in turn would like to read about you. Emails make it easy, but feel free to communicate via any avenue of your choice: phone calls, letters, carrier pigeon, etc.: 13 Zeitler Farm Rd., Brunswick, ME 04011, 207-725-1359, nrheely@gwi.net.”

**Eugene Henderson’s** wife Martha Henderson reports: “Gene appreciates Bowdoin so very much! His mind is sharp, but he had three strokes in 2006, beginning Father’s Day, June 2006. He is in Fairfax Nursing Center, Fairfax, Va., and can be reached at 703-273-7705 or 3515.”

**Charles Lermont** wrote in mid-June: “We are moving to independent living in Brookville, Ohio, as of July 15.”

**David Marsh** wrote in April: “The Berkshires of Western Mass. are spectacular. Enjoyed chat with **Roy Heely** and contact with **Norris Bond**. Best to all.”

**Ray Rutan** reported on June 13: “A somewhat extended 80<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration, beginning on the date, March 7, at the preview showing of the Portland Flower Show, uncrowded, which made for pleasant viewing. A quiet dinner with Melinda followed at Finches. Next was a large dinner party at Tibetan Track with family, Bowdoin faculty, and former students from far and near. But, that’s not the end. June 5, Katherine Watson arranged a private tour for our breakfast club of the Portland Victorian Mansion that even included refreshments and up to top of the tower. Because there were only ten of us, we were able to amble about and completely enjoy the elegant house. From there, I took the group up Park St. to the condo I designed in one of the 1834 brick townhouses for our daughter for its inspection.”

**Barclay Shepard** reported in early July: “I’ve made several trips to Turkey, where I grew up, where I taught at Robert College (founded by Cyrus Hamlin, famous Bowdoin alum in 1865), and where I was the third generation Shepard medical director of the oldest private hospital in Turkey, in the city of Gaziantep in SE Turkey, founded by congregational missionaries in 1879. I graduated from Tufts University Medical School in 1958, spent 22 years in the U.S. Navy followed, by 12 years in the Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington, D.C. I’m now happily retired

in Boothbay Harbor, my native town. Retired, but not idle. I’m very excited to be working as a distributor and independent wellness consultant with a company called Nikken, one of the world’s largest and most successful multi-level marketing companies, a pioneer in the development and production of a wide range of wellness products using a variety of alternative and complimentary technologies.”

## 52

**Dick Coombs** reported in early June: “I am finally fully retired! I retired from Brookline (MA) High School in 1994, after 40 years of teaching chemistry and coaching. I retired from Chem Scientific, LLC (formerly ABSO Scientific) after 47 years of moonlighting. I am still participating in scout troop 304 in Belmont, Mass. (40 years, 20 year scoutmaster). Janet and I enjoy our five children and eight grandchildren.”

**Peter Race** reported in mid-May: “Once again, Bowdoin’s and Middlebury’s reunions clash, and since I always attend a Meddie Reunion in the fall and the Scholarship Lunch in May, we will be in Vt. Hi to all ’52s. Still on our feet, still traveling. Still active in multiple activities. Granddaughter number one graduated Colby in ’06, number two a senior-to-be at Middlebury, maybe numbers three and four will look in Brunswick.”

## 53

**Geoff Houghton** wrote on June 12: “I want to thank **Warren Harthorne** for his efforts through the years in spreading the good news of our class members. Plan to go RV-ing in the eastern Virginia, Maryland, Delaware area this July and August. I’ve been trying to contribute to my civic duties by serving as the chaplain in the North Port (Fla.) V.F.W.”

**Tony Kennedy** wrote on April 24: “The wonderful writings by Warren Harthorne of the Parsnips of the Seasons in each Class of ’53 newsletter is a lyrical challenge to originator **Bob Cross ’45** and his son, **John ’76**, in each sign-off of Whispering Pines. That’s part of the heritage of R.T.P. Coffins’s ‘saltwater farm.’”

**Ed Lyons** wrote in April: “Thanks to robust snows, I skied 21 days in the Colorado Rockies, 2006-2007.”

**Mickey Weiner** has a love for the



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sport of basketball that nothing can take away—not even a quadruple bypass. When Weiner underwent the surgery last October the thought of not playing basketball again never crossed his mind. He said it was his goal to get back out on the court, and a couple of months later the 75 year old from Durham had done just that. *From a Dover, N.H., Sunday Citizen article, August 12, 2007.*

## 54

**Bruce Cooper** reported in late June: “continue to live in California Central Coast wine country. Continue to travel in motor home. Still trying to develop a serve in tennis.”

**Tom Dwight** recently reported: “My wife and I are enjoying retired life with our couple acres of woods and marsh. Watching the birds, cutting buckthorn trees and using nearby bike trails. It’s good to have most of our children here in Minnesota, yet we enjoy trips south or west for part of the winter.”

**Bill Hoffman** wrote in April: “Silke and I enjoyed a visit in December from fellow Bowdoin ATO, **Hebe Adams ’52** and his wife Nancy. We have had the good fortune to stay in contact over the years. I continue to work on the Spitzer Space Telescope, the large binocular telescope, observing at the MMT and occasional NAASA advisory panels. My greatest pleasure is three months in Sandwich, N.H., every summer.”

**Alden “Rink” Ringquist** was the grand marshal for the 2007 Fourth of July parade in Duxbury, Mass. *From a Duxbury, Mass. 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration news release.*

**Paul Wade** emailed in mid-September: “In the summer of 2007, I had two heart attacks five days apart – so it slowed down my four year effort to build and establish the Museum of Maine Wildflowers. The losses of so many good friends like **Jim Fawcett ’58** was quite a blow to me a very few years ago. I am a published writer of New England Maritime History 1600-1775. I spent a lifetime of sailing large sailing yachts and never forgetting my heritage of wonderful Bowdoin; a salt water college. Six grandchildren.”

## 55

**Austin Albert** wrote in late June: “Spending six months and one day in

Sarasota, Fla., and six months less one day in North Haven, Conn. Claudette and I are enjoying our 11<sup>th</sup> year in retirement from Hopkins. We spend much time with our five married children and ten grandchildren. Our health is good, for which we are most grateful. Many of our friends are not so fortunate. Hope we can make it back for my 55<sup>th</sup> reunion in 2010, if my math serves me right.”

“It takes plenty of volunteers to make a Houlton Children’s Theater production happen. Among those volunteers is **Paul Porter**, who worked backstage in the Bowdoin Theater Department. He later went on to Brown University where he earned a Master of Arts in teaching.” *From a Houlton Pioneer Times article, June 4, 2007.*

**Dave Pyle** wrote in early May: “Still racing sailboats. Hope to make the North American lightning championship races this year in August at Annapolis, Md.”

## 56

**Ros Bond** wrote on May 22: “Have just returned from great trip to New Zealand, Australia, Cook Islands, and French Polynesia, escaped winter in Seattle. Preparing for trip to Norway and then a walk across England via Hadrians Wall route in early July.”

The Appalachian Mountain Club announced that Chairback Mountain Camps on Long Pond near Greenville, Maine, will now be called Gorman Chairback Camps to honor **Leon Gorman**, former president of L.L. Bean, and his wife, Lisa. The Gormans are widely known for their contributions to conservation and recreation in New England. *From a Portland Press Herald article, July 25, 2007.*

**Steve McCabe** wrote on April 6: “Hard to believe we’ve completed the first year of the Old Guard. Old guard ’07 finds Lois and me in good health and good spirits. Regards to all.”

**Benjamin Priest** wrote in verse “From Colorado, near enough to Denver to know it’s there: The sheep and we endure/ Despite a distinct disquiet/ Derived, doubtless,/ From the globally deranged,/ And, now, discernibly arrhythmic seasons,/ And other anomalies afflicting us all/ On this one, once patient, planet./ Deluge and dust, erosion and dunes/ Terrestrial torridity, last winter’s blizzards/ and here come the

tornados, tsunamis, typhoons/ And Somebody’s hurricane or two...// Well, come on out, Old Friends, and visit./ We’ll sing some, tell some stories/ (Remember how we thought it was...)/ Then, you can cuddle a lamb —/ And grin.”

**Aaron Shatkin** wrote on May 14: “Celebrated 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Center for Advanced Biotechnology and Medicine (which I direct) with a symposium on “Emerging Strategies for Molecular Medicine.” Continuing as a professor and doing research on the mechanisms of gene expression.”

**Frederick Smith** wrote on July 5: “Elected secretary of the Sugarwood Gallery, Inc. and independent Artisan Stone in Farmington, Maine (can be viewed on line at Sugarwood Gallery). June completed 32 years of perfect attendance, Farmington Rotary. Took two grandchildren on tour of *USS Sullivan* (DD537)—my ship—which is tied up and afloat at Buffalo, N.Y., Naval Park.”

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**George Howland** updated: “Still fighting the heart condition that kept me away from our 50<sup>th</sup>. Back to the hospital in July for a new and improved pacemaker. Daughter Jessica graduated *cum laude* from Skidmore College in May.”

**Ed Langbein** reported in August: “**Jackson Thomas** shared a news announcement of the birth of a fourth Giant Panda cub at the San Diego Zoo. The proud parents are Bai Yun and Gao Gao, and the cub remains nameless until its gender is determined. As I write this, Jack is preparing to travel to Churchill, Canada, and in October will fill us in on the Polar Bear situation. **Charlie Packard** wrote that he has expanded his teaching scope beyond Latin...teaching a writing course at the Watershed School in Rockland. Good to see **Brian Flynn** who, with Judy, was up for their New England family circuit, children in Conn., Vt., N.H., who come to visit Florida when the temperature drops. **Bill** and **Ann McWilliams** were stellar hosts and Cape Cod guides for a visit by **Ed** and **Nancy Langbein**. Activities included wance watching (over 30), exploring Provincetown, and a family pig roast. Plus, an opportunity for all of us to get together with **Jim** and **Pat Hughes**. A week later,

Daisy Crane hosted the Langbeins and introduced them to Concord, Mass., from the Revolutionary War to the intellectual revolution featuring the Alcotts, Thoreau, Emerson, and Hawthorne. **Barry** and **Deborah Gilchrist** moved to their second home in Wellesley and have been busy redecorating and gardening. Four grandchildren, all doing well, with the eldest a junior at UNH. **David** and **Nancy Kessler** relaxed after reunion by serving as ship’s physician on a nine day Caribbean cruise. Plans are to serve in that capacity next year and see the Black Sea. Our reunion organist, Ray Cornils, enjoyed a European organ concert tour and was delighted, in Wiesbaden, to be greeted by and have lunch with **Dietmar Klein**.”

**Ed Langbein** reported on October 10: “Jean and **Mike Coster** and **Fred Thorne** recently attended “the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the Tabusentac Fishing & Game Club in Miramichi, NB, Canada. Fred is the current Chair of this, the oldest such group in New Brunswick and was a forerunner of conservation practices, notably the ‘catch and release’ program for the Atlantic silver salmon. *See accompanying photo.*”



Mike Coster '57, Jean Coster, and Fred Thorne '57 at the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the Tabusentac Fishing & Game Club in Miramichi, NB, Canada. Fred is the current chair of this, the oldest such group in New Brunswick, and was a forerunner of conservation practices, notably the catch and release program for the Atlantic Silver Salmon.

“**Brian Flynn, Rod Collette '56, Marty Roop '58, Bob Sargent '58, Charlie Sawyer '58, and Bob Shepherd** held a ‘days past’ gathering during the Flynns’ visit to Brunswick in August. Note: from the clock on the wall behind them, must have been a special event to have kept them up so late...” *See accompanying photo on next page.*



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A gathering of colleagues from "days past" took place in Brunswick in August. (Front row, l to r): Brian Flynn '57, Rod Collette '56, Marty Roop '58, Bob Sargent '58, Charlie Sawyer '58, and Bob Shepherd '57.

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**David Gosse** wrote in late April: "Just returned from a great trip to New Zealand where we did hiking and wonderful flyfishing. Looking forward to a summer sailing in Maine and seeing all of you at the 50<sup>th</sup>."

**John Lasker** wrote in late June: "I sold my practice in May 2006 and work part-time as an independent contractor for the Children's Dental health Foundation. It's been a great experience and very rewarding."

**Al Marz** reported in April: "I continue to work part time in a local family treatment center. Jean and I have five grandchildren that we love to spoil and hope to have a few more in the next year or so. Looking forward to our 50<sup>th</sup> reunion."

**Peter Potter** wrote on July 3: "Judy and I have enjoyed reunions with our Burmese friends during the past year in D.C. (where Alvin has been posted as ambassador and Ta-Ta has been classifying Burmese artifacts and ephemera for the Smithsonian. We lived the Bowdoin Axiom when we were posted in Burma by the U.S.

Department of State and have relished seeing friends made there (and many other beautiful lands over our travels) greatly. I'm still in good voice and have sung in Ireland again (last time was when singing for Disney to promote revivals of Snow White & Cinderella in the '50s, to my delight). It's such a relaxing, enjoyable, country and enjoying such revitalization economically. When 'Sandwich generation' issues allow, I still get in a role with the Syracuse Opera from time to time. Both Judy's and my mother are in their 90s, have re-established their independence at this writing, and savor doing whatever they strive most to do. Our five children and six grandchildren are also doing well. We feel blessed."

**Stephen Rule** wrote on May 29: “My second year here in Florida was marked by our Groundhog Day tornado, which left a lot of destruction, but bypassed my house by less than a half mile. Scary! Recovery from that storm is well along, although most of the houses that were totally destroyed remain nothing but concrete pads. I’m off to Alaska in a couple of weeks for a wonderful land tour and cruise.”

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**John Bird**, “a nationally recognized educator and organizational consultant with strong coastal Maine ties, has agreed to serve as chair of the board of trustees of the Island Institute. He has been a member of the board for 14 years, and recently served as vice-chair.” *From a PRNewsWire releases, August 30, 2007.*

**Roderick Forsman** emailed on August 31: “On July 13, I climbed Katahdin, completing the Appalachian Trail for the third time. Following my 1999 thru-hike, I settled for local hikes here in the White Mountains during the summer of 2000. By summer 2001, the ‘itch’ was back, and I started section hiking. My final section this time was Hanover to Katahdin. I do believe that I’ve conquered the addiction.”

**Roland O’Neal** is “hoping to convince one of nine (!) grandchildren to try for academic life under the pines; two 16-year-olds seem to be headed for Ivies, but will keep trying. Looking forward to 2009!”

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**Donald Bloch** “has been named President of the MetroWest Jewish Day School, Inc. in Framingham, Mass. He was formally installed at the school’s fifth annual meeting on June 5, 2007.” *From an Ann Green PR news release, July 10, 2007.*

**Robert Clark** wrote in mid-May: “Great blue herons have arrived (March 31) to nest nearby and hummingbirds (May 8) (males only so far) to nest or/and passing through. Herb Wilson, at Colby, is collecting bird arrival dates throughout Maine.”

**John Millar**’s widow Carol Bonazzoli wrote in early May: “Fred and I finally moved back into our 2004 hurricane damaged home on Captiva Island on February 10, 2007! First guests were MaryLou and **Jim Millar** ’57 and Chris and **Bob Millar** ’62, who drove down

from Bob and Chris’s home in Englewood, Fla. Grandson John (Kim’s son) is looking at colleges and plans to visit Bowdoin sometime this summer.”

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**James Arntz** emailed on August 30: “Calling all Bowdoin guitar heads! Latest documentary feature, “Les Paul – Chasing Sound!” premiered on PBS/American Masters in July and is now on the DVD shelves.”

**David Corsini** reported in late June: “Having fun in new career as artist making assemblages from found objects. Sales are lousy – pension is great.”

**Rick DelPrete** wrote in mid-June: “After two years coaching football at Salisbury School (2007 NE Class A Prep School Champs), I am returning to coach at Hotchkiss, where I spent 34 years. Go Bear Cats – go Polar Bears!”

**Robert Hurd** announced in mid-June: “Son Sandy adopted an Ethiopian three-year-old girl named Tess in June of 2006. She has two brothers and a sister who reside in Ann Arbor, Mich.”

**Gerald Isenberg** wrote in April: “I am now the grandfather of two gorgeous girls courtesy of my oldest son, and expect more from my younger son. This summer I will marry the most extraordinary woman, Caroline MacDougall, and having completed 12 years teaching at USC, look forward to many happy years in Santa Barbara with my loved ones!”

**William Lensen** reported on June 20: “Sold my development. Might retire next year. Daughter Ann gets married in September; New Hampshire wedding. Fiftieth high school reunion, week following. Rest of family is well.”

**Herman Segal** wrote in mid-June: “Still enjoying the practice of cardiovascular medicine in suburban Washington D.C. After 36 years of practice (private and academic), I think I’m finally getting it down. Wife Andrea heading up the ‘over-the-counter’ division at the FDA. Son David (27) is in the R.I. State Assembly. Daughter Jenny just graduated from Washington College of Law. Second son Jonathan, rising junior at Tufts.”

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**Alan Baker** wrote in early April: “Am now a proud grandparent. **Shelby** ’94 had

a baby girl and continues to practice veterinary medicine in Reno, Nev. Otherwise, Karen and I are well. Suspect I will retire-someday.”

**Steve Coffin** wrote in early June: “Daughter Jane just back from Armenia (three years; before that, two years in Moldova). Jane now with Commerce in D.C. Son Silas continues as the chef of the Crocker House on Hancock Point.”

“The Hon. **Howard H. Dana, Jr.**, who recently retired after 14 years as an associate justice on the Maine Supreme Judicial Court, has rejoined Verrill Dana, LLP as counsel in Portland.” *From a Portland, Maine, Maine Lawyers Review article, July 5, 2007.*

**Peter Karofsky** reported on May 29: “We are semi-retired. Kathy and I continue to run a free clinic for teens here in Middleton, and I continue to teach part-time at University Hospital and in the University of Wisconsin Medical School as a professor emeritus. We play lots of tennis, visit with four grandchildren, travel, bike, and read a lot.”

**Roger Riefler** wrote on May 25: “Sorry I won’t be able to attend the 45<sup>th</sup> Reunion. I thought after retirement I would have all this free time on my hands. No way! I’m busier now than when I was working. I’m sure all my classmates will be able to party-on without me.”

**Bob Whelan** reported in early May: “My first year of partial-phased retirement, teaching in the fall but not the spring, at UMaine, has been very nice. Spending time in the Florida Keys in February and March has been especially pleasant. Two more years and I’ll be fully retired, looking for interesting places to fish.”

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**Bill Kruse** is “still happily in Tucson, although spending more time these days in Savannah and low-country South Carolina. Will wind down my sports massage practice after the Beijing Olympics and plan to focus again on HIV-related service. Hopefully, in North Eastern Africa – who knows – continuing a ministry in spiritual direction with the Tacheria Foundation.”

**Paul Quinlan** wrote in early May: “Terry and I have three grandchildren under two. It’s a new lease on life, but grandparenting can be exhausting. We’re

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loving every minute of it.”

**George Smith** “met up with **Hans Tromp** in Holland. Touring with Hans was much better than walking through the tulip gardens in full bloom.”

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**Rick Black** announced in May: “Retiring after 35 years as a United Methodist minister. Look forward to fly fishing, teaching, and travel.”

**Karl Bunting** reported in mid-June: “Retirement is a glorious state, no day-to-day duties, but still projects (working with immigrant children in German schools), cooperations with University of War Sons and Lublin (Poland), Uchiniprad (Russia Jerues Ostpreussen) and Beijing. And visits to Southern California (son and daughter-in-law). Still writing books, a new one on the revised German spelling rules as another step in a 1,200-year historical process.”

**Peter Fenton** reported in early July: “Easing into retirement. My son and daughter-in-law are taking over my business, Residential General Contractor. I started taking Mondays off in November and will start taking Fridays as well in July.



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So far, so good. I see **Rick** and Sue **Leadbeater** several times a year and sing with **Bob Ferrell '62** in a men's chorus, Saengerfest, and a Meddies-like small group called Sound Investment. Saengerfest has taken us to London (Royal Albert Hall) and to Vancouver, B.C., and Portugal. Other Bowdoin singers include **Tim Greene '54, Bob Forsberg '53, Preston Keith '54.** Any singing alums in the greater Boston area are welcome."

**John Gibbons** recently joined the board of directors of Greenwich (Conn.) Emergency Medical Services. John is managing partner for Odin Partners, LP, and president of J.A. Gibbons & Company Investment Advisors. *From a Greenwich, Conn., Greenwich Time article, June 4, 2007.*

**Bruce Lutsk** and wife Jane "hosted a dinner for members of the Classes of '63 and '64 and their wives (girlfriend in one case) at their home in Newcastle, Maine. See accompanying photo.



In August, Jane and Bruce Lutsk '64 hosted a dinner for the following Bowdoin friends (l to r): George Eliades '64, Dave Treadwell '64, Charlie Micoleau '63, Victor Papacosma '64, John Gibbons '64, Bruce, Sherm Rounsville '64, Rob Jarratt '64, Roger Tuveson '64, Al Ryan '64, Bill Mason '63, and Glen Morie '64. In attendance, but not pictured: Red MacMichael '63, and Bill Horton '64.

**Basil Newton** announces: "Second son William graduated from the University of Maine at Orono in May. Bill expects to have his master's in accounting next spring."

**Bill Thwing** reported in early April: "I'm nearing retirement from pastoral ministry after 33 years. My son, **Mike '97**, will be deployed to Iraq soon. He's currently stationed at Fort Wainwright, Alaska, as a pediatrician. My youngest, Victoria, goes to college this fall. Empty nest time! Joy still teaching pottery. I'm working with homeless ministries in both Pittsburgh and Johnstown."

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**Gerald Giesler** announced: "We have retired to Reynolds Plantation in

Greensboro, Georgia. It is a terrific place on Lake O'Conee. We have five golf courses and space for guests."

**Steve Munger** wrote on May 23: "When Bridgton Academy held its Commencement in May, I officially retired after forty years in independent schools. The day before BA's commencement, my wife Linda retired from her work at Point Sebago Resort. We are now literal members of AARP!"

**Bob Ness** wrote in mid-June: "Lyn and I are enjoying our grandchildren, who have recently moved to Wolfeboro with their parents. A year ago, I decided to take my photography into the commercial realm and to write articles for a locally published magazine, *Classic Country Life*. Both endeavors are working well."

**Hugh Shaw** reported in late June: "Our retirement home at St. James Plantation, N.C., is finished. Deborah is still working for CACI, so I am splitting my time between our house in N.C. and our house in Va. We have eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren. My oldest grandson, Brandan, and I will be visiting Bowdoin next year to see if he is a future son of Bowdoin."

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**Michael Brooks** wrote in June: "Have moved to Maryland after 45 years in New England. I miss it so much I'm sailing back (Norfolk to Newport) on the tall-ship *Picton Castle* as a trainee deckhand. I've been paragliding for seven years, since the two kids grew up and started their own way. I will really miss **Bob Cross '45** and son, **John '76**, and the non-glossy newsletter. Some things cannot get better! Here's to the pines of Bowdoin in appreciation."

**Arthur Kress** wrote on May 30: "Adele and I now have five grandchildren, including one-year-old twin girls. Still practicing internal medicine, but also thinking about retirement."

**Bill Parent** was the subject of a summer newspaper article about his path to the priesthood, and St. Peter's Catholic Church in Waldorf, Maryland, where he recently became pastor. *From a Waldorf, M.D., Maryland Independent article, July 18, 2007.*

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**Arlan Fuller**, an accomplished physician with 28 years of experience in cancer

treatment, has been appointed as Winchester (Mass.) Hospital's clinical vice president for the integration of oncology services and academic affiliations. *From a Winchester, Mass., Daily Times Chronicle article, June 1, 2007.*

**Charles Powell** wrote in early June: "Looking forward to our 40<sup>th</sup>. Eldest daughter Miwa was married November 5, 2006, in Washington, D.C., to Jason Kamras (2005-2006 National Teacher of the Year). A grand event, attended by classmates and wives – the Bambergers, Comeaus, Michelmores and Tectors."

**Tommy Walz** wrote in late April: "I recently tracked down old roommate **Jimmy Lunny** on the Internet and hope to hook up with him, Ann, and classmates at the 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion. I attended a hockey game at Bowdoin two winters ago and was amazed to see that Dayton Arena had not changed a whit in 38 years. Hooray for the new hockey facility!"

**Dudley Welch** is "still sailing, but more so with David and Lindsay grown up and out. As we look ahead, Ann and I are planning on more travel and more time with good friends."

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**Ken Payson** is "enjoying winters in Fla. with plenty of fishing, golf and tennis. Still racing sports cars. Not winning as much. The younger crowd has taken over. Getting older is not easy, but I'm still at it after 37 years."

**Derry Rundlett** wrote on April 20: "I will be competing in the National Senior Olympic Games in Louisville, Ky., in July. I will be running in the 100-, 200-, and 400-meter dash events, having qualified by winning two gold medals and a bronze medal in the Maine Senior Games. Essentially, I run as fast as junior high boys and high school girls. Only a 61-year-old guy would feel comfortable admitting such a fact."

**Tom Sides** reported in early June: "All is well in NW Conn. Daughter Laura graduated *cum laude* and with departmental honors from Hamilton in May. We continue to steal away to our lakeside log home in the Adirondacks whenever we can find a couple of days. While I am surrounded by Bowdoin grads on the Kent faculty (more than any other college), I don't seem to run into very

many Bowdoin people from our era. I look forward to being liberated from Kent School duties next year, so that I can attend the 40<sup>th</sup>."

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**Peter Driscoll** wrote in July: "In June I completed the Marion (Mass) to Bermuda race as watch captain/technician for classmate **Bill Babcock**. We sailed over 600 miles and finished in five days on **Bill's** Hinckley Sou'wester 42, named *Sialia*. Bill's crew included his wife Mary Ann and three friends. Also celebrated 60<sup>th</sup> birthdays with classmates **Seavey Bowdoin**, **Bill Kelley** (with his wife Marcia) and **Glen Ortman** in the Dominican Republic in February. The same group got together in May for the wedding of Kelley's daughter Lauren in Richmond."

**Robert "Sandy" Ervin**, the head of the Bangor, Maine, public school system, announced plans to step down in a year. He became superintendent of schools on July 1, 2000, after having served a decade in the same system as assistant superintendent. Ervin, 61, said Wednesday he will retire effective next July 1. *From a Bangor Daily News article, July 26, 2007.*

Captain **John Foss** "and his schooner *American Eagle* were featured in *Offshore* magazine and the US Air in-flight magazine this year. The *American Eagle* and the *Amistad* were tied up at Mystic Seaport for a weekend in June, and John finally met Captain **Eliza Garfield '85** before she left for an 18-month voyage to Canada, Britain, Portugal, Africa, and return."

**Hans Gerson** reported in April: "I am still with City of Amsterdam as President and CEO of Port of Amsterdam. Port is doing very well – 13% growth in 2006 – and so am I."

**Tom Goodnow**, **Phil Ramsay** and **Camden Ramsay '05** had a mini reunion this past spring at 9<sup>th</sup> and F in the nation's capital! *See accompanying photo.*

**Tom Johnson** wrote on April 27: "Still doing United Nations work at the State Department, but spending most of my time trying to keep up with Molly (10), Melissa (9), and Meredith (7). Lots of soccer, swimming, gymnastics, Brownies, and travel to fun places; never a dull moment!"

**Ken Martin** wrote on April 16: "I just coached Belmont Hill hockey team to my 600<sup>th</sup> victory. Teaching Latin and a class on



(L to r): Phil Ramsay '69, Camden Ramsay '05, and Tom Goodnow '69 posed for their portrait during a mini-reunion at 9<sup>th</sup> and F in Washington, D.C., this past spring.

the history of baseball."

**Charlie Musco** reported in early July: "Just returned from my niece's beautiful wedding on the Island of Santorini. I'm traveling a great deal around the country to officiate at equestrian competitions but it's still great fun. Am vowing to make it to our Fortieth! (gulp!)"

The Maine League of Conservation Voters elected **Ralph Pope** to its board of directors. After selling his printing company in 2000, Ralph earned an environmental studies master's degree at Antioch University New England. He then wrote a hiker's guide to alpine zone lichens and taught botany courses at Antioch. In 2006, he and his wife Jean moved to Arrowsic, Maine. *From a Maine League of Conservation Voters News article, Summer 2007.*

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**John Delahanty** wrote: "Still practicing law and representing clients before the Maine Legislature. With two still in college, no retirement in sight. Ben graduated from BC in 2003, working in Boston for Cranberry; Sarah graduated in 2006 from RISD. She was a film, animation, video major with a concentration in animation. Working for the Harvard Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory as an animator for films in the Science Education Department. Our twins will be sophomores with **Lucas** at Bowdoin and Abby at Simmons, where she transferred after her first year at Providence. Hope all is well with all of our classmates. Slainte."

**Allan LeGrow** reported in late June: "After a career in Naval intelligence and nine years in the aerospace industry, I am re-discovering Maine with my wife Pam.

We hope to visit **Ralph Harding** and several other classmates."

**August Miller** reported on April 20: "I retired from teaching in June, 2006, after 31 years. Am now spending more than half the year in Palm City, Fla., but still have my place in Salem, Mass. So far I have not missed the N.E. winter!"

**Doug Showalter** wrote on April 26: "I was ordained in 1973 as a United Church of Christ minister and have been serving the First Congregational Church of Plymouth, Mass., since 1987. Eventually my wife Chris and I will retire to our house in Plymouth. My special interest is researching, writing, and leading workshops on the history of American congregationalism. I was honored to lead such a workshop in Williamstown, Mass., last fall at the bicentennial celebration of the 1806 haystack prayer meeting. I remember my friends and years at Bowdoin with fondness."

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An article about Maine School Administrative District 3's new superintendent Joseph Mattos cites **J. Duke Albanese**, his friend and former boss, as one of two men who have had a profound impact on his professional career. Duke, former Maine Commissioner of Education, was the superintendent of MSAD 47, in which Mattos was a principal. The article applauds both men for their commitment to the people they work with, and the passion they have for the work they do. Duke is now Senior Policy Advisor at the Senator George J. Mitchell Institute. *From a Belfast, Maine, Waldo Independent article, May 26, 2007.*

**Fred Cappellini** reported in early June: "Michelle and I (by default) have been spending much time preparing and organizing events for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Abigail Adams Society, of which she is V.P. The Society preserves and operates the Abigail Adams birthplace located in N. Weymouth, Mass. (my home town). Anyone in the area can visit the home in July and August with guided tours available. **Chip Dewar '70** and **John McClellan** grew up right down the street."

**Lloyd Chase** wrote in on June 27: "Wife Cheryl and I just celebrated 38 years of marriage. We have four grandchildren – two born in 2007. Also

moved my practice from N.H. to Fort Myers, Fla.”

**Tony Ferreira** wrote in mid-May: “Youngest child, Kristen, graduated from Northeastern University this spring; oldest, Karen (Wesleyan ’00), was married last summer to Greg Amis (Wesleyan ’00); son Steve is in California working for John Hancock. Chris is teaching second grade and has one more year. I retired, then took on interim principalship on Cape Cod this year in Falmouth.”

**Tommy Mandel** emailed on September 26: “One daughter is a junior at McGill, the other plays varsity basketball and soccer at my old high school. Hard to believe. No rock touring for the last 10 years, but I do score, and I’m still musical director, theater department, Sarah Lawrence College, and pianist Friday nights at the Empire Diner, W. 22 St and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue...stop in.”

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**John Hamson** wrote on June 25: “Ready, willing and able to assist all alumni seeking to relocate to Savannah, Ga. Six golf courses, 32 tennis courts and two marinas, and *no snow!* Contact me at jhamson@comcast.net.”

**Tom Harrison** wrote on May 29: “Unfortunately, I will not be able to make the Reunion; school duties interfere. I became a grandfather this year as my oldest son and his wife had a daughter on April 3. My middle son will (finally) marry this summer on July 25, so it has been an eventful year.”

**David Hastings** wrote in late May: “Although I have lived in same house for 28 years here in Fryeburg, Maine, I found myself on list of the missing, probably because my street number changed for 911 purposes. Still practicing law in Fryeburg. Carol has retired from teaching. Also serving my second term in the Maine Senate, which I enjoy greatly.”

**George Marvin** wrote on June 7: “After ten-plus years of living aboard and cruising full-time on our Bristol 45, last November we moved into our new home in Hobe Sound, Fla. Our future plans include spending about eight months each year cruising and four months ashore, sandwiched between summers in Maine and Canada and winters in the Bahamas. Our home is on a deep water canal just

off the intracoastal waterway, and the boat is docked behind the house. Sorry to have missed our 35<sup>th</sup> but this year was too hectic with our new lifestyle to make the trek back to Brunswick.”

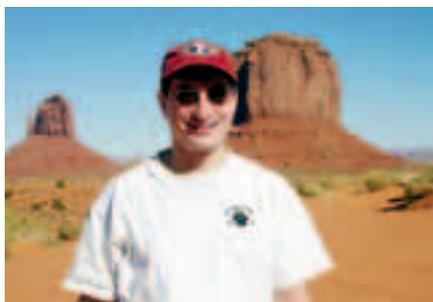
**Nancy Reid** reported at the end of May: “Still teaching at the elementary school in central Vt. I took a sabbatical last year and taught English in a little village outside of Arusha Tanzania. This reenergized me!”

**Jack Swick** reported in mid-June: “**Bill Licata** and I, and our wives, hiked across Iceland this year.”

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**JoAnn Chrisman** wrote in June from Seattle: “I haven’t been back to Bowdoin, or New England, since graduating! Am thinking about possibly coming back for our 35<sup>th</sup> class reunion!”

**Alan Christenfeld** sent in a recent photo taken by his wife Bonnie at Monument Valley (Arizona Navajo reservation time). *See accompanying photo.*



Alan Christenfeld '73 at Monument Valley, Arizona, last summer.

**Doug Lyons** “is a senior editorial writer and columnist for the *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, who covers a variety of state and local topics. He writes about the Florida Legislature and state government agencies, including the state Department of Children & Families. He also writes about culture, health, the environment and race relations in South Florida. He has held reporting jobs at several prominent newspapers and magazines before joining the *South Florida Sun-Sentinel* as an assistant city editor in 1994.” *From a South Florida Sun-Sentinel article, July 16, 2007.*

**Niland Mortimer** wrote on May 25: “Our oldest son, **David '05**, began classes this term at Columbia University Teacher’s College for a master’s in science education. Second son, Sam, completed his

junior year at New York University. Youngest son, Adam, finishing 11<sup>th</sup> grade, is thinking about Bowdoin!”

**Abdullah Muhammad** updated on June 11: “Last October 2006, I successfully published a collector’s item history calendar on the State of Delaware. It became the #1 selling calendar in the state in approximately 60 days. It is still selling at a current price of \$10.00. The calendar details are featured on my website: [www.delhistorycalendar.com](http://www.delhistorycalendar.com) or email me directly to order my calendar.”

Maine historian **Jay Robbins** was the subject of a summer newspaper article about his research on Cobbossee Stream gorge in Gardiner. “His home business, Robbins Historical Research, keeps him involved with genealogical research, property title, and historical research work. And, he gives talks to schools and groups on the region’s Colonial development and on the Cobbossee Stream gorge.” *From a Waterville, Maine Sunday Sentinel article, June 3, 2007.*

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**Bruce Anderson** wrote on May 1: “I ‘came to my senses’ in 1990, and my life has changed dramatically. I was in prison ministry with Chuck Colson’s Prison Fellowship Ministries for five years and now teach Bible to 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students in a Christian private school, and coach varsity golf. I married Linda Gennaro (St. Bonaventure ’76) in 1998, and we adopted two brothers from Russia in 2004. I earned a master’s in Biblical studies from Dallas Theological Seminary in 2002. Wish I knew who I know now when I was at Bowdoin!! Anyone know what I mean?”

**Wayne M. Gardiner**, “a long-time Delbarton School faculty member, received the Delbarton Lay Board of Trustees Award at the annual picnic for trustees, faculty, and staff September 7. He has been a member of the Delbarton faculty for 34 years.” *From a Newark, N.J., Newark Star Ledger article, September 20, 2007.*

**Anthony J. Leonardo** has joined Baystate Financial Services as an investment specialist. *From a Milton, Mass., Milton Times article, August 2, 2007.*

**Eric Luft’s** “newest book, *A Socialist Manifesto* appeared in June 2007 both in print and as an e-book.”

**Jed Lyons** wrote in June: “older son,

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**Ted**, graduated from Bowdoin in May of '06. His advisor was **Chris Potholm '62**, who was also my advisor and an usher in our wedding 25 years ago. Son Mike will be a senior at Amherst in September.”

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**John Danaher** reported in mid-June: “I continue to enjoy my position as CEO of the Bon Secours Cottage Health Care Foundation serving the Grosse Pointe hospitals. I have also completed building my strawbale home in Southern Colorado, which my three daughters enjoy in my absence! Great to see **R.**

**Mersereau '69** this past spring on his way through Detroit!”

**W. Michael Donovan**, associate professor of business, management, and economics at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, Penn., is running for the Allentown City Council. He placed second in a primary race for three seats, and is on to the general election on November 6. For more information, visit [www.donovanforallentown.org](http://www.donovanforallentown.org).

The National Science Foundation featured **Todd L. Siler's** art exhibition, “Adventures in ArtScience” July 11 to November 9. The exhibition is then scheduled to travel to the Tweed Museum of Art in Duluth, Minn., where it will be featured from December 4, 2007, through March 30, 2008. In addition, version 2.0 of Todd's Think Like a Genius software ([www.thinklikeagenius.com](http://www.thinklikeagenius.com)) is in beta testing. Any alumni interested in testing the software can contact Todd directly at [tsiler@thinklikeagenius.com](mailto:tsiler@thinklikeagenius.com).

**Gregory Blake Smith** was named the Lloyd P. Johnson Norwest Professor of English and the Liberal Arts at Carleton College. He joined the Carleton faculty in 1987 and teaches American literature and creative writing. His fiction has earned numerous awards, including a Stegner Fellowship at Stanford University, and creative writing grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Bush Foundation, the Copernicus Society, and the Minnesota State Arts Board. His short story “Presently in Ruins” was awarded a 2006 Pushcart Prize. Smith is the author of three novels, *The Devil in the Dooryard* (William Morrow and Company, Inc., 1986); *The Divine Comedy of John Venner* (Simon and Schuster, 1992), named a

Notable Book of the Year by the New York Times Book Review; and *The Madonna of Las Vegas* (Three Rivers Press, 2005). From a Carleton College news release, August 1, 2007.

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**Peter Blodgett** reported on June 25: "With another busy year under our belts out here in Southern Calif., Sue and I keep hoping that we'll get better at striking a balance between all the demands of home and office, but no such luck so far! Against all odds, though, I did manage to carve out the time to finish up my long-deferred dissertation for the Yale University History Department this spring and submitted it in time to qualify for a doctorate this spring, which I received at Yale's Commencement, along with the Frederic W. Beinecke Award for the outstanding Yale dissertation in Western American History. Processing through the ceremonies in New Haven was quite something; Yale knows how to do academic ritual!"

**Nancy E. Collins** joined Franklin & Marshall College as its first Vice President for College Communications on Monday, September 10th. In this role, Nancy provides oversight, leadership, and strategic planning for all communications, public and media relations, and marketing. For the past eight years, Nancy has directed public affairs at Bryn Mawr College, where she built a highly respected communications function supporting an undergraduate college, two graduate schools, and a post-baccalaureate premedical program. From a release from the President's Office, Franklin & Marshall College, August 2, 2007.

**Arnold Martens** reported in mid-May: "All is well in Conn. Big news right now is that **Katherine '04** is engaged to **Jeff Soonchorn '04**. They plan to be married in Rye, N.H., on August 25."

**Vincent Muscarella** reported on June 29: "Daughter Elizabeth graduated from Brown University in May. It was nice seeing **Tom** and **Leslie Gimbel** at commencement, as their son Tommy also graduated. I'm up again for reelection to the Nassau County Legislature for the 8<sup>th</sup> District. **Tom DeMaria** will again be heading up my campaign. After all, after six successful terms he must be doing something right."

**Jeff Scott** wrote on May 7: "After serving with Mission at the Eastward (PCUSA) in Central/Western Maine the last 13 years and living in the state since 1969, Hilda and I (now empty nesters of five) pulled up stakes this winter and moved to Creede, (Southwestern) Colo. Here, I'm serving the Creede Community Church, UCC, and Hilda has become the County health Nurse. Incidentally, the City of Creede 'is the largest city, the smallest city, and the only city in Mineral County (County pop. 750, Creede 350).' We were immediately attracted to the majestic mountain environment at the headwaters of the Rio Grande, the wonderful small town context and people, with a rich history to boot, Creede being a silver mining boom town dating to the 1890s. The Church profile's description of Creede's history definitely had us hooked, saying, 'During those days its citizens were about one-half miners and one-half a combination of bunko artists, mining sharks, saloon keepers, dance hall girls, professional gamblers, riffraff and, of course, a few ordinary good citizens.' Creede was a wild and sometimes dangerous place. With a lingering sense of the frontier evident, I say, 'What self-respecting minister wouldn't want to pastor in a place like this!' Would love to get acquainted with other alums in the region."

**Rick Swann** emailed in mid-June: "It was fun being in Brunswick for my daughter **Megan '07's** graduation from Bowdoin. My wife, **Carlyn Orians '79**, turned 50 the same weekend and we had a great party hosted by **Jose Ribas** and attended by **Amy Waterman, Joe Farrell, Ann de Forest, Allison Cooper-Mullen, John Cooper-Mullin '75, Lisa McElaney '77, Abe Morell '71, Ollie Brown '53** and Brenda Myshrall, Dick Moll, Susan Wegner, Suzanne Bergeron, and Paula Volent."

**Henderson Wiltshire** wrote on May 14: "Sharon and I are proud of the kids as they advance in school. Ashley (18) will be attending Georgia State in the Fall. Jared (14), in ninth grade, and Dalmar (12), in seventh, are both A honor roll students. We're constantly dodging tornadoes in north Texas."

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**Tom Aceto** wrote on May 8: "All is well! **Anthony '05** continues with Merrill Lynch

in NYC. Jonathan is at the University of Maine Orono (two years at Va. Tech) majoring in construction management."

**Robert T. Boon** "has joined Ledyard National Bank as executive vice president and managing director of the investment and trust services division" in Hanover, New Hampshire. From a *Business Wire* release, August 31, 2007.

Artist **Riley Brewster** exhibited his work, small oil on linen paintings, at the ICON Contemporary Art gallery in downtown Brunswick August 11 through September 8. From a *Dallas, TX Red Orbit* article, August 10, 2007.

**Mark McCarty** and **Martha McCarty** "are very excited to say both our daughters are attending, **Megan '09** and **Caitlin '11**."

Assurant, Inc. "has appointed **John S. Roberts**, president Disability RMS and senior vice president, Assurant Employee Benefits, as interim president and chief executive officer, Assurant Employee Benefits. From a *CNNMoney.com* article, July 20, 2007.

**Tim Ryan** "moved back to hometown of Erie, Penn., with wife Laura, sons Olin (7) and Arden (4). Building wind energy projects, latest one being eight turbines in Lackawanna, N.Y., on the Old Bethlehem Steel site."

**Jill Shaw Ruddock** and Bowdoin friends went West to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, in the summer of 2007. See accompanying photo.



Bowdoin College went west to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, in the summer of 2007 (l to r): Becky and Eliza Howe, Martha Sullivan Sword, Hannah Howe '09, Sophie Ruddock, Sam Howe, Isabella and Paul Ruddock, and Jill Shaw-Ruddock '77.

**Heather Williams** was the subject of a North Adams, Mass., newspaper article about her appointment to the Mount Greylock Regional High School Committee. Heather is a Williams College biology professor and mother of two

Mount Greylock students. *From a North Adams, Mass., North Adams Transcript article, July 25, 2007.*

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**Nancy Bryant** wrote on July 6: "I really enjoy directing the SuAslo Watershed Community Council, an environmental non-profit organization in Massachusetts. Please check out our website at [www.suasco.org](http://www.suasco.org). My dog Tobey and I spent a beautiful May weekend at Popham Beach this year. It was great being back in Maine!"

**Reed Bunzel** wrote in June: "Well, it's an odd-numbered year, so it seemed as if it were time to move again. Actually, in January I was named President/CEO of American Media Services-Internet in Charleston, so we packed up the moving van and headed south to a warmer climate. This company is in the business of streaming audio and video content over the Worldwide Web. It's fun and challenging to be back in the music business and on the cutting edge of new media technology. If there are any Polar Bears in the Charleston area, please let me know."

**Paul Dolan** reported end of May: "Just finished my 20<sup>th</sup> year teaching physics at NEIU in Chicago, but still make it back to Maine every summer."

**Anna Fowler** wrote on May 14: "I am prompted to write at last by sad news. My husband, Albert Fowler, died suddenly this January. I miss him very much, as does our son Benjamin, who will turn 15 in May. My heart is warmed thinking of old friends – you know who you are." *The Class extends its sympathy to Anna and her family.*

**Steve Harrington** reported in early July: "Spent the past year renovating a 1902 Victorian with spectacular views of the Atlantic, and finally moved in three months ago. Not much of a move, though. It's right behind our old house. Still need doorknobs here and there, but we can live with that. Will celebrate 20 years with Jeff this November by doing absolutely nothing."

**Bradford A. Hunter**, "former chairman and CEO of Fleet Bank of Maine, has been named chief financial officer of Dead River Company, the largest distributor of residential petroleum products in northern New England and a major owner and developer of commercial real estate." *From a Maine News Direct release, September 18, 2007.*

**Jon Marvin** wrote in early July: "Just to show you are never too old, I ran my first marathon (Big Sur) in April and did well enough to qualify to run the Boston Marathon. Had a great TD reunion in Marion at **Dave Hooke's** house last September. Starting the college process with my oldest, so it should be an interesting fall."

**David Sheats** updated in June: "After 23 years in Plattsburgh, N.Y., I'll be moving to Dublin, Ireland, in September of this year. I've agreed to a two- to three-year assignment at Wyeth Pharma's Newbridge facility. Now my annual trip to Brunswick will be more than a half day's drive! My wife Betsy and I will drop off youngest daughter Bailey at BU, then head to the Emerald Isle."

One of London's most generous bankers, **John Studzinski**, has been made chairman of the trust that runs Benjamin Franklin's old house in Craven Street, behind Charing Cross station. The Franklin trust has rescued 36 Craven Street from dereliction and turned it into a state-of-the-art museum. Studzinski, who succeeds Sir Bob Reid, says: "The house is the only one that remains where Benjamin Franklin lived and breathed and holds a special place in Anglo-American history." *From a Guardian (UK) article, July 20, 2007.*

The University of New England featured landscape paintings by artists **Elizabeth Wheeler Woodworth** and her daughter Arlee MacKnight Woodworth in a show from July through mid-September. *From a Scarborough, Maine, keepmecurrent.com article, July 29, 2007.*

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**Leslie Anderson** announces: "I have some good news to share with the Bowdoin community. I have been awarded a titled professorship. I am now a University of Florida Research Foundation Professor."

**Gerry Ciarcia** wrote on April 16: "My wife Betsy and I celebrated 10 years of owning Homeland Realty, number one office in Dennis on Cape Cod. Maggie is a sophomore playing field hockey at Providence College (not ice). Cal is a freshman at Sacred Heart High School playing hockey and baseball, and Tess is in fourth grade keeping Betsy and myself young!"

**Danielle Mailer** reported on June 7:

"is living in Goshen, Conn. She is chairman of the art dept. at Indian Mountain School (middle school). She also has her own gallery called Danielle Mailer Gallery. She has three children and is married to a jazz musician, Peter McEachern. Check out her website Danielle Mailer.com."

**John P. McGann** has been named to the advisory board of The Council on Ethical Billing. He is the vice president, claims legal services for OneBeacon Insurance. *From a PRWeb release, October 2, 2007.*

*For news of Carlyn Orians see news of Rick Swann '76.*

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**William S. Anderson** has joined the board of directors of Acacia Research Corporation. He is the chairman and chief executive officer of National Beverage Properties, Inc. *From a Business Wire release, August 15, 2007.*

**Audrey Gup-Mathews** wrote on April 6: "I've been Dean of Admissions at Heartwood College of Art in Kennebunk for over a year and enjoy the challenge of growing this small college, one of only two colleges in the State of Maine devoted exclusively to the visual arts. We have a fabulous faculty of working artists, a great location, and low tuition; check us out at [www.heartwoodcollegeofart.org](http://www.heartwoodcollegeofart.org)! On another note, one of my daughter Cassie's best friends is Carolyn Richardson, daughter of **Leo Richardson**. Fun to see a Bowdoin connection in the next generation!"

**Mark LeDuc**, a member of the staff of Senator Susan Collins, recently met with Bowdoin staff member Patricia Myshrall, who was presented the Maine Outstanding Older Worker award for 2007. "During his time at Bowdoin, Mark worked with Patricia as a work-study student at the Special Collections section of the Bowdoin College Library." *See accompanying photo.*



In October, Mark LeDuc '80 had the honor of meeting with Hawthorne-Longfellow Library's Patricia Myshrall, the recipient of Maine's Outstanding Older Worker for 2007, and Senator Susan Collins in the Senator's office

**Susan Ravdin** is “still traveling across North America selling antiquarian and collectible books. Come to a book fair near you and we may be there!”

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**Elizabeth Glaser** emailed in early August: “I am currently Vice President at the Brigham and Women’s Hospital, an 800-plus bed academic medical center in Boston. I am an operating vice president and as such oversee a variety of clinical, teaching, and research enterprises. I was recently elected to the Board of the Hazelden Foundation, a nationally recognized leader in the treatment of addictions with locations in Minnesota, Oregon, New York and Chicago. Finally, my niece from Alaska has decided to matriculate at Bowdoin and will be entering this fall. It was fun to take her on a tour of the campus and see staff and faculty I knew. Also ran into my freshman year roommate, **Mary Kate Devaney Barnes**, as we walked around. My niece was really impressed!”

**Anne Wadsworth** wrote in mid-June: “I have jumped back into the academic fray and am getting a master’s in public administration from the Maxwell School. Barrett, our oldest, graduated and is working in Albany for an assemblyman. **Hannah ’09** had another great year at Bowdoin, and played on their awesome rugby team. The youngest is starting to look at schools—another Polar Bear?”

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“In the event that an apple a day does not keep the doctor away, at least the newly opened A Walk-In Medical Center makes a visit quick. That is what Dr. **Stuart Callé** hopes to accomplish with his new practice.” *From a Wethersfield, Conn., Newington Life article, July 2007.*

**Robert Longwell** wrote on October 3: “In August, my dear wife Beth (UCLA 1990) died after a short battle with lung cancer. She is survived by me and our two wonderful twins, Lucy and Nathan, aged two years.” *The Class extends its sympathy to Robert and his family.*

**Ruthann Marcelle** wrote in early July: “My husband Paul and I built a house in the woods, just north of Saratoga Springs, N.Y. If you pass through for track season, look us up.”

**Tom Tortolani** co-authored a new whitepaper by IBM and Skytide that “documents the benefits and scalability of the Skytide Analytical Platform when used in conjunction with IBM DB2 9 based on recently completed testing...[enabling] the analysis of large volumes of XML data at high performance for gaining valuable business insight.” *From a PR Web article, September 25, 2007.*

**Roger Waldron** wrote in mid-July: “Over the last two years I have been privileged to serve on a panel of federal procurement experts charged by Congress with reviewing current procurement laws, policies, and practices and making recommendations to OMD and Congress to improve the Federal procurement system. The 14 members of the panel were selected from industry and government by the OMB in coordination with Congress. The panel’s report was issued in July 2007 and can be found at [www.acqnet.gov](http://www.acqnet.gov). In April 2007, I left my position as Senior Procurement Executive for the General Services Administration and joined the law firm of Mayer Brown Rowe & Maw, LLP as counsel focusing on government contracts. Sill living in Vienna, Virginia, with my wife Pam, Kaitlin (9), Gregory (7), RJ (4), and our dog Larry ‘Bird’ Waldron. Pam and I had a great time at the Reunion. The Photons rock!”

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High Mowing Organic Seeds in Walcott, Vt., hired **John Grosvenor** as controller. *From a Burlington, Vt., Burlington Free Press article, September 10, 2007.*

**Laurie Lachance** wrote in early May: “All is well in Augusta. Dave and I are extremely busy with the boys (Michael, 16, and Andrew, 12); sports, scouts, and music. I’m finally starting to get a grip on my new job at the Maine Development Foundation (it’s only taken me two-and-a-half years!) Life is good!”

**Whitney Sanford** reported in early July: “I moved to Gainesville, Fl., and now teach at the University of Florida. I like being back in the Southeast; Iowa’s winters get old fast.”

**Danny Shapiro** wrote on April 9: “Things couldn’t be better. Family, job going well. Embarrassed myself by playing a brother in ‘Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat.’ We were a hit and, at 45, I

was among the youngest cast members. I think I was on key for most of the performances—but, with community theater no one cares anyway!”

HNI Corporation announced the appointment of **Eugene Sung** as president, Allsteel and executive vice president, HNI Corporation. Most recently, he was senior vice president, the Scotts Miracle-Gro Company. *From a Yahoo!Finance article, June 3, 2007.*

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**James Billingsley** wrote in early July: “In May 2007, I became Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services, Inc., a provider of work access, insulation, painting and other services to the energy industry. In February of this year, we were purchased by First Reserve Corporation, a private equity firm that focuses on the energy industry. The work is demanding, exciting and more fun than a lawyer should be allowed to have. Julia and I continue to reside in Rye, N.Y., with our three children, who are 4½, 2½ and 2½.”

The May/June 2007 issue of the Brown alumni magazine featured a piece on playwright **Adam Bock**, a graduate of Brown’s playwriting program. *From Brown magazine, May/June 2007.*

**Leslie A. Cadwell**, “a Vermont attorney with a utility policy background, [joined] Vermont Electric Power Co. as vice president, chief counsel and corporate secretary. She will be responsible for managing all aspects of VELCO’s legal department and use of external counsel. *From a Burlington, Vt., Burlington Free Press article, June 18, 2007.*

Curator **Suzanne L.F. Gagnon** and **Daniel Kany** presented an exhibition of work by Kennebunkport, Maine, painter Deborah Randall at the Daniel Kany Gallery in Portland, Maine. *From a Biddeford, Maine, Kennebunk Post article, June 14, 2007.*

**Polly Malan** “lives in the Santa Cruz mountains with her violinist husband and performs and teaches viola throughout the Bay area.”

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**Shelley Langdale** reported in June: “I was promoted to associate curator of prints and drawings at the Philadelphia

Museum of Art in July of 2006. My husband Joseph Gioffre and I continue to enjoy living in Philadelphia. We bought a house very near to the Art Museum and Fairmount Park where we love to take our bearded collie pup to run with other dogs after work."

The Whitney Museum announced that **David Little** has been named Associate Director, Helena Rubinstein Chair of Education. Mr. Little has been the Director of Adult and Academic Programs at The Museum of Modern Art since 2003. *From a Whitney Museum press release, June 30, 2007.*

**Kevin McCarthy** is "still practicing law in Lynn, Mass. I guess some things never change. Married to Susan Lombard McCarthy (Regis '85). No children, but two dogs."

**Harriet Roberts** reported in mid-June: "I just completed my Montessori certification training and finished a master's degree in education from Lesley University, I am teaching early childhood (three to six year olds). My son is nine years old and an avid BMX racer. My husband travels a lot and enjoys his work! I see **Lynne Dailey Harding** and hear from **Vasso Gyftopolous Kelly** now and then. Memphis is a great place to raise a family, but it is very different from the Northeast."

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**Bridget Brennan** wrote in late June: "In June of 2006, my husband, son and I traveled to China to pick up our newest family member, Lily Anne Brennan Liang, born July 31, 2005. We have most definitely had an exciting year!" *See accompanying photo.*



In June, 2006, Bridget Brennan, husband, and son traveled to China to pick up the newest member of their family, Lily Anne Brennan Liang, born July 31, 2005.

**Ted Johnson** wrote on May 21: "Tough winter ski patrolling at Magic Mountain in S. Londonderry, Vt. It was Valentine's Day before we had decent snow. Colleen and I continue to work at Vermont-New Hampshire Veterinary Clinic and are restoring our 150-year-old house."

**Maria Libby** is the new principal at Camden-Rockport (Maine) Middle School, which now occupies the former high school building in which Maria was a student. *From a Camden, Maine, Camden Herald article, September 6, 2007.*

**Paul Boutin** reported on June 4: "After 20 years in Seattle, I'll be returning to New England to take a job as a child adolescent psychiatrist at the Brattleboro Retreat."

**Jill Carrick** wrote in late June: "My husband Charlie, stepson Jordan, and daughter Grace moved onto the Wyoming Seminary Upper School campus in Kingston, Penn. We continue to summer in East Boothbay, Maine, and build our house as we live in it. Charlie teaches computer science, religion, and math at Sem and is chaplain. I chair the science department and teach science and computer at Wyoming Seminary Lower School."

**Paul Chutich** wrote on June 4: "Sorry I couldn't make it to the reunion, but I have a lot going on right now. Say hi and have a drink in memory of me!"

**Martha Fenton** wrote on May 30: "Life is full and rewarding here in Andover. John and I have three great kids (8, 5, 3) who make every day an adventure. After seven years, I have stepped down as athletic director at Phillips Academy, but will continue to teach and coach full time. I am taking this semester (spring) off to finish work on our new home in Essex, Mass. and am enjoying doing something new and different after 17 years at Andover! We had an amazing week in the Bahamas with the **McGeough** family in April. Great fun to catch up with friends and get our kids together. Looking forward to seeing everyone in Brunswick in June!"

**Anne Hofer** wrote in late May: "Mark Barry Hofer was born September 15, 2006. He joined big brothers Drew (6) and Tommy (3). We're still living in Minneapolis. I work for HSBC Bank in marketing and try to get some tennis games into our busy schedule."

**Karl Maier '89** and **Jill Bermingham**

**Isenhart** recently enjoyed a victory popsicle with their sons (William Maier and Jesse Isenhart) on a Boulder, Colo., first grade team." *See accompanying photo.*



Boulder, Colo., first grade soccer coaches Karl Maier '89 and Jill Bermingham Isenhart '86 enjoyed a victory popsicle with their sons, William Maier and Jesse Isenhart.

**Brendan O'Brien** reported on June 7: "Valerie and I weren't able to make it to the 20<sup>th</sup> Reunion, as we are in the process of moving, this time to Slovakia, where I will be Country Manager with Pfizer. We had our second child, Lucy, born January 2007 here in Brussels. She is wonderful, and she joins our family along with brother Lewis (5)."

**Rob Rubano** wrote on June 25: "It was great fun seeing most of the old gang at our 20<sup>th</sup> reunion. Debbie and I are anxiously awaiting the arrival of our second son, Nicholas. He will join our three-year-old Joseph – he who is already a Polar Bear at heart!"

**Britton Wolfe** was the subject of a newspaper article as he readied to begin his first school year as principal of Biddeford (Maine) High School. *From a Biddeford, Maine, Journal Tribune article, August 10, 2007.*

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**Pietro Andres** was elected to the Kennedy Center's board of directors over the summer. The Kennedy Center is an award-winning, nationally recognized agency that serves over 1,500 individuals annually from birth through seniors who have disabilities or special needs. *From a New Milford, Conn. Fairfield Minuteman article, August 9, 2007.*

**Shawn K. Bell** “has established a law practice under the name The Bell Firm, P.A.” in Lewiston, Maine. He has been awarded an AV rating in the legal publication Martindale-Hubbel and “specializes in commercial and residential real estate, real estate development, business law, probate, will and trusts, estate planning, and elder law.” *From a Lewiston, Maine Sun Journal article, September 18, 2007.*

**Jean Clough** wrote on June 4: “I’ve made Seattle my home these past 15 years. I’m a massage therapist and own a 12-person massage and acupuncture clinic, Seattle Advanced Bodywork Associates.”

**Kevin Hancock** “has been elected president of the Bridgton Academy Board of Trustees for the 2007-2009 term, having served as a trustee since 1997.” *From a Bridgton, Maine, Bridgton News article, June 28, 2007.*

**Heather A. Johnson** and Karl S. Barnhart were married at Blue Stone Farm in Shohola, Pa., on September 15, 2007. She works in New York at Christie’s as senior vice president and the regional director for the United States. He is an owner and managing director of CoreBrand, a strategic branding firm in New York. He graduated from Carnegie Mellon. *From a New York Times article, September 16, 2007.*

**David Lyman** wrote in mid-May: “If I haven’t reported this already, Beth and I had our fourth child, Cynthia Dean, on April Fool’s Day last year!”

**Kathleen Rieves** reported on May 29: “I am a family physician living in Colo. with my husband Clark and two girls, Emma (13) and Lucy (12).”

**Christopher Watson**, director of undergraduate admissions at Princeton University, has been named the new dean of undergraduate admissions at Northwestern University. Christopher earned a master’s degree in education from Boston University. He joined the Princeton admissions office in 2000 and was promoted to the position of director of admissions in 2005. *From a Chronicle of Higher Education article, June 5, 2007.*

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**David Drane** reports: “I decided I couldn’t stand not wearing wool any longer, so I’ve moved from South Florida back north...to Chicago. My partner, Jay

Decker, and I have a new apartment in the Rogers Park neighborhood, just south of the Evanston city line. I look forward to better acquainting myself with this city of my paternal immigrant ancestors.”

**Susan Young Fortier**, the assistant editorial page editor for the Bangor, Maine, *Bangor Daily News*, has become director of new media at the paper and “will grapple with challenges facing [the] newspaper in the age of the Internet.” *From a Bangor Daily News article, September 27, 2007.*

**Albert Mauro** recently emailed: “Our darling girls (Sophia, age 10, and Francesca, age 7) have caught the acting bug and have turned us into theater parents (which may be worse than being soccer parents). Molly and I have turned into avid runners (before this I could barely run to class), and I shocked even myself by qualifying to run the Boston Marathon this spring, which may be a great excuse to take a detour up to Maine. I passed eight years as in-house counsel at Hallmark Cards and still enjoy it. However, Molly and I just started a new business (races2remember.com) selling race bibs with fun quotes or personalized with a picture. Maybe we can become the next HeadBlade.

*For news of John Unipan see news of Lynn Unipan '91.*

**Glenn Waters** emailed on October 1: “After a remarkable 15<sup>th</sup> reunion, I married **Kristin Zwart** on July 14, 2007. My children, Jack (11) and Annalise (4), were an integral part of our surprise ceremony at a family camp on Little Sebago Lake, Maine. We all live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Kristin is the major gifts officer at the Seven Hills School and reports to **Todd Bland '90**, the interim head of school. After a long haul, I am enjoying oral and maxillofacial surgery in the private practice setting. We look forward to seeing everyone at the 20<sup>th</sup>!” *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Kevin Wesley** was the subject of an extensive Rochester University *Rochester Review* Q&A about his new role as executive director of alumni relations at the university. *From a Rochester, New York, Rochester Review article, October 1, 2007.*

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The Portland Museum of Art 2007 Biennial featured “Hummer,” a video by

**Allan G. Macintyre**, in which the subject was a hummingbird.

“**Zach P. Messitte**, a political science professor at St. Mary’s College of Maryland and frequent commentator on Maryland politics, is leaving to take an administrative post at the University of Oklahoma. As director of the Center for the Study of Democracy, Messitte helped put the tiny Southern Maryland honors college on the political map last year.” *From a Washington Post article, July 8, 2007.*

**Carolyn Rodriguez** and Brandon Neisius were married on July 14 in The First Presbyterian Church of Boca Raton, Fla. She is a psychologist in the Broward County Public Schools. He is a graduate of Annapolis, the U.S. Naval Academy, and is a lieutenant commander in the Navy and a pilot for American Airlines. *From a Westport, Conn., Westport News article, August 17, 2007.*

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### Correction

*In last issue’s profile of Sara Gagne Holmes, we erroneously reported that Sara was the first in her immediate family to attend college, which she was not; and also that she recalled “her mother’s struggle with health care and other issues,” which was not accurate. We regret the errors.*

**Lynn Unipan** wrote in late June: “Life in Philly is going great. Our daughter Gabby is eight now and Josh will soon be six. We miss Bowdoin, but enjoy our yearly visits to the mountains of Maine in Rangeley. So sorry to hear of the passing of Sally LaPointe, my field hockey coach at Bowdoin. What a strong lady she was. Shout out to **Bart Acocella**, **Nancy Foushee** and **Mel Koza** – where are you?”

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**Sarah Hill-Nelson** reported in early June: “I live in Kansas with my husband Eric and our two children, Henry and Dona. I am working in renewable energy in the State. I am sorry to miss the reunion.”

**Deborah Levine** wrote on June 10: “My husband, Dwayne Driskill (Oberlin '90) and I welcomed a beautiful, happy daughter, Katherine Andrus Driskill on August 15, 2006. We enjoyed attending 15-year reunion including visits with fellow ABO’s **Emily Bray Levine**, **Trish Ernst Grinnell**, and **Emily Ross O’Neil** and

families. Dwayne, Katie and I, along with our two cats and two dogs, are moving to Columbus, Ohio, in June 2007. Dwayne is a partner in a growing software company, Incubit Inc., based outside of Columbus. I have accepted a joint faculty position in the Division of General Internal Medicine of the Ohio State University (OSU) College of Medicine and the Division of Health Services Management and Policy of the OSU College of Public Health."

Army Major **Jonathan Martin** wrote in early September: "Air Force Major **Frank Marston** and I had a chance meeting at the gym on LSA Anaconda in Balad, Iraq in August 2007. Frank was deployed with the Vermont Air National Guard 'Green Mountain Boys' flying close air support missions for ground troops throughout the Iraqi theater. I was a neurosurgeon attached to the 332<sup>nd</sup> Expeditionary Medical Group providing support to the Southwest Asian theater. Frank and I hadn't seen each other since '92 in the weight room at the Farley Fieldhouse. A very unexpected friendly face far from home." See accompanying photo.



Air Force Major Frank Marston '92 (left) and Army Major Jonathan Martin '92 (right) had a chance meeting at the gym on LSA Anaconda in Balad, Iraq, in August 2007.

**93**  Bowdoin 2008 REUNION WEEKEND

**Henry Boeckmann** "has been promoted to a senior vice president in the Construction Lending Group at TD Banknorth in New York City. He will continue to originate bridge construction loans for customers throughout Westchester County, the Five Boroughs and Long Island." From a TD Banknorth news release, June 11, 2007.

**Jason R. House** has been named a vice president at Woodard & Curran. A certified Maine geologist, he joined the firm in 1998. From a Falmouth, Maine, Forecaster article, September 5, 2007.

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For news of **Ian Bristol** see news of **Kelly Remington Bristol '96**.

**Nick Jacobs** writes: "Wife Christine (Georgetown '92) gave birth to two boys, Aidan and Brendan, on July 15." See accompanying photo.



Nick Jacobs '94 and wife Christine welcomed twin boys, Aidan and Brendan, on July 15, 2007.

**Jessica Johnson** and husband **David Johnson '92** "had a great summer in Cape Elizabeth and in August were happy to host **Kim Weafer**, Tiffany Willis, and their 18-month-old twins, Bowen and Ella; and **Joanne Holland** and her husband Chris Carmen for a mini Bowdoin reunion." See accompanying photo.



Jessica Johnson '94 and husband David Johnson '92 hosted a mini-Bowdoin reunion in August (front, l to r): Hannah Johnson, Ella Willis, Max Johnson; (rear, l to r), Bowen Willis, Kim Weafer '94, Jessica, and Joanne Holland '94.



Max and Hannah Johnson (of Jessica Johnson '94 and David Johnson '92) at Family Fun Day at Ft. Williams, Cape Elizabeth, Maine, last summer.

"**Jennifer Kenerson** and her family got together with the family of Mo Flaherty Minicus, Bowdoin field hockey and lacrosse coach from 1992-1996. The two of us have seven boys altogether! I am still living at The Taft School in Conn., but am enjoying our boys right now. I will go back to teaching math in a couple of years. Mo lives in Darien, Conn., and is the Head Field Hockey coach at Darien High School." See accompanying photo.



Jennifer Kenerson '94 and family got together with the family of Mo Flaherty Minicus, Bowdoin field hockey and lacrosse coach from 1992-1996. Pictured with Jen and Mo are their seven boys (l to r): Peter Kenerson (7), Jen, Alexander Kenerson (2), Nicholas Kenerson (5), Colin Minicus (9), Michael Minicus (5), Mo, Matthew Minicus (3), and Brian Minicus (7).

**Ebitari Larsen** "and Matthew Larsen are living in Arlington, Va. They are coming up on their one-year wedding anniversary in May, 2007. Ebitari works as a management consultant for Project Performance Corporation. Matthew works as a management consultant for Bearing Point integrating judicial software. They have a one-year-old pug named Doge."

**Laura Trask** wrote in early June: "My husband, David Tyler (Connecticut College '85), and I welcomed our daughter Mabel Sophia Tyler into the world on March 19, 2007. We are enjoying Mmdcoast Maine, where I am in private practice as an internist in Rockport."

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**Matt Beck** announced in June: "Ana and I welcomed our third child into the world in early June. Eva Beck-Ruiz was born June 11, 2007, at a healthy 9½ pounds. Big brothers, Andres and Alex are already doting over her. Drop us a line if anyone is in the Bay Area at beck@callan.com."

**Maria Bulzacchelli** emailed in mid-September: "I finally finished my Ph.D. program at Johns Hopkins in the fall of

2006. I recently joined the faculty at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. I am now an assistant professor in the health policy and management program at the UMass School of Public Health and Health Sciences.”

**Elizabeth Kelley** wrote on May 18: “I married John Miller (Trinity College Dublin ’94) on November 5, 2006. Unfortunately, my Bowdoin buddies were unable to make it. My law firm, the Kelley Law Firm, Inc., in Boulder, Colo., is doing well in its third year. I specialize in criminal defense. Hopefully, no one needs me! Thanks for all of your efforts on behalf of our class. I hope this finds you well.”

**Christopher Ledwick** has joined the law firm Taylor, McCormack & Frame, LLC in Portland, Maine, where he will focus his practice on civil and criminal litigation. *From a Taylor, McCormack & Frame announcement.*

**Amy Brockelman** “and David Reilly (Boston College ’94) were married on May 19, 2007 at St. Joan of Arc Church in Orleans, Mass. A reception followed at the Wequassett inn in Chatham.” *See photo in Weddings section.*

*For news of Todd Shaw see Colleen Ryan Shaw ’97.*

**Staci Jean Shedd** “has been promoted to vice president in Retail Banking at TD Banknorth in Falmouth (Maine). A project specialist, she will continue to manage corporate projects that promote a global customer service culture focused on customer experience and company-wide service excellence.” *From a TD Banknorth news release, June 11, 2007.*

Anand Srinivasan (Manipal Institute of Technology ’90-’94, Iowa State MBA ’96) and **Katherine Shoemaker** “got married on August 18, 2007, in the Hudson Valley of N.Y., and again on September 7, 2007 in Bangalore, India.” *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Elizabeth Weinstein** reported in early June: “Finally finished residency and will be staying in Indy, splitting my time as faculty at our County Trauma Center and Children’s Hospital Emergency Department. Had a great dinner with **Robin Rosen** and **Cara Moroze** last week in Chicago, and see **Mike Turmelle ’94** from time to time in St. Louis. Give me a call or stop by if you are ever traveling through Indy.”

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**Kelly Remington Bristol** emailed on October 8: “After five years in N.Y. and four years in Texas, we have finally moved back to New England! Ian has joined Spectrum Medical Group as a radiation oncologist and we have settled in Scarborough, Maine. We recently got together with **Marcia** and **Ben Wells**, **Amy Taylor**, and **Gina Kuechle Kyle**. I am staying at home with our two children, Remi (3) and Aidan (2). We are expecting our third child in February of 2008.” *See accompanying photo.*



Kelly Remington Bristol ’96 and husband Ian Bristol ’94 recently got together some Bowdoin friends. Pictured (first row, l to r): Elisas Taylor-Yeremeev, Katya Taylor-Yeremeev, Amy Taylor-Yeremeev ’96, Anya Taylor-Yeremeev, Remi Bristol, Kelly, Avery Kyle, Gina Kuechle Kyle ’96, Marcia Williams Wells ’96, Allison Wells, and Ben Wells ’96 (Riley Wells on his shoulders). (Second row, l to r): Ian and Aidan Bristol.

**Jennifer E. Clifford** is the new principal at Hamilton-Cutler School in Hamilton, Mass. *From a Hamilton, Mass., Hamilton-Wenham Chronicle article, June 5, 2007.*

**Stefan Gutow** and Mindy Feinberg were married on June 3, 2007, at the American Visionary Art Museum in Baltimore. Mindy is an assistant professor of psychology at Towson University in Maryland. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin and received a master’s in developmental psychology from Columbia and a Ph.D. in school, clinical and community psychology from the University of Pennsylvania. She also directed an educational program for orphaned and homeless children in Guayaquil, Ecuador. Stefan received his medical degree from the University of Michigan. *From a New York Times article, June 4, 2007.*

**Sarah Hammond** and Aaron Taverniti Kechley were married on July 28, 2007, in

Chestnut Hill, Mass. Sarah is a fellow in infectious diseases at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. Aaron is a director of consumer products at RSA, a security software maker in Bedford, Mass. He graduated *cum laude* from Williams and received an M.B.A. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. *From a New York Times article, July 29, 2007.*

*For news of Kristi LeBlanc Paquette see Jared Paquette ’98.*

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**Jeremiah Goulka** emailed in early August: “I am proud to announce that I have retired from the practice of law. Though that’s not to say that I’ve quit the legal world entirely. After Hurricane Katrina, I worked with a local-state-federal task force in New Orleans to help the city’s criminal justice system recover after the storm. Just after Reunion, I moved to Santa Monica, Calif., to start a new job as a criminal justice policy wonk at the RAND Corporation.”

**Frannie Hochberg** reports: “I married Jeff Giuffrida (Dartmouth ’98) on June 10, 2007, at the Evergreen House in Baltimore Md. Jeff and I are dividing our time between DC, where I work as a public interest attorney, and Charlottesville, Va., where Jeff is a student at UVa’s Darden School.” *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Jason Johnston** has joined the faculty at the University of Maine at Presque Isle as an assistant professor of wildlife ecology. *From a Presque Isle, Maine, Star-Herald article, September 19, 2007.*

**Bryan Knepper** emailed on August 27: “We’ve had a new addition to the family. Sutton Rose Knepper was born on August 7. We’re really excited, even if she does keep us up right now!”

**Michael A. Lahue** married Suelen De Abreu Nunes Cardoso on June 3, 2006, at St. Aloysias Church in Caldwell, N.J. The couple was previously married in a civil ceremony in September 2004 in Brazil. Following a wedding trip to Guarujá Beach, Sao Paulo, the couple resides in Rio De Janeiro. Michael has just completed a post-graduate course in music therapy at the Brazilian Conservatory of Music in Rio De Janeiro. He is a professor of improvisation and Brazilian popular music at the Brazilian

Conservatory of Music and a freelance music columnist of the online magazine "Brazzil." *From a Caldwell, NJ, The Progress article, August 23, 2007.*

**Colleen Ryan Shaw** and **Todd Shaw '95** "are thrilled to announce the arrival of Brendan Ryan Shaw. He was born on September 4, 2007 (the first day of school!) and weighed in at a whopping 9 pounds, 6 ounces. He was 21½ inches long. Everyone is in love and we are beginning to grow accustomed to our new routine with three. Life is busy, but we wouldn't have it any other way. Brendan's arrival was preceded by a summer filled with activity. We attended **Martha Waltz DiDomenico '95's** wedding in the spring and got to spend quite a bit of time with **Richie Diamond '95**, his wife, Aynsley, and their two children throughout the summer. Todd captained yet another Portland Ultimate team as well and he had a blast playing with **John Soule** once again. I am still at home with the kids and I enjoy (almost) every minute of it. It's a good fit for now and definitely the hardest and most rewarding job I've ever had. Connor

is now a first grader at Coffin School and Michaela attends Brunswick Parks and Rec preschool two mornings a week. They are growing so quickly! Todd started his third year at Yarmouth High School in mid-September and he continues to enjoy working there. Life is good!" *See accompanying photo.*



Colleen Ryan Shaw '97 and husband Todd Shaw '95 are thrilled to announce the arrival of Brendan Ryan Shaw on September 4, 2007. He weighed in at nine pounds, six ounces, and was 21½ inches long.

**Benjamin G. Small** has been named head of institutional sales for FBR Capital Markets Corporation's Boston offices. *From a San Francisco, Calif., KGO-TV Channel 7 report, August 6, 2007.*

**Jonathan Steele** married Kerri Lyn Noonan on August 26 at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church in Lowell, Mass. "Following a reception at the Sheraton Nashua Hotel, Nashua, N.H., the couple honeymooned in Italy. They reside in Arlington. The bride is a graduate of Boston University and Harvard Graduate School of Education. She is employed as an assistant director of admissions by Harvard School of Public Health. [Jonathan] is a graduate of Harvard Graduate School of Education. He is employed as a higher education consultant." *From a Lowell, Mass., The Sun article, June 24, 2007.*

**Jackie Zinn** reported on April 23: "I will finish my residency in rehab medicine in June then be moving to N.C. for a fellowship in spine injections."



**Kyle Apigian** was promoted in July to Scientist 3 at Woodard & Curran, Dedham, Mass.

**Sloan Baxter**, "a member of the Financial Officers Practice of Korn/Ferry International in Washington, DC, has been promoted to client partner. He has been an integral member of the team heading searches for senior financial executives across a variety of industries including manufacturing, healthcare, financial services, and technology." *From a Korn/Ferry International press release, June 11, 2007.*

**Sarah Buckley** and Jordan Anderson (U of Chicago '99) were married on "September 8, 2007, at the Dalles Ranch in Central Oregon." *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Stephanie Decker** wrote in early June: "After six years in Calif., I've decided to move back to Philly. I look forward to reconnecting with Bowdoin friends on the East Coast."

*For news of David Fish, see Elizabeth Feeherry '01.*

**Tara Murphy Beardsley** and husband Kurt "welcomed daughter Kaelen Murphy on April 14, 2007. She loves her polar bear." *See accompanying photo.*

**Jared Paquette** "and Kristi are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Brady Christian Paquette, born on December 27, 2006 and weighing 8 lbs., 6 oz."

*For news of Joshua Reitzas, see Megan Savage '01.*



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Kaelen Murphy was born to Tara Murphy Beardsley '98 and Kurt Beardsley '02 on April 14, 2007. "Kaelen loves her polar bear!"

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**Allen Baldwin** quipped on April 3: "I am continuing on in hopes of becoming America's next top model."

**Timothy M. Brosnihan** and Sarah Maciejewski are engaged to be married, with an October 6, 2007, wedding planned. *From a Cape Elizabeth, Maine Cape Courier article, August 25, 2007.*

**Kerry McDonald** and husband, Brian Roughan, "are delighted to announce the birth of our daughter, Molly McDonald Roughan, on November 19, 2006. We're enjoying our new family life in Cambridge." *See accompanying photo.*



Kerry McDonald '99 and husband Brian Roughan are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Molly McDonald Roughan, on November 19, 2006.

**Richard Mrazik** has joined the Salt Lake City law firm of Parsons Behle & Latimer as an associate in the firm's litigation department. *From a Parsons Behle & Latimer news release, August 2, 2007.*

**Christina Stahlkopf** "married Jonathan Palmer (Oxford University '00)

on July 28, 2007, at Tench Vineyards in Napa, Calif. Christina and Jon met in England six years ago at Oxford University while Christina pursued a Ph.D. in Sociology and Jon a Ph.D. in Mathematical Physics. Upon completing their degrees, Christina and Jon moved to San Francisco, where she teaches at San Francisco State University and Jon works in Silicon Valley." *See photo in Weddings section.*

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**Tara Barker** announced on June 15: "My husband Josh Hixson and I welcomed our first child, Kalen Andrew Hixson, on January 11, 2006. Four months later, we opened Sage Market, a gourmet food store in Rockland, Maine. It's been a wonderful whirlwind ever since!"

**David Boyd** married Caroline Cutchins on July 14, 2007. After a honeymoon to Italy and Croatia, the couple resides in Blacksburg, Va., where David will attend veterinary school at Virginia Tech. *From a Richmond, Va., Richmond Times Dispatch article, July 15, 2007.*

**Matthew Clement** and Freida Miller were married on July 21, 2007, at Krause Springs near Spicewood, TX. *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Yanina Golburt** and Jon Devin Samuels (University of Chicago '97) were married on Saturday, January 13, 2007, at the Grand Prospect hall, Park Slope, Brooklyn, New York." *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Emily Bahr** married Jason Granet on Saturday, March 31, 2007, at the Lighthouse at Chelsea Piers in New York City. Emily earned her master's degree in public health from the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University. Jason is a graduate of Newark Academy and the University of Michigan. He is an associate at Goldman Sachs in New York City. *From a Caldwell, N.J., The Progress article, June 14, 2007.*

**Adrienne Gratry** and David Schoetz were married on September 15, 2007 at St. James Episcopal Church in Prouts Neck, Maine. She is an associate director of the development marketing group at Prudential Douglas Elliman Real Estate in New York. David graduated from Colby College and has a master's degree in print journalism from Boston University. *From a New York Times article, September 16, 2007.*

**Eena Khalil** wrote in July: "I completed my MSC at UMass Amherst and moved back to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. I'm enjoying life (and food) very much back home. If any Polar Bear happens to travel to KL, send me an email, eenakhalil@yahoo.com. Work wise, I'm in property development, so if any Polar Bears are interested in opening retail businesses or buying a second home in Malaysia, you know who to write to (sorry for the blatant promotional blurb)." *See accompanying photo on next page.*

**Cristina Kormann** and Steven Driver (Case Western Reserve '00) "were married on July 8, 2006, at Annunciation Church in Crestwood, N.Y. A beautiful reception followed at the Davenport Swim Club in New Rochelle, N.Y. The couple honeymooned in Anguilla and are now living in Tuckahoe, N.Y. Cristina and Steve are also "proud to announce the birth of their son Steven John Driver on August 4, 2007. He weighed a healthy 8 lbs., 7 oz., and was 20 inches long." *See photo in Weddings section and accompanying photo.*

**Carrie McGilvery** "and **J. Scott Logan '99** were married on August 18, 2007, at the Bowdoin Chapel." *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Abel McClennen** emailed in late July: "My wife and I, with some fellow community members are starting a non-profit community bilingual school called La Paz Community School ([www.lapazschool.org](http://www.lapazschool.org)) in Guanacaste, Costa Rica, that will be integrating local Costa Rican students with foreigners. We are hoping to bridge a growing cultural and socioeconomic gap that exists between foreign residents and local Costa Ricans. We'll be opening this September so if you're headed to the Pacific Northwest of Costa Rica anytime soon, come and look us up! Still no kids, so this project is our baby at this point."

**Nicholas O'Grady** married Erin Hargrave on August 11, 2007 at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Iowa City. Erin received an M.B.A. from Fordham in May. She graduated from Notre Dame. Nicholas is a portfolio manager at Highbridge Capital Management, a hedge fund in New York. *From a New York Times article, August 12, 2007.*

**Matthew Schullery**, "Psy.D, of Chadds Ford, Penn, formerly of Kent, has graduated

from Widener University in Chester, Penn., School of Human Services professions with dual degree—a Ph.D. in clinical psychology and a master’s degree in criminal justice. His concentration is in forensic psychology.” *From a Kent, Conn., Kent Good Times Dispatch article, Jun 1, 2007.*

**Nora Pierson** “and Erik Thoren were married on May 6, 2007, at the Historic Prallsville Mill in Stockton, N.J.” *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Liisa Van Vliet** wrote in July: “I finished my Ph.D. in August 2006 (I’m finally a Dr.!) and have continued my research (gene/cancer therapy) in the same lab. I’ve loved living in Cambridge and traveling around the UK and Europe way too much during my thesis, but I’m not looking for jobs ‘in the city’ – so you’ll probably find me either in London, Paris, or Brussels in the next year. In April, three Bowdoin Class of 2000 members met up in London. We took a photo in the tube as proof.” *See accompanying photo.*



Liisa Van Vliet, Eena Khalil, and Kristen Winters met up in London in April this year for a mini-Bowdoin '00 reunion.

**Charles Walsh** (MIT '04) and Tyra Gittleman (Amherst '00 – Harvard '04) “were married in Bar Harbor, Maine, on September 2, 2007.” *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Kristen Winters** wrote in July: “Hey everyone! Since Bowdoin, I was in the Peace Corps for two years in Romania. I then taught English in Korea for a year. Finally, I decided to go back to school and get my master’s in social work, graduated from NYU in 2006. I’m now in jolly ole England (and recently met up with **Eena Khalil** and **Liisa Van Vliet** in London)! I’m a social worker working with children in long-term foster care. It’s quite intense! I hope you’re all doing well and I wish everyone the best of luck!” *See accompanying photo.*



Cristina Kormann-Driver '00 and husband Steve Driver are proud to announce the birth of their son, Steven John Driver, on August 4, 2007. He weighed a healthy eight pounds, seven ounces, and was 20 inches long.

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**Henry Bangert** “welcomed daughter Alexandra Louise on April 8, 2007.”

**Peter Curran** reported in mid-June: “We have moved back to the U.S. and are excited to begin our new adventure in Colorado Springs. Peter is going to be the Dean of Students at Fountain Valley School and **Sarah** will be working towards her registered dietician certificate. We’d love to have Bowdoin visitors in the Rockies!”

**Kate Dorney** and **Daniel Wong** were married on September 30 at Saint Cecelia Church in Boston. Kate is in an internship/residency program at Children’s Hospital in Boston. Daniel is regional sales executive for Athena Heath of Watertown, Mass. *From a Quincy, Mass., Patriot Ledger article, September 2, 2007.*

**Elizabeth E. Feeherry** and **David Fish** '98 were married on September 15, 2007, at the Crane Estate in Ipswich, Mass. She is a litigation associate at Ropes & Gray, a law firm in Boston. He is a fourth-year medical student at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, Maine. *From a New York Times article, September 16, 2007.*

**Lauren Fitch** “and Andrew Nassiff (Grinnell College '97) were married on July 29, 2007 at the Spruce Point Inn in Boothbay Harbor, Maine.” *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Brian Levy** married Margaret Sullivan on June 9, 2007 at the Cranwell Resort in Lenox, Mass., where a reception followed. The couple honeymooned in Alaska and resides in Brookline. Margaret is manager of utilization review and clinical audit products at Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in Boston. She is a 2001

graduate of Middlebury College. Brian is a consultant for McKinsey Consulting in Boston. *From a Pittsfield, Mass., Berkshire Eagle article, August 19, 2007.*

**Scott Marcantonio** and Suzanne Loeffler announced their engagement. She is employed by Monmouth Medical Center. He is employed by Tecolote Research Inc. A December wedding is planned. *From a Sarasota, Florida, Herald-Tribune article, September 2, 2007.*

**Megan Savage** and **Joshua Reitzas** '98 were married on July 28, 2007, at the Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif. She teaches third grade at St. Bernard’s School in New York. He is a senior associate at Jaffe & Asher, a law firm in New York. *From a New York Times article, July 29, 2007.*

**Mia Sorcinelli** and Eric Smith were married June 9 in Florence, Mass., with a reception at Durfee Conservatory and Gardens, University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Mia is a family practice physician at Great Lawrence Family Health Center in Lawrence. Eric is a research scientist at Dana Farber Cancer Institute-Harvard University in Boston. *From a Northampton, Mass., Daily Hampshire Gazette article, July 29, 2007.*

**Carianne Wilder Theron** announces: “My husband Gerald and I welcomed our baby boy, Jack, into the world on April 29! He’s a happy healthy and very curious little Colorado baby (and he is certainly keeping us busy)! I’ve remained in great contact with **Liz Steffey** since graduation, so she has already met Jack and we’re hoping she can make it back to Colo. soon. We’re trekking east in October and planning on meeting up with **Kate Kelley** and **Megan Savage Reitzas** – very excited! We’d love to see anyone else who may be in the area!” *See accompanying photo.*



Carianne Wilder Theron '01 and husband Gerald welcomed a son, Jack, into the world on April 29, 2007.

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Professional soccer player **David Bulow** “wants to be a soccer coach one day. The resident of Denver got off to an impressive start this spring when he directed Regis Jesuit High to the state girls championship game before losing on a golden goal in overtime. Bulow, who spent the last month of the 2006 season with the Richmond Kickers, rejoined the team in late May and has played in the club’s past two matches. Holding a roster spot for someone a quarter of the way into the season is not that unusual at the United Soccer Leagues Second Division level, according to Richmond coach Leigh Cowlshaw. Cowlshaw threw Bulow right into the starting mix in his first game, and the 5-11, 165-pounder responded with Richmond’s only goal in a 1-1 standoff with Crystal Palace Baltimore on May 26 and barely missed another score. Bulow played in six games, including the playoffs, last year, scoring a goal and adding two assists, as the Kickers captured the USL2 title. Prior to signing with the Kickers, Bulow helped the Cape Cod Crusaders (Premier Development League) win back-to-back championships (2003-04) and played a couple of years in Northern Ireland, honing his skills in the Irish League.” *From a Richmond, Va. Times-Dispatch article, June 9, 2007.* David was also featured prominently in an August article as the Kickers made a run in the U.S. Open Cup, stunning the MLS’s Los Angeles Galaxy on July 10 with a 1-0 victory to reach the Open Cup quarterfinals. David headed in the game’s only goal off a corner kick in the 29th minute. The only disappointment from the L.A. win was that David Beckham didn’t arrive in America until later in the week. “That would have been great for a story to tell your kids,” Bulow said. *From a Richmond.com article, August 2, 2007.*

**Emily Shubert** and **Daniel Burke** are engaged to be married, with an August 2008 wedding planned. Emily is a graduate student at the University of Connecticut studying art history and women’s studies. Daniel is a student at Vermont Law School. *From a Bangor, Maine, Bangor Daily News article, August 5, 2007.*

“On August 4, 2007, **James Fisher** married Kathleen Moran (Cornell ’03) at the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C.”

*See photo in Weddings section.*

**Peter Hahn** and Anne Stephens (Duke ’04), were married on Saturday, June 9, 2007, at the Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Ga. *See photo in Weddings section.*

**Kate LaBella** is engaged to Thomas McGovern. Kate is a teacher at Greenwich Academy and is working on her master’s degree in education at Manhattanville College. Thomas graduated from Boston College and Fordham University School of Law. He is an associate for Morrison and Foerster, LLP. A July 2008 wedding is planned. *From a Hartford, Conn., Hartford Current article, June 17, 2007.*

*For news of David Macdonald, see Dawn Rackliffe ’03.*

**John Meyers** reported on June 17: “On Saturday, June 16, 2007, I drove to the top of Mount Washington to watch **Jeremy Huckins ’05** run the Mount Washington road race, finishing the nearly 5,000-foot vertical climb in a time of 1:18:03. Jeremy placed 42<sup>nd</sup> out of over 900 mountain runners. I was there for support and photographs!” *See accompanying photo.*



Jeremy Huckins '05 and John Meyers '02 on top of Mount Washington after Jeremy's finish of 42<sup>nd</sup> out of 900 mountain runners in the 2007 Mount Washington Road Race on June 16. Jeremy finished the 7.6 mile, 5,000 foot climb in 1:18:03.

**Sarah Rodgers**, lead teacher of the Cathance River Education Alliance summer vacation camp, was featured in a newspaper article about the program. The alliance runs environmental education programs in Topsham during the school year, and this past summer offered its first summer program. “It’s not so much about teaching them the names of plants,” Sarah said about the campers, “but experience and having fun in the outdoors with each other.” *From a Falmouth, Maine, Forecaster article, August 11, 2007.*

**Samantha Saffir** emailed on June 25: “Though I will miss teaching in a traditional classroom as I have done since Bowdoin, I am excited to announce the success of my recently launched business, Kitchen Kid. Using local and nutritious ingredients and my own kid-friendly recipes, I teach children’s cooking classes, birthday parties, and parent-child cook groups in the Los Angeles area for kids of all ages. If you know a budding chef eager to stir up some ‘Polar Bear Soup,’ check [www.kitchenkid.com](http://www.kitchenkid.com)!”

**Julie Thompson** reported on May 22: “I’m enjoying my last summer in Washington, D.C., working for the American Institute of Architects, before heading to Philly to begin a master’s program in city planning at Penn. It’s great to be moving back to Philly, but sad that **Julian Waldo ’03** won’t have any more chances to beat me in any 10K races.”

**Stacy Vynne** reported in May: “At University of Oregon doing my master’s degree in environmental studies. Researching the effectiveness of programs that compensate ranchers who have livestock killed by wildlife. Have run into Bowdoinites all over the world the past couple of years!”

**Tenley Wurglitz** wrote in early August: “This May I graduated with a master’s degree from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies along with fellow Polar Bears **Cassie Flynn, Gordon Clark ’03, Arthur Middleton ’01, and David Griffith ’00.** **Heather Colman-McGill ’03** was on hand to help us celebrate having just finished her first year at the Forestry School, as was **Annie Gustafson**, who



Cassie Flynn '02, Tenley Wurglitz '02, Arthur Middleton '01, Gordon Clark '03, and David Griffith '00 graduated with master's degrees from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies in May. Fellow Polar Bears Colman-McGill '03 and Annie Gustafson '02 joined the celebration. Pictured (l to r): Cassie, Tenley, Heather, Arthur, Gordon, and Annie. Not pictured: David.

visited from Arizona where she is pursuing a Ph.D. in environmental history at Arizona State University. In the midst of the festivities, we paused to take a picture and show off some of our crazy mortar board decorations—a tradition at the school.” See accompanying photo.

**03**  **Bowdoin 2008 REUNION WEEKEND**

**Sarah Cheng and J. P. Box** “were married on July 22, 2006, at the Bowdoin Chapel. They celebrated with family and friends at the Spruce Point Inn in Boothbay Harbor, Maine.” See photo in *Weddings* section.

**Cailin Burke** announced in early July: “I will attend Ben Gurion University, Be’er Sheva Israel in September 2007 for a master of arts degree in Middle East studies.”

**Emily Duffus** wrote in mid-June: “I recently moved to Atlanta, Ga., where I am teaching middle school history and Spanish at the Wesleyan School. It was neat to be back on campus for my sister

**Louise ’07’s** graduation and see all the renovations to Hyde, Curtis Pool, and the Art Museum.”

**Jonathan Farmer** married Tabitha Luchka in Port St. Lucie, Florida, on July 21. Tabitha attends University of Central Florida in Orlando and Jonathan is serving in the Army. After a wedding trip to Coconut Grove, the couple will reside in Clarksville, Tenn. *From a TCPalm.com article, September 23, 2007.*

**Whitney Hodgkins** wrote on May 22: “I am still living in Topsham, Maine. It seems that I just can’t get away from Bowdoin, but it has been neat to watch all the recent changes to the campus take place. I am looking forward to checking out the new concert hall and the changes to the art museum. I am about to enter into the final year of my masters program at the Boston College Graduate School of Social Work. It has been an excellent experience so far, but I can’t wait to be done with school.”

**Noah Kolb** and Amanda Malgari are engaged to be married. She graduated from Dartmouth College and is attending the University of Massachusetts Medical School, which Noah is also attending. *From a newburyportnews.com article, August 11, 2007.*

**Dawn Rackliffe and David MacDonald ’02** were married in Rhode

Island on Saturday, June 2, 2007. See photo in *Weddings* section

**Kristi Royer** and Joe Ouellette were married in Boothbay Harbor, Maine on June 30, 2007. A reception followed at the Newagen Seaside Inn, Southport Island, Maine. See photo in *Wedding* section.

**Lindsey Scott-Bergstrom** “announces her marriage to Captain Bo Bergstrom, USMC (United States Naval Academy ’03) on October 29, 2005, prior to his deployment for one year in Iraq. Lindsey and Bo renewed their vows with family and friends on June 23, 2007, in Sheridan, Wyoming, upon his return.” See photo in *Weddings* section.

The *Maine Sunday Telegram* featured **Will Thomas** in an article about the exploding popularity of triathlons in Maine. Will founded the triathlon management company Tri-Maine, which is given much of the credit for the sport’s growth in the state.

**Diann Wood** and Lenny LaFrance were married September 2, 2007, at the Woodbound Inn, Rindge, N.H. She is the project supervisor for a merchant services company in northern California. He is a graduate of Southeast Community College in Lincoln, Neb. A former federal firefighter, he works for the Eureka Police Department. The couple lives in Fortuna, Calif., with “their two loveable pit bulls, Hank and Forest.” *From a Peterborough, N.H., Monadnock Ledger article, September 18, 2007.*

**04**

**Kate Leach** and Tim Bathras were married on October 7, 2006 at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Portland, Maine. A reception followed at the Marriott at Sable Oaks. See photo in *Wedding* section.

The *Sunday Telegraph London* mentioned **David Clark** in a recent article about Princess Beatrice: “Then, there are well-publicized plans for Beatrice to be the first member of the Royal Family to be blasted into space, which have done much to help publicize Virgin Galactic, Sir Richard Branson’s space-tourism project - which also happens to employ her American boyfriend, Dave Clark.” *From a Sunday Telegraph London (UK) article, September 23, 2007.*

**Rachel Jones and Kevin Folan ’03** “were married on August 18, 2007, at St.

Katharine Drexel Chapel in Harpswell, Maine. The reception was held on the Hyde School campus in Bath, Maine.” See photo in *Wedding* section.

**Ryan Malloy** wrote in mid-May: “This August 2007, I will begin my second year of law school at the George Washington University Law School after completing a judicial internship at D.C. Superior Court during the summer.”

**Alison Rau** emailed on August 3: “I’m now a second year at the University of Connecticut Law School and worked this summer as a legal intern for the Connecticut Fund for the Environment in New Haven. Still very interested in environmental law and policy, particularly land use and international issues.”

**Jennifer and Jim Weeks** “were married June 9, 2007, in Wolfeboro, N.H., on Lake Winnepesaukee. It was a beautiful ceremony and reception and many of our Bowdoin friends made the trip up to the lake for the weekend. It felt like a much needed reunion.” See photo in *Weddings* section.

**05**

**Carly Knight** stated on June 7: “I’m finishing my fellowship with the Island Institute this fall but will continue living on Chebeague Island (Casco Bay). Everyone’s welcome to come visit, we have plenty of lobster.”

**Courtney Welch** is “living in Denver and enrolled in DU’s Sturm College of Law MRLS program. Loving the skiing and taking full advantage of my five-mountain ski pass!”

**Sarah Yantakosol** and Daniel Gayere (Harvard ’06) “were married on July 21, 2007, in Cape Elizabeth, Maine.” See photo in *Weddings* section.

**06**

**Charlotte Carnevale** reported: “I’m home in Calif., working for the social networking site Facebook with fellow alum **Jake Brill ’04.**”

**Allyson Craib** is “attending graduate school at Lesley University and working at Reebok Childcare.”

**Sarah Damerville**, assistant director of admissions at Dartmouth College, was quoted in a newspaper article about campus tours for prospective students. *From a West Lebanon, N.H., Valley News article, July 29, 2007.*

**Kelly Frey** wrote on July 2: "I just published my first novel entitled *Summer Session*. It is available on Amazon.com. I also co-authored two chapters in the American Bar Association's book *Intellectual Property Deskbook for the Business Lawyer*, which was published this month."

"Since graduation, **Emily Elinick** has been working for regional theatre companies as a stage manager. Most recently she worked for the Stamford Theatre Works in Conn."

Professional hockey player **Jon Landry** was mentioned in an article about preparations for the 2007-08 season. He "skated full-time with the Sundogs during the 2006-07 campaign and "in 41 regular season games the forward-turned-defenseman collected 14 points (7g/7a) and a plus-3 rating. 'Jon was one of our most versatile players last season,' noted coach Pietroniro. 'When we were thin on defense part way through the season Jon made the switch from forward to defense and was effective. Very few players can make that switch and have the success he had.'" *From an oursportscentral.com article, June 22, 2007.*

Former Bowdoin College and Maranacook Community School baseball

player **Jared Lemieux** recently completed his second professional baseball season as a member of the Sussex (N.J.) Sky Hawks of the Can-Am Independence Baseball League. "My first full season went well," said Lemieux, who during his offseason is working as a hitting instructor at the Howard Sports Dome in Topsham. "There was a lot of turnover on the team throughout the season, but I was able to stick around as the team's fourth outfielder." Lemieux started 25 of the team's 93 games, playing all three outfield positions. He appeared in another 20 games as a pinch hitter, hitting .269 with a .380 on-base percentage. Lemieux scored 16 runs, walked 14 times, drove in nine and committed no errors. In the off season, he's working as a hitting instructor at Howard Sports Dome in Topsham. *From a Brunswick Times Record article, October 4, 2007.*

The D.C. publication *Roll Call*, referred to **Katinka Podmaniczky** as "one fantastically named assistant to the chief of staff;" in a column about additions to Sen. Tom Carper's staff. *From a Washington, D.C., Roll Call article, June 18, 2007.*

**Henry Work**, who helped coach

Bowdoin's World Champion Robocup team was quoted in a *Portland Press Herald* story about the victory. "I'm ecstatic, it's so ridiculous," he said. *From a Portland, Maine, Press Herald article, July 20, 2007.*

07

**Ted Power**, "did not spend his last few months of university sweating out his job search. On the contrary. [he] secured his 'dream job' in the design department for Google's New York City office last September." *From a financialtimes.com article, June 22, 2007.*

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**Juan Paul Domenech '31** died on October 18, 2005, in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico. Born on January 28, 1909, he prepared for college at Central High School in San Puerto Rico and attended Bowdoin for a year before entering the U.S. Naval Academy in 1928. Following his graduation there in 1932, he served in the U.S. Navy until retiring in 1955 as a commander, after serving on several ships during World War II.

**Charles Plummer Emerson '32** died in Portland on June 29, 2007. Born on October 3, 2002, in Newton, Mass., he prepared for college at the Portland Country Day School and Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire and joined Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1932, he worked for C.M. and H.T. Plummer, Dingley Press, and the National Biscuit Company, all in Portland, until 1936, when he joined the Microphone, a radio newspaper in Boston. From 1937 until 1942, he was associated with the Anthoensen Press in Portland. He also worked for the Thomas Laughlin Company in Portland from 1943 to 1945, for C.M. and H.T. Plummer from 1946 to 1950, and for Stanley J. Leen Company from 1951 to 1952, when he joined the S.D. Warren Company in Westbrook as product manager and in the quality control department. He was a director of J.B. Brown and Sons from 1965 to 1975 and was its president from 1968 to 1975. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Coast Guard Temporary Reserve from 1942 to 1944, as a chief boatswain's mate. For many years, he was a member of a luncheon club known as the Know Nothings. He was married in 1938 to Helen Holt, who died in 2003, and is survived by a sister, Julia E. Pew of Yarmouth; a son, Charles P. Emerson, Jr. '63 of Rockport; a daughter, Frances E. Prinn of Yarmouth; 11 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

**Frederic Sherburne Mann '36** died on June 24, 2007, in New London, N.H. Born

on March 12, 1914, in Wollaston, Mass., he prepared for college at Needham High School and Roxbury Latin School in Massachusetts and became a member of Chi Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1936, he attended Babson College in Massachusetts for a year and then became a salesman with Stone and Forsythe in Boston. In 1938, he became a food broker with Wm. A. Mann and Sons in Boston and, during World War II, served from 1941 to 1946 in the U.S. Navy, becoming a commander. After the war, he returned to Wm. A. Mann and Sons and then, in 1954, became a zone manager with the Ford Motor Company in Natick, Mass. He was a salesman with the Atlas Advertising firm in Brookline, Mass., from 1958 to 1960, when he became a sales manager with the Quincy (Mass.) Coal and Oil Company. In 1963, he became a salesman and district sales manager with Market Forge Company in Everett, Mass., and became northeast regional manager in 1976. After his retirement in 1981, he moved to New London, N.H., and by 1990 was a manufacturer's representative with C.R. Peterson Associates of Easton, Mass. From 1949 to 1954, he was secretary and treasurer of the Boston Food Brokers. He was married in 1943 to Birna Berndsen, who predeceased him, and is survived by two sons, William Mann and Lawrence Mann; five grandchildren; and his second wife, Elizabeth Mudge Mann, whom he married in 1993.

**Richard Joseph Griffin, Jr. '38** died on May 22, 2007, in Rockville, Md. Born on September 23, 1916, in Haverhill, Mass., he prepared for college at St. James High School there and became a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1938, he entered Harvard University, from which he received a master of business administration degree in economic accounting. He joined Price Waterhouse and Company in 1940 and during World War II served in the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1946, attaining the rank

of lieutenant junior grade. Returning to Price Waterhouse, he served in various capacities, as staff auditor, branch chief, deputy director of auditing, and director of auditing. In 1950, he joined the Atomic Energy Commission in Washington, D.C., where he was director of auditing, energy research, and development administration until 1978, when he retired. He then spent two years with the Association of Government Accountants while writing an accounting manual for small business owners and visiting the locations where the manual was presented. He was a member of the Federal Government Accountants Association and served as president of the Montgomery-Prince George's Counties Chapter. He was a member of Toastmasters and the Argyle Country Club, and from 1983 to 2006 he volunteered to prepare taxes for the elderly under an AARP program and also with Meals-on-Wheels. He was married in 1942 to Connie Fulton, who died in 1983. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Griffin, whom he married in 1987; eight children from his first marriage, Marion L. Griffin of New Market, Md., Richard J. Griffin III of Snohomish, Wash., Vernon Griffin of Damascus, Md., Donna Gilliam of Fresno, Calif., Ted Griffin of Laurel, Md., Fulton Griffin of Manassas, Md., Bob Griffin of Silver Springs, Md., and Louise F. Griffin of Laurel, Md.; two stepchildren from his second marriage, Susan Daly of Columbia, Md., and Carol Cahill of Owings Mill, Md.; a brother; 18 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

**George Bertrand Paull, Jr. '39** died on July 7, 2007, in Cleveland, Ohio. Born on December 22, 1915, in New York City, he prepared for college at the Loomis School in Windsor, Conn., and became a member of Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1939, he worked in advertising in New York until 1941, when he joined the U.S. Navy, serving in World War II until 1946 and attaining the rank of lieutenant commander. After the war, he

worked in directory advertising in New York and studied for a year at the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut. He was married in 1943 to Helen Davidson, who predeceased him, and is survived by two daughters, Cynthia D. Paul and Lois Paull.

**John Manley Dearth '41** died on August 22, 2007, in Hyannis, Mass. Born on December 29, 1919, in Ashville, N.C., he prepared for college at Vermont Academy and became a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended from 1937 to January of 1939. He also attended Ohio State University, and during World War II he served with the Royal Canadian Air Force and the U.S. Army Air Forces in England with the 599<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Squadron. After working through the years in the insurance business, he retired and moved to Cape Cod in Massachusetts. Surviving are a daughter, Deborah D. Attilis of Falls Church, Va., and three grandchildren.

**Howard Herrick Walker, Jr. '41** died on June 28, 2007, in Brunswick, Maine. Born on February 25, 1920, in Brunswick, he prepared for college at Brunswick High School and attended Bowdoin for a year before working at the Bath Iron Works. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of corporal and serving as one of the members of a harbor craft company which assembled the Army Transport Command's "Sea Mules," used in the invasion of Europe in June of 1944. "Sea Mules" performed the same function as tugs, but their flat-topped surfaces made them more maneuverable than tug boats. After the war, he worked for 33 years in the Brunswick Post Office before retiring in 1978. He was a member of the First Parish Church and the Brunswick Golf Club. Surviving are his wife, Phyllis Olsen Walker, whom he married in 1942; two daughters, Carol A. Gammon of Wiscasset and Shelley D. Reynolds of Brunswick; a son, Scott T. Walker of Brunswick; a brother, Robert H.

Walker '43 of Cumberland Foreside; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

**George Richard Adams '42** died on October 14, 2007, in Ellsworth, Maine. Born on October 21, 1919, in Ellsworth, he prepared for college at Ellsworth High School and at the Coburn Classical Institute in Waterville, and became a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1942, he attended the Midshipman School at Columbia University and served in the U.S. Navy on minesweepers in the Atlantic and Pacific during World War II from 1942 to 1946, attaining the rank of lieutenant. From 1946 to 1950, he attended the University of Pennsylvania Dental School, from which he received his D.D.S. degree in 1951. He maintained a dental practice in Ellsworth from 1952 until his retirement in 1982. He played an important role in introducing fluoridation to Ellsworth's water supply in the 1960s. He was a member of the Ellsworth Jaycees, served one term on the Ellsworth City Council, and was the honorary mayor for Ellsworth's bicentennial celebration in 1963. He raised sheep, and was once described by writer E.B. White as "...the most accommodating dentist in Hancock County" for shearing Mr. White's sheep. His marriage to Esther Kinsey in 1950 ended in divorce in 1970. He is survived by a son, John Q. Adams of Ellsworth; two daughters, Juliet K. Adams of Surry and Suzanne K. Adams of Lexington, Mass.; two granddaughters; and two sisters, Alice A. Anderson of Bangor and Jean C. O'Meara of Hancock Point.

**Joseph Hume McKay '42** died on September 29, 2007, in Scarborough, Maine. Born in Houlton on January 18, 1920, he prepared for college at Houlton High School and Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire, and became a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II from 1942 to 1946, attaining the rank of

sergeant. Following his military service, he returned to Houlton and joined his father in the insurance business with the George S. Gentle Insurance Company. His entire career was in the property and casualty insurance business. He became president of the George S. Gentle Company in 1956, was a partner of the John C. Paige Company in Portland following a merger in 1966, and until his retirement served as vice president of the Fred S. James Company of Maine. Following his retirement, he spent winters in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., until 2001, when he moved to Scarborough. He was a trustee of the Houlton Savings Bank and Ricker College, and was one of the founders of the Houlton Regional Development Corporation. He was a former president of the Houlton Community Golf Club and was a member of the Houlton Elks Club. He is survived by his wife, Pauline Grant McKay, whom he married in 1949; a son, M. Bruce McKay of Buffalo, N.Y.; two daughters, Martha McKay Novis of Lee, N.H., and Jane McKay Morrell '81 of Brunswick; seven grandchildren, including Luke J. McKay '07 and Micah A. McKay '09, both of Buffalo, N.Y.; and one great-granddaughter.

**George Edward Smith '42** died on September 6, 2007, in York. Born on July 2, 1937, in Woburn, Mass., he prepared for college at Woburn High School and became a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in January of 1943 as a member of the Class of 1942, he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant junior grade. He held a number of positions after the war in Massachusetts and New Hampshire, including plant manager with Indian Head Mills in Nashua, N.H., vice president and general manager with Great Falls Bleachery and Dye Works in Somersworth, N.H., and assistant to the president with the Clemtex Division of the Allied Kid Company in Boston. He was also vice president and general manager with the Allied Research Development Company in

Boston and sales engineer with the K.J. Quinn Company in Malden, Mass. From 1975 until his retirement in 1985, he was director of the Portsmouth Port Authority in New Hampshire. He and his wife "adopted" many foreign children who were studying at the University of New Hampshire through the years. From 1968 to 1972, he was chairman of the board of deacons at the Community Church in Durham, N.H. He was married in 1943 to Ruth Schmidt, who survives him, as do two sons, George E. Smith of Fairfield, Calif., and Jeffrey L. Smith of Las Vegas, Nev.; two daughters, Deborah A. Tetherly of Wolfeboro, N.H., and Cynthia J. Tischendorf of York; five grandchildren; two brothers, Kenneth Smith of Puerto Rico and Conrad Smith of Woburn, Mass.; and two sisters, Martha Smith of Kennebunk and Nancy DeRosa of Cape Neddick.

**Elmer Sidney Bird '43** died on August 27, 2007, in Rockland, Maine. Born on March 4, 1921, in Rockland, he prepared for college at the Noble and Greenough Preparatory School in Dedham, Mass., and became a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended from 1939 to 1941. He worked for a time in the Boston office of the John Bird Companies. For most of his career, he worked for the Central Maine Power Company, beginning in 1949 as a member of the meter department, and successively being appointed line inspector, division distribution assistant, and local manager of the Pittsfield office, a position that he held until his retirement. He served as a representative from Rockland in the 92<sup>nd</sup> Maine State Legislature in 1945-46 and was a member of the Rockland School Board, School Administrative District 5, from 1964-67. He was a member of the Congregational Church in Rockland. He is survived by two daughters, Sidney B. Richardson of Portland and Elizabeth Mann of Acton; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**John Vincent Craven '43** died on August 11, 2007, in Middlebury, Vt. Born on January 23, 1921, in Portland, Maine, he prepared for college at Portland High School and became a member of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in January of 1943, he served in the U.S. Army Air Force in World War II from March of that year until October of 1945, attaining the rank of staff sergeant and being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters. After the war, he did graduate work at the University of Colorado, from which he received a master of arts degree in economics in 1947 and at Syracuse University in New York, from which he received his Ph.D. degree in 1952, also in economics. He was an instructor at Ohio University from 1947 to 1949 and for two years was on the staff of the Federal Trade Commission in Washington and then taught at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y., before joining the faculty at Middlebury College in Vermont in 1956. He retired as a full professor in 1983. In Vermont, he was treasurer of the Addison County Community Action Group and a member of its board for more than 40 years. He was also president of Middlebury Community Television, a school board representative, and a member of the board of the Vermont Civil Liberties Union, the United Way of Addison County, the Addison County Health Council, and the Isley Library. He was the author of *The 305<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group in Action*, an anthology of first person experiences told by members of an 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force B-17 group based in Chelveston, England, in World War II. He was married in 1949 to Harriett J. Stine, who survives him, as do two daughters, Marianne of Washington, D. C., and Carolyn Matthews of Middlebury; a brother, Charles Craven of Manlius, N.Y.; and twin granddaughters.

**Gordon Wentworth Lake '43** died on August 16, 2007, in Moorestown, N.J. Born on August 26, 1921, in Lubec, he prepared

for college at Somerville (Mass.) High School and Morse High School in Bath, and became a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended in 1939–40. He worked at the Bath Iron Works from April of 1941 to January of 1943, when he joined the U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II and became a pilot by completing cadet training in March of 1944. In 1947, he became a first lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force and served continuously until 1972, when he retired as a senior pilot with more than 12,000 hours. He piloted C-118s and C-130s at McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey and was the commander of a C-130 squadron there. In Vietnam, he served as deputy commander of operations of the 315<sup>th</sup> Air Command Wing, flying C-123s. Through the years, he was honored with the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross, two Air Medals, and the Bronze Star. After retiring as a colonel from the Air Force, he lived in Mt. Holly, N.H., where he was purchasing manager with Inductotherm Company. Later on, he founded Sauna Health Company, which he owned and operated until 1986. He was married in 1943 to Hilda Bradford, who predeceased him, and is survived by a daughter, Linda Lake Johnston; a son, Gordon Lake II; four grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

**Richard Watson Benjamin '44** died on February 23, 2006, in Kennewick, Wash. Born on March 15, 1923, in Lynn, Mass., he prepared for college at Beverly (Mass.) High School and became a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Bowdoin. He received his degree from the College in 1944 while he was serving as a sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. He was an agent with the Prudential Insurance Company from 1946 to 1950 and an agent with the Union Central Life Insurance Company in Boston from 1950 to 1955, when he became a teacher in Essex, Mass. He continued as a teacher and then a principal in Beverly, Mass., from 1958 to 1962 and was director of pupil

services in Mountain Lakes, N.J., from 1962 to 1971, when he became principal in Totowa, N.J. In 1973, he became director of special services in Ridgefield Park, N.J. In 1950, he received a master of education degree from Salem State College in Massachusetts. He was married in 1944 to Lois Blackler and in 1975 to Lorrain DeRosa. Surviving are his son, Robert J. Benjamin '66, and a daughter, Judith.

**Jerrold Rock Hickey '44** died on June 23, 2007, in Auburndale, Mass. Born on January 12, 1922, in Newton Centre, Mass., he prepared for college at Boston Latin School and Newton High School and became a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy from 1943 to 1946, attaining the rank of lieutenant junior grade. After the war, he returned to the College and graduated in June of 1947. He also received in 1949 a master of business administration degree from Harvard University and for some years was associated with the MacMillan Company in New York. He also worked with Harcourt, Brace, and Prentice-Hall and was managing editor of the *Journal of Accountancy*. He was editor of *Boston Magazine*, published monthly by the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce and was a book reviewer for the *Boston Herald* and the *Boston Traveler*. In 1965, he was appointed editor of *Bostonia*, published by the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, and served as director of communications for the Boston Housing Authority. He was married in 1964 to Sue Livingston Cobb, who survives him, as does a sister, Virginia H. Eshoo of Portsmouth, N.H.

**Franklin Lawrence Joy II '44** died on August 31, 2007, in Orleans, Mass. Born on January 26, 1923, in Winchester, Mass., he prepared for college at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., and became a member of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended from 1940 to 1942 before serving in World War II until 1946.

He was a fighter pilot in the U.S. Navy and attained the rank of lieutenant junior grade. After the war, he returned to Bowdoin. After his graduation in 1946 as a member of the Class of 1944, he became a building contractor as manager and owner of Frank Joy, Inc. With his brothers, Cy and Will Joy '54, he did business as Cape Cod Ready Mix, Cape Cod Truck Service, Lower Cape Foundation, Coastal Engineering, and Frank Joy, Inc., of which he was president and manager. He also continued his great interest in flying, being well known in the aviation community, flying various planes around Cape Cod and the islands. In fact, he flew his helicopter in the film *Jaws*. After he retired, he raised sheep, and chickens, as well as turkeys for Thanksgiving. He was married in 1946 to Sara Smith, who survives him, as do two sons, Dan Joy of Orleans and Jack Joy, who lives in Calif.; a daughter, Jenny Avellar of Orleans; and four grandchildren.

**Arthur Otis Putnam, Jr. '44** died on October 7, 2007, in Houlton, Maine. Born on January 15, 1922, in Houlton, he prepared for college at Ricker Classical Institute and became a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended from 1940–43. He enlisted in the U.S. Army during World War II and served with the 692<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery Battalion. Following the war, he attended Ricker Junior College and then joined Putnam Brothers Company as a sales representative. He became sales manager there in 1955, and was named president in 1970, a position he held until his retirement. He served on the board of trustees for Ricker College, the Ricker Scholarship Fund, and the Houlton Fair Association. He was a past president of Houlton Regional Development Corporation and the Houlton Rotary Club, was the recipient of the Paul Harris Fellowship Award, and was the general chairman of the Houlton Sesquicentennial in 1957. In 1968, he was elected president of the Ricker Alumni Association and received the Outstanding

Service to Ricker Award in 1970. His wife, Lona Taggett Putnam, died in 1993. He is survived by a daughter, Keaton Putnam Ells of Hampton, N.H.; two sons, Christian Taggett Putnam of Houlton and Kimball Temple Putnam of Windham, N.H.; six grandchildren; and a brother, Mellen Pearce Putnam of Houlton.

**Robert Hiram Waterman '47** died in October of 2007 in Sanford, Maine, of complications from prostate cancer. Born on September 8, 1922, in Portland, he prepared for college at North Yarmouth Academy and became a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity at Bowdoin. He served in the U.S. Army Air Forces as a radar/radio mechanic from 1943 to 1946, attaining the rank of sergeant. He returned to Bowdoin and graduated in 1947 as a member of the Class of 1944. Following his graduation, he purchased the Douglas Hill Apple Orchard in Sebago and began a career in the apple business. He was co-owner of Romac Orchards in Acton and was for many years an apple broker for J.P. Sullivan & Co. In his retirement, he renovated houses in the Florida Keys, Arizona, Maine, and New Hampshire. He is survived by his wife, Judith Atkinson Waterman, whom he married in 1949; three daughters, Gail Klahs of Kennebunk, Ann Vermette of Springvale, and Nancy Waterman of Kennebunkport; a son, Gordon Waterman of Shapleigh; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

**Rudolph Gastav Louis Flinker '45** died on June 29, 2007, in Glen Rock, N.J. Born on October 22, 1923, in Chicago, Ill., he prepared for college at Dwight Morrow High School in Englewood, N.J., and became a member of Chi Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin. He studied at Bowdoin for two and one-half years and at Bates for one year under the U.S. Navy V-12 program during World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy from June of 1943 to June of 1946 and attaining the rank of lieutenant junior grade. He

received his Bowdoin degree in 1944 as a member of the Class of 1945. In 1946, he joined the Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of N.Y., now Morgan Chase, where he remained employed for 42 years, working in the trusts and investments department. He retired in 1978. He was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Glen Rock, with which he served two terms as president of the Church Council, served as treasurer of the Council for many years, and was a member of the choir for 47 years, beginning in 1960. He was also a member of the Activities Club of Glen Rock. He was married in 1951 to Sonia Melching, who survives him, as do two sons, Rudolf Flinker of Walnut Creek, Calif., and Peter Flinker of Leeds, Mass.; two daughters, Kathe Mullally of Hull, Mass., and Lisa Curtis of Malibu, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and two sisters, Marie Putney of Charleston, S.C., and Barbara Taylor of West Hartford, Conn.

**James Emerson Herrick '45** died on July 9, 2007, in Bath. Born on December 31, 1904, in Camden, he attended Bangor Theological Seminary, the University of Maine at Orono, Bates College, and Bowdoin, which he attended in 1943-44 as a special student. He was ordained a Methodist minister in 1927 and served in churches in Wayne, Pemaquid, Orr's Island, and Bailey Island. In 1944, he went to the Aleutian Islands to work with the Knudson Construction Company for 18 months. When he returned, he resumed his pastoral duties and also became the postmaster for Bailey Island. He built seven cottages as an additional source of income. He was an active pastor for 75 years, and twice gave the opening prayer for the Maine State Legislature. He was one of the organizers of the Bailey Island Tuna Tournament, was a member of the Maine State Highway Commission for several years, and was active with the Boy Scouts and the fire department. His first wife, Antoinette, died in 1967. His second wife, Mary Frey Herrick,

died in 2004. He is survived by a son, James E. Herrick, Jr. of Arlington, Texas; two daughters, Helen Johnson of Cundy's Harbor and Alice Jewell of Woolwich; 16 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

**Stanley Adams Lawry, Jr. '45** died on September 22, 2007, in Loma Linda, Calif. Born on October 9, 1923, in Dedham, Mass., he prepared for college at Dedham High School, Melrose High School, and Hebron Academy and became a member of Chi Psi Fraternity after he entered Bowdoin in 1941. After serving in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1945 during World War II and receiving the Purple Heart, he returned to Bowdoin and graduated in 1947. In 1949, he received a master of business administration degree from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He was a trainee with Buck Printing Company in Boston and also was with the First National Bank of Boston and was a salesman with the Gerrity Company of Boston. In 1950, he joined the Atlantic Richfield Company in Philadelphia. He remained with that company, moving to California in 1975, until his retirement in 1985. At Atlantic Richfield, he had been a personnel manager, an operations supervisor, and a sales engineer. He was a Mason, volunteered with United Way programs, and was a member of the Loraine Avenue Baptist Church in Glendora, Calif. He is survived by his wife, Sara Elaine McLean, whom he married in 1950; a daughter, Leslie Golper; a son, Stanley A. Lawry III; a sister, Eva Lawry Sutton of Bainbridge Island, Wash.; a brother, Gordon Lawry of Cape Cod, Mass.; and five grandchildren.

**John Melville Goddard '46** died on July 31, 2007, in Rockport, Mass. Born on September 22, 1924, in Newport, R.I., he prepared for college at Belmont (Mass.) High School and Tabor Academy in Marion, Mass., and became a member of Psi Upsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended

until January of 1943. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy from July of 1943 to July of 1946 attaining the rank of ensign and studying at Holy Cross College. After the war, he returned to Bowdoin and, following his graduation in 1947, joined his father in operating the Boston Blue Print Company, Inc. He retired in 1989 as owner and operator of that company. He was a member of the Sandy Bay Yacht Club for many years, taught adult sailing during the summer months and served as a member of that club's board of governors, as well as serving as its commodore many times. He was married in 1947 to Joyce Marsh, who died in 1974, and was married again in 1985 to Janet Smith Goddard who survives him, as do a son, Geoffrey Goddard of Rockport, Mass.; a daughter, Lynn Goddard of Magnolia, Mass.; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two stepchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

**Joseph Henry LaCasce '46** died on September 30, 2007, in Ellsworth after a long illness. Born on January 2, 1926, he prepared for college at Fryeburg Academy and became a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1946 *cum laude*, he taught math and coached tennis at Hebron Academy in Maine from 1946-48 and at Proctor Academy in Andover, N.H., from 1948-52. He received his M.D. degree from Harvard Medical School in 1957 and, after an internship and a three-year residency program, he was appointed to the staff at the Tufts University School of Medicine and the Veterans Administration Hospital in Boston for two years. In 1963, he moved to Ellsworth, where he was chief of medicine at the Maine Coast Memorial Hospital and practiced internal medicine for the next 33 years. He retired in 1996. He was a trustee of Black House at the Maine Coast Memorial Hospital and had been on the board of directors of the Pine Ridge School in Williston, Vt. He is survived by his wife, W. Deanna LaCasce, whom he married in 1963; a son, Joseph H. LaCasce,

Jr. '86 of Oslo, Norway; two daughters, Ann S. LaCasce '87 of Needham, Mass., and Barbara LaCasce of Surry; two brothers, Elroy O. LaCasce, Jr. '44 of Brunswick and Steward LaCasce of Tucson, Ariz.; and four grandchildren. Another brother, Charles R. LaCasce '50 died on October 6, 2007.

**Charles Allen Cohen '47** died on October 13, 2007, in Portland. Born on October 16, 1926, in Portland, he prepared for college at Portland High School and in the middle of his senior year there entered Bowdoin as a member of the Class of 1947. He was a member of Alpha Rho Upsilon Fraternity. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946 and studied in the Navy's V-12 officer candidate program at Bates, Holy Cross, and Dartmouth. Following his graduation from Bowdoin in 1947, he entered the automobile tire and fuel business, serving for many years as president of Service Oil Company before retiring in 1995. He was active in many business, civic, and fund-raising organizations, as president of the Better Home Heat Council of Southern Maine, as a member of the boards of the Maine Oil Dealers Association, the Morrison Development Center (originally known as the Cerebral Palsy Center), and The Cedars in Portland. He was a director of the Jewish Federation of Portland, Shaarey Tphiloh Synagogue, and the Jewish Community Center, and was a volunteer with Maine Handicapped Skiing for 18 years. He was 1947's Class Agent in the Alumni Fund for 14 years. In 1955, he was married to Marvis Polakewich, who died in 1978, and was later married to Catherine Blanchard, who survives him, as do two daughters, Martha Ollove of Scarborough and Lorri Rich of Candia, N.H.; and three grandchildren.

**Robert Stephenson Doughty '47** died on June 27, 2007, in Pasadena, Calif. Born on July 3, 1926, in Portland, Maine, he prepared for college at Falmouth High School. In September of his freshman year at Bowdoin, he left to serve in the U.S. Army. He served

with a combat infantry division in two major battles in Germany during his two years of active duty and graduated from the Army Finance School at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indiana. He returned to the College in October of 1946 and, following his graduation in 1949 as a member of the Class of 1947, studied accounting for two years at Boston University and was for four years an accountant with the Hotel Avery in Boston. After a year in Chicago, Ill., in a general accounting office, he joined Union Oil in Chicago, remaining in that area until 1955, when he became a computer programmer with Union Oil Company of California in Los Angeles. He retired in 1984. For more than 45 years, he was a member of the American Contract Bridge League. He established the Robert S. Doughty Scholarship Fund at the College in 1986, with preference given to Cumberland County students attending Bowdoin. Surviving are two brothers, Moulton Doughty of Old Saybrook, Conn., and David Doughty of Falmouth Foreside, and several nieces and nephews.

**Robert Tracy Hall '47** died on July 20, 2007, at his home in Sun City Center, Fla. Born on December 18, 1925, in Newton, Mass., he prepared for college at Newton High School. He entered Bowdoin in 1943 and served in the U.S. Army from 1944-45 in the infantry. He was awarded a Purple Heart and a Combat Infantryman Badge. He returned to Bowdoin and graduated in 1948 as a member of the Class of 1947. He was a salesman for the Old Print Shop in New York City from 1948-51, before becoming a field services supervisor with Lever Brothers Co. in 1951. He retired after 37 years with Lever Brothers in 1988 as a promotion operations manager. He is survived by his wife, Mary (Faber) Hall, whom he married in 1951; two daughters, Bonney H. Pope of Lake Forest, Ill., and Elizabeth C. Murray of Barrington, Ill.; two sons, Robert T. Hall, Jr. of Trumbull, Conn., and William B. Hall of Portsmouth, R.I.; and nine grandchildren.

**Richard Ellis Crockford '49** died on September 28, 2007 at his home in Mattapoisett, Mass. Born on June 6, 1927, in Miami, Fla., he prepared for college at Ponce de Leon High School in Coral Gables, Fla. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1945 and served on a submarine chaser during World War II. Following his graduation from Bowdoin in 1950 as a member of the Class of 1949 and Chi Psi Fraternity, he worked briefly as a claims adjuster for Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. in Boston and for two years as assistant to the vice president of manufacturing for Dewey & Almy Chemical Co. of Cambridge, Mass. In 1952, he embarked on a long and distinguished career in education, starting as a teacher and assistant headmaster at the Park School in Brookline, Mass., from 1952-1955. He received a master's degree in English literature from Boston University in 1955 and then joined the faculty in the English department at Colby Junior College (now Colby-Sawyer College) in New London, N.H., where he taught for 12 years. After teaching for a year at Boston University, he returned to Colby Junior College as dean of studies from 1968 to 1970, and then served as vice president and dean of the faculty from 1970 to 1972. In 1972, he was named the 10<sup>th</sup> president of Dean Junior College (now Dean College), a position that he held until his retirement in 1991. In addition to his scholarly articles, he wrote two novels, *The Spillers' Indian Summer* and *The Thing Itself*. He was an evaluator for the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, was the first junior college representative to be elected to the board of directors of the National Council of Independent Colleges and Universities, and was appointed to the board of the National Endowment for the Humanities. He was a director of the Woonsocket Hospital in Rhode Island, the Ray Memorial Library in Franklin, Mass., the New London Hospital Board in Conn., and a member of the Franklin Bicentennial

Commission. He married Claire Coddaira in 1955 and was remarried to Julie Ahlman. He leaves six children, Richard, Jr., Jeremy, Elizabeth, Lisa, Seth, and Kate; and six grandchildren.

**Robert Cummins, Jr. '49** died on May 13, 2007, in Brunswick, Ga. Born on August 2, 1923, in Bangkok, Thailand, he prepared for college at Winchester High School in Winchester, Mass., and attended Goddard Junior College in Plainfield, Vt., from 1940-42. He served in the U.S. Army Air Forces from 1943 to 1945, attaining the rank of second lieutenant. He entered the College in 1945 and became a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity. He was self-employed as a pilot for a lobster air express business and as a flight instructor while he was a student at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1950 as a member of the Class of 1949, he taught in the Campbell County, Ky., school system for a year before joining the Ohio Division of Wildlife as a fisheries specialist from 1950-58, serving in Batavia, Xenia, and Sandusky. He worked for Catawba Marine Sales, Inc., in Port Clinton, Ohio, for a year before joining the National Marine Fisheries Service in Brunswick, Ga., as laboratory director in 1959. He published numerous articles in professional journals on his research, which involved assessing stocks of benthic invertebrates and finfish from Cape Hatteras to the coast of Brazil. He was a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee to the Great Lakes Fisheries Commission, the American Fisheries Society, the Wildlife Society, and a number of regional fisheries organizations. He is survived by his wife, Janice (Hayden) Cummins, whom he married in 1952; one son, Robert Cummins III of Sunset, S.C.; two daughters, Susan Derkacz of New Braunfels, Texas, and Janice Hernandez of Cedar Creek, Texas; two brothers, David Cummins of Tucson, Ariz., and John Cummins '48 of Minneapolis, Minn.; and one grandchild.

**Richard Pennypacker Davis '49** died on June 21, 2007, in Cumberland, Md. Born on November 23, 1927, in Orange, N.J., he prepared for college at St. Andrew's School in Middletown, Del., and became a member of Chi Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin. From September of 1946 to January 1, 1948 he served in the U.S. Army as a corporal and, following his return to Bowdoin, graduated in 1950 as a member of the Class of 1949. He was the Class Agent for 1949 for several years and became a reporter with the *Meridan Record* in Connecticut, followed by positions as a reporter with the *Potsdam Courier and Freeman* in Potsdam, N.Y., and the *Democrat and Chronicle* in Rochester, N.Y. In 1956, he became the copy editor with the *Evening Sun* in Baltimore, Md. In 1961, he became the director of international affairs with the American Newspaper Guild in Washington, D.C., and in 1969 he became director of information and community with the Department of Housing in Baltimore. He was president of the Baltimore Newspaper Guild from 1958 to 1960, and in 1969 he became director of information and community development with the Department of Housing in Baltimore. In 1972, he was named president of the Baltimore City Fair, a voluntary post. In 1984, he became director of the Hollins, Cross Street, Broadway, Northeast, Lafayette, and Belair markets. He retired in 1993. Surviving are his wife, Margie Gale Davis, whom he married in 1960, and two brothers, William F. Davis, Jr. of Williamsburg, Va., and James C. Davis of Philadelphia, Penn.

**Corydon Clayton Hardy '50** died on June 21, 2007, in Farmington, Maine. Born on February 27, 1928, in Phillips, Maine, he prepared for college at Phillips High School and under the V-12 Naval training program studied at Dartmouth and Bowdoin and also at Boston University, including three semesters in Brunswick. In 1964, he received a bachelor of science degree in engineering from the Naval Post-Graduate School in

Monterey, Calif. He also graduated from the School of Naval Justice in Newport, R.I. For 23 years, he was an aviator in the Navy, from 1945 to 1968, attaining the rank of lieutenant commander. When he returned to Phillips, he became a carpenter, selectman, and assessor, as well as a flight instructor for the Sandy River Flying Club. He was also employed as a substitute teacher, was a school bus driver, and owned Hardy's Saw Sales. He was a member of the Phillips Men's Club, the North Franklin Snowmobile Club, the Phillips Chamber of Commerce, and the Phillips Conservation Commission. He was also a member of Kora Temple and commander of the local American Legion Post. Surviving are his wife, Marian Therrien Hardy, whom he married in 1950; two daughters, Carolyn Childs of Farmingdale and Jennifer Mayo of Winter Park, Fla.; a son, Christian Hardy of Phillips; three grandchildren; his mother, Corace Wing; and a sister, Anita Morrison.

**Charles Rutter LaCasce '50** died on October 6, 2007, in South Paris. Born on February 25, 1925, in Fryeburg, he prepared for college at Fryeburg Academy. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy, attaining the rank of petty officer 1<sup>st</sup> class on the *U.S.S. Haraden* in the Pacific Theater, a ship that received seven battle stars. After the war, he attended Bowdoin in 1946-47 and became a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity. For more than 31 years, he was employed by the Carroll County (N.H.) Department of Health and Human Services as a geriatric specialist in the area of adult and elderly services. He retired from this position in 1987. He was one of the founders of the Meals-on-Wheels program in northern Carroll County and was a member of the Gibson Senior Services Center and where, in 1991, he was named "Director of the Month." In 1971, he created and coordinated the Carroll County Outreach Project, a volunteer service that provides audiotapes of news and entertainment programs for the blind and the elderly. For his work with the

Outreach Project, he received the Robert S. Bray Award from the American Council of the Blind. In 1986, he was the recipient of the Quality of Life Award by Carroll County Home and Health Care Services, and he received the Fryeburg Academy Distinguished Alumni Award in 1996. He was a member of the Masons, served as president of the Fryeburg Kiwanis Club, and was a trustee and deacon for the First Congregational Church in Fryeburg. He was married in 1950 to Marjoray Dolly Griswold, who died in 2006, and he is survived by a daughter, Gaye LaCasce '77 of Grantham, N.H.; a son, C. Brent LaCasce '82 of Fryeburg; two brothers, Elroy O. LaCasce, Jr. '44 of Brunswick and Steward LaCasce '56 of Tucson, Ariz.; and four grandchildren.

**Bruce Hugh Miller White, Jr., '50** died in at his home in Boise, Idaho, on June 13, 2007. Born in Bath on March 15, 1925, he prepared for college at Brunswick High School, Fryeburg Academy, and the Wassookeag School in Dexter. He became a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at Bowdoin. During World War II, he served as a bombardier in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1943 to 1946. He returned to Bowdoin and graduated in 1950. He then returned to active service in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean conflict, during which he flew 22 combat missions. He was a ballistic missile commander in Roswell, N.M., from 1962-67 and a squadron commander during the Vietnam conflict, in which he flew 35 combat missions. He retired from the Air Force in 1969 at the rank of major, and moved to Boise, Idaho, where he taught at Garfield Elementary School for 17 years. He opened White's Trophy Salmon Fishing Lodge on Malcolm Island, in Sointula, British Columbia, Canada. A lifelong skier, he placed 4<sup>th</sup> on the Federation of International Skiing competition in Kitzbühel, Austria, in 1946 and won the Falstaff Cup as a member of the Walker Air Force Ski Team in 1965. He won the Southern Idaho Sailing Association

San Juan 21 Championship three years in a row and placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the San Juan Nationals in 1976. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Dennis White, whom he married in 1952; two sons, Bruce H.M. White III of Ketchikan, Alaska, and Dennis E. White of Atlanta, Ga., a daughter, Caroline White McQuade of Titusville, Fla.; 12 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two brothers, Rupert B. White '58 and Houghton M. White '58, both of Brunswick; three sisters, Lucy W. Crouch of Glen Ellyn, Ill., Mary Elise Richardson of Cave Creek, Ariz., and Suzanne W. Hayden of South Portland.

**Benjamin Vanderford Haywood '51** died on June 21, 2007, in Lighthouse Point, Fla. Born on July 15, 1929, in Salem, Mass., he prepared for college at Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire and became a member of Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1951, he served with the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean conflict in 1952-53 and remained in the Marine Corps Reserve forces until 1968. In 1957, he graduated from the University of Miami School of Law and practiced in the trust department of the First National Bank of Miami. In 1960, he opened his own law practice in the Pompano Beach area, where he practiced for nearly 40 years. In 1962, he moved to Lighthouse Point and was appointed municipal judge, a position he held for more than 10 years until the municipal court system became a politically elected system of full-time county judges and he chose to continue his private law practice. In 1975, he bought a sailboat, *Big Daddy*, a 48-foot gaff-rig ketch, which he and friends rebuilt and renamed *Vivid*. He and his family and friends enjoyed sailing throughout the Bahamas and the Florida Keys, as well as day sailing. He was married in 1954 to Elizabeth Nicholson, who survives him, as do two daughters, Anne Daniels of the Netherlands and Carolyn McGuire of Lighthouse Point; his sister, Priscilla Haywood Bevins of Marblehead, Mass.; and a grandson.

**Philip Lanson Hyde '51** died on September 17, 2007 in Brighton, Mass. Born on June 8, 1928, in Lawrence, Mass., he prepared for college at Edward F. Searles High School in Methuen, Mass., and became a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended from 1947 to 1950. He graduated from the Tufts University School of Dentistry and served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean conflict as a lieutenant, and was stationed on an ice breaker in Greenland. For many years, he practiced dentistry in the Merrimack Valley. Surviving are his wife, Eva House Hyde; a daughter, Diane Comparato of Tucson, Ariz.; three sons, Dr. Donald Hyde of Derry, N.H., David Hyde of Plaistow, N.H., and Christopher Hyde of North Andover, Mass.; two grandchildren; and three brothers.

**Robert Dale Strong '51** died on August 26, 2007, in Damariscotta, Maine. Born there on October 8, 1929, he prepared for college at Lincoln Academy in Newcastle and became a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1953 as a member of the Class of 1951, he was an automobile dealer with General Motors Acceptance Corporation in Portland until 1956, when he became the owner of Strong Chevrolet in Damariscotta, a business that he continued to operate until 1997. He played the piano at many dances and shows and played bridge every Wednesday for more than 50 years. He served for more than 20 years as a trustee of Miles Memorial Hospital in Damariscotta and was the president of its board for many years. He also served as a member of the board of the Lincoln Home and the Eldercare Network and served as commander of the Wawenock Power Squadron. A member of the Second Congregational Church in Newcastle, he is survived by his wife, Jean Stetson Strong, whom he married in 1950; two daughters, Valerie Seibel and Betsy Mahan, both of Damariscotta; eight grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

**Norman Albert Davis '52** died on August 8, 2007, in Brunswick. Born there on December 20, 1926, he graduated from Brunswick High School in 1944 and then entered the Maine Maritime Academy, from which he graduated in 1946. After serving in the Merchant Marine for two years, he attended Bowdoin for a year as a member of the Class of 1952 and joined Sigma Nu Fraternity. He was a chief marine engineer with the American Export Lines out of New York from 1950 to 1955, and after serving on active duty in the U.S. Navy for a year as a lieutenant he served in the Merchant Marine again until 1959. He owned and operated the Rustic Cabin on Union Street in Brunswick until 1970, when he sold that business and opened Norman A. Davis Real Estate Company in Topsham. He retired from the real estate business in 1992. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Brunswick Rotary Club, the Masons, and the American Legion Post 202 in Topsham. He was married in 1961 to Anne Pesce and in 1996 to Christine Allen, who survives him, as do two daughters, Stephanie Davis of Los Angeles, Calif., and Roxanne Jones of Harpswell; a son, Frederick Davis of South Glastonbury, Conn.; three brothers, Herbert Davis of Bowdoin, Richard Davis of Bangor, and Larry Davis of Boothbay; two sisters, Judith Major of Akron, Ohio, and Dianne Dungey of Wellston, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

**John Collin Kennedy '52** died on September 23, 2007, in Kennebunk, Maine. Born on August 5, 1930, in La Porte, Ind., he prepared for college at Newton High School in Newtonville, Mass., and became a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1952, he served for four years in the U.S. Air Force and became a first lieutenant. In 1956, he joined the micro-switch division of Honeywell in Hartford, Conn., with which he became a senior sales engineer. In 1966, he joined Mechanical Maintenance Company in East Hartford, Conn., with

which he remained for more than 20 years as a vice president before retiring to Maine and Drake's Island in Wells, where he worked on a part-time basis at a number of locations, including H & R Block, until 2004. He was married in 1953 to Margaret Van Note, who died in 1986, and was married again to Jane Van Note Kennedy, who survives him, as do a son, Michael C. Kennedy of Chapel Hill, N.C.; four daughters, Nancy Eschner of Bristol, Susan Carpenter of Canton, Kathryn Larrow of Carver, Mass., and Jennifer Kennedy of Albany, Calif.; and 11 grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews.

**Chalmers MacCormick '52** died on September 27, 2007, in Aurora, N.Y. Born on April 17, 1928, in Framingham, Mass., he prepared for college at Framingham High School. He served in the U.S. Army from 1946-48 as a cryptographer. He entered Bowdoin in 1948 and became a member of Delta Upsilon Fraternity, graduating *cum laude* in 1952. He received a master of arts degree from Harvard University in 1953, studied at the University of Tübingen in Germany as a Fulbright Scholar in 1953-54, and earned a Ph.D. in Religion and Theology from Harvard in 1959. He was a professor of the history and philosophy of religion at Wells College in Aurora, N.Y., from 1958 until his retirement in 1992. Sabbatical leaves enabled him to travel and study in England, India, and at General Theological Seminary in New York City. He was a communicant at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Aurora, and was a member of the Ithaca Community Chorus and the United Ministry Choir. He is survived by his wife, Elisabeth Koelln MacCormick, whom he married in 1953; three sons, Christopher W. MacCormick of Aurora, N.Y., Thomas C. MacCormick '78 of Deggenhaustal, Germany, and Ethan A. MacCormick '84 of Aurora; two daughters, Kathryn Roth of Stuttgart, Germany, and Marian MacCormick of Raleigh, N.C.; two sisters,

Margaret de Forest of Santa Barbara, Calif., and Jean Renjilian of Newtown, Conn.; and five grandchildren.

**Willis Henry Durst, Jr. '56** died on May 21, 2007 in Los Angeles, Calif. Born on December 25, 1934, in Hollywood, Calif., he prepared for college at the Flintridge Preparatory School in Pasadena, Calif., and became a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1956, he served in the U.S. Army for two years, attaining the rank of first lieutenant. In November of 1958, he joined Wagenseller and Durst, Inc., in Los Angeles, Calif., where he was a vice president and director and where he remained employed as a stockbroker until his retirement. He was married in 1971 to Janet Prentiss O'Mara (Penne), who survives him, as does a sister, Elizabeth Durst Bateman.

**Russell Samuel Ireland, Jr. '58** died on September 4, 2007, in Shelburne, Vt. Born on September 18, 1936, in Somers Point, N.J., he prepared for college at Rancocas Valley Regional High School in Mt. Holly, N.J., and became a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Bowdoin, which he attended from 1954 to 1956. During the next three years, he attended what was then Farmington Teachers College in Maine and then served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps until 1962. He taught for a year at The Forks in Maine and, in 1963, taught for a year at the Adams School in Burlington, Vt. He also studied mathematics and physics at the University of Vermont from 1964 to 1968. He was for some years a technician in the physics department at that university and also taught alternate energy technology in the evening division. He was married in 1966 to Constance Roessler, who died in 1991, and is survived by his mother, Alice Ireland of Ogunquit; a son, Russell Ireland III of St. Albans, Vt.; a daughter, Rebecca Nagel of Reulingen, Germany; three grandchildren; a brother,

Richard Ireland of Cornish; and a sister, Susan Ireland of Kensington, Calif.

**James Holland Bradner, Jr. '63** died on August 16, 2007, in Lake Forest, Ill. Born on November 28, 1941, in Cleveland, Ohio, he prepared for college at Lakewood High School in Illinois and became a member of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation from Bowdoin in 1963, he graduated in 1966 from the Ohio State University College of Law and then served until 1969 in the Military Intelligence Branch of the U.S. Army in Vietnam, attaining the rank as captain. After three years as an associate in the office of Stephen J. Knerly in Cleveland, Ohio, he served for two years as the counsel with the Bar Association of Greater Cleveland, and then, in 1974, became the assistant director of the National Center for Professional Discipline with the American Bar Association in Chicago, Ill. In 1974, he became the assistant director of the American Bar Association's National Center for Professional Discipline in Chicago. In 1978, he was appointed to the position of senior attorney in the National Strategy Program of the National District Attorneys Association Economic Crime Project. In 1981, he and Edward A. Studzinski opened their office for the practice of law in Chicago, and, in 1983, he opened his own office in Lake Forest, Ill. In 1984, he became a counsel in the law department of the Alliance of American Insurers in Schaumburg, Ill. He was general counsel for Realtime Software Corporation and chairman of the East Skokie Drainage District and had served as a deacon of the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest, as a lecturer in law at Chicago-Kent College of Law and the Illinois Institute of Technology. He also served as president of the Heller-Aller company in Napoleon, Ohio, and as director of the Consolidated Sales Corporation. He was also very active in Bowdoin affairs through the Alumni Fund and gifts to the Library. He was an

instructor with the American Institute of Paralegal Studies, Inc., in Chicago, a commissioner with the East Skokie Drainage District, Lake County, Ill., a member of the House Committee with the Union League Club of Chicago, and was active in numerous other organizations. He was married in 1968 to Elizabeth Jean Elliott, who survives him, as do a son, James Bradner; two daughters, Carolyn Jasik and Alexandra Bradner; and two grandchildren.

**Charles Robert Coughlan '66** died on July 21, 2007, in a drowning accident at Wells Beach. Born on August 9, 1944, in Cambridge, Mass., he prepared for college at Belmont (Mass.) High School and became a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Bowdoin. Following his graduation in 1966, he received a master of business administration degree from the University of New Hampshire and then was a staff trainee with Western Electric for a year before becoming a section chief in stock maintenance in 1969. He also served as a section chief in warehousing in Watertown, Mass., for a year and then was a department chief in sales and forecasting with Western Electric Company in New York City until 1972, when he became a department chief in production in Oklahoma City, Okla. After a year as a department chief in production control, he joined AT&T in Morristown, N.J., as a marketing supervisor. Later he was associated with the EMI consulting firm of Boston, Mass. He retired at the age of 53 and moved to Wells Beach, Maine. Surviving are his wife, Joyce Geary Coughlan, whom he married in 1966, two sons, Davie Coughlan of Lancaster, Penn., and Tyler Coughlan of Newport Beach, Calif.; two granddaughters; and his sister, Barbara Urbie of Mexico City, Mexico.

**James Arthur Salem '66** died on August 18, 2007, in Shelburne Falls, Mass. Born on April 12, 1944, in Worcester, Mass., he prepared for college at North Brookfield Junior and Senior High School in

Massachusetts and graduated from Bowdoin in 1967 as a member of the Class of 1966. He was married to Jaqueline DeBoer that year, and they spent a year as Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) working with the confederated Tribes on the Warm Springs Reservation in Oregon. *The Greenfield Recorder* for August 20, 2007, included this paragraph about him: "Jim had a rare zest for life and adventure which he imported to everyone who knew him. He never lost his love of ceramics; he taught courses to students of Deerfield Academy, experimented with new techniques, and served on the editorial board of *Studio Potter* magazine. In addition, Jim was an avid hiker, climber, and outdoorsman. He climbed Mercederio Mountain in Argentina at the age of 60, and in the last few weeks canoed the Connecticut and Allagash Rivers. He was the originator of West County Waders, a group of hardy souls who jumped in the Deerfield River every New Year's Day. Among the most transformative experiences in Jim's life was his work on Navajo and Warm Spring Indian Reservations. On the Navajo Reservation he taught accounting and served as Interim Vice President of Diné College." He was comptroller of Deerfield Academy. Surviving are his wife, Jacqueline DeBoer Salem, whom he married in 1967; two children, Sara Salem of Warren, R.I., and Clayton Salem of Greenfield, Mass.; a granddaughter; his parents, Ernest and Carolyn Salem of West Brookfield, Mass.; two brothers, Timothy Salem and Michael Salem; and two sisters, Christine Dmuchovsky and Carol Salem.

**Spencer Lamont Butterfield '68** and his wife, Mary Beth Thomas, died on October 3, 2007, at their home in Cincinnati, Ohio, from accidental carbon monoxide poisoning. Born in Hartford, Conn., on December 21, 1945, he prepared for college at Wethersfield High School in Connecticut and became a member of Chi Psi Fraternity

at Bowdoin. He attended medical school at the Free University of Brussels in Belgium from 1969 to 1971, and graduated from Albany Medical College in New York in 1973. He completed residencies in surgery at Hartford Hospital in Hartford, Conn., and in orthopedic surgery at the University of Pittsburgh. He maintained an orthopedic practice in Connecticut for a number of years and then worked as a trauma doctor for more than a decade at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh. He moved to Cincinnati in 2005. His marriages to Anne E. Fisk in 1970 and to Janet Butterfield ended in divorce. He remarried Mary Beth Thomas in 1992. He is survived by his daughter, Jennifer; his son, Matthew; two stepdaughters, Rebecca Thomas and Sara Pappa; two stepsons, Seth Thomas III and Michael Thomas; and two brothers, Eric Butterfield and Stephen Butterfield.

**Philip William Norton '69** died on January 10, 2007, in San Luis Obispo, Calif., after a long battle with cancer. Born on September 29, 1946, in Milwaukee, Wisc., he prepared for college at South Portland High School and became a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Bowdoin. By the time of his graduation, the fraternity had become Alpha Kappa Sigma. Following his graduation, he served two years as a research technician in immunology at the U.S. Veterans Hospital in Newington, Conn., and then served in the U.S. Army as a first lieutenant and helicopter pilot in Vietnam, being awarded two Air Medals and the Bronze Star. He received his doctorate in 1978 in immunology from the University of Connecticut. He spent his professional career in the field of sales and marketing for pharmaceutical and biotech companies, and most recently was the National Sales and Marketing Director for Promega Biosciences, Inc. He was married in 2005 to Mary Harris, who survives him, as do his two children, Megan N. Norton, a nursing student at then University of San Francisco,

and Casey B. Norton, a senior at Mission College Preparatory Catholic High School; two brothers, Robert L. Norton of Gainesville, Fl., and Scott A. Norton of Savannah, Ga.; and a sister, Teresa A. Mattison of Oakland.

**Daniel McGowan Hays '83** died on June 28, 2007, in San Francisco, Calif. Born on September 20, 1961, in Lewiston, he grew up in Bridgton and prepared for college at Lake Region High School in Naples, Maine. Following his graduation from Bowdoin in 1983, he was awarded a Thomas J. Watson Fellowship to study culture changes in the former German territories of Silesia, Pomerania, and the Baltic Sea coast. He also attended Middlebury College, the University of Vienna in Austria and the University of Leningrad in Russia. He was fluent in five languages. He moved to San Francisco in 1993, where he worked as an AIDS awareness educator and leading international tours for Tour Arts in San Francisco. He is survived by his mother, Josie Hays; a sister, Susan Whalen of Maine; a brother, Buzz Hays of Los Angeles; and several nephews.

**Constance Louise Cranglemier Wight '83** died on July 12, 2007, in Sandown, N.H. Born on October 12, 1961, in Bangor, Maine, she prepared for college at East Grand High School in Danforth and attended Bowdoin from September of 1979 to January of 1981. Surviving are her husband, Edmund C. Wight; two daughters, Stephanie A. Wight and Cassie A. Wight of Sandown; her mother, Marjorie D. Crandlemier of Sandown; her father, Richard Crandlemier of Rickford, Vt.; a brother, C. Pitt Crandlemier; and a granddaughter, Madison P. Wight.

**Benjamin David Garcia '97** died on June 11, 2007, in Point Pleasant, N.J. He was a graduate of Point Pleasant Borough High School and attended Bowdoin for at

least two years. In April of 1995, he was one of 26 students from New Jersey named to the Dean's List on the basis of their scholastic achievements during the fall semester of the 1994-95 academic year. Surviving are his parents, Jeffrey and Janet Garcia of Point Pleasant; a brother, Richard Garcia of Point Pleasant; his maternal grandmother, Lillian Gunther of Toms River; his paternal grandmother, Dorothy Garcia of Lakewood; and many other family members.

**Eileen Mullen Conners G'70** died on July 15, 2007, in Quincy, Mass. Born in Boston, Mass., on December 28, 1940, she grew up in Dorchester, Mass., and graduated from Fontbonne Academy in Milton, Mass., in 1958. She received a bachelor of science degree from Boston College in 1962 and a master of arts degree in mathematics from Bowdoin in 1970. She taught mathematics at Boston Latin Academy for many years, retiring in 2001. She is survived by three sisters, Patricia Conners of Randolph, Mass., Margaret C. Kaupp of Plymouth, Mass., and Mary P. Sawtelle of North Weymouth, Mass.; three nephews; and one niece.

**Grace Paley H'03** died on August 22, 2007, at her home in Thetford, Vt. Born Grace Goodside on December 11, 1922, in the Bronx, N.Y., she attended Hunter College in New York and New York University in 1938 and 1939, and studied at the New School for Social Research with W.H. Auden in the early 1940s. She married cinematographer Jess Paley in 1942; they separated in the 1950s, and were divorced in 1972. She married landscape architect and author Robert Nichols in 1972. Her first collection of short stories, *The Little Disturbances of Man*, was published in 1959. She wrote numerous books of short stories and poems over the course of her career. Over the course of her teaching career she held faculty positions at Columbia

University, Syracuse University, the City College of New York, and Sarah Lawrence College. After her retirement, she also taught at Stanford, Johns Hopkins, and Dartmouth. Her 1994 book, *Collected Stories*, was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award, and she was the 1983 Recipient of the Edith Wharton Award, the Rea Award for the Short Story in 1993, the Vermont Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts (1993), the Jewish Cultural Achievement Award for Literary Arts (1994), and the Lannan Literary Award for Fiction (1997). She was elected to the National Academy of Arts and Letters in 1980, received a 1991 Guggenheim Fellowship for Fiction, and was named the first official New York State Writer by Governor Mario Cuomo in 1989 and The Vermont State Poet Laureate from 2003 to 2007. She was a member of the War Resisters League and accompanied a 1969 peace mission to Hanoi, and was a delegate to the 1974 World Peace Conference in Moscow. She received an honorary doctor of letters degree from Bowdoin in 2003. She is survived by her husband, Robert Nichols of Thetford, Vt., a daughter, Nora, and a son, Danny.

**Nancy C. MacDonald**, a secretary for 22 years in the Department of Mathematics at the College, died on August 25, 2007, in Topsham. Born in Woburn, Mass., she attended Waterboro High School and graduated from Northfield Seminary in 1944. She graduated from Burdette College in Boston in 1946. She was elected an honorary member of the Bowdoin Alumni Association upon her retirement from the College. She helped start the school lunch program in Bowdoinham in 1950, was a Girl Scout leader for 13 years, was a life member of the Merrymeeting Grange, and a member of the Electa Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Bowdoinham Historical Society, and the Mid Coast Hospital Auxiliary. She was a deacon of the

First Parish Church in Brunswick. She was married in 1945 to Merle A. MacDonald, who died in 1990, and is survived by two sons, Thomas A. MacDonald of the Maine town of Poland and George M. MacDonald of Belgrade; a daughter, Janice Jordan of Rumford; a sister, Joanne C. Adams of Augusta; seven grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one step-great-grandchild.

**Pauline Schaaf ("Polly") Greason**, the wife of President Emeritus A. Leroy Greason H'90, died on September 17, 2007, in Brunswick. She was born on April 30, 1924 in Nutley, N.J., and graduated from Nutley High School in 1941 as class valedictorian. She graduated from Wellesley College in 1945 and received a master's degree in Library Science from the University of Maine at Portland-Gorham in 1974. She became a founding partner in Research Associates, a library services and research firm. Among other projects, she organized the Helen Chase papers at the George J. Mitchell Department of Special Collections and Archives at the College. She served as treasurer of the Abnaki Council of Girl Scouts, treasurer of the League of Women Voters, and a volunteer at the American Red Cross Blood Bank, the Curtis Memorial Library, and the Mid-Coast Hunger Prevention Program. She also served on the Board of Directors of Respite Care, the Pejepscot Historical Society, and the Independence Association. Surviving are her husband, A. LeRoy Greason of Brunswick, the 12th president of the College; two sons, Randall Greason and his wife, Marcia, of Windham, and Douglas Greason and his wife, Pegeen Mulhern, of Bainbridge Island, Wash.; her daughter, Katherine Greason and her co-vivant, Jay Wiley of Hallowell; a brother, Dr. Homer Schaaf of West Chester, Penn.; and four grandchildren.



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### GETTING THERE FROM HERE

“You can’t get there from here.” It’s a familiar bit of Downeast humor – giving (or getting) travel directions that are equal parts memory test, scavenger hunt, and history lesson: “...then turn right onto the dirt road beyond where the old meetinghouse used to be...but, no, the bridge is closed...come to think of it, you can’t get there from here.” It can certainly seem that way if you’re driving across the grain of northern New England, where east-west distance is gained only by making concessions to the strong north-south orientation of the Green and White mountain ranges. It may also seem that way for someone trying to drive in the heart of Boston without the benefit of a satellite navigation system or a native informant on board.

Over the years, Bowdoin College has been a destination and a starting point for journeys measured in miles, in units of time, or in the currency of life’s experiences. The livery stables and stagecoach tavern that once stood at the top of the hill are no more. The trolleys that ran through Brunswick to Bath, Lewiston, and Portland ceased operating in 1937, and the last Maine Central Railroad passenger train pulled out of the Brunswick station in 1960. In recent years, there has been a revival of excursion trains between Brunswick and Rockland, and there are plans to re-establish passenger rail service from Brunswick to Portland, North Station in Boston, and points beyond. The town is undertaking the development of Maine Street Station, which will include a train station, retail and office buildings, and a hotel at the top of the hill near the corner of the campus.

The first train rolled into Brunswick on June 9, 1849, and a year later, Harriet Beecher Stowe arrived in Bath on the Boston steamboat in a driving rain. Finding no one to help her with her luggage, she took a horse-drawn hack to the train depot and caught the train to Brunswick. Mathematics professor and abolitionist William Smyth, Class of 1822, had been sent to meet Mrs. Stowe in Bath, but apparently failed to recognize the travel-weary woman – in her seventh month of pregnancy and surrounded by five children – as the wife of Calvin Stowe, Class of 1824, Bowdoin’s new Collins Professor of Natural and Revealed Religion. Professor Smyth returned on the same train

as Mrs. Stowe, and upon his arrival in Brunswick reported that Mrs. Stowe had not been on the boat. He was interrupted in the telling of his tale by the arrival of Harriet herself, who was no doubt keenly aware that “getting there” involved more obstacles than scheduled departure times.

We carry with us the cognitive maps of our own lives – spatial, social, and emotional snapshots of the world as we remember it; many of the maps are outdated as current navigational aids, but they are an important record of who we are, how we arrived here, and where we may be going. The places that define our view of the town may no longer exist, except in our minds: the Howard Johnson Restaurant on Pleasant Street; the Kennebec Fruit Store (which closed in 1982); Clayton’s Coffee Shop; the Eagle Hotel; and the old train depot. The same may be said of the people, places, and events at the College that rush past memory’s eye: classmates, in all their uniqueness; presidents, professors, and deans; the Hyde Cage, with its dirt floor and wooden gallery track; a Bowdoin-Colby hockey game; and Homecoming displays and snow sculptures.

“Getting there” in the information age takes on new meaning, as cell phones, e-mail, web-cams, podcasts, and video-conference calls promote rapid communication and open new ways by which the Bowdoin family may share in the life of the College. Global-positioning systems use satellite technology to reduce the chances that you will find yourself asking for directions from someone with a dry sense of humor and a strong Maine accent. Many among us have arrived “here” – in time, space, and circumstance – by unexpected routes and in our own unscheduled time. It just might be that we *can* get there from here, after all, although we might have a hard time describing the route in a way that would allow someone else to re-trace our journey.

With best wishes,

John R. Cross '76  
Secretary of Development and College Relations

## William B. Beedle '66

In his application for admission to Bowdoin, Bill Beedle wrote, “I prefer to attend a liberal arts college at first rather than a strictly scientific school because I want some freedom of choice as to my final field of study. I also want the broadening I expect of liberal arts courses.”

This was a wise choice for a young man. Bill was an Economics major at Bowdoin, earned his MBA at Rutgers, and then did further graduate work in finance at Columbia University. His interest in science did not wane, however, as he spent twenty years working as an analyst and executive, mostly in the health care field, for Warner-Lambert, Monsanto, Sandoz, and two medical start-up companies.

Bill retired in late 1992 when his wife, Donna, contracted an aggressive form of cancer. Now in his sixties, Bill, a widower, has been reflecting further on the value of a liberal arts education, especially to those who work in the fields of science and medicine. Consequently, he has decided to leave his estate to the College to endow two significant permanent funds: a scholarship fund with a preference



for life science majors; and a fund to support teaching and research in the life sciences. “I have been inspired to do this by a sense of mortality; the illness that my wife endured; the dedication and generosity of several of my classmates; and the almost limitless new world of medical research”.

Bill believes that advances in science, including health and medical research, are more likely to come from those with a liberal arts

background than from those with a more narrowly-focused education: “An excellent liberal arts education prepares the mind for important success and growth in just about any field of study. I’d like to help give some really bright young people a strong start in the sciences of health.” The College is grateful for the focused and important gifts Bill Beedle has chosen to make.

# National Champions!

Bowdoin's field hockey team completed the seventh perfect season in Division III history, capturing Bowdoin's first-ever team NCAA Championship with a 4-3 victory over Middlebury on November 17 at Ursinus College. The Polar Bears, in their third trip to the NCAA "Final Four" and their first-ever trip to the title game, finished the year with a 20-0 record and an astonishing 76-6 goal differential.

When the team arrived back in Brunswick at one in the morning, they were met by a cold but very enthusiastic group of cheering and celebrating students, faculty, and staff!



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