New Class and Chapter Web Sites Coming Soon

In early 2011, new web sites for each of the alumni classes and each of the alumni chapters are scheduled to be launched. The sites will be created and managed with BuddyPress, a user-friendly software plug-in for WordPress, the software that is used to manage the Lafayette College web site. Web page administrators and class correspondents will be able to log in to add text and photographs. They will also be able to post events well in advance and add updates on a timely basis.

During this interim period, the class notes have been shortened to fit in fewer pages in keeping with the College’s commitment to environmental sustainability. The complete edition is available in the online magazine in newly designed sites that feature each decade with its accompanying photographs.

1940 ✤
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Harold Bellis passed away June 20. His wife, Mary Jane, died in 1999. He was considered by all to be a loving family man who always put family first. Harold graduated from Phillipsburg High School and attended Mercersburg (Pa.) Academy. At Lafayette he enjoyed a standout career in both football and baseball. He was well known for quarterbacking the undefeated Lafayette football team of 1937 and also was a key blocking back. Harold’s baseball career was equally impressive. He captained the baseball team and played in every game except one from his freshman season on as an infielder. As a student, Harold was a brother at Phi Delta Theta, a member of the Knights of the Round Table, and senior class president. He was also president of the Student Athletic Association.

After graduation, Harold’s first job was teaching math at Coatesville (Pa.) High School. He was also assistant coach for football and baseball. He subsequently moved to Pen Argyl (Pa.) High School, where he taught math and was head football coach both before and after three years of service in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

In 1947, he came to Phillipsburg High School, where he taught math and coached football from 1947 to 1967. He was head football coach from 1954 to 1967. In addition, he was head baseball coach and assistant basketball coach. After retiring as a coach at Phillipsburg, he served as an assistant football coach for freshmen at Lafayette with Bob Rute. He retired as head of the Phillipsburg math department in 1978. He was inducted into the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame in 1985 and into the College’s Maroon Club Hall of Fame. Harold won the New Jersey Interscholastic Coaches Association honor award in 1964, was inducted into the Phillipsburg High Wall of Fame, and was voted a Legend of Lehigh Valley in 2006.

Harold is survived by his children: Mary Linda Bellis, with whom he lived; James L. Bellis and his wife, Nancy; and Kathy Prichard and her husband, Dave. He was also the grandfather of Joy Bellis, Jeff Haas, Linda Ours, Luke Bellis, Nathan and Emily Prichard, and a great-granddaughter, Isabella Ours. The family requests that donations be made in lieu of flowers to the Phillipsburg Emergency Squad, Phillipsburg Athletic Department at Phillipsburg High School, or Infusion Department, Warren Hospital.

1941 ✤
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Jim Farrell wrote that he received an invitation to the Oct. 16 football game against Stony Brook, during which Lafayette’s undefeated 1940 team was to be recognized. Jim was one of the backfield stars of that team. If circumstances permitted, I planned to attend that game. My hope was that I could shake hands with the few members of that stellar team who were still in circulation and able to attend.

On June 29, I had a cataract removed from what I thought was my good right eye. My left eye, which I once described as beyond help, is now somewhat the better of the two. Of course, the macular degeneration remains in both eyes.

By the time you read these words it will be about Thanksgiving time. Until then, as we learned to say in Australia during World War II, cheerio, mates.

1942 ✤
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President: Otto Alden

Otto Alden spent July and August in cool Nova Scotia.

Phoned classmate and SAE brother Dar Schmidt in Chester, Conn. Dar was not able to talk, but wife Betty says they are doing as well as age allows.

Ed Blumenthal, a Pi Lambda Phi, died April 19. Ed is the father of Peter Blumenthal ’72 and Amy Blumenthal Desmond ’77, and is grandfather of
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Class notes may be edited for length and clarity.


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Karen Blumenthal Huber ’99, Lynne Desmond ’06, and Marc Desmond ’10. Ed’s wife of 61 years, Nancy, also survives him.

Dr. Paul Stillman of Boynton Beach, Fla., passed away Oct. 24, 2008. Paul was a premed student at Lafayette.

Jim Reiche died April 6 in the Tarrytown/Yonkers area of New York. He is survived by wife Kathleen, a daughter, stepson, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Jim served as an officer in the Army Medical Corps. He retired as production and technical service manager for Refined Syrups & Sugar Co. He was active in the Tarrytown and Yonkers Rotary clubs.

Pete Prudden of Conway, Conn., passed away July 14. His wife of 64 years, Betsy, son Peter, daughter Marcia, and three grandchildren survive him.

Pete served three years in the Navy as a second lieutenant. He retired after 35 years as plant manager and vice president of Stanley Industrial Components. He was a skilled woodworker, spent four years rebuilding a wooden schooner, made and repaired clocks, kept bees, loved sailing, and could fly an airplane.

The Class of 1942 is fast becoming history. We can be proud of the accomplishments of our classmates who have served well, both in war and peace.

Your correspondent is hoping to hear from you survivors!

1943 ●

Outgoing correspondent: Earl Kanter, M.D.

Henry Weis shared with me how his wife Judy’s parents founded a little store in Easton — Spencer Gifts — that became a national chain. He also shared his post-Lafayette career: “I was drafted, but only for a month because of a medical condition. I then worked at Columbia University for the government on a project to produce an antimalarial drug. Shortly after the war ended, I joined Dow Chemical in marketing and remained there until I retired 43 years later. Spent six years at the Midland, Mich., home office.”

Lou Tischler and his daughter, Susan ’76, talk with me frequently. Always a good chat.

In sadder news, four of our own have passed on.

Frederick M. Brunn died March 23. No obituary was available, but I remember Fred as an amazing baseball player who made stellar plays despite a hearing condition.

William Frank Given died April 16. He served in the Army during World War II and afterwards oversaw the building of a defense radar system for RCA Service Co. His wife of 64 years, Betty, two daughters, a son, nine grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren survive him.

Robert Sinclair Bunzey Sr. died May 26 at his home in Denver, N.C. He was a fine athlete, quarterbacking, swimming, and sprinting for our Leopards. His family remembers him as a willing swim coach to youngsters.

Bob was also a solid intellect, receiving his master’s in economics. World War II interrupted his doctoral studies, though, and he enlisted in the Army. For his bravery in battle, he received the Bronze Star.

Bob didn’t forget his alma mater, returning after the war to teach economics at Lafayette. He later worked in labor relations and personnel management for Collins & Aikman Corp., retiring as vice president of human resources.

Though wife Elizabeth and daughter Judith preceded Bob in death, his children — Bob, Jay, Lisa, and Danny — sister Beverly, and many grandchildren survive him.

Gerald E. Beatty died in his Bridgewater, N.J., home Aug. 1. During World War II, he served in the Army. Gerald worked in the paper industry as a sales manager. Companies that employed his skills included Dixie Cup in Easton and the Jersey Paper Co.

Gerald is survived by his wife of 69 years, Josephine, sons Gerald, Jeffery, Michael ’70, and G. Steven, daughters Pamela Vance and Nancy Krochta, his children’s spouses, 16 grandchildren (including Richard ’08 and Jeffrey ’11, sons of G. Steven), five great-grandchildren, a brother, Wayne, and a sister, Nancy Sautler. A brother, Staniford “Jim” Leatherberry, and a sister, Jane Lambert, predeceased him.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 7 Ridgedale Ave., Suite 103, Cedar Knolls, N.J. 07972, or VFW Service Fund, 406 West 34th St., Kansas City, Mo. 64111.

These classmates will be missed. As for me, I regret that I will not be able to continue as class correspondent due to health issues, but I’m grateful for this opportunity to share with our great class. Be blessed.

1944 ●

The Rev. Robert G. Sandrock
c. 1944 ●

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I hope that Eastonians have enjoyed football victories and beautiful evenings under the lights and that coach Joe Kinney feels confident as the baseball team anticipates spring. The new batting cage and the return of Matt Fenster ’11 should encourage him.

Glenn Landis takes us back to the 2010 reunion with an upbeat and enjoyable report:

“The weather was clear and warm. The only rain came Friday night. The garden reception for the 50-Plus Club was outdoors, and the dinner in Marquis Hall was delicious. From there, over to the chapel, where President Daniel H. Weiss gave the “State of the College” address. Then, in the glow of candlelight on the steps of old Pardee, we sang college songs. The Graduates led the singing. It was an evening to enjoy and renew old traditions.

“On Saturday after breakfast, The Graduates rehearsed while the parade made its tour of College Hill. The All-Alumni Luncheon was held in Kamine Gymnasium. The Graduates presented the annual concert in the Morris R. Williams Center for the Arts, and the day ended with dinner in the Fleck Wing of Marquis Hall. Fran O’Hanlon was the featured speaker, and I led the singing of the Alma Mater. Bob Vandenberg ’43 and I were the two oldest alumni at the dinner.”

This report and Glenn’s attendance at the reunion are noble responses to a call beyond the line of duty. Glenn is still in therapy from a fall, which broke his elbow and shoulder. He attends Philadelphia Alumni Chapter luncheons, sings with the Meistersingers at the Shannondell senior community, and supports the Paoli Presbyterian senior choir. He expects to be present for the 70th Class of ’44 reunion.

Rex Kuhn telephoned from St. Johnsbury, Vt., to announce a family reunion in the Philadelphia area. He looks forward to visiting old haunts, including the Bucks County Playhouse.
Recently, he took some hand-carved wooden bowls to the farmer’s market and sold them all.

Martin S. Dorfman died May 9 in Palm Beach, Fla., and Dr. William Lee Hingston died May 5 in Williamstown, N.J. Both served the nation and the cause of freedom during World War II. Family and classmates will remember them as faithful friends with kind hearts and responsible lives.

1946 & 1947
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1947 Fund Manager:
W. Robert Magee Sr.

As sole attendee from our class, I did my best to represent us at Reunion. Those of you who receive the Lafayette Calendar no doubt saw the photo on the opening page of the 50-Plus Reception hosted by President Daniel H. Weiss in the President’s House Garden. We had a good time at this gracious affair. I only regret I couldn’t stay that evening for the step-singing in front of Pardee Hall led by The Graduates. I heard enthusiastic reports about the revival of the old tradition.

A small crowd met for the 50-Plus dinner Saturday night, as the Class of ’55 had their own party. It was a nice affair with a chance to chat with old friends. The Class of 1943 was the oldest represented.

I would appreciate a few more emails or notes.

1948
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President: Harvey H. Hunerberg
Reunion Chair: William Lockett Jr.

“All present or accounted for” — an enduring Army phrase heard universally at early morning shape-up — does not apply exactly to the Class of ’48. How many of our class are still present? From information that the College has received, the current records show that 76 of the 151 members of the class have been reported deceased.

I did receive a letter from George Sofer. He thanked me for continuing as president and class correspondent, and Bill Lockett as class chair.

From his letter: “I came to Lafayette in February 1946 from Baghdad, Iraq. Yes, Iraq of the Middle East and Lebanon, Pa. Bill Lockett had the generous spirit of recruiting me to the Student Council during my first semester. I owe him a great deal for that courageous move, because it provided me with the intimacy of working with American students in a political arena I had never experienced before.

“I remember Bill’s wife walking her child in a stroller in the Quad, a rare event, only seen in the years after World War II. I was a few years younger than most students in my class because they had gone to war to defend our freedom, while I had only the luxury of tracing their progress on a large world map I had pinned to the wall of my study in Baghdad. I was only 18 when the war ended and thus managed to avoid the draft.

“Thanks to the credits I got for passing the London matriculation exam at the British Institute, I was able to graduate in two and a half years. I then went to MIT in June 1948 for a doctorate in chemical engineering. Students returning from the war had similar course credits.

“After retiring from Exxon Nuclear Co., and a Siemens subsidiary, Advanced Nuclear Fuels, I am now living with my wife Nelly in Bellevue, Wash., across the lake from Seattle, exercising at the Bellevue Athletic Club almost every day and keeping track of my three children and five grandchildren.

“I am ever thankful for the Lehigh graduate-teacher in Baghdad who talked me out of applying to Columbia University in 1945 because he said, ‘At Lafayette they will treat you like a human being, and not just a number among 20,000 students.’ He was indeed right! I’m taken back a few decades to Easton and the campus. Remember Jim’s hot dog stand at “our side” of the old bridge? And those great roast beef sandwiches?

Years later, while riding around town in an alumni bus, my seat companion asked if I remembered Jim. Of course. “But did you know that he was really well-to-do? I was at a real estate closing when he was buying yet another building downtown. His wife was there too — bejeweled and be-furred!”

I have my own “poor-man” memory: shoveling snow off the Quad, hired by Mr. Wolfe (bookstore) at 75 cents an hour.

Do we remember Eric W. Luster?
He died May 28. “His time had come to pull up anchor and sail on to faraway waters.”

Eric had a long career as a yacht broker at the New Jersey Shore and in the Ft. Lauderdale area. He built his first boat as a teenager and followed his dream of a career in boating. He served in the Naval Air Corps during WWII. He graduated with a mechanical engineering degree, followed by several years in the engineering field before changing careers.

His wife Mary Lou, daughter Susan, son Douglas, two stepchildren, and four step-grandchildren survive him.

Drop me a line to tell us all is well. We need you.

1949
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President: Donald B. Chubb

I am sorry that I wasn’t able to attend the big 60th in June. To those who did, please send news for next column.

Congratulations to Jack Middleton of Freedom, N.H., who was recognized by the New Hampshire Supreme Court for his years of service and commitment to the bar and to the judicial branch.
of New Hampshire. This is only the second time the court has given such an award for an individual’s life’s work. Jack is president of McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton, with offices in New Hampshire and Massachusetts, and is senior member of the firm’s litigation department. He focuses on arbitration and mediation, and has 50 years of experience as a trial lawyer and 24 years of service as a New Hampshire District Court judge. Middleton’s firm was one of only five law firms recognized by the New Hampshire Supreme Court for their pro bono efforts. In the past, Jack received a Boston University Law Silver Shingle Award for notable contributions to the legal profession, leadership within the community, unfailing service to the School of Law, and superlative contributions to society.

Russell Dotts of Newark, Del., passed away June 18. He attended Penn State University before World War II but graduated from Lafayette. He owned and operated R.L. Instruments until his retirement. He enjoyed sailing and fishing and was a man of great determination, refusing to give up or become despondent even after a car accident left him paralyzed. He was predeceased by his first wife, Isabella, and his second wife, Jean. He is survived by his son, Stewart, and his wife, Ellen, and their sons, Ryan and Stephen.

On May 2, we lost Romaine Deacon of Barto, Pa. “Deac” was married for 57 years to the late Josephine. He served in the Army in the Korean War, and was employed for 47 years in sales and sales management at Wallace & Tiernan. He leaves two sons and a daughter, their spouses, and three grandchildren.

Napoleon Morneau Jr. of East Longmeadow, Mass., died April 14. Nap graduated from Lafayette with a bachelor’s in metallurgical engineering. He worked for 29 years as a plant metallurgist at the Springfield Armory and General Electric. He also taught science in the Springfield, Mass., school system for 11 years. During World War II, he served in the Air Force, involved in special operations with 801st/492nd Bombardment Group, known as “The Carpetbaggers.” He was a past president of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, prepared and served meals monthly at Loaves and Fishes, and was active with Lions Club, Knights of Columbus, and the Elks. Nap was an avid Boston Red Sox fan and follower of UConn women’s basketball. His wife, Jean, predeceased him. Surviving are his sister, Lea, and his companion of 20 years, Rose Winn.

Dr. Alan Petty of Arnold, Md. died June 23. He served in the Marine Corps and in the Pacific theater during World War II. He graduated from Lafayette with a bachelor’s degree in engineering physics. After time as a research physicist at the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, where he worked on radar and airborne fire control systems, he moved to RCA labs in Camden, N.J., where he worked on programs relating to military weaponry and detection and surveillance systems. In 1959, Alan joined General Electric’s Space Sciences Laboratory. In 1970, he earned a Ph.D. in astrophysics from the University of Pennsylvania. In 1972, he joined the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D.C. As founder and first branch head of the Digital Image Processing Laboratory, he worked on the development of synthetic aperture radar used on satellites. He retired in 1989. Alan enjoyed fishing, nature, reading, and woodworking. Jeanne, his wife of 53 years, died in 2008. A son, two daughters, and one grandson survive him.

We also lost Richard Brown Sr., a lifelong resident of Interlaken, N.J., June 1. In 1943, he entered the Cadet Pilot Program and flew 39 combat missions over occupied Europe in a B-17 as a tail gunner. After service, he entered Stevens Institute of Technology and later transferred to Lafayette. He worked for the Asbury Park (N.J.) Press for 40 years, much of the time as production manager. His first wife, Janet, passed away in 1981. He later married Mary Gay Rockefeller. On his retirement, the Browns enjoyed traveling, and Dick was active in the community, serving as a council member for 16 years, and was president of Asbury Rotary Club and United Way. His wife, four children, seven grandchildren, two stepchildren, and three step-grandchildren survive him.

We also received a notice about the death of Geoffrey Kalmanson on Dec. 1, 2007.

Our thoughts go out to all of the families who have lost loved ones.
was the first player to use my father’s locker in our new Kamine Varsity House. Lafayette players’ lockers are still available for purchase.

Your correspondent, “Le Bruisier,” is retiring from the Leopard Luncheon of our Philadelphia Alumni Chapter after 22 years and some 110 luncheons, passing the torch to two youngsters: Andy Starfield ’04 and Bill Casey ’85.

Our ’52 loss: Henry Bangser at 80, a loyal, contributing Leopard, passed on June 14. Hank was an economics and business major and a brother of Pi Lam. He and his wife, Rita, gave us a Leopard, Cary Bangser Scottoline ’76, a son, Robert, and four grands. Henry was an active, caring, concerned volunteer for many charities, including Lafayette in his generosity. He will be sorely missed.

Finally, Bill Simon lives on. I recently uncovered a Simon classic in Bill’s inimitable handwriting:

Miniver Cheever, child of scorn,
Cursed the day that he was born.

Clearly, Bill paid attention in his English classes at both Blair Academy in Blairstown, N.J., and Lafayette. Thanks for the memories, Sir William. Aloha.

Go ’Pards!

1953

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Fund Manager: George E. Patton Jr.
Reunion Chair: H. David Moore Jr.

George Patton reports that our class had 68 donors as of April; however, a 56 percent increase in total giving raised $73,172 for the Annual Fund. George also received a nice letter from our scholarship recipient, Bryan C. Hendrickson ’10, whose grandfather is Art Hendrickson ’51. Bryan reports that he has been redesigning Metzgar Fields. Also, the David Peach Project proposal that he and friends submitted was accepted, so they will travel to Bogota, Columbia, to conduct a camp for impoverished children. The Class of 1953 Scholarship had one recipient, and the grant amount was $2,959. The book value of the scholarship is $25,009.67, and the market value is $41,224.65.

Art Whitaker is now with Wells Fargo Financial and is active in politics as well.

John Wilson* reports that he and Jean retired in 1987. He spent 32 years with New York Life Insurance Co., 10 years in Trenton, N.J., and 22 commuting from Bucks County, Pa., to New York City. He retired as a vice president. His dad, Bill Wilson ’24, was also with the company. In 2000, John and Jean moved to Pennswood, a Quaker-managed life care community in Newtown, Pa. John reports that two of his three sons graduated from Lafayette (David ’81 and Steven ’82); all three have done very well in their careers. He and Jean have eight grandchildren.

Our sincere condolences to the family of Thomas A. Behney, who died June 26. Tom was active in the Lebanon (Pa.) Bar Association and for many years was assistant attorney general for Pennsylvania.

We extend our sympathy to the family of M. Edgar Rosenblum, who died April 18. He was an arts executive who nurtured Long Wharf Theatre in New Haven, Conn., into one of the most prominent regional theaters. He is survived by his wife, Cornelia, and daughter, Jessica.

On April 22, Lois and I attended the 139th Annual Philadelphia Chapter Dinner, featuring President Daniel H. Weiss. It was wonderful seeing Betsy and Al Rhodes. After a yearlong illness, Al is doing well.

Editors Note: John Wilson passed away Oct. 1 just prior to press time. An obituary will be published in the next class column.

1954

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Barbara and Ron Philipp sent a note about Bryan C. Hendrickson ’10, a recipient of the Class of 1954 scholarship. Brian works near Trenton, N.J. He and his brother share an apartment and develop and market websites. They teamed up with an artist to renovate an old warehouse for use by artists, inventors, and other creative people.

Thomas Arcorace, 77, of Easton, died Nov. 27, 2008, in New Eastwood, Wilson Borough, Pa. Tom, an English major, was an attorney in private practice in Easton for many years. He was a member of St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church. His cousins survive him.

Jay F. Bitting died May 12 at his home in Chatham, N.J. He was a member of Chi Phi. Jay worked on The Marquis in his junior and senior years and played freshman baseball. He retired from J.P. Morgan as a vice president. One of Jay’s joys was attending New York Giants baseball games. His loving companion, Marilyn Lyn Mackie, and his children, Leslie, Carol, Pamela, and Nicholas, survive him. His first wife, Joan, predeceased him.

Richard Van Ommeren, 77, of Macungie, Pa., died June 11. He was the husband of Gayla for 43 years. Richard graduated in economics and was active in the Soles Hall programs and Brainerd Student Union. He was a certified public accountant in Perkasie, N.J., and for 26 years was an officer and partner of the general contracting firm, Penn Builders Inc. of Quakertown, Pa., before retiring in 1995. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Allentown, Pa. Richard’s survivors include his wife, son David, and several grandchildren.

1955

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President: Ralph O. Doederlein Sr.
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Reunion Chair: Ralph O. Doederlein Sr.

I attended reunion; 25 class members showed up. The College said it was a good turnout, coming as it did after our 50th. Art Rothkopf gave an informative talk at the class dinner Saturday night. As senior vice president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, he was able to give us an insider view of Washington, D.C. He retired in July.
Class Notes 1955–1956

Gerald P. Sigal, 75, died July 4 in Okracoke Island, N.C. The founder of Tri-County Legal Services, he practiced law for 50 years in New York City and Reading, Pa. Jerry served on the boards of the Reading Regional Airport Authority and Berks County Municipal Authority and was chair of the Ocracoke Board of Adjustment. He was an officer of the Reading Public Library and active in his synagogue. He is survived by his wife, two sons, and several grandchildren.

Gerald E. Beach, 83, passed away April 6 at a nursing home in Yarmouth, Mass. His son Craig notified the College.

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President: Richard W. Graham
Fund Manager: Cornelius Alexander IV
Reunion Chair: H. Kermit Green Jr.

I’ll begin with the wonderful update from the man at the top of our class alphabet — and an outstanding alumnus — Dr. Rashid Abdu. After his youth in Yemen, he spent his high school years in Falls Church, Va., won a full scholarship to Lafayette, and later attended medical school at George Washington University. For those unaware, he authored a memoir, Journey of a Yemeni Boy. Following the death of his wife, Joanie, from breast cancer 16 years ago, Rashid immersed himself in the care of breast cancer patients and has spearheaded the Joanie Abdu Comprehensive Breast Care Center at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital in Youngstown, Ohio. The center’s services cover initial consultation and diagnosis to postoperative prosthetic counseling and support. They provide genetic counseling, as well as counseling for relatives of patients. Rashid has been instrumental in raising $6 of the $8 million needed to complete the facility, one of the few breast cancer treatment centers in Ohio.

Rashid also coordinates The Mission of Love, which donated a truckload of new medical equipment to the recovery efforts in Haiti. In addition, the group sponsors and staffs clinics in the Gulf area since Katrina, and in Guatemala, with particular focus on the surgical correction of cleft palates. Rashid enjoys his home in Canfield, Ohio, and time with his four children and three grandchildren.

I also spoke with Neil Alexander. As class fund manager, he was calling to nudge me into a contribution. I was saved embarrassment by having submitted a gift a few days earlier. Neil is one busy guy, keeping tabs on good friends and lifelong insurance customers, running high school reunions, and consulting on finances.

Jim Murphy made a full recovery after a minor stroke in fall 2009. Following retirement after 40 years with Scott Paper Co., he filled an entirely different space as administrative assistant in the synod office of the Lutheran bishop of southeastern Pennsylvania. He held the position for seven (an important Biblical digit) years. It has been said that God is the divine architect and engineer, so it’s no surprise that a mechanical engineer of Murph’s caliber gravitated to a higher calling. In addition to an active role in his church, he gives considerable time to other volunteer services, notably as past president of the homeowners association, and currently its transition team.

Murph stays in touch with Evan Hineman, who prevails over recurrent cancer by sheer force of good doctors and determination. In the course of his career, Evan worked within the intelligence community, including the CIA, and is now a self-employed consultant. For his contributions in the global intelligence field, Evan received a lifetime achievement award. Murph also mentioned Sandy Smith, who continues treatment for cancer and diabetes. Those of us who cheered Bob Machiorlette on the baseball field will always admire the loyalty and love that Sandy and Janet extended to Bob during the protracted illness that precipitated his death. We wish Sandy and Evan calmer days.

Murph also keeps up with some of our mutual friends in other classes: Charley Wilson ’57, who like Murph spent his career with Scott Paper; two Phi Psi brothers, John Moser ’57 and Bob Moss ’57; and Don Cornelius ’54. Murph tells me he connects on and off with Norm Riley and wife Linda, partly because of mutual friends, racehorse breeders Gretchen and Roy Jackson.

Lee and Carol Kane just celebrated the marriage of the youngest of their three sons. They continue the good life they’ve enjoyed since his retirement from, and 1991 sale of, the Kane family scrap iron and metal business. Lee often speaks with Neil Alexander and still connects with Al and Elaine Ehrlich. Lee and Carol return frequently to the Hill for football games, and each year for commencement, a ritual that began when good friend and fraternity brother Arthur Rothkopf ’55 was named president of Lafayette.

My roomy Charlie Myers, whose wife Donna has been ill for several months with increasing loss of mobility, informs me they moved her consulting firm into their home to enhance accessibility. Her doctors, stymied by her case, have referred her to Johns Hopkins for consultation and evaluation. Our prayers go out to Donna and Charlie.

I had a brief chat with Lew Beers, who makes his home in King of Prussia, Pa. He retired from GE some years ago.

I continue to keep track of Phi Delt brothers from ’56–’59:

Dick Faust has come through a bout with bladder cancer, but with his usual optimistic outlook. Skip Ellison ’57 and Gordie Brown ’57 keep me posted with frequent emails, especially with reference to what has become an annual event, Phi Delt Reunion IV. This year, 16 of us, and our spouses, will meet at the Harvard game and have dinner. Joe Bozik ’58 has been on the planning committee, with special emphasis on procuring a food factory for hungry ’Pards like us. I visit Skip and Mary whenever possible and am glad to say that he continues to make evident progress after his stroke.

Gordie plans to attend the 50th wedding anniversary of Cy and Barbara Blackfan ’57 in Medina, Ohio, in the fall. Congrats, Cy and Barbara!

Russ Wells ’59 plans to attend Reunion 2011. Russ, a history major, became a professor of biology at St. Lawrence University. He is now retired and lives near his daughter and her family in Selinsgrove, Pa.

I appreciate the time several of you gave in phone conversations and those who keep in touch by email. I have a sincere interest in your comings and goings. Reach out.
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Baja Peninsula, Mexico. A promise is a promise! After a significant number of classmates requested I perform some “GG Magic,” I contacted Pam Jacobs and asked her to suggest cruises for January 2011. By the time you read this column, most of you will have responded to the email and received hard copy invitations to join your classmates, relatives, and friends on the Carnival cruise, Jan. 10–15. The cost of this cruise is unbelievably low. Mike McCooey, who recently retired from his year-round ski resort position, and his wife, Leslie, will be joining us for their first-ever cruise. If you have not yet signed up, go to our class web site for all the necessary information and the form. We look forward to a great time!

Gordie Brown and his wife, Delia, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, and they spent a week in April at Hank and Carol Darlington’s beautiful hacienda in Los Barriles on the Baja Peninsula, Mexico. Skip Ellison shared a lot of history about his Phi Delt classmates Cy Blackfan, Wayne Hainley, and three others who have since passed away. He also shared that Ray Milhous, Bill Schwartz, and Bruce Tempest were classmates of his at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. Maybe even Don Mitchell ’56, yet another Phi Delt, will join us.

Glenn (my namesake) Fatzinger cannot join us, as he is still teaching business courses at Marymount University in Virginia. He planned to be in the Easton area to attend a mini reunion of Wilson High School in September.

Bill Pfotzer is confined to a wheelchair because of congenital spinal stenosis and cannot join us, but wishes that we have a great cruise.

Bob Moss and Dave Cary continue to keep our class informed and always near the top of every positive list that comes from the College. Three students benefited from our Class of 1957 Endowed Internship Fund originally instituted through Bob’s efforts. Go to Dave’s web site for more about our class.

Herbert Joseph “Burt” Gannon died in April. Burt lived in Venice, Fla., having moved 18 years ago from New Jersey with his wife, Joan. Dale Swann shared, “He will be remembered fondly for his gentle ways and that straw hat with the bird feathers and shark teeth.” Our condolences to Burt’s extended family.

Our condolences also go out to John Duncan, who advised that his wife, Lois, passed away in April.

Again, I am beginning to wear down after writing this column for the past 39 years. Gordie, Skip, Glenn, Dave, George Tiger, Dick Morgan, Chuck Lusch, and Ray Jacoby regularly send me updates. I would appreciate one or two volunteers who would write one column every year or so as guest columnist. Call or email me to volunteer and get additional information about writing the column.

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In the middle of June, while driving from New York City to Maine, I took a side trip to Portsmouth, N.H., to have lunch with Bob and Rosa Beane. They have a lovely house on the sound and were gracious hosts.

A few months ago, I befriended Jack Walp on Facebook. I always enjoyed hearing from him; I’m sorry to report that he has passed away. Born in Nanticoke, Pa., Jack went from Penn Charter in Philadelphia to Lafayette. He was in Navy Intelligence for five years and spent his career in consumer advertising. His wife, Beryl, and a loving family of children and grandchildren survive him.

Richard Repert passed away May 15. He spent five years in the Army as a commissioned officer and remained in the reserves, attaining the rank of lieutenant colonel. His career in the nonprofit area included serving as an officer for such charities as Children and Family Services, United Way, Salvation Army, and Protective Services for the Elderly. A private memorial service was held May 21 in Fairfax, Va.

Steve Fried writes that he is still in commercial real estate, although his son, Ron, really runs the business. He has served on the Screen Actors Guild board for 15 years and was vice president from 2000–05. He recently visited the New York Fresh Air Fund camp where he met his wife 56 years ago. They celebrate their 54th anniversary in January.

Charlie Bennett is in Reynolds Plantation in Greensboro, Ga. He spoke to Ed Alkire in June to wish him and Gratia a happy 50th anniversary. Ann and Charlie spend February and March in Bonita Springs, Fla.

Sam Saidel has been doing some traveling, including taking his boat to the Hamptons.

The following plan to attend the Phi Delt reunion during the Lafayette–Harvard game in October: Joe Bozik and Peg Marcin, Dave and Betty Branch, Bob and Betty Graham, Jim and Sharon Hourihan, Don and Nancy Kitson, and Bill and Lucille Kurtz.

Bob Harris plans to move to Kennebunkport, Maine (rubbing elbows with the Bush family), in the next six to nine months, depending on when he and his wife sell their house. Active in the dog show world, the Harrises showed their Scottish terrier in some major shows this fall. The dog has already won a number of blue ribbons and has three stud dates lined up in the next few months. This dog could be my next few stop.
Nick Rotondo of Lotus, Calif., had his 240th article published. He has been president of the El Dorado County Writers Guild for 10 years and has taught memoir-writing classes to senior citizens for three years. He and wife Mary celebrate their 50th anniversary in January and will take a cruise around the world.

Lem Howell never knew how to say anything in a few words. His emails are a welcome joy, full of fun, and some serious subjects. Recently, he got a write-up in Super Lawyers and attended Alumni Summer College at Lafayette, July 15–18. President Daniel H. Weiss gave a fascinating lecture on medieval art. I join Lem in his thought that Lafayette is extremely fortunate to have President Weiss as our leader. Lem continues: “Weiss pulled a coup de grâce by delivering the final lecture on Vietnam, the subject of his upcoming book. There was not a dry eye in the place.” Other professors spoke, and it was great. Forty-five people attended the session, and Lem plans to return next year.

Lou Lyons writes that he retired 15 years ago. Despite severe health issues, he remains active in his computer club, for which he served as past president and chief tech support guru for about 10 years.

Dave Zeyher spent the winter in the Bahamas on his boat. He is a ham radio enthusiast and passed the highest-level licensing exam, Amateur Extra Class. Dave’s call sign is KB3UBN.

Bob Felsenheld had a knee replacement Jan. 8 but is back playing golf and tennis. He visited with Marty Phillips and Ray Hersh during the spring.

Jerry Flanzbaum usually comes up to the Northeast right after Labor Day, but he delayed his trip because he and Marilyn planned to go to Greenland.

Bob Yohe will be buried in Arlington Cemetery during Thanksgiving. I had dinner with Judy before I left Florida, and she brought me up to date on the family. She spends the entire year in Florida now, as she sold the home in Pennsylvania.

Please remember your alma mater when working on trusts and wills, or when considering sponsoring a scholarship.

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This column will include class activities and classmate updates through late July. Thanks to those who contributed, which helps keep us connected. If you did not receive a June email from me requesting updates, then I do not have your current email address. Please send it.

To find our class photos online, follow these instructions:
Go to magazine.lafayette.edu., in the right sidebar of the magazine web page, under Web Extras, click on “Alumni Classes — Photo Galleries.” Then click on “40s–60s” at the top — our photos are grouped there.

Jim Mallay, our superb class fund manager, reports: “The Class of 1959 met its usual objective of outstanding giving to Lafayette this past year (July 2009 to June 2010) to both the Annual Fund and to capital needs. The Annual Fund total was down about 5 percent from our 50th reunion year, which is typical of most classes, from $103K to $98K. The number of donors was also down, from 65 to 55 percent of the class. Total class giving, including donations to capital projects, was still robust at $546K, compared to last year’s $755K. Great news! The Class of 1959 Marquis Scholarship Fund, which is still nearly $100K below goal, is making a significant difference for Lafayette students, however. The earnings from this fund will be awarded to a deserving student each year, and the student will be named “The Class of 1959 Marquis Scholar,” even though the gift from the endowment will be less than the total award to the student. The shortfall will be taken from the budgeted financial aid pool for all Marquis Scholars.”

Len Achey wrote: “Marlys and I are planning to be on campus for THE GAME in November. I have a huge responsibility educating people in Spokane, Wash. that Lafayette College is NOT located in Indiana or Louisiana!” Len’s email: lenachey@comcast.net.

Gerry Crean, one of ’59’s great basketball stars, and his son Gerry III ’84 met Dick Kohler and his son Rich Jr. ’84 on May 30 at Yankee Stadium for the New York Yankees vs. the Cleveland Indians game. Gerry’s email: gptcjrl1212@aol.com.

Dr. Ed Curley reports: “I’ve finally retired, at age 73, from the University of Michigan. My aim is to have more time for my writing. You can find several of my books on amazon.com, the ones by Edwin M. Curley. Those by Edwin A. Curley were written by my great-grandfather. We have a second wave of grandchildren, from my son, Richard, who waited until he was in his 40s to get married. He and his wife had their first child, a daughter, last year, and are expecting a second this summer. My eldest grandson, my daughter Julia’s daughter, is just finishing her first year in college. Ruth and I plan to stay in Ann Arbor, and look for some place warmer to go in winter.” Ed’s email: emcurley@umich.edu.

Class President Ed Feather and his wife, Mayleen, attended the 50-Plus Club/50th Reunion Class/Marquis Society Reception on Saturday of Reunion Weekend.

Wally and Dot French celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last Memorial Day with a surprise party thrown by their children and grandchildren, followed by a dinner party in June the couple hosted for their family. Wally and Dot were married June 11, 1960, in Plainfield, N.J. After graduation from Lafayette, Wally attended the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania, and Dot graduated from Drew University. The couple co-founded Regulatory Research Associates Inc. in 1982, which provided financial and regulatory information regarding public utilities to the financial community. Wally retired from the firm in 1999, and Dot retired in 2005. They are both active in their Presbyterian church, where they are Stephen Leaders and Stephen Ministers. Wally and Dot
have three children: Bob, and his wife, Sandy; Scott, and his wife, Anne; Kathy, and her husband, Chris; and they have been blessed with six grandchildren. Wally’s email: w.dfrench@att.net.

Don Kein retired from law practice in the fall; his new email is donaldkein@gmail.com. Rich Kohler, co-captain of Lafayette’s great ’58-’59 basketball team, reports that he had a great time at John and Betty Ziegler’s 51st Phi Psi reunion in June. He said no one remembered who Mike Wilson was until he said he was the brother of Andy Wilson ’57. He played golf with coach George Davidson, Tony Mack ’57, and Stu Murray ’57 in South Jersey. Rich’s email: rkohler8@comcast.net.

Bill Lee had a quadruple bypass procedure in Phoenix on June 22. He is in cardiac rehab for the next several months. He recently had lunch with John and Carole Clayton, who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next year with their two kids on a European river cruise. Bill’s email: knble2000@yahoo.com.

Erv Notter has a new email address: jbnnewn@verizon.net.

Dick Poey received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society of Minnesota Sculptors and his work has been in a number of shows this year, including the Spiritual Arts Show, Society of Minnesota Sculptors Annual Exhibition, Hopkins Members Show — where he won Best of Show and People’s Choice awards — Minneapolis Luxury Homes Tour, Minnetonka and Eden Prairie Arts Tours, and the National Sculpture Society’s online exhibition, “Recent Work.” Dick’s email: poeyart@comcast.net.

Nels Snook’s wife, Dee, sent a note in late June: “Nels’ cancer returned for the fifth time, and he had surgery to remove a tumor. He recovered nicely and will spend summer in radiation therapy. We all know that as soon as he can, he’ll be back at the racetrack watching his horses.” Nels’ email: dasnes@cox.net.

Jad Sortore and his wife, Marian traveled to Vicksburg, Miss., for a reunion of his first naval ship, the USS San Pablo. Jad’s email: rooster1@gloriaceable.com.

I received a nice note from Kurt Steckley, who drove his ’87 Corvette in the Reunion 2010 parade. He notes that the great ’59 reunion record turnout of last year still stands. Kurt’s email: ksteckley@verizon.net.

Joe Stefanowicz, one of our greatest student-athletes, writes that his cancer has been in remission for 22 months, and he feels good. He was to be inducted into the Delaware County (Pa.) Athletes Hall of Fame in October 2010 for his role as track and cross country coach at Ridley High School for 27 years, and cross country coach at Swarthmore College for 23 years. Joe’s email: pg19317@verizon.net.

John Sterling teaches Internet and email to seniors at the Daytona Beach Computer Learning Center site. He has two 1-year-old grandchildren and a 3-year-old granddaughter. He said his brother-in-law Norm Leader ’61 and sister stopped by recently and he sees Ed Skou about once a month. John’s email: john.sterling@clearwire.net.

Jerry Turnauer reports that he bought the Freightliner dealership in Tampa and now spends several days there each month. He and Sandye will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in December. Jerry’s email: jturnauer@cox.net.

Bob Turner moved to Clovis, Calif., in August 2009 and now lives with his youngest son and his family in a two-story house. He says three teenagers keep the activity level going strong. Bob’s email: rhturnera@ymail.com.

Dick Wright sent a great update on the 51st reunion of ’59 Phi Psi’s that took place last June: John Ziegler, Jim Haering, Mike Wilson, Fritz Muench, Rich Kohler, and I, along with our wives, gathered at John and Betty Ziegler’s magnificent summer home on the water in Bay Head, N.J. The plan is to meet for the 52nd next year at the Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, W.Va. Dick’s email: cedcrw@verizon.net.

Maryellen and I keep busily engaged in all our local activities in the Williamsburg area. We also find time to visit our young grandchildren in Southern California. I attended my grandson’s first communion and my granddaughter’s birthday in May, returning in late July to attend my grandson’s baseball “World Series.” We welcome our ’59 classmates to visit us in Williamsburg. Our guest bedrooms await you always!

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“I haven’t seen you in 50 years!” said Ted Gailer after I reintroduced him to his fraternity brother John Hickman, who replied, “I never would have recognized you.”” Along with Ted’s wife, Alta, we gathered for dinner at the Best Western on the night before our 50th reunion. The next morning, Hickman and I posted for our tee time at Riverview Golf Club, not far from the campus. Ted had injured his back a few days prior and regretted having to withdraw from the Class of 1960 tourney. Hickman and I teamed with Doug Hobby (1961 class correspondent) and Bob Haigh, who made the voyage from Englewood, Colo., to play in the annual classic.

About 28 golfers assembled by the first tee. Our efficient golf chairman, Dick Booth, published all starting times, which entailed a constant juggling act, but we started on time! At the conclusion, we toasted Dick (and acknowledged the able assistance of his wife, Colleen) on a flawless job. How appropriate that he won the contest for the longest drive.

Several husband-wife teams participated. Representing the South were Blair and Pat Daugherty, Greenville, S.C., and Lee and Karen Ohlman, Birmingham, Ala. Other spouse teams included Paul and Teri Komar, plus Phil and Bernice Bollman. The most amazing shot of the day was hit by Charlie Fisher, who won the nearest-to-the-pin award for his 7-iron shot on the par-three eighth hole that finished 26 inches from the cup.

Tom Rennert trucked down from Vermont. He teamed with fraternity brother Bob Mack from Charlotte,
N.C. Jim Rauch, as part of his traditional role, supplied free golf balls to all the players. Football players Don Nikles, Marion Vujevich, and Tom Moyer led their respective teams to competitive finishes in the overall scramble. Joe Samaratano ‘91, director of annual leadership gifts, played as an invited guest in recognition of his help in organizing all of our activities.

After golf, we registered at Farinon Center and picked up our official uniform—a brilliant yellow golf shirt and a black baseball cap inscribed Lafayette ’60.

Peter Veruki was the first classmate I encountered at the registration desk. He attended Friday only, since he had to be back in Houston at his job in the placement department of Rice University. Dave Saalfrank attended only Friday night as well.

At the reception in the President’s House Garden, David Williams recalled his days as a varsity tennis player and vividly described his upset of his opponent from then-powerful Haverford College. Rich Easton said his new company location is in Bolivia, N.C. He chatted with Tom Dupuis, who travelled from Cincinnati.

Dr. Paul Beisswenger, who came from Hanover, N.H., said he looked forward to his move to Florida. Robert Kessler came from Grantham, N.H. Joe Lees had an easier ride from Wilmington, Del. Dr. Jim Silvestri, my pal from Nutley (N.J.) High School, attended with his wife, Elisa. Rich Sinatra looked for fly fishermen. Carl Meier asked again about the tree that fell in the forest. Dr. Don Spano and his wife, arrived from Charlotte, Va.

Jim Hurst enjoyed his first Reunion ever! He recalled a story when he was a member of the freshman basketball team. The varsity had just completed a highly successful 21–3 regular season and was off to the NCAA Tournament at the Palestra in Philly. The first opponent was Syracuse University. In preparation for the game, coach George Davidson didn’t have enough players to form a practice game of five-on-five. So he selected Jim as a surrogate substitute for the scrimmage. His role was magnified by the potential defensive assignment of Hall of Fame member Jim Brown.

On Saturday, we lined up at the front of the parade to make our infamous march around the Quad. Spearheading the class were the actions of Lew Fishberg and Larry Knudsen. It took only 50 years for Lew to get his 1910 Model T Ford operational for a road trip from Highland Park, N.J., to Easton. Finally, in 2010, all the missing parts were available, and Lew was able to lead the group.

The Model T Ford was followed by Larry’s 1991 Volvo 747, which had a decal on the rear window reading CLASS OF 1960. On the side of each fender guard, near the hood, was a psychedelic leopard with a fiery tail to arouse the typical football fan.

Blair Daugherty appreciated his picture appearing in my most recent book, Scout, about Parkinson’s disease. If we had to vote as to which classmate looked the youngest, Bruce Boyd would have won in a landslide. Bruce flew in from Albuquerque, N.M. My neighbor Dick Beck drove the distance from The Villages, Fla., to Easton. In addition, he marched the full length of the parade route despite wearing a cast on his knee. Ed Bantlow commented, “My current intention is to remain single but to remain alert to new friendships.”

After the parade, we attended lunch in Allan P. Kirby Sports Center. Alden Siegel and Larry Knudsen battled the acoustical dilemma of KSC as they announced the results of our year-long fund-raising effort. The two handed President Daniel H. Weiss a check for over $400,000.

Ted Gaier and I dropped by the Delta Tau Delta reunion. Don Kress ’58 gave an inspirational talk about the prospects for the colonization of a new DTD. The Class of ’60 boasted one of the largest contingents at our 50th. Much of the conversation turned to Don Ohnegian, who was ill and unable to attend.

We went to the Marquis Society cocktail party. I met Dave Wister, who was enjoying his hiatus from Wall Street. He spent most of his career at U.S. Trust and C.J. Lawrence. He lives near the Cape Cod elbow in Chatham, Mass. I had a long chat with Al Black and his wife, Kathy, as we celebrated his qualifying for the Marquis Society. I then had a chance to talk briefly with Wayne Nordberg, whose name continues to appear at or near the top of ’60 donors.
Okay, guys, there are only about six months until our 50th reunion. Have you sent Dick Webster your bio for the class yearbook? It serves as a memento of the occasion and is treasured by class members. But, it will only be as good as your contributions. Even if you are unable to attend reunion, send Dick something to add, including pictures you wish to share: richardjwebster@comcast.net or 1249 Surrey Road, West Chester, PA 19382. Please do this as soon as possible.

I played in the Class of ‘60 golf outing on Friday morning of their 50th reunion. On Saturday, I chatted with some of the College staff on the steps of Farinon College Center as the Reunion parade began. There went the ’55ers, an enthusiastic group, followed by the Class of ’60, all 85 or so of them (plus wives) in their bright yellow T-shirts. Then I was surprised to see a Class of ’61 banner carried by George Benson and Davey Thomsen. Marching alongside them was Bill Remaly. The banner looked like it had been in Benson’s garage a little too long, but it did the job. I had to join them, and a few minutes later Joe Nyce hopped in.

I’ll tell the story of that reunion in the next column. For now, I’ll share some observations from our professors; in particular, the department heads over our senior year: music, English, history, philosophy, biology, chemistry, and electrical engineering. Everyone should get the Class Reception and Dinner on Saturday night is the highlight of the weekend for 50th reunion attendees. The College president is usually the guest speaker, and films and gags are often included.

Our class golf outing, by the way, is scheduled for Friday morning, June 10. We will play using the scramble format, which makes it more fun, especially for the less-accomplished golfers. Here’s another quiz to stimulate your interest in the forthcoming reunion. This time, I have focused on our professors; in particular, the president and the dean. Their department heads are: music, English, history, philosophy, biology, chemistry, and electrical engineering. Everyone should get the first five correct, especially Ralph Updegrove, but my guess is that few of you will get the second one. Hint: William Watt was on a leave of absence that year. Answers are at the end of the column.

After the parade, I chatted with Davey Thomsen, a retired electrical engineer. He said that little has changed with him since our 45th, which he attended. He and wife Annie live in Philadelphia.

Bill Buchler sent in his bio and expects to attend our 50th. He retired from Xerox in 2001 but still serves on two corporate boards. He and wife Sharon live most of the year in South Carolina, but they spend much of the summer in their home in the mountains of Oregon. Their two sons live in Portland; one of them got married in June.

John Bull retired from the Philadelphia Inquirer and lives in Philadelphia.

Ed Auble wrote that on his 71st birthday his kids gave him a Garmin GPS. Since he is a former Navy aviator, Ed always thought he could navigate anywhere by the seat of his pants. Of course, he had to object to the gift, but I’m betting he won’t dispense with it. Also, Ed became a grandfather for the second time.

Dave Phraner, one of my fraternity brothers, wrote that he is in the process of selling his house in New Jersey and moving to Georgia to be closer to his daughter. He expects to come north each summer to be near his son in the Catskills. Dave’s professional and avocation interests were in transportation. He was a member of Canal Society of New Jersey and gave talks on the Morris Canal. Dave says that he remembers many of his Texas brothers by the cars they drove, which included a new Ford convertible, a Jag, and a recent-vintage Corvette.

Fred McDowell has been retired from the University of Texas for five years, but he still maintains an office there for publishing purposes and other activities. After graduation, Fred received his Ph.D. in geochemistry from Columbia University and then worked in Switzerland. In the late ’60s, he returned to the States and found a job at UT. He spent the rest of his career at the Austin-based school and loved it there. He and wife Karen have been married for 47 years and have three children and four grandkids.

A number of months ago, Bob Howard asked me if I could locate Lloyd Edraney, one of his DU fraternity brothers. Lloyd is in Littleton, Colo., and owns a CPA business in Denver. We hope Bob has encouraged Lloyd to attend reunion.

Andy Cherrington retired from IBM and since 1966 has lived near Boulder, Colo. He plans to attend reunion.

I’ve included updates gained from other sources. If anything is outdated or incorrect, please let me know.

Robert Ives lives in the Chicago area and is now retired. For many years, he was the president of the International Society of Automation. Harry Boyko is retired and lives in Tennessee. Harry received his J.D. from Vanderbilt University in Nashville. He plans to attend the 50th and participate in the class golf outing.
retired from AT&T in 1994 and began a second career as a college professor, principally at the College of New Jersey. He and his wife, Dottie, live in Hopewell, N.J. Andy Sweet is retired and lives in Kentucky. Stan Novaco retired from the Ford Motor Corporation in Michigan and now lives in Vero Beach, Fla.

Ron Hargreaves passed away June 9. He was an active participant on the reunion planning committee, and his death came as a shock to us. Ron was retired after a long career as a senior industry analyst for IBM and lived in North Carolina. He had lived in Connecticut and New Jersey and had many interests in addition to his family. He was an accomplished photographer and was trained and certified in auto repair. He was also active with the Jaycees, fishing and tennis clubs, and the Boy Scouts. (He was an Eagle Scout.) Ron was a member of Kirby House, Tau Beta Pi honorary engineering fraternity, and Maroon Key. After graduating from Lafayette, he received his MBA from Rutgers University. Ron’s wife, Anita; daughter, Nancy; son, David; and two grandchildren survive him. A son, James m. Montgomery Jr., predeceased him.

Glen L. Hicks, 77, passed away June 28, 2009. Glen attended Chambersburg (Pa.) High School with our own Carl Barton, who provided additional information as follows. Glen was very proud of his 35-acre farm, which was a “retirement project,” including the clearing of trees, construction of a “cottage” (read: home), and the dismantling, transport, and reconstruction of a complete barn. He died in an accident while mowing with his tractor. A mutual friend of Carl and Glen stated, “Glen passed away doing what he loved most: working on his project, his farm, his paradise.”

Paul Danco called me after reading my plea for any details on the passing of Steve Streisfeld. Paul was Steve’s roommate in Soles Hall, and he inquired if I had learned anything further. Since I had not, Paul is making some inquiries in Florida. A good result of Paul’s call was our realization that, during the winter months, we are only three miles apart in Florida, so we may try to organize a ’62 luncheon this winter.

As we remember past classmates, I will mention that the Terence M. Nolan ’62 Memorial Golf Classic continues to be a success. It was held Oct. 14 at Grace Course, Bethlehem, Pa.

Matt “Scoop” Thomases and wife Jean saw Max and Sandra Rothman recently. Max is executive director and CEO of the Alliance for Aging, which serves as the aging resource center for Miami-Dade and Monroe counties in Florida. His organization monitors and funds various eldercare facilities in the Greater Miami area, a task that Max ably handles, using his skills at all levels — right up to state — to keep things humming.

The next day turned into a Pi Lam mini reunion, as Steve and Mimi Hyman traveled to D.C. and joined the group for Saturday dinner and Sunday brunch. Steve had just won a difficult legal case and needed to escape the law cave to spend quality time with his bride and friends.

So the mailbag goes back out on the hook where the stagecoach passes by, call me or send something soon.

first wife, five grandchildren, and a sister. Daughter Kathryn Bassett Butterfield ’96 is a Lafayette graduate. Thanks to those classmates who responded to my request for news. I hope to hear from more of you.

Quiz answers: music, John Raymond; English, James Vitelli; history, Edwin Coddington; philosophy, George Clark; biology, Louis Stabler; chemistry, William Hart; and electrical engineering, Lawrence Conover.

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I received a brief message from the College that Re Sumo Attuquayefio Jr., 77, passed away June 28, 2009. No details are available. I remember Re Sumo as being active in the College Church and both the Cosmopolitan Club and the International Relations Society. His major was international relations, and he hailed from Accra, Ghana. Re Sumo was a member of Watson Hall. If anyone can supply further information on his life and passing, please do so, and I will include it in a future column.

The College informed me of the July 10 passing of Glen L. Hicks, one of the outstanding engineering students in our class. Glen lived in Endwell, N.Y., and is survived by his wife, Pam, and their daughter, Katherine. Glen retired from IBM Corp. and was a member of its Quarter Century Club. He held a master’s degree in electrical engineering from Princeton and was a member of both Tau Beta Pi and Phi Beta Kappa.

Glen attended Chambersburg (Pa.) High School with our own Carl Barton, who provided additional information as follows. Glen was very proud of his 35-acre farm, which was a “retirement project,” including the
John H. Dillon II died July 16. He lived in St. Davids, Pa., and Brant Beach, N.J. At Lafayette, John was a history major and a member of Chi Phi fraternity. He attended George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences and received an MBA from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. From 1964 to 1968, he served in the Navy as a division officer in the nuclear submarine fleet, ending his service as a first lieutenant. He worked at SmithKline for 21 years, retiring as senior vice president of business development. He then worked with various biotech companies. He most recently served on the board of directors for NuPath Inc. and CureDM Inc. John was a member of the Overbrook Golf Club in Villanova, Pa. He loved to travel throughout the Caribbean and spend time with his family at the beach. His wife, Gail; a daughter, Anne Fisher; and two grandsons survive him. His son, John H. “BJ” Dillon III, predeceased him.

John E. Ballinger died July 16 in Williamsburg, Va., after a lengthy illness. He was an English major at Lafayette and a graduate of the Mining and Mechanical Institute of Freemeland, Pa. John was a partner with John Robert Curtis Jr. in The Bookpress Ltd., an antiquarian book business. He also wrote two mystery novels set in Williamsburg, The Williamsburg Fugories and The Jefferson Letters. John’s survivors include his wife, Lisa; two sons, Michael and Kenneth; and four granddaughters.

Harrison “Jerry” Ball Jr. of Summit and Mantoloking, N.J., died May 24. At Lafayette, Jerry majored in psychology, played basketball, and was a member of Theta Delta Chi fraternity. He worked as a loan officer at the Summit Trust Company, and in 1970 became an owner of W.A. Birdsell & Co., a plumbing supplier, retiring as president in 2005. Jerry volunteered as a probation officer for Union County and was a member of the Summit Jaycees, Canoe Brook Country Club, Mantoloking Yacht Club, and Downtown Association of Summit. He was an avid boater on Barnegat Bay. In 2005, he had a double lung transplant. Jerry was the husband of Jean for 44 years, the father of Sara “Sally” Ball McNally and Jennifer King, a brother of Edward, and a grandfather of five. After the memorial service in Summit, some of his fraternity brothers and their spouses gathered to remember Jerry: Anke and Joe Cornell ’62, Karen and Steve Buermann, Dana and Fred Day, and Lynn and Hank Von der Linden ’66.

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We have good news and bad news. The last time I heard that was when a friend’s wife called and asked him which he wanted to hear first. He opted for good news, which was “the air bag worked.” Our good news is better than that.

John and Debbie McCain have created Nickers ‘n’ Neighs, a therapeutic riding center in Donegal, Pa., to promote and advance the cognitive, physical, emotional, and social well-being of people with disabilities, both children and adults. A spectacular undertaking!

Tom Greenbaum, our erstwhile web master, reports that he is heavily involved in the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), which provides mentoring, advice, and counseling services to start-up, burgeoning, and other small businesses, with close cooperation with the U.S. Small Business Administration. Tom would like to share stories with classmates who may also be involved with SCORE or would like to be.

The bad news is that we lost Bob Ferrara in April due to heart problems. He grew up in Vineland, N.J., came to Lafayette on a football scholarship, and had a distinguished 37-year career as a civilian metallurgical engineer with the Department of the Navy’s Naval Surface Warfare Center. He, wife Donna, and twin daughters Julie and Lori lived in Glen Burnie, Md., for the last 38 years. Our deepest sympathies go out to the family of a good man.

Senior management of our class worries about the dearth of information in our columns. Let’s show we can compete with the most long-winded classes: send me stuff! Please?
Bill’s wife, Catherine; son, William; and daughters, Theresa and Carla.

On a more pleasant note, Gerrit Vreeland was the commencement speaker this past June at The Gunnery in Washington, Conn., where he addressed the largest graduating class in its history. A member of the school’s board of trustees, he also serves as president of the alumni association.

He and his best friend from The Gunnery, Tony Rogers, created the Vreeland/Rogers Scholarship Award, presented every year at Prize Night. Gerrit works as a managing director for Alex Brown Deutsche Bank.

I bump into Kenneth Winarick and his wife, Esther, on the beach in Wainscott, Long Island, where we both have summer homes. Ken was looking forward to coming back to campus in the fall. I also spoke with Howard Heller and Joe Epstein, trying to set up a tennis match.

I understand from those who attended reunion that it was a pleasant experience and a nice way to catch up with old friends and revisit the College. Send me your comments for the next column.

Please send updates on your lives and activities.

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I regret to inform you of the July 13 death of the Rev. Douglas Lloyd Shaffer of Wyomissing, Pa., after a three-year battle with pancreatic cancer.

During our orientation at Lafayette in August 1963, Doug saw a flyer advertising a bus trip to Washington, D.C. He went on the trip and at the Lincoln Memorial heard a speech by a young minister named Martin Luther King Jr. That speech, “I Have a Dream,” inspired Doug to lead a life devoted to helping the less fortunate.

A history major and a member of Soles Hall, Doug received his M.Div. from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 1970. After a few years in campus ministry in Pittsburgh, he became executive director of Reading Urban Ministry, where he served for 16 years. He was instrumental in founding the Greater Berks Food Bank, Opportunity House Homeless Shelter, and Berks AIDS Network. In 1993, he became the minister for Bausman Memorial United Church of Christ and served there until his retirement in August 2009.

An article about Doug in the July 24 Reading (Pa.) Eagle noted his work counseling gang members, demonstrating for civil rights, and building shelters for the homeless. Doug encouraged many others to volunteer, as he believed that those who give receive benefits in return. His wife of 22 years, Barbara Hazel Beringer, an attorney in Wyomissing, said he was moved by Micah 6:8: “What the Lord requires of us is this: to do what is just, to show constant love, and to live in humble fellowship with our God.” A co-worker said of Doug: “I think he was the embodiment of what a religious leader in this century should be. He didn’t just offer hollow words. He did the work.”

Doug’s son, Matthew ’95, majored in English and lives in San Francisco, where he is associate director for marketing services for the Trust for Public Land. Doug’s daughter, Rachael, planned to enter her sophomore year at Roger Williams College in Rhode Island, majoring in secondary education. We send our condolences to Barbara, Matthew, and Rachael.

Chris Golden is the executive director of the Second Cavalry Association. He served in this unit for two of the five years that he spent in the military. The association deals with the loss of life from the regiment’s deployment to Afghanistan. Chris said that “the loss of young men at an age when they were just beginning their lives seems most unfair. Life lost is always a tragedy...let us hope and pray for peace! I hate writing condolence letters to families of our soldiers. In 2008, when the Regiment returned from its last deployment to Iraq, we put up a memorial park in Vilseck, Germany, that memorializes 54 men and women who gave all for the nation. Sadly, we will be adding names to that memorial next year when the regiment returns to Vilseck.”

You will be pleased to know that despite sparse attendance at our 43rd reunion, attendees Jim Eccher and Henry Ryder flew the Class of 1967 flag in the Reunion parade. Along with his brother Steve ’65, who was attending his 45th reunion, Jim attended Reunion for the first time since 1972. Jim commuted from Ferndale, Pa., (south on Route 611) as an undergraduate. Following his graduation with a degree in economics, Jim taught in high school for a year and then entered law school, graduating in 1972. He did the legal work for Eccher Jeep in Ferndale until his dad William F. ’38 sold the business in 1987. Jim, by his own admission, has “not done an honest day’s work in 25 years.” Jim and his life partner, Susan, have two children and two grandchildren and live part time in Ocean City, N.J. Jim promised to attend our 45th in 2012.

Estes Park KOA owner Jim Turner reports the summer in Colorado went well. Bob Smith and his wife, Gloria, from Mechanicsburg, Pa., visited during their trip through the Rocky Mountains. It had been many years since Bob and Gloria took an extended trip, as they provide playday care for their youngest granddaughter, Kalina Mac Gardner. Bob co-teaches an adult Sunday School class at St. John Lutheran with their senior pastor.

Last June, Mark Staples made a guest appearance on the “Lehigh Valley Discourse” public radio program. Based on his observations from 38 years of volunteer work with Lutheran Disaster Response in Pennsylvania and the Gulf region, he discussed the impact of floods on survivors. He was interviewed by the executive director of Nurture Nature, an Easton nonprofit with a mission to better educate and prepare residents in flood-prone areas to deal with storm-related calamities. Nurture Nature, created in the aftermath of recent catastrophic flooding along the Delaware River Basin, is developing a science center in its headquarters in
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Easton’s old Strand Theater building. Mark served most of his career as a communications executive with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, first as an editor with The Lutheran, the church’s national magazine, and most recently as director of communications for The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. Semi-retired since 2008, he fulfills writing assignments for the church as his health permits. Mark and his wife, Lynn, a hospice nurse and case manager before retiring, live in Norristown, Pa.

Thanks to the 80-plus class members who have contributed to this column since I became class correspondent in 2002. The class would like to hear from the other 220 members whose names have not appeared. Please send information about yourself.

When we graduated, the class of 1917 celebrated its 50th reunion. Each year, the 50th reunion year has crept up, and this year, with the class of 1960, reached our decade. The warm-up for our 50th will be the 45th, June 8–10, 2012.

1968

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Paul Levy continues in his position as director of the Center City District and Central Philadelphia Development Corp., which promotes and stewards Center City, Philadelphia. To that end, a newsletter is published seasonally, by which Paul keeps me advised of his activities and concerns through his director’s essay, the cornerstone of the publication. Paul also delivered the keynote address for the Easton Main Street Initiative, which held its annual State of Main Street meeting March 12 at the Alvin H. Butz Gallery in the State Theatre.

Lloyd Levenson sent a long letter regarding his involvement and support for the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey School of Business. Lloyd is CEO and chair of the casino law department at Cooper Levenson, a 70-member law firm in Atlantic City, N.J. He is the former president of the International Association of Gaming Attorneys, a columnist for Boardwalk Journal magazine, and serves on the board of trustees for the Southern New Jersey Development Council. He is also a member of the board of directors of D.A.R.E. and a volunteer leader in the Boys & Girls Club of Atlantic City. After Lafayette, Lloyd attended and graduated from Georgetown University Law Center. In connection with his longtime support of Stockton College, he established the Lloyd D. Levenson Institute for Gaming, Hospitality, and Tourism. The institute combines the research, training, and management components of the Stockton Institute for Gaming Management and those of the college’s Center on Hospitality and Tourism Research to serve this critical aspect of New Jersey’s economy. Lloyd served previously as chair of the scholarship gala and has supported numerous Stockton College activities and events. The president of the college, Herman J. Saatkamp Jr., praised Lloyd’s credentials and contributions and predicted that the Lloyd D. Levenson Institute will have a far-reaching benefit to the college’s community and the local and state economies. Lloyd stated: “I’ve participated in gaming’s growth from an exciting experiment to a multibillion-dollar industry. The institute affirms this transformation from a local leisure enterprise to a complex economic system of global impact.”

On a personal level, Lloyd has been married to Liane for 27 years. Retired from the practice of law, she teaches at Stockton College. The Levensons have two “wonderful” sons, Lucas, 19, is a sophomore at Drew University, where the 6-foot, 8-inch starter on the basketball team and had “a great year” his first season. Lloyd traveled to 24 of the 26 games and reminisced about his own basketball days at Lafayette. Younger son Logan is a first-year student at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I., where he will study marine biology and hopes to “save the coral reefs.”

Jim Swartwout was elected a director of ATS Corp., a leading information technology company that delivers innovative technology solutions to government and commercial organizations. Jim has over 30 years of operational and financial management experience in both public and private corporations. He most recently served as a co-chief executive officer and board member of Habasit Holding, the U.S. subsidiary of Habasit AG, a $700 million global supplier of precision conveyor belts. Before that, he spent 18 years with Summa Industries, a publicly traded manufacturer of diversified plastic products for industrial and commercial markets, where he served as chair, CEO, and CFO. When Habasit acquired Summa, Jim led the integration and moved into the executive role at the parent company. Before his tenure at Summa, Jim served in several executive roles in various manufacturing firms and is also a director of Sparton Corp., a publicly traded, diversified electronics company and supplier of sophisticated electronic assemblies to the Navy and Coast Guard. Earlier in his career, he served as a commissioned officer in the Navy after receiving a bachelor’s in industrial engineering and later his MBA from the University of Southern California.

Dem Cowles wrote that he still resides in Florida and teaches courses at Webber International University. His wife, Gail, is in her 37th year of teaching fifth grade. Also, Dem runs a local family literacy program involving 90 families at two different school sites, with adult, pre-K, and childhood education, plus parenting and life skills. In the Cowles’ area, 40 percent of people live below the poverty line, 35 percent fail to complete high school, and only 18 percent attend four years of college. As a result of Dem’s efforts, dozens of people have gotten GEDs, and some have gone on to college. Dem is now “inactive” in his former bars, but he keeps his Florida law license current to practice in the state. He says that practicing law comes in handy when trying to get justice in a small town. He has taken on some boards and commissions, notably the County Water Advisory Board, the County Budgetary Advisory Board, and some local non-profits. In addition, he is involved in a commission to review his county’s charter.
Now for the bad news. The College has notified me that John Thomas Magee died July 20. John was born in Bethlehem, Pa., in 1946 to Helen Stephenson Magee and the late John Fackenthal Magee. He graduated from the Loomis Chaffee School in Windsor, Conn., and at Lafayette was an English major, a brother in Phi Delta Theta, and a varsity lacrosse player. After college, John served in the military in the Army Corps of Engineers. His life’s work was as an international traffic manager for Coty and Unilever. In his spare time, he enjoyed hockey, lacrosse, and kayaking. His favorite activity was geocaching. John’s wife, Margaret; his sons, Adam, Ethan, and Christopher; and his daughter, Emily ’10 (B.S., economics & business; B.S., anthropology & sociology), survive him. Other survivors are a daughter-in-law, Gretchen; grandchildren Avery, Gavin, and Aiden; brothers Robert and Douglas; and nephews Matthew and Ryan. Consistent with John’s love of the College, the family has asked for contributions to be made to Lafayette College or ProJeCt of Easton Inc., 330 Ferry Street, Easton, PA 18042. The family held a private memorial in September in Bay Head, N.J., where the Magee family summer home is located.

Thanks to all who provided information.

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Class President John C. Becica informed me of the March 26 death of Kay Bergeethoven, wife of Lafayette College President Emeritus Roald Bergeethoven. She was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and married President Bergeethoven in 1942. Prior to Dr. Bergeethoven’s death in 2004, they had been married for 62 years. (See page 46.)

Jim Mason reports that while he was in Vancouver, Wash., in early June for a family wedding, he and his wife, Marg, looked up Bob Grasso, a Kappa Sigma brother, and Bob’s wife, Lana (see photo online).

1970

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Reunions are a time for remembering, and our 40th was no exception.

Many KDR alumni and friends were present in force; Bob Boutillier, Tom Foley and Priscilla Peale, Dave Klink, Jon Marcus and Deb Whitfield, Joe and Peggy O’Leary, Mark and Barbara Whitley, and Don and Diana Woodhouse came as a group and relived their great times together.

Tom and Priscilla live in suburban Hartford, Conn., where Tom is a vice president in the trust department of a Hartford-based bank. Jon is a development executive in the entertainment, media, and communications division of the UJA-Federation of New York; he and Debra Whitfield were recently married. They live in the Upper West Side, Manhattan. Deb is an experienced professional director and accomplished actor. She is directing an upcoming play called Beatrix Café and did an adaptation of Twelfth Night for the Theater Arts Center in New York. She provided me with wonderful insights into the theater, direction, and the difficulties of the glass curtain, being a talented woman in a world where men are not always tolerant of either talent or gender.

Joe and Peggy, who live in San Diego, get the award for longest travel across a continent. Their children, Dana and Katherine, do well in their respective graduate and undergraduate educational programs. They support a third “child,” a horse, who recently was treated for an ulcer. The costs? Don’t ask. Think of the expenses and copays of human medical care but with a large multiplier and no insurance coverage.

Mark and Barbara live in Winston-Salem, N.C., where Mark and son Matthew ’99 now own a group of Subway sandwich franchises. Mark retired after a career in marketing professional practices, most recently with a law firm in the Winston-Salem area. He has a special interest in Revolutionary War history, especially the southern campaigns.

Don and Diana live in New Hampshire. Don and Tom Foley set new standards of sartorial excellence with matching Lafayette bowties, expertly tied, and dark blazers. Don will be mentioned in an upcoming column discussing some of the extraordinary care he provided to the family of a deceased classmate, Barclay Imle.

Steve Brenner came with Mike Weinstein to march in the parade and socialize. Steve lives in Westchester, a suburb of New York City, and works in media.

Al Brink came from Radnor, Pa., to join us Saturday. Many of the beautiful wrought iron lamps on campus are the result of his generosity and the skill of the artisans who work for him. His company, Spring City Electrical Manufacturing, is in Spring City, Pa., a western suburb of Philadelphia.

Steve Corley lives in Mountain Lakes, N.J. His business sells school products.

Nils and Michelle Dailey were with us Saturday and marched in the parade. They live in Guilford, Conn., and have five children. Nils is an accomplished photographer.

Sandy Edwards, of Flemington, N.J., joined us Saturday.

Jeff Ferguson holds master’s degrees in urban administration and business administration and a doctorate in management from Case Western Reserve. He is CEO of a company that provides sophisticated neurological monitoring for complex operations, a type of telemedicine that is in the forefront of the future of medicine. An avid boater, Jeff is refurbishing an older boat so that his wife, an impressionistic painter, can cruise the waters and have a lovely environment to contemplate.

Bill and Judy Harrington attended Friday only. Bill runs an international service organization (details at vistaventures.com).

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Rich Hildreth, widowed for many years but now happily remarried for 16, lives in Virginia. He bought out his partner and is managing well in this economy.

My wife, Lynne Rubin LeWitt, daughter Rachel ‘13, and I were around for the weekend. I was re-elected class correspondent (so, send me your news). Lynne is a senior vice president and director of trusts for a suburban Philadelphia bank. Rachel, our younger daughter, pronounced her first year at Lafayette “wonderful.”

Dave Littman joined us Saturday for the parade and class dinner. Dave is an attorney in New Jersey. He had Gary Platt and me weeping with laughter over his stories, generally prefaced with “to make a long story short,” which they weren’t.

Chris and Ingrid Marshall, and daughter Kirsten ‘13 also attended. Their son, Eric ‘10, graduated in May. Kirsten was an able part of the Reunion staff and is a talented photographer.

Jim McGuire is with the state attorney’s office in New Jersey. He has a special interest in environmental issues. After retirement from that venue, he plans to go into private practice.

Jim Nelson, who joined our class in our sophomore year, lives in the Boston area, where he is in the commercial reinsurance business. He has additional homes in the suburban Philadelphia area (Chester County), where he raises horses, as well as visits a son.

Gary Parker has two sons and two granddaughters. One married son lives in Oregon, while the other, an attorney married to a psychiatrist, lives in South Carolina. Gary has retired after 38 years with Kodak, the last several as a national manager of sales, and still lives in the Rochester, N.Y., area. He and his wife will celebrate their 40th anniversary in November.

Gary Platt was re-elected class president and reunion chair, despite stiff opposition. He did a superb job organizing this reunion. He practices law in New Jersey and is a splendid schmoozer. He regaled us with great stories culled from his years of practice and lifetime in New Jersey. Some years ago, he proposed a new state motto, which, unfortunately, was not accepted in the contest: New Jersey — you gotta problem with that??

Jorge and Maria Punchin came back from Puerto Rico, where he is the director of the graduate program and teaches applied mathematics at the University of Puerto Rico. Jorge was originally from Peru and met Maria, who is from Puerto Rico. They have two sons, Jose ’99 and Jorge Roberto. The Punchins get the award for longest travel across an ocean.

Christy and Linda Sutton attended, but I did not have a chance to talk with them.

Richard and Elaine Whitehead have a daughter, who is an electrical engineer, and other children, who teach and practice accountancy. Still working the railways, Richard works part time on tunnels outside of New York City. He sends a special shout-out to John Delatush, who helped him many years ago when both were students.

Mike Weinstein came back to join us Saturday, walking in the parade with a new and highly functional knee. He is marketing his new beverage, a combination energy drink and vitamin powerhouse.

Greg Wilcox helped run a barbecue for Chi Phi alums, which was reportedly the source of the best food all weekend.

George and Cynthia Yankovich live in Greenwich, Conn., where George works as a developer of green homes in New England and serves on the housing commission. Cynthia is an award-winning interior designer. Married for 33 years, they have three children.

Comments about other classmates who came up over the weekend:

Richard Agins is an attorney practicing in Hartford, Conn.

John Cann is a physician and the chief medical officer for the Ministry of Health in Bermuda.

Kevin Harris is a pediatrician, practicing in suburban Philadelphia area.

Wick Johnson runs a successful business in Maine.

Tom LaConte is a judge in New Jersey.

Howie LeWine and Marty Solomon are successful physicians in the Boston area.

Morrie Noretsky has a radio program in the Lehigh Valley area.

The movie, *The Last Station*, based on the book *The Last Station: A Novel of Tolstoy’s Last Year* by distinguished novelist, poet, and college professor Jay Parini, was released in 2009 and nominated for two Oscars in 2010.

Tim Van Hise practices law in New Jersey.

Paul Warner lives on Long Island. Though he retired his professional engineering license eight years ago, he still works four days a week writing specifications, drafting shop drawings, and engineering park development projects for local governments.

Many members of the class are represented on bricks outside Skillman Library as consistent annual donors to the College under the aegis of the Fleck Society. Thank you.

My apologies to anyone I may have misquoted or overlooked.

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Fellow Leopards, I trust that you are enjoying the fall weather and, most importantly, have been seeing how well (hopeful prediction) our football team is doing.

Lad Nagurney reports that he attended a conference in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in June.

Thomas Denizio was installed as the 2010–11 president of the Middlesex County Bar Association in May. Tom is a partner at Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP in Woodbridge, N.J.

Ed Yakobitis mentioned a planned reunion of the 1970 Lafayette football team this year on the weekend of the
Holy Cross game, Nov. 12-14, to mark the 40th Anniversary of that team and the end of the Harry Gamble era as coach. Phil Noto reported that he and the following Class of ’72 members planned to attend: Joe Person, Fran Mustaro, Mike Kelly, Ed DiSalvo, Pete Tonks, Barry Hughes, Mike Donnelly, Andy Mirabito, and Ed Yakobitis. Phil hoped to hear from other classmates on the team: Jeff Burger, Dick Cramer, Jack Hickl, Dave Kenepp, Dr. Bill Krywicki, Mike Lawler, and Bob Plangemann. Coach Gamble and many of his staff planned to attend.

Phil informed me that
• Jeff Burger lives in Maryland;
• Bill Krywicki is an orthopedic surgeon in the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, Pa., area;
• Bob Plangemann is an engineer with Pennsylvania Power & Light in the Allentown area;
• Mike Lawler lives in Pennsylvania, also;
• Dick Cramer is in North Carolina;
• Jack Hickl lives in Iowa, where he has become a world-class clay pigeon shooter; and
• he saw Dave Kenepp at a game last year.

My wife and I vacationed in San Francisco this summer, first time back in over 20 years.

Please remember to send me updates (photos are welcome) whenever you can.

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John Shedwick celebrated his 25th anniversary as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Woodbury Heights, N.J. He and his wife, Dottie, have been married for 36 years and are the parents of two and grandparents of four. Their daughter, Christina, followed in her mother’s footsteps as a teacher and has one daughter. Son Brad graduated from the Naval Academy, served for six years, and now works for the government. He is the father of three boys. John encourages friends to contact him at revjs@comcast.net.

I am saddened to report that two of our classmates died after long and courageous battles with cancer.

Glenn Falkenstern was a lifetime resident of Norwood, N.J. A graduate of Old Tappan (N.J.) High School, he earned an MBA from Fairleigh Dickinson Dickinson University. His wife, Patricia; sons, David and Kevin; sister, Joyce; and mother, Jessie, survive him.

Dennis Corriuwe earned a master’s degree from the University of Vermont. He was a founding partner of Service Design Associates (SDA) of Raleigh, N.C., a company that helped municipal governments collect delinquent child support payments. After selling SDA, Dennis continued his work in the field of child support collections through his own company and later as a consultant to PSI of Denver, Colo. His wife, Beth Ann; children, Steven and Michelle; and his mother, Jenny, survive him.

The members of the Class of ’73 extend their condolences to the families of these two fine gentlemen.

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I am saddened to report that Paula Stringer Crane passed away at her home in Jonesboro, Ga., Oct. 18, 2009. After college, she achieved several health care certifications as an addiction counselor. Paula became associated with Clayton Behavioral Health in 1994. In 1996, she founded a residential substance abuse program for the Clayton Center. Paula became CEO in early 2009, managing 300 employees and overseeing the needs of Clayton County, Ga., residents in the areas of mental health, developmental disabilities, and addictive diseases.

Over the years, Paula served on many committees and boards in her community, including Clayton Cares, Georgia School of Addiction Studies, and Georgia Community Service Board Association.

On a happier note, congratulations to Diane Vollweiler Elliott, who was appointed in March as executive director of New Bethany Ministries in Bethlehem, Pa. A nonprofit, New Bethany serves the poor, homeless, and mentally ill in the Lehigh Valley. New Bethany is working toward building a larger services center on the South Side of Bethlehem and must raise $2.3 million for that project. In her prior role at Lafayette, Diane served in the president’s office, oversaw legislative affairs and federal grants and worked as the College’s public service director. In addition, she is a former Northampton County Council member and co-founder and former director of the Lehigh Valley Land Recycling Initiative.

Ken Ross writes from Cupertino, Calif. He works as a principal systems engineer for Science Applications, which in February acquired his previous employer, CloudShield Technologies. Ken published several papers this year on subjects related to advanced computing and will present one in September at the International Conference on Parallel Computing in San Diego.

Darlyne Bailey is thrilled to report that she is back in the Northeast and close to her alma mater. She now works at Bryn Mawr College as dean of the Graduate School of Social Work and Research and as special assistant to the president for community partnerships. Darlyne writes that she has “a dream job that allows me to be surrounded by incredible folks while fully living my passions.” She adds that she is “finally listening to what I have written, taught, and ‘preached’: The seeming detours in life are truly part of the Path. Staying ‘awake’ to all ensures that you will be able to give and receive many unanticipated blessings.”

Congratulations to Bob and Dee Jacob. Their son Paul and Erica Boyd were married in Bourne, Mass., April 24. Dee is now a published author, having contributed significantly to a new business book entitled Velocity: Combining Lean, Six Sigma, and the


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Theory of Constraints to Achieve Breakthrough Performance — A Business Novel. Bob was elected to the board of directors of Soundview YMCA in Branford, Conn.

Harry Norton was appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey as an investigator of complex disciplinary charges and will work in conjunction with the Office of Attorney Ethics. Training took place in July. Harry’s prior experience as a prosecutor and as an attorney representing public bodies makes him an ideal person for this assignment.

Joe Grimes reminded me that our class now has a presence on Facebook. He created a group for Lafayette College Class of 1974 under his personal name, Joseph P. Grimes. As of this writing, 29 classmates have friended the group page. All are invited.

1975

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The Class of 1975 online community is a little quiet on the heels of our 35th reunion.

I am sad to report the June 21 death of Thomas Fogg. Tom was one of our older classmates, receiving his degree in electrical Engineering at age 40. Tom was a devoted husband and a father of four. He worked for Conolog Corp. in Branchburg, N.J. He was a man of few words and an avid tennis player, hiker, and cross-country skier. He adored every dog he ever met and completed certified therapy dog training with his Leonberger, Summer. Tom leaves behind Shirley, his devoted wife and best friend of 55 years, three children, many grandchildren, and his brother and mother.

Deborah Maurer Gildersleeve and her husband, Richard, have two daughters, one in Williamsburg, Va., and the other a graduate student in Scotland. Deborah is president of Envirochem Inc., a chemical manufacturer in South River, N.J.

On the academic front, Dr. James Strong was appointed provost and vice president for academic affairs at California State University (CSU). James received his MBA from the University of Toledo and his Ph.D. in marketing and organization behavior from Drexel University. He is the former dean of the College of Business and Public Policy at CSU–Dominquez Hills.

It is never too late to head back to school! Jim Bingham began work on his MBA in energy and sustainability resources at Franklin Pierce University, where he works in the information technology department. Jim was also the lone reporter from our 35th reunion. He said the campus looks beautiful and he was very impressed by the renovations on Third Street at the bottom of the hill.

Please send updates via email or Facebook.

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Did you know that one of the top hits in June 1976 was “Sara Smile” by Hall and Oates? Seems like yesterday to all of us. But believe it or not, in June it will be 35 years since we graduated. Make plans now to attend and reconnect with your classmates. We shared our college years together; reunions are a time to create more memories.

Jamie McLaughlin was appointed to the Subscribers’ Advisory Committee (SAC) of the Privilege Underwriters Reciprocal Exchange (PURE). The SAC is comprised of PURE members (policyholders) who provide PURE’s leadership with recommendations for ways to better serve members, oversee audit functions, and champion PURE in local communities. Jamie was formerly chief executive officer for Geller Family Office Services and before that served for nearly five years as managing director and head of the New York office of Convergent Wealth Advisors. Jamie resides in Darien, Conn., with his wife, Julie, and their son, Austin.

After serving for the past seven years in Kaiserslautern, Germany, as a supervisory logistics management specialist, providing equipment fielding and storage fill for all Army units in Europe, Robert Stern is returning to Olympia, Wash., with his wife and youngest daughter. He longs for the peaceful walks in the Olympic Peninsula with his Labrador, Raisin. Robert traveled to France and Italy this past year. After spending a total of 15 years there, he considers Europe a second home.

Mark your calendars now for your trip back to the Hill to celebrate our 35th, June 10–12.

1977

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Russell Benner was promoted to division manager for public works in Pennsylvania with T&M Associates, an engineering firm he recently joined. He served previously as vice president for CMX Inc., where he provided municipal engineering services for large and medium-sized communities in Bucks, Lehigh, and Montgomery counties. During his career, Russ has led substantial efforts to improve public infrastructure and has overseen major revisions to planning and zoning ordinances in the region.

In April, Leroy Nunery was
appointed Philadelphia School District’s chief of institutional advancement and strategic partnerships. Responsible for fund-raising and outside partnerships, Leroy also oversaw the district’s intermediate unit, which provides technical assistance to public schools. In June, he was promoted to the newly created position of deputy superintendent.

George Watson was named dean of the University of Delaware’s College of Arts and Sciences. After Lafayette, George earned his Ph.D. from UD. He has been a member of the faculty since 1987 and has served in a number of roles, including associate dean of the college and, since July 2009, interim dean. George was awarded Outstanding Teacher in the College of Arts and Sciences in 2000 and Teacher of the Year in 1998.

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The Institute for Education (IFE) presented Chris Caine, president of Mercator XXI, with the IFE Leadership Award at its award dinner held at the Egyptian embassy in Washington, D.C. In addition to his work with IFE, Chris was instrumental in the establishment of Lafayette’s Policy Studies program and the Caine Scholars Award for Global Leadership, Business, and Policy. This monetary award allows deserving students, who would otherwise be unable, to take an unpaid internship. This year’s recipients were Megan Jones ’10 and Daniel Stefan ’10. Another great example of a ’78er making a difference!

Please send updates about yourself or classmates.

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Michael Neborak was appointed executive vice president and group chief financial officer at Willis Group Holdings. He is based in New York and will also work out of the London office. Previously, he was CFO at MSCI Inc.

Donald E. Morel Jr. was named to the board of directors of Kensey Nash Corporation, Exton, Pa., a medical device company focused on regenerative medicine utilizing its proprietary collagen and synthetic polymer technology. The company is a leader in the field of resorbable biomaterials. Donald is chair and CEO of West Pharmaceutical Services.

Glen Hair was named senior vice president for Gannett Fleming Inc. of Harrisburg, Pa., an international planning, design, and construction management firm, where he has been employed for 31 years.

Tom Feehan joined Girdan Group in Timonium, Md., as director of business development, responsible for market strategy development and sales in the federal market sector for the company’s information technology services, program management, and verification and validation practice groups.

Vince DePalma joined Shred-it International Inc. as president and CEO in August 2009 and has relocated to Toronto. Vince served previously as president of Pitney Bowes Management Services LLC in Connecticut. He notes that daughter Kelly is a junior this fall at Villanova University, majoring in human services, and that she enjoys tutoring and mentoring underprivileged children in the Philadelphia area. He mentioned that he visited with Maj. Gen. Mike Milano and his family in Fort Jackson, S.C. Mike took over as commanding general of Fort Jackson, the Army’s largest training base, after a stint as commanding general at Fort Knox, Ky. Prior to Fort Knox, Mike served two and a half years in Baghdad as commander of the Security Transition Command.

Harriet Brown authored a memoir entitled Brave Girl Eating: A Family’s Struggle with Anorexia, the story of her family’s battle to help her daughter recover from the disorder. A frequent contributor to The New York Times science section, Harriet incorporates much of the latest science about eating disorders. Her ambition is to change how eating disorders are treated in this country. She launched a book tour with an Aug. 24 appearance on Good Morning America.

The unflappable Catherine Hanlon finished a year of chemotherapy in April, biked 170 miles and raised $5,000 for multiple sclerosis in May, and took a hiking, camping, and rafting trip down the Grand Canyon in June. She reports it was 107 degrees in the shade and bathing was in the 50-degree river water. “It was only the last day when we were helicoptered out and the ‘copter looked like a mosquito against the canyon walls that we realized how enormous the canyon is!”

In July, Barbara Bingham Kalavik participated for the third year in a weeklong community service project with her two teenage children and the local church youth group. They traveled to Kentucky and West Virginia to help make homes warmer, safer, and drier as participants in Appalachia Service Project (asphome.org). In these impoverished areas 35 percent of the population lives below the poverty line, less than half graduate from high school, and unemployment has been in the double digits for decades. The rest of the year, she directs worldwide public relations for Becton, Dickinson and Co.

Kevin Kerlin, M.D., is medical director at Wayne Radiation Oncology, Goldsboro, N.C. He was named a fellow at the American College of Oncology in 2005. Last year, the Journal of Radiation Oncology published an article he and several colleagues co-authored about a clinical trial conducted for the National
Cancer Institute investigating a therapy for high-risk prostate cancer. He and his wife, Eileen, have two teenage sons, Brian and Brendan.

Dermot Murphy enjoyed the spring Maroon Club golf outing at Morgan Hill with Tom Feehan, Jack Green, and Lew Stival, reuniting four first-year residents of Easton Hall.

With deep sorrow, we learned of the passing of Collins E. Hamblen on May 8.

Pam Butler passed away Aug. 15 in Colorado Springs, Colo., where she served as captain in the Colorado Springs Fire Department. Please visit the “In Memoriam” feature on our class web site at www.lc1979.org for additional and more current information.

To provide more timely information about classmates who have upcoming events of significance or notoriety and to more rapidly disseminate death notice information, several features were added to the class web site for your convenience. Thanks to Laurie Samet for her great work on this project.

1980

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We had a beautiful weekend for the 30th class reunion in June. Our class was housed in South College, which now has elevators and air conditioning.

Dan Everett, our trusty reunion chair, was there with his wife Karen. Some of you may know that Tim Uglow suffered a stroke a few months back. Dan challenged Tim to recuperate enough to come to the reunion, and Tim rose to the challenge. When I arrived on campus Friday night, I headed to CHT to find Tim, Dan, Karen, and Rich Smith ensconced in a corner with Bob, the former owner of the tavern during our time.

Brent Beyer and his wife, Rhonda, were also at CHT. Rhonda’s training as an occupational therapist prompted her to help Tim to subtly exercise his hands and arms while we sat swapping stories from our college years. Brent and Rhonda live in Sarasota, Fla., and have four boys.

Trey Martell ’07, 25, is working on a master’s in education at Florida State. Carl, 23, is in med school at Temple University in Philadelphia. JJ, 22, is finishing undergrad work at Florida State. Drew, their 13-year-old baseball player, is in ninth grade. He pitched for the Sarasota Babe Ruth Florida state champs in the August regional tournament in North Carolina. Brent has a dental practice in nearby Venice, Fla.

Sallie Howell Osborn was at CHT, along with her husband, Tim ’83. Sallie and Tim got married Oct. 18, 2008, at the Maritime Aquarium in Norwalk, Conn. They live in Fairfield County, Conn., and are active boaters and fishermen, so the aquarium was the perfect spot (see photo online). In attendance were Kevin Cardaci, Paul Bahlman, Vicki Braun McCall, Eileen Schunk Ryan (maid of honor), Joanne Booruij Cudatal, David Caffery ’77, Ted Bahlman ’78, and Rich Friesenhahn ’77.

Sallie saw Vicki Braun McCall in August. Vicki is a mother of five, so she has been busy with softball, soccer, laundry, counseling, packing for camp, recitals, etc. Vicki’s husband, Lou, is a lieutenant with the volunteer fire department in Ship Bottom, N.J.

Eileen Schunk Ryan lives in Brooklyn. Joanne Booruij Cudatal was in from Houston. She and her husband, Bob, are now empty nesters; daughters Christine and Lisa are at Cornell and Texas Christian respectively.

Laurie Hoohnoutte McCleedy attended reunion with her husband, Paul. They live in Essex Fells, N.J. Elder son Rob, 24, earned his master’s at Wake Forest in July and moved to Boston for his first job. Brian, 21, is a junior at Amherst College, where he is majoring in economics and computer science. Paul and Laurie make as many of his lacrosse games as they can.

John Pellecchia attended with his partner, Elizabeth. They live in Mendham, N.J., with his three children, Anna ’13, John, and Chris. Anna is a cheerleader, so John has seen more ‘Pard football and basketball games in the past year than in his own four years at Lafayette! He enjoys being a Lafayette parent and is active in Marquis Parents Council. Anna had a great first year and highly recommends the school.

John is a senior — possibly headed to Lafayette? Chris started eighth grade.

John and Elizabeth regularly see Alison Roedler-King and her husband, Geoff, in neighboring Bernardsville, N.J. (Alison was at the reunion Saturday afternoon.) John also keeps in touch with John Edgecomb and Rich Hirsh, who are both in San Francisco and are doing well. Rich and his wife, Cathy, became part-time empty nesters when their twins went off to college last year.

John is a partner at Riker Danzig, where he has practiced litigation, regulatory, administrative, and government affairs law since joining the firm in 1988.

Barb Lan Kaplan and Beth Lanigan Chapin made a quick trip from New Jersey and New York to join us for lunch Saturday. Barb teaches Spanish in the Livingston, N.J., public school system, and enjoys it immensely. Beth and I discussed old friends that we had hoped to see at this reunion and how best to get in touch. If you would like to contact a classmate, I can usually get you an email address.

Lynn Hall Finnerty, Carol Mangin Maurer, and Patti Garibaldi also came Saturday afternoon.

Mike Davis attended the reunion and extends an invitation to join him on the beach in Mantoloking, N.J., during the summer months.

Gary Uzelac was my companion for the Saturday evening dinner in Marquis Hall. Gary continues to be active in the Friends of Lafayette Football.

Delta Tau Delta adopted the Friday golf outing as their own and sometimes have a dinner afterwards. Arriving at CHT from the dinner Friday night (this time hosted at the home of the beloved DTD chef, Al C.) were Bob “Buzz” Buzzell and Peter Gummerson.

Buzz lives near Washington, D.C., and is CEO of Penn Camera, a specialty camera store chain. His daughter, Casey, attends Boston College, and his son, Andy, is in his senior year at Lake Braddock Secondary School in Burke, Va.

Peter lives in New Canaan, Conn., and works in Midtown Manhattan for a private debt and equity firm, Audax Group. His daughter Grace started at the University of Virginia, and his younger daughter, Katie, will be in 10th grade. Peter and I attended a DTD—
hosted reception, where we also saw Gary Dahms. We toured the old DTD house, which will become a sorority house. Gary’s son Kevin planned to attend Dartmouth this fall.

What would a reunion be without the wit and laughter of Erica Bonime? Erica had a blast hanging out with Judd '79 and Cindy Oaks Linville during the parade, as well as with other classmates over the weekend. Cindy has been amazing in getting the Friends of Lafayette Women’s Lacrosse on track. They raised funds for team expenses and got many ex-players involved. This year, for the second year in a row, they made Catherine Hanlon and Erica honorary captains for their Breast Cancer Awareness game. Both are survivors!

The buyout of Erica’s prior employer, Quebecor World (renamed Worldcolor after emerging from Chapter 11 in August 2009), completed July 2, and now Erica is officially part of Quad Graphics, the new parent company. Now comes the challenge of integrating the companies. Erica continues to participate in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk in October. Last year, for the third year in a row, she was one of the top 20 national fund-raisers for this campaign.

Margie Lusch Duvall was at the reunion. Many classmates extended their condolences on the passing of Margie’s husband, Glenn, who often attended our events. Margie works for the DeKalb County School District near Atlanta as a language arts and German teacher.

I was happy to see Dave and Gina Zevas Hansen, now six for six in perfect reunion attendance and as full of the joy of living as you may remember. They live in New Jersey with their son, Steven.

I spent a few days in Stone Harbor, N.J., with Sue Cassin Wilson, Susan Whitten Conners, and Daryl Ganss. We were lucky to spend some time with Swittum’s four daughters. Kellyann graduated from Dennison, Caroline is at the University of Scranton, and twins Megan and Chrlissy are now juniors in high school in Chatham, N.J. Swittum has had the opportunity to avail herself and her daughters of the medical services of Dr. Greg Mulford ’81, her neighbor in Chatham.

Sue Cassin Wilson teaches Pilates about 35 hours per week in the Princeton, N.J., area. Her son, Kevin, just graduated from the University of Pittsburgh, and her daughter, Lauren, attends George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

Daryl works for Binswanger in Philadelphia. Her son, Brian, graduated from Cornell and works in New York City. Daughter Katie works in Philadelphia at Children’s Hospital.

Finally, I am sad to report the passing of Jim Farley. After a three-year battle with prostate cancer, Jim passed away peacefully in his Basking Ridge, N.J., home July 25, the feast day of St. James. Jim and his wife, Eileen, were married for 24 years. They have four children: Hilary, Brendan, Julia, and Neil. Jim was a devoted husband and father and was active in his community, including the Destination Imagination Program, coaching for the Somerset Hills Soccer Club, and leading the Somerset Hills Indian Guide and Princess Program.

I believe that Joan Whelan Bowen and Diane Schroeder visited him on the day of our reunion. The family requests any personal remembrances of Jim be sent to them so his children may hear from all whose lives he touched.

After receiving a bachelor’s in civil engineering, Jim ran field operations for Muirfield Contracting, a heavy construction general contractor. Four years later, he joined Williams Real Estate Company. He earned an MBA from Columbia University, along with a degree in construction management from New York University. In 1990, Jim was hired by Stanley Stahl of the Stahl Organization, where he eventually became a senior vice president. Jim oversaw several renovations, conversions, and restorations of signature New York buildings, including 277 Park Avenue, the Lunt-Fontanne Theater, Apple Bank Building, and Chanin Building. In 2009, his peers in the New York real estate industry recognized Jim as the Management Executive of the Year for “outstanding professionalism, civic achievement, and contributions to the real estate industry.”

Donations in memory of Jim may be made to Atlantic Homecare and Hospice, 53 Bleeker St., Millburn, NJ 07041, as well as to Liberty Corner Fire Co., P.O. Box 98, Liberty Corner, NJ 07938.

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Our 30th reunion is fast approaching. Save the date: June 10–12. To join the planning committee, email Dan Rockafellow at Daniel_Rockafellow@hotmail.com, subject line LC Reunion ’81.

Mike Gagliardi and Dodie Ownes purchased a sailboat this summer. Their son, Paul, 15, had been in a sailing program for the last four years. After the program’s discontinuation, the family bought one of the boats, and Paul’s popularity skyrocketed! All is well on the work front for Mike and Dodie, with snowboards and webcasts for the library trade keeping them busy.

Brett Peterson and wife Cindy have lived in York, Pa., for 24 years. Their three daughters are doing great, with the oldest getting married in 2009 and the twins entering their senior year at Susquehanna University. Brett is director of engineering at Adhesives Research Inc. He has enjoyed getting together with Len Artigliere and his son, Matt, George Hawn ’78, and Rick Mohr ’82 for the Knights of Columbus charity golf outing in the Easton area. Brett says, “It is hilarious to see four wrestlers try to kill a little white ball. Thus far, I think the little white ball has won every match!”

Lou and Becky Haag Sommi and children Kaila, 18, and Tucker, 16, have lived in Belle Mead, N.J., for 11 years. Becky lives around the corner from Maggie Bakes Davis. Both their sons play soccer. Becky worked at Broadview Networks for the past 11 years; her husband is in the same industry and works for Cavalier. The companies are competitive telecom providers.

Mark Goldstone is the lawyer that Washington, D.C. activists call when they get in trouble and need representation. He was in the news for his successful representation of “Peace Mom” Cindy Sheehan and Lt. Dan Choi, who opposes “Don’t Ask, Don’t
Joe and Des Karabots McNulty’s daughter Kara and Joe and Anne Dunbar Fetters’ daughter Rebecca are both first-year students at Gettysburg College. Kara will play on the golf team.

I have sad news to report: Joe Connolly’s wife, Joanne Larson Connolly ’83, was operated on in February for a brain tumor. Joe stays home, in Cleveland, to take care of her, with help from their daughter Catherine, a high school junior, and son Michael, 23. Daughter Megan is a sophomore at the University of Toledo. Joanne is regaining her physical skills slowly. Please pray for her recovery.

Bernie Fitzgerald wrote: “Thirteen years ago, I cofounded The Breathing Room Foundation to offer support to families in the Philadelphia area who are dealing with cancer. We hope to offer a little breathing room to families who are most in need. I hosted the 13th Annual Breathing Room Foundation Golf Outing at the Philadelphia Cricket Club in April. We had a great showing from Lafayette.” Those in attendance were Rick Speaker, Tim McAndrew, Joe Brugger ’80, George Tiger, Rob Johnson, Jim Flanigan, Mark Mulholland, Roger Curylo ’82, Dave Turner, Scott Sattell ’84, Steve Buck ’82, Bob Gaskill ’79, Ken Grevers, and Barry Brown (see photo online).

Anyone interested in setting up a Class of ’81 group on Facebook? Let me know. See you in June at our reunion!

1982

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Our 30th reunion is fast approaching. Bill McCartan, our illustrious reunion chair, would like suggestions as to what people would like to do. Find Bill on Facebook and send him ideas. Also, please send me updates by email or Facebook.

See if you can identify the bonus theme running through several of these updates.

In June, Renae Schneck Biale joined daughter Alexa ’12 in Italy, where Alexa was completing an intern program led by two of Renae’s former professors, Rado Pribic and Diane Ahl.

Later that month, Renae, Angela DiChiara Garofalo, and Ken Cundari reconnected on a weekend cruise to the Bahamas, where they made their best effort to celebrate our classmates’ 50th birthdays. The trip was organized in January by Joe Skladany, who bowed out at the last minute, claiming he was relocating to another area of Florida (again).

In the category of “those effectively managing their careers,” Mark Peterson was named senior vice president of global sales of VPI Systems. Mark has had an impressive career in the telecommunications industry, moving from AT&T Bell Labs to director of product management at Lucent Technologies, and then joining Tollgrade Communications, where he was executive vice president of sales and later president and CEO, then to his penultimate position with Nakina Systems as vice president of worldwide sales.

Steve Macri’s son, Joseph, attends Boston College’s Carroll School of Management. This occurred despite “gentle” persuasion from Steve, uncle Rob Macri ’78, and cousins Joseph McGowan ’01, Marianna Macri ’06, and Jackie Macri ’09. Steve notes that Joseph will be the first college-bound Macri not to attend Lafayette, in spite of Joseph’s receipt of a Marquis Scholarship. On July 4, Steve, Steve Kuehm, and Wally Rutherford gathered at the Leola, Pa., home of Theta Chi brother Ralph “Hutch” Hutchison to celebrate his 50th birthday.

Cheryl Wait Moore just got back from the Czech Republic, where she participated in an English camp in the small town of Mikulov, near the Austrian border. She went with a group of adults and teens, including her 16-year-old daughter, Kallan, as part of a partnership between her church and a Methodist congregation there.

Cheryl’s son, Bennett, planned to attend Temple University in the fall and will study film and video production. Cheryl holds out hope that her daughter’s college search, now begun,
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will include Lafayette. Speaking of college visits, Cheryl saw Peggy Schiller Bower ’84 and her son, Michael, when they stopped in Washington, D.C., to tour schools. Peggy and her family live in the Seattle area now. The Bowers had just been to Lafayette, as well as Lehigh, where Peggy’s husband went.

Lori Thiellens Horizon works for a boutique in Paoli, Pa., and lives with her family in Devon, Pa. One of her daughters graduated from Bucknell in 2009 and works for a financial company in Berwyn. Much to her Lehigh-grad husband’s dismay, their son, Christopher ’13, is a sophomore at Lafayette. The Horning’s youngest child is 13 and in eighth grade, but the pressure is already on for her to choose a Patriot League school!

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With great pleasure I report that Bob Mahr joined Maureen McKenna Tymochko and Tony Green as members of our class in the Maroon Club Athletic Hall of Fame. Bob and Tony were members of the team that had nine-win seasons in both our junior and senior years and beat Lehigh twice, by four touchdowns in our senior year. Bob’s induction took place during Lehigh weekend this fall.

Congratulations from all of us.

Dick Hughes has three children. His eldest, Callie, is a junior at Washington and Lee University. His daughter Ellen ’13 reportedly loves everything about the College. His seventh grader, Richard IV, enjoys tennis and lacrosse. Dick stays involved with the College and, with wife Ruth, hosted a late July event for incoming students from his area.

Ellen Poriles Weiler just completed her four-year tenure on the Alumni Council as chair of the volunteer committee. Instrumental in a number of the committee’s culinary initiatives, she also serves on the Council of Lafayette Women. Ellen just relocated to Ambler, Pa., with her husband, Kurt, and son, Karr.

Tim Lucas got married in November 2008 to Bianca Solorzano of Miami, Fla. Bianca works for CBS News as a television news reporter. J.B. Reilly and I attended the wedding at the Plaza Hotel, as did Tim’s four daughters, Andy, Sam, MacKenzie, and Melanie. Tim and Bianca live on the West Side of Manhattan.

George Winter reports that his wife, Janice, was diagnosed with cancer a couple of years ago, but she found a donor for a bone marrow transplant. Today, she is cancer-free. George, understandably, feels lucky and blessed.

Lastly, some sad news to report.

John J. Kelly died in late July at the age of 52. John’s parents, Patrick and Sharlee, and a brother survive him. John spent his entire career serving our country as an officer in our armed forces. Our condolences go to his family for their loss of this great man.

Please send updates. Remember, our 30th reunion is the first weekend in June 2013. Keep it open.

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Jim and Jeanne Benjamin hosted an annual family cookout and swim party Aug. 7 at their beautiful Buckhead home in Atlanta. Jim Benjamin, Laila Krauss Berland, Lisa Dusenberry Weinert, and I attended. Laila and Lisa are both fitness instructors. Laila, who teaches classes and offers private instruction at West Coast Workout, opened her own business selling fitness clothes. Lisa also teaches classes and offers private instruction. Her company is Wellness Diva Fabulous Fitness Plus!

David Schwager began a three-year term on the Pennsylvania Bar Association board of governors. He is a partner in the Wilkes-Barre, Pa., law firm of Chariton & Schwager. Dave was named a 2010 Pennsylvania Super Lawyer by Philadelphia magazine.

Stuart and Cindy Risch reside in Fort Hood, Texas. Stuart is employed with the Army as a colonel and staff judge advocate. Stuart left in March for his third deployment to Iraq. He hopes to get back to Lafayette for a visit with his daughter, who is looking at colleges now.

Carolyn Baffa Gaziano was elected in November 2009 to a three-year term on the Bernards Township, N.J., committee. Scott Spitzer ’73 also serves on the committee and was appointed mayor in 2010.

Abby Burkholder Epstein is a project manager in wealth brokerage services at Wells Fargo Bank. She has been with the bank for 17 years. Abby’s daughter Melissa ’14 is in her first year at Lafayette.

Please email me with your news!

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I would like to introduce myself as our new class correspondent and thank Sandy Kazinski for her 20 years of skillful service as our class scribe and web master. Sandy is manager of professional development at Milbank Tweed in New York City and has the noted distinction of NEVER missing a column, even when “the well was dry.” We thank her for her dedication to our class and her additional work on the Council of Lafayette Women.

Our 25th reunion was a heralded success. The weather was beautiful, we loved our housing in the renovated and AIR-CONDITIONED second floor of South College, and everyone in attendance agreed that with age and maturity, we all were open to reaching out to classmates we did not know well.

The added formality of the Friday night Convocation in Colton Chapel, a “State of the College” speech by
President Daniel H. Weiss, and a candlelit alma mater step-sing in front of Old Pardee were well received by ’85 participants. The late-night merrymaking at CHT and Campus Pizza lasted until the wee hours of the morning. We pocketed the Parade Spirit prize on Saturday, and our Class Dinner was held in Pfenning Alumni Center overlooking the phenomenal new Fisher Field at Fisher Stadium. Class President and Reunion Chair Chuck Smith welcomed our group, followed by remarks from Jim Dicker, vice president for development and college relations, and our Pepper Prize winner, Kevin Flood. Class Fund Manager Anne Matlack presented stats on our reunion class gift. Over 150 classmates contributed more than $65,000 to the College, up from $47,545.24 in 2008–09. Anne shared the following list of Lafayette legacies currently on campus:

- Danielle Miranda ’12, daughter of Joseph Miranda ’83 and Stacey Giansos-Miranda
- Catherine Neumann ’12, daughter of Mark and Clare Kaiser ’83 Neumann
- Victoria Bowen ’13, daughter of Mark Bowen
- Brennan Flood ’13, son of Kevin Flood
- Christopher Parker ’13, son of Jeffrey and Sharon Lukenda ’86 Parker
- Georgene “Annie” Aaroe ’14, daughter of Paul Aaroe
- Melissa Epstein ’14, daughter of Jon and Abby Burkholder ’84 Epstein
- Abigail Floyd-Jones ’14, daughter of John and Jan Galliker ’86 Floyd-Jones
- Zachary Green ’14, son of David Green
- Molly Kellogg ’14, daughter of Peter and Mary Blest Kellogg
- Anthony Rago ’14, son of Geri Landy Rago

The presentation was topped off by a message from a surprise guest. Our commencement speaker, Meryl Streep, recorded a charming, congratulatory video complete with song, which aired before the stunned group. By agreement with Ms. Streep, we cannot provide footage of the video on the web, so this will be a special memory for dinner attendees only. Saturday evening concluded with drinks and dancing on the Quad, and a smaller gathering on March Field toppped off a second late night for our group.

A special Sunrise Award goes to Ted Sharkey, who impressed all with his still-there stamina for late nights, his outreach to the Class of 2005 housed on fourth floor South, and his cooperation with campus security. Geographic Outreach awards go to Wendy Marks Miller, who both travels from Los Angeles for our reunions and is an Alumni Admissions Representative in Southern California. Five students she interviewed entered this fall’s class. Hats off to Carolyn Hutton Durgin, also, for traveling from Montana to be with us on Saturday.

The weekend renewed our class with feelings of goodwill toward Lafayette and each other. I look forward to hearing from you in the future.

1986 ♦

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Many of us are coming to grips with the frightening fact that, yes, our 25th class reunion is this June.

Wynne Whitman graciously offered to spearhead the effort, with several ’86ers already deputized. If you would like to support the planning, please contact Wynne at WAW@spsk.com. Further, we received great suggestions for a class gift and for a guest speaker.

Doug Campbell and others updated us through Class Notes on Doug’s and Father Tom Hagan’s Hands Together Haiti relief efforts. Therefore, we need input from the class to build momentum for a gift campaign, with Doug’s and Father Tom’s good works as our rallying point. Please share your feedback and your own anecdotal reflections on the rich history of this great charitable enterprise with Wynne or me. We look forward to updating you on our progress.

Please keep those cards and letters coming; they make the column fun to read — and fun to prepare. Don’t be shy!

Bob Gannon is a busy bee with a new venture. Apart from his full-time engineering post at Harco Labs and raising four kids, he and wife Sue opened a driving school in their hometown of Colchester, Conn. The Colchester Academy of Driving passed the 500th student mark! Bob also reports regular sightings of Dr. Bill Culviner, who performed a successful procedure on Bob’s son. Additionally, Bill’s youngest son played football for Bob, and his eldest is one of the lucky 500 to attend the driving school.

Pete Glock reported that a large group of DKE alumni met in May for a mini reunion in New York City. From the Class of ’86: Greg Burns, Stu Daughtridge, Victor Diaz Gonzalez, Dan Huffenus, Dave Lewis, Rick Ryan, Joe Schiavino, Fred Schillinger, Jack Sigda, Sam Strum, Todd Wiltshire, and Doug Young. Todd Becker ’85 and Walt Gurzynski ’87 joined the group (see photo online).

It was scary to hear the group share how many of them had children heading off to college, with a few including Doug Young’s son, David ’14, having entered Lafayette this fall.

Lance Podell’s firm, Next New Networks Inc., the online video company of which Lance is CEO, raised $3 million in Series C funding. This adds to the $23.1 million in past funding secured by the company since its January 2007 founding. Headquartered in New York, Next New Networks creates, packages, brands, markets, and syndicates regularly scheduled and episodic programming for the web. For 2009, the company reported over 300 million views across its networks. Lance had served previously as general manager of Sprinks, a division of About Inc., where he was instrumental in the sale of the division to Google.

Diane Jakacki has been working on her Ph.D. at the University of Waterloo. She completed her dissertation, a visual rhetoric study of 17th century play-text title page illustrations. She planned to move back to the U.S. in August to start a postdoctoral fellowship at Georgia Tech in digital pedagogy. She looks forward to getting involved with the Atlanta Alumni Chapter.

Ward Follette reports that after some job hopping, he ended up with Foster Wheeler in Perryville, N.J., for
12 years. This brought him assignments to Madrid, Paris, London, and Abu Dhabi. After Foster Wheeler, he joined M.W. Kellogg in Greenford, Middlesex, outside London. After four years, he then joined Fluor Engineering and moved back to Long Beach, Calif., in March 2009. A few days after returning from a ski trip at Jackson Hole, Wyo., he was given 60 days’ notice and moved back to the U.K. As of April, Ward is back with M.W. Kellogg in Reading, England, and happy about it after the rollercoaster ride. He has side trips planned to Ghent, Belgium and Istanbul, Turkey.

Engaged twice, married none. There is your wrap-up on the past 25 years for Ward. If you are in Reading, you might catch him at the Reading Beer Festival, where he is a “volunteer” helping sample over 400 cask ales.

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It is my sad duty to report that Sally Elbert Kalin lost her valiant battle against cancer June 19. Her husband, Steven, shared the following: “For eight years, Sally fought with grace and dignity. First diagnosed with breast cancer while pregnant with her second child, Maddie, Sally beat the odds and the skeptics, only to be diagnosed four years ago with melanoma. While the cancer had a physical impact, her spirit never weakened, in part because of the many friends she always had around and beside her. Many of these friendships were forged at Lafayette. Leo and Stacey Guckes Helmers, Meg Langley Woods, and Sarah Tiffin Gioffre ’88 were constant companions during this long journey. Elaine McCluskey Stember ’89, Kim Checkur Gibbons ’88, Kathy Silbaugh Guzzetti, Brett Budis, Mary Devane ’88, and Cindy Rubin Friedman also provided support for Sally as great friends and often dropped everything to come to her aid.”

Meg Langley Woods wrote that because of Sally’s father, Ed Elbert ’55, Lafayette had been a part of his daughter’s life before she ever set foot on campus. After graduation, Sally did some work for the admissions office and served as our class fund manager.

Steven Kalin added: “Sally’s friends and family, with the help of Norwalk (Conn.) Hospital, have established Sally’s Run — a 5K race to be held May 14 — and the ROAD Program. ROAD stands for Reaching Out After Diagnosis and is planned to provide much-needed resources to cancer families not as fortunate as the Kalins.”

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Because this column cannot keep up with the speed that we learn about our classmates online, I urge you to tune in through Facebook, Twitter, and other outlets too. Though I’m not on Twitter yet, you can email me, friend me on Facebook, add something to our Alumni Online Connection page or the Lafayette College Class of 1988 group page on Facebook. Thanks to Beth Freebairn for setting up the Facebook page!

I heard recently from Eileen Fisher Schnediman, who tells us that Cynthia Milone Rusis participated in the Enduro Africa Ride for Life (ssl.charityweb.net/dz) over the summer (see photo online), motorcycling over 1,000 miles off road through South Africa’s Wild Coast to raise awareness and money for Shitima School in Kabwe, Zambia. The sponsoring organization, Zamcog (www.zamcog.org.uk), was established in 2004 to help fund and support the school, which provides education, shelter, and daily meals to orphans, former street kids, and other vulnerable children. Currently, there are 230 pupils at Shitima School.

My own travels in the past year outside the U.S. took me to Paris, Prague (see photo online), and Barcelona.

Eugene White wrote that he changed career paths and now works at Air Products & Chemicals in Trevarton, Pa., as a project development engineer working mainly with the hydrogen energy systems group, which helps develop and sell alternative energy infrastructure (hydrogen fueling). He enjoys being part of a professional, competent workforce that includes many Lafayette alumni. His daughter, Kirby, is in her sophomore year at Moravian College, working toward a degree in either elementary education or journalism. Eugene is assistant coach of the varsity girls’ fast-pitch softball team at Freedom High School in Bethlehem, Pa.; resumed boxing training in recent years, his first since college; and has travelled to Jamaica and Spain. He included a photo (see online) from his hike in Ricketts Glen State Park in Pennsylvania. Eug also sends a shout-out to old Kirby House friends with young children: Jim and Mary Jo Doughty ’90, with Caitlyn and Fiona; Carl and Yingyi Schiller ’89, with Edward; and Bill and Lissette Zamora ’89 Smead, with Bobby and Jonathan!

Gary Dunn wrote that he works hard at his store, Spiritus Wines, in downtown Hartford, Conn. The store offers great values and more interesting selections than customers might find elsewhere.

Gary hosts a guided wine tasting for the local Central Connecticut Alumni Chapter that continues to be popular. Last June, about 25 alums and spouses visited the store, and Gary presented and explained a half dozen French wines. The theme was inspired by the two-week trip he and his wife, Jenny Gardner Dunn, took in May to visit the wine regions of Burgundy and the northern Rhône in France. They explored each world-famous village along the Côte d’Or, walking through vineyards and meeting winemakers for private tasting appointments. Their fluency in French was invaluable, as they discussed techniques and general wine issues with the winemakers in the native tongue.

Mike Carson wrote that he has lived in Central New Jersey (Bridgewater) since 1998. Mike works at the Jersey
Shore University Medical Center, which is near Asbury Park, where he directs research for the department of medicine. His first-year roommate, Jonathan Briggs is a radiation oncologist at the hospital but “no longer displays his rubber duck.”

Mike’s son, Evan, is a counselor at a day camp in Bridgewater and saw Dana Sussman Tupler while she was dropping off her son. Mike keeps in touch with Jim Maiella, who is head of PR for Comcast Cable and no longer writes police blotter articles for a local paper. Mike did make it back to Metzgar Fields this spring to check out Terry Mangani’s nationally ranked lacrosse team (just as they were back in the late ’80s). He saw John “FJ” Floyd-Jones ’85 with his boys, Kirk Effinger ’85 and his new kid, and Rob “Cosmo” Constable ’85.

Ted Rosenberger and his partner, Kevin Sprague, are enjoying their new roles as parents of a beautiful baby boy! Henry Richardson Sprague (see photo online) was born January 7.

1989

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I wrote this column from the Jersey Shore in August while sitting on Katie Longo Van Cleef’s porch with Marita Failla Wolff, discussing our dismay in not running into the cast of Jersey Shore and getting photos for this column with Snooki and “The Situation” during our vacation. Even without those sightings, it was an amazing week filled with Lafayette friends, including Bonnie Snyder Winant and husband Tom ’88, Kim Hart Hein ’90, Lisa Verrilli Coe, and all the Van Cleef siblings.

Bryan Smith ended a six-year run on the board of directors for Shelter for the Homeless in Boulder, Colo., but will continue to cook breakfasts on Tuesday mornings during the emergency sheltering season. His new volunteer and community service work will be with an organization called InterCambio (www.intercambioweb.org), through which he will teach English to local immigrants struggling to integrate into American society. For this endeavor, Bryan will draw upon his experience teaching English in Poland and Italy from 1991 to 1993 through an organization called International House.

It was nice to hear from Robert Brem, who writes: “I have now been in the Army for 21 years and counting. I am a lieutenant colonel and started school at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in August at Fort McNair in Washington, D.C. My wife of 18 years, Ok, and my daughter Marissa, 16, are settling into yet another home (our 12th move in 18 years!) in Woodbridge, Va., where we plan to stay for at least two years.”

Email me soon with news for my next column.

1990

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After 15 years as our fabulous class correspondent, Beth Altman Saunders has passed the baton to me. I am excited to take over for Beth and hope that I can provide you with entertaining news three times a year.

The 20th reunion was a blast! Kudos to all the women who attended (see photo online), and of course, to the handful of men! Where were the rest of you? It seems impossible that we graduated 20 years ago, but everyone looked amazing, and dancing on the Quad was reminiscent of our college days on the Hill. My personal favorite touch was the photo booth; I think my partner in crime, Shannon McGurk Hays and a few others would agree.

Chris “Bird Dog” Blakelock writes that he is still an architect and has two boys, ages 6 and 2.

Liz Dore Napoli and her hubby, Nick, welcomed beautiful son number two, Charles, in early July. He joins big brother Nicholas. The Napolises live in Brooklyn with pup Claus. John and Steph Woolington Ziegler, reunion attendees, are expecting son number six. The Ziegler clan is doing well and looks forward to their new addition.

Andrea Loomis Towey, rock star to the kiddies, also shared news. Always the creative one, “Dre” Towey (see photo online) has become quite the sensation with the wee ones. She is a two-time Parents’ Choice winner, garnering acclaim for the witty lyrics and sly educational tidbits she packs into her music, making it fun for both kids and parents (www.littlelooms.com). I can vouch for the groove factor of her tunes, as my nieces and I have rocked out to her fun Cheater the Dog CD on many occasions. Dre also opened her own studio, JAM (Junior Art & Music) at 140 Water Street in South Norwalk, Conn.

Fran Eattroff Rosenberg writes that Lauren Tuttle Sherwood, Lynn Loxterman, Kim Gursky Rhodes, Kathy Walsh Lops, Liz Clarke McCarthy, Deb Kirwan Wild, Karen Leo Mintzer, and she spent a weekend in Manhattan this spring to celebrate their 20th graduation anniversary (see photo online). Fran is a psychologist in private practice with the Morris Psychological Group in Parsippany, N.J. She lives in Rockaway, N.J., with her husband, Kevin, and their two children. Lauren works as a consultant in Austin, Texas, where she lives with her husband, Scott, and their two children. Liz lives in Ridgewood, N.J. with her husband, Bob, and their two children. Lynn made the longest trip out from her home in San Diego, where she works as a physical therapist. Kim drove from North Wales, Pa., where she lives with her husband, Rand ’91, and two children. Kim wins the award for most loyal employee, as she has been working for AT&T since graduation and is now a senior business manager. Kathy also lives in Ridgewood with her husband, Pete ’91, and two children. Liz lives in Morristown, N.J. with her husband, Scott ’89, and four children. Karen is an environmental lawyer at Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel in Manhattan and lives in Brooklyn with her husband, Jim, and their two children.
In May, Maria Sigmond Warner, along with several other alumni, attended the bar mitzvah of Jim and Michelle Rosenthal Hubertus’ son Jacob.

Cindy Strahler Rhodes reports that she and her husband cruised the eastern Caribbean in January and went to Pinehurst, North Carolina in March to visit a piece of property they bought 31 years ago, where they plan to build a retirement home. She attended Alumni Summer College in July and said she came away stimulated, refreshed, and more educated.

Matt Sinclair’s big news is that he is finally getting a little more sleep, as his twin girls head toward their second birthday in December.

Joined by Noelle Bastardi Anderson and Kim Hart Hein, I had the pleasure of visiting Jeanne McIntyre in Chicago. We went to Ravinia to see Sting with the symphony orchestra (AMAZING!) and to Wrigley Field for a Cubs game.

Many thanks to all of you who sent in updates. Please keep the news coming!

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In June, our class started the countdown to our next reunion, 20 years! I hope that many of you are considering trekking to campus. I am, and I would love to see familiar faces.

Our 20th reunion will see the end of my third term as class correspondent. Fifteen years is long enough, don’t you think? Please let me know if you would be interested in stepping into my shoes.

Great news from Houston: Rich Guether married Anne Conyers Leader there in April. Rich is a city planner in the Bronx for the New York City Department of City Planning. He received a master’s in city and regional planning from Ohio State. Anne will continue to use her maiden name in her job as an art history professor at the Savannah College of Art and Design in Atlanta. Anne graduated from Emory University and received her master’s and doctorate in art history from New York University. Dave Kruse said that many Sigma Chis attended (see photo online).

Here are three updates from Facebook. Bill Griese, immersed in music lately, spent much time this summer in the recording studio working on his long-overdue second album. The album features all original music with some “killer musicians” and was planned for release this fall. See Bill on Facebook for more information on his music.

In addition to recording, Bill writes a lot of music and often plays gigs around Morristown, N.J. He has been doing freelance writing and creative direction in marketing for two and a half years. Bill, his wife, and their children, ages 9 and 7, have lived in Morris Plains, N.J., for five years.

Nick Mandarano lives in Jersey City. She recently started a new job as a grant writer at the Brennan Center for Justice, New York University School of Law. The Brennan Center is a public policy and law institute that focuses on the fundamental issues of democracy and justice.

Lisa Salkin Harrington may be the first member of our class with a college-bound child! Her eldest heads off to the University of Montevallo in the fall to pursue an art degree. In addition to parenting her other four children, Lisa enjoys working part time as a psychiatric nurse and as a Girl Scout troop leader. Congratulations to Lisa and her husband, Darrell, who will celebrate 20 years of marriage June 1.

Remember to let me know what you are doing so I can let your classmates know. Even if it’s old news to you, it’s new to the rest of us!

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Deborah Kirschner and her husband, Harlan Weinberg, welcomed their daughter, Ava Grace, May 18. Ava weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces, and was 18 inches long.

Aimee Meyer has worked as a small animal veterinarian in southwest Minneapolis for years. She still races sailboats and this August competed in the Ensign National Regatta on Lake Huron, north of Mackinac Island, Mich. “I miss all my old friends from Lafayette,” says Aimee. “If you are in Minnesota, look me up!”

In September 2009, the first Armenian Church in Arizona was constructed and consecrated. Over the past seven years, classmate Donna Barsamian Sirounian helped raise money and awareness to build this church in Scottsdale. She now serves as the Armenian and Sunday School superintendent. In May, WV Magazine (www.wvmonline.com) recognized Donna for her accomplishments, both professionally and philanthropically.

Jason and Holly Epstein Ojalso write that they live in Brooklyn and are “happy as clams in white wine sauce.” Daughter Zoey, 5, had a rockin’ jam session with Lucy Mahoney, the daughter of Whelan ’94 and Kristin McGinn ’95 Mahoney. Zoe, on guitar, and Lucy, on drums, serenaded the crowd with “ABC” and “Twinkle Twinkle” (see photo online).

Jason ran all five New York City borough half marathons as part of his “before I turn 40” bucket list. On weekdays, Jason churns out hundreds of audiobooks as the vice president of content creation for Audible.com, a subsidiary of Amazon.com. Jason says that the highlight of the year was serving as executive producer of Woody Allen’s collection of audiobooks, as well as filming an in-depth interview with Woody about the project. Jason described the experience as “a dream come true for this New York Jew!” He added, “And now I can say I made a film with Woody Allen. Sort of.” In addition, Jason is busy building a new business unit for Amazon, the details of which are still top secret. It should launch in time for the next edition of Class Notes, so stay tuned.

Holly co-runs a New York Times blog about teaching and learning at learningblogs.nytimes.com. She has been with The Times for two years now and loves it.

Another classmate in the journalism field is Laura Buchwald. She writes that she lives in Chelsea, N.Y., “with my musician and my dog, and the
arrangement is harmonious.” Laura is a freelance writer and editor, and she does some editorial projects with her father’s agency. She also is “s-l-o-w-l-y” finishing her novel. Laura adds that she has “had a couple of fun mini reunions in the past year” with Stacey Kolba Space, Melissa McCarthy, Tracey Gutierrez Sigalos, Billy Shaw, Hansdipt Bindra, and Diane McCammon. Kristen Manuel Zucker and Jen Woodworth Sule came to town for Di’s birthday. Contact Laura at laurbuchwald@earthlink.net.

In early summer, Mike Curi and his wife, Lisa, moved with their three boys — Emile, 5, Kiefer, 3, and Adib, 1 — from Annapolis, Md., to Maplewood, N.J. Mike has a new position as chief of vascular surgery at New Jersey Medical School in Newark. Mike adds he saw Jason ’91 and Tracy Gutierrez Sigalos, who also live in Maplewood, during the summer’s Maplewoodstock festivities.

Pete Abitano met with Rob Slaght in July in Long Beach Island, N.J. Rob was visiting from Colorado with his family.

Hongyi Yin writes that during the past year he translated papers and essays from respected American sources including NPR, The Heritage Foundation, The Rand Corporation, The Wall Street Journal, Time, and Whitehouse.gov. He notes that America’s leadership in information flow and idea creation stands in stark contrast with the rest of the world, something Americans take for granted. Changes in his life include work on a master’s in finance through McCann University and a newfound faith. “I was converted to Tibetan Buddhism one or two years ago in Beijing,” he states.

Las Vegas was the setting for a mini reunion and 40th birthday celebration for Tara Fleming Albuma, Stacey Miller Liebowitz, Yuki ltoh Haynes, Kelly Hall Wilke, Meredith Renk Marks, Lori Pisano Gilbert, Christine Emerson Frees, Becky Kinal, and your faithful class correspondent.

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I note that there are 239 members of the Class of 1993 on Facebook. If 10 percent of you wrote to me, this column would be more enjoyable.

Several ’Pards and I got together this past summer. In attendance were Andy Burdick, Ryan Schedler, Randy Oser, Michael Kimelman, Phil Berkeley, Dino Capuano, Pete Izmiry, Greg Bazarian ’94, David Lafalce ’94, Brady D’Elia ’94, Morris Fodeman ’94, and Jeff Wyld ’95.

This past May, Brian Kelly became a senior associate at the Southfield, Mich., law firm of Maddin, Hauser, Wartell, Roth & Heller P.C. Prior to joining the firm, Brian was a partner at Bush Seyferth & Paige PLLC in Troy, Mich.

Robert Kole was named by Law360 one of the top 10 “Insurance Law Rising Legal Stars Under 40.” He is the group leader of the insurance and reinsurance group at Choate Hall & Stewart LLP.

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Congratulations to Neelah Alpert, who married Jason Fincus May 15 at the Eden Roc Hotel in Miami Beach. I was one of the bridesmaids and cannot remember the last time I had so much fun! They actually had real wedding crashers who started a brawl outside the reception and left in police cars! My husband, Paul ’92, and I partied with Kathryn Kerge.

Tom Kenny made headlines after he stopped a fugitive while on duty as a police officer. He also co-authored two workbooks aimed at “improving couples communication” (see his website, wwwthecompleterefereceguidetome.com).

Craig Kunitsky was promoted to global marketing director for MIDI Inc., a microbial identification system manufacturer in Newark, Del., which sells its products to biodefense, pharmaceutical, quality control, public health, and university laboratories. Craig and his wife, Bera, had their second child, Sierra Isabella, in December 2009.

Koren Miller Kratchman sent me a quick note: “Jarrett and I took the kids — Alyson, 8, Emery, 6, and Logan, 2 — to Toronto and Niagara Falls in late June. We met up with friends from Australia. Despite being there during the G-20 and G-8 U.N. summits and the heavy police presence due to riots, we had a good experience in Canada.”

Ted Kein let me know that he and his wife, Amber Gerry Kein ’96 had a baby, Zachary Edward, March 22. They also have daughter, Noelle, 3½, who adores him. Zachary is the grandson of Donald Kein ’59.

Thomas Dunlap was named among the top 100 “power lawyers” in Hollywood, according to The Hollywood Reporter. Tom is a litigator for Dunlap, Grubb & Weaver, based in Washington, D.C., but achieved notoriety for filing a massive lawsuit against tens of thousands of anonymous individuals who pirated The Hurt Locker and other independent movies online. The article noted Tom’s long list of experiences and skills, including serving as a captain in the Army National Guard and as a former Virginia county prosecutor, plus knowledge of biotech companies and Fortune 500 commercial banks, and his current pursuit of an MBA.
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Enter Reunion Weekend! How impressive is this? Steve Ripic traveled from California, Asela “Zilla” Gunawardana from Seattle, and Priscilla Gabilondo Selembo from Charlotte. How fantastic that you all made the long-distance trip. The DGs, Pi Phis, DKEs and engineering majors rocked it with their solid attendance. Thanks to Siobhan Crann Winograd, our class reunion chair, whose devotion to planning really paid off.

Suffice it to say, revelers seemed to enjoy each other’s company, whether it was chatting on the steps of Farinon College Center after our class photo or dancing on the Quad to the tunes of Lady Gaga and oldies like “December 1963 (Oh, What A Night)” by The Four Seasons. As we nestled into our tiny dorm rooms on second floor McKeen Hall, Jen Unterberger and I reminisced about our RA and weekly floor meetings in the lounge during our first year. McKeen was air-conditioned. Speaking of dorm living, in good, ol’-fashioned form, the fire alarm blared at 9 a.m. on Sunday morning. Ah, memories.

Random classmate’s quote overheard at dinner on Saturday night: “They’re selling ping pong balls at Wawa!”

It was great chatting with Evan and Michelle Weinberg Zuckerman and meeting their two adorable daughters, the elder of whom told me she is “6 and ¾ years old.” Kudos to my sorority sister Heather Martis Hilfiker for carrying our class banner in the parade. It was terrific catching up with Heather and her husband, David ’94, and meeting their three cute kids, with their sons being Phillies fans and their daughter liking the Red Sox.

Deb Zulick O’Donnell has year-old twins, a girl and a boy, and lives in Pennsylvania with her family. We had a nice convo on the Quad, which illustrates why Reunion is the crown jewel of alumni events. Though we may never have crossed paths on campus, it is never too late to meet cool classmates, as we swapped funny stories from our first year. Somehow, the virtue of being on campus makes memories resurface and come to live. In a solemn moment on the Quad, a few of us acknowledged a classmate no longer with us, David “Shaggy” DeWolf. We would be remiss by not remembering Daniel Boone as well. May they both rest in peace.

Sitting across from Scott Harris and Zilla during dinner in Kamine Gymnasium (yep, a new gym built a few years ago, since Alumni Memorial Gymnasium has a new name, Oechsle Hall, and now houses the psychology department) and amidst the cheers and howls from Class of ’05ers during their giant game of flip cup, I recalled their column from senior year in The Lafayette: “Skippy and Zilla’s Gripe of the Week.” Some of the gripes they reminisced ranting about: the biology department not allowing students to have a double major and the debate over reducing the course load from five courses each semester to four.

Thanks to Brian Waerig ’94, who made a cameo at Reunion and snapped a picture of a group of us packed in a minivan to capture the moment. It felt like a combination of our first orientation and senior week, only 15 years later. Good times!

J. Bayard Smith says he stays in contact with his fraternity brothers, who were fully accounted for at our reunion, as was Bayard: Scott Harris, Zilla, Dave Kiefer, and Matt Stauffer. Bayard continues to serve in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard. “I am currently a major and attending the Command and General Staff College so I can be promoted to lieutenant colonel.”

Priscilla Gabilondo Selembo of Charlotte sent a note after our reunion with her wonderful updates: “Finished my chemical engineering Ph.D. in November 2009. Four wonderful and super-energetic kids and a supportive husband. Starting a couple of companies, one in engineering consulting and research, collaborating with the University of North Carolina, and another in real estate. Also, working as a realtor with licenses in North Carolina and South Carolina.”

Deb Campbell Ryan lives in Arlington, Va., with her husband, Sam, and two daughters. Molly turned 3 this September, and Catherine will celebrate her first birthday this December.

Switching gears to non-Reunion talk, Lafayette is on Twitter! Follow @LafCol. If you are not a tweep, no worries; feel free to check www.twitter.com/LafCol periodically. For instance, they tweeted highlights in real time from Joan Lunden’s inspirational commencement speech. I tweeted a little during Reunion, as did a Class of ’05 alum, since we were both psyched to be back on College Hill. The hashtag was #LafReun. Twitter is fab for networking; sharing interesting articles, blogs, and videos from the web; getting breaking news by trending topics before they hit mainstream; and connecting with ‘Pards.

It was fantastic celebrating with friends and fellow ’Pards at my book launch party in June: Alison Shipitofsky ’96, Jeff Wylde, Melissa Ehmann, Tinabeth Pina ’93, Carrie Pasternak ’08, Rachel Nelson Moeller ’88, Ed McNally ’65, and Kamaka Martin ’04. Also, kudos to a few ’Pards who sent me a note and caught the Lafayette subliminal message in my book trailer on my YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/user/vickisalemi.

In closing, despite losing contact with each other over the years as lives forge ahead on divergent paths and time zones, I have to say how impressive it was to witness the close bonds of friendship and camaraderie between Scott Harris and his lifelong pals from DKE. After I acknowledged it, he proclaimed, “At our 45th reunion, I’ll start planning to make sure we are in the same nursing home.”
Welcome back to Page '96! As this column is my personal tribute to the Page Six of The New York Post, it is about time that we have our own Sightings section. Only here is the twist, I was sighted by Class of '96ers. While walking on the Upper East Side one night, I heard, “Alison!” in a male tone of voice with an accent like the World Cup Champions. I turn, and lo and behold, there was Ignacio Fente! Ignacio and I exchanged big holas and hugs and caught up right next to a fruit dealer. Ignacio is doing well. He and wife Celicia have three beautiful children. I was next sighted while walking through Bryant Park. I heard, “Alison,” and I turn around and OMG — Jon Shields! We exchanged big hugs and since I was running late, it was more of a hit and run. Jon has not changed; he has the same smile. Like the signs on the New York subway that say: “If you see something say, something;” if you see me, say something.

Jeff Wasserman, wife Sara, and son Chase welcomed Jolie Isabel Feb. 8. Jolie is sweet and easy, and Chase is a loving and great big brother.

Jen Kaas MacMurray and husband Joel welcomed their first child, Austin, May 14 at midnight. They live in Allentown, Pa., and in August, Jen will be returning to work part time as a site/civil engineer at Pennoni Associates Inc., located in Bethlehem, Pa., where she has worked for the past seven years.

Susan Garille Higgins welcomed Alice Elsie June 1. Alice joins big sister Vivian, 4, and big brother Leo, 2.

Audrey Twyman Langan and husband Ryan moved to Dallas at the end of July for his job with GE Capital. Christie Lukens Schofield and family are in Seattle. Their elder daughter, Emma, is in first grade this fall. Their younger daughter, Maddie, is only 3, but she acts like she is 6 too. Christie has worked part time as a social worker at the county trauma hospital for 11 years and still loves it. Thanks to all who sent updates.

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Timothy Dwenger married Lindsay Bollwahn Sept. 26, 2009, at The Boulder Theater in Boulder, Colo. Fellow alumni Eric Adler, Randy Ahn, Wes Lobo, Brian Kline, Brendan Gill, Elida Nosenzo, Jay Pollen, Ryan Thompson '98, and Adam Levien '98 attended. Tim is the director of program management with Source One Distributors, where he writes proposals, responds to government requests for proposals, and does some sales and marketing work. He also is a freelance music journalist for a local magazine and several web publications. Lindsay is a social worker for children from birth to 3 years old who have developmental disabilities. The happy couple lives in Denver.

Tara Feehan O'Mahony and her husband, Brian, welcomed their daughter, Maeve Eileen, Nov. 20, 2009. She was 6 pounds, 12 ounces, and 21 inches long. She is the first grandchild on both sides of the family and has already logged many airline miles flying from her home in Tulsa, Okla., to New York and Ireland to visit her grandparents, aunts, and uncle.

Ian Murray was back on campus April 28 as the senior class speaker at Colton Chapel. Ian graduated with an English degree and began working on Madison Avenue in New York City for a public relations firm. In 1998, he decided to invest in a new line of business and is currently the CEO and co-founder of Vineyard Vines, a successful retail clothing brand known for men’s ties. Those who attended his talk received free Vineyard Vines hats customized for Lafayette. In 2005, Ian and his brother/co-founder, Shep Murray, hosted a talk, “Entrepreneurship and the Fashion Industry,” for the CIRCLE Entrepreneurship Series in Oechsle Hall.

Joanna Scholl, who oversees the marketing campaigns for HBO miniseries, films, and documentaries, was named the 2010 recipient of the Andrew Heiskell Community Service Award for her work with the Orphaned Starfish Foundation (OSF). This annual award recognizes Time Warner employees who have made exceptional contributions to public service, chosen from among Time Warner’s 31,000 employees worldwide. Joanna serves as OSF’s director of development, public relations officer, and board member. Her efforts help bring in 85–90 percent of OSF’s annual budget, and her responsibilities include oversight of OSF’s annual fund-raising gala in October. She accepted her award June 8 at a ceremony at the Time Warner Center, New York City. Jeff Bewkes, chair and CEO of Time Warner, presided over the ceremony, which was attended by CEOs and executives from many divisions.

Dana Goodman married Joshua Fisher over the summer, a happy occasion that the couple celebrated in three ways. First, Dana and Josh were officially married June 18 at City Hall in New York City. Then, their first reception was held June 26 at the Half Moon Resort in Montego Bay, Jamaica. Sharon Grossman Herzog attended that celebration. Finally, Dana and Josh hosted a second reception Aug. 7 at LANDMARC in the Time Warner Center, New York City. Dana is a producer for ABC’s The View, where she has worked for 14 years. Josh is a consultant for Booz & Company.

Seth Brogadir married Dorinda Lee July 31 in Las Cruces, N.M. The ceremony and reception were held at New Mexico Farm and Ranch Museum. I was there, along with Lisa Kelsey Pisano, BethAnn Donofrio Coombs, Adria Lazur Kinnier, Matt Bartlett and wife Rose, and Greg Dombier, wife Mira, and their little girl, Tillie.

Lisa Hurwitch Raftery and her husband, Dave, have two little girls, Abigail, 4, and Audrey, 1. They live in
Wayland, Mass., close enough to the Cape to enjoy many summer weekends there. Lisa has worked at Meditech, a medical software company, for the past seven years.

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With a bit of regret I report that this will be my last column as your class correspondent. After five years of writing the column, I have decided that it is time to pass the torch. I enjoyed both hearing from you all and my role gathering the news for our class. Thanks for your great updates over the years, and please continue to keep our class posted on the events of your lives!

I have had a fantastic, busy 2010, so far. My husband, Merritt, and I had a great time in Vancouver at the Winter Olympics in February. I was excited to meet up with Pat and Ashley White Ryan. They enjoyed the Games with their friends and their 4-year-old twins, Lily and Liam. In April, we celebrated our son Ian’s first birthday. His fun “boy zone defense” as a family.

Lindsay Laird Pope welcomed Reese Isabella April 2, weighing in at 8 pounds, 4 ounces. She joins big sister Riley, who could not be more excited. Rick Eagles and his wife, Marielle, welcomed their third child May 16, Adam Joseph. They are doing well, and Rick reports that they enjoyed moving from “man-to-man to zone defense” as a family.

Jason Charles and his wife, Jaci, welcomed their first child June 17, Devin Jude. He was 7 pounds, 9 ounces. They live just outside of Philly, where they often see Ali Milliken Conlon and Kirsten Blakeman MacFarland. Ali and her husband, Denis, had their second baby, Tosh, May 28. Kirsten and her husband, Jeff, had their second baby, Anna, December 2009. Karin Savitsky FitzGerald and husband Adam welcomed their second son, Parker John, May 26. Parker joins big brother Ryan, 3. The family is doing well.

Heather de Vries Jordan and her husband, Sherman, welcomed their first daughter, Paige Isabella, June 16. She weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces. They live in Washington, D.C. Tim Farmer and his wife, Laura, celebrated the birth of their first daughter, Vivenne Lynne, May 22. She was born 7 pounds, 5 ounce, 20¼ inches long, and with a full head of blonde hair. Heidi Kozic had a baby boy, Asher, in September 2009. Heidi and her husband, Matthew, who is a hand surgeon, both continue to work in Delaware but moved their family to Kennett Square, Pa.

Yolanda Wisher Palacio gave birth to a little boy, Thelonious, Sept. 29, 2009. Yolanda is an English teacher at Germantown Friends. Nathan and Karen Ohsiek Beyeler live in Ireland and were expecting their fourth child in September. Their three little boys — Luke, 6, and Timothy and Jonathan, 4 — are ecstatic about having a little sibling.

Kristen Janiak married Denis Goggin from County Kerry, Ireland, July 25. The wedding took place in Cape Cod, Mass., which was a great meeting place for family and friends from all over the world. Alumni in attendance included Bob and Jenny Pazymino Davis, Heather Thompson Votava, Amanda Martin Sheehan, Gavin and Lauren Howe Cuneo, Cory Taylor McKee, Jim and Maureen McLoughlin Levels, Laurie Simes, Sean ’97 and Anne Scheetz ’97 Damon, Brian McKeon ’97, and Greg Koskinas ’00. Denis and Kristen will continue to reside in San Francisco.

Lauren Caruso married Shawn Barnes June 26 at Bonnet Island on Long Beach Island, N.J. The wedding party included her sister and maid of honor, Kristen Caruso ’02, and bridesmaids Susan O’Leary Sundahl and Erin O’Connell Miller. Wedding guests included Kate VanGulik Stewart, Meghan Schuster Madeira, Michelle Fels Walasavage, and their spouses. Shawn and Lauren live in Mount Laurel, N.J.

John Barry married Michele Rupert in April. They live in Honolulu. John works at Hawaii Pacific University as the sports information director. He was selected as the inaugural Pacific West Conference Sports Information Director of the Year, given for professionalism and passion for the sports information field.

Fletch Thomson enjoys practicing law. In May, he won a $50.5 million trade secrets judgment, the largest jury verdict in Connecticut history. More recently, Fletch was named a “2010 New England Rising Star,” a peer-nominated distinction limited to 2.5 percent of young lawyers practicing in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine.

Brooke Hanna Irving and her husband, Scott, live in Ngunguru, New Zealand, about 2½ hours north of Auckland on the coast.

Jaime Lovejoy Resmini remains in San Francisco with her husband, Eros, and 2-year-old son, Lucca. The family bought a fixer-upper last December and is busy on what seems like endless projects, but they enjoy the process. Jaime and Eros also are preparing for the birth of their second son this December.

Finally, John Waldie got engaged to Sarah Dworak on Memorial Day.
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Meghan joins big sister Kayla,
pounds, 10 ounces, and 21 inches
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Three Minute Media (www.tmminews.com). As the network’s anchor, James
targets stories toward consumers who like
media and are interested in its future.

Holly Baseski Shackman and her
husband, Jonnie, trained for a half
marathon during the summer heat
wave! They also adopted their third
Shih Tzu this past spring, Emily, who
joins Chloé and Baxter. Emily came
from the nonprofit that Holly and her
husband volunteer for, Shih Tzus &
Furbabies. In April, Holly and Karen
Kainer took a girls-only trip to Atlantis
Resort in the Bahamas.

Heather McCormick was
promoted to vice president–cash
management sales officer for TD Bank.
She covers Philadelphia and the South
Jersey Shore.

Dan Turrentine joined TechNet in
its Washington, D.C., office as vice
president for emerging technologies
and special initiatives.

Karl Klingmann II was married
Aug. 14, 2009, to Candice Hardy in
Lancaster, Pa., and honeymooned in
Spain for two weeks. Karl is in his fifth
year of owning his own investment and
insurance agency, Penn Rise Benefits
Inc. His practice provides investment
and insurance services to individuals
and small businesses. The couple lives
in Coatesville, Pa., with their black l
ab, Riley.

My family spent a great week up in
Rangely, Maine, with Keri Grunther
Bradly’s family. My son, Trent, and
Keri’s daughter Meghan have become
fast friends, and we seem to have a
love connection blossoming.

Thanks for the updates; cannot wait
to hear from you next time!

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While it is hard to believe that we
graduated from Lafayette 10 years ago,
it was great to make the trip back for
reunion. I met up with fellow alumni
Keri Grunther Brady, Marianne
Gawler, Janelle Maginnis, and Josh
Ruthizer.

Heather Stoltz was excited about
her two-person exhibition, “Text and
Texture: Midrash through Making,”
at Park Avenue Synagogue, New York
City. The exhibition, which ran through
early November, featured Heather’s
fiber art and the ceramic art of Jo
Kamm.

Bryce Murray opened his own
law practice in Metairie, La., where he
was named one of the top 50 attorneys
in the Greater New Orleans area by
CityBusiness magazine. Bryce’s firm
focuses on civil rights, small business
advocacy, and representation of
nonprofit organizations.

Keri Grunther Brady gave birth to
Meghan Jean Dec. 19. She was 7
pounds, 10 ounces, and 21 inches
long. Meghan joins big sister Kayla,
who celebrated her second birthday
in June. Sara Hoffmann Joy was
preparing to welcome her second
daughter at the end of August. Sara’s
2-year-old daughter, Madeline, cannot
wait to be a big sister!

Sarah Ferraro was set to finish her
postdoctoral in late August.

James Abels writes that he has
launched a web video news network,

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Please keep the wonderful updates
coming. Feel free to friend me on
Facebook or email me.

Michelle Bastinelli Cuvo reports:
“In May 2009, I completed my
master’s program at DeSales University.
I wrote my thesis on the correlation of
students reading aloud and their
confidence levels. My focal groups were
English-language learners and students
with learning disabilities in seventh and
eighth grades, both groups I am still
teaching during the school year. This
marks my eighth year in teaching. On
June 12, 2009, my husband, Joe, and
I welcomed a baby girl. Her name is
Alexa Michelle. My son, Joey, is now 4
and loves being a big brother.”

Nancy Berrier Andreski and her
husband, Adam ’00, welcomed their
third child, Lucie Josephine, March 30.
Nancy is at home with Lucie and their
other children, Rose, 5, and Ben, 3.
The entire family attended Adam’s class
reunion in June.

Sarah Bellows Ubin announces
the birth of her daughter, Olivia Elaine,
July 2. Olivia weighed 8 pounds, 3
ounces, and was 21 inches long.

Jake Ruggles writes: “I left Wells
Fargo Advisors in January with a partner
to start our own investment firm, KMJ
Financial Group in Whitehall, Pa., just
outside Allentown. The name represents
the first initials of our kids’ names. It has
been going great and better than what
we could have expected. There is
nothing better than being your own
boss! This past year, I served as an
Alumni Admissions Representative for
the College and assisted in two
enrollments for the new class. I could not
have done all of this if not for the
support from my family, and especially
my wife, even though she is a Bucknell
grad!”

Jessica Calaman Snyder reports:
“The name of the company where I
work is now Dow Chemical instead of
Rohm and Haas Co., which got bought
out. I am at the same manufacturing
facility in Croydon, Pa., as Dan
Connolly ’02.”

Jessica also writes that she and her
husband welcomed their second
daughter, Claire Elizabeth, May 11.
She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces.
Jessica talked with a few fellow alumni:
Kathy Gelato
is finishing her postdoc
in Germany and will be there at least
until the end of the year; Christine
Kelleher Childress is expecting her
first child; and Becky Chmielewski is
engaged to her boyfriend, Tim.

Bruce Edwards writes: “I practice
child welfare law in the Baltimore, Md.
area. I am actually a court-appointed attorney for abused and neglected youth. My career is definitely a lot to handle, but the joy that I help bring to families by ensuring the welfare of children is priceless. On June 19, I was married in Cancun, Mexico. We honeymooned in the Riviera de Maya in Mexico. A big shout-out goes to Kenya Allen ’02, who served as a groomsman for my big day. My wife is an assistant attorney general for the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. We met while working on related projects at court in Baltimore.”

Bruce Adcock writes: “My wife, Mousam Kayantha Adcock, and I had our first baby boy, Rayhan Kayantha Adcock, Feb. 4. In early July, we were in Nepal, Mousam’s home country, where we celebrated Rayhan’s rice-feeding ceremony (see photo online). We live in Columbus, Ohio. Mousam is an architect at Acock Associates Architects. I am finishing my Ph.D. in computer science and look forward to graduating this December.”

As for me, I started a new job in April at CBIZ Insurance Services in Plymouth Meeting, Pa. I work as a marketing associate in the property and casualty business unit for the Mid-Atlantic region. My husband, Mike, and I were also expecting our first little one in October!

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On May 1, Lindsay Carifi married PJ Mingle at a beautiful ceremony and fun reception in Winter Haven, Fla. Other Lafayette alumni in attendance included her father, Vincent Carifi ’67, and her sister, Lisa Carifi Giglio ’95, plus Kaye Powell, Heather Vaughan, Lauren Comer Formento ’01, Andy and Megan Dolan Grover, Lauren Schwartz ’03, Ned and Melissa Fiorelli Allis, and me. The couple, who honeymooned in Hawaii, lives in Jacksonville.

Chris Scott reports that he and his fiancée, Jessica Ostroff, to whom he proposed in February, planned a November wedding.

Abby Santoro Goff reports that she and her husband, Matt, welcomed their second child, Emma James, May 17. Emma was 9 pounds, 4½ ounces, and 21¼ inches long. Her big brother, William, now 3 years old, cannot get enough of her.

Maria Fekete Brugg and her husband, Jordan ’03, welcomed their first child, Adeline Grace, July 21. She was 6 pounds, 10 ounces, and 17¾ inches long.

Don’t forget to email or Facebook me with your updates.

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Emily Myers Royle writes that she and Chris ’04 “welcomed a baby boy, William Jacob, Jan. 19. Chris took a new job at Boeing, which relocated us back to the Philly area, near John and Alyson Gross ’04 Ricketts and Mark Brault and Elizabeth Hallowell ’04. A few of us got together to celebrate Katie Fina’s graduation from Widener Law School in May. She resides in Philly and was studying for the bar this summer. Katie Schrack Poor was selected chief resident of ophthalmology at Temple Medical Center. Dana Emerson Cartwright is set to finish her master’s in environmental policy at Oxford University this fall and plans to work in the U.K. after that.”

Peter Susi and his wife, Meg, welcomed their second little boy, Aiden John, May 3.

Crystal Taylor gave birth to a beautiful little girl, Taylor Mackenna Torres, in April.

Amanda Carey Faulkner is pleased to announce that daughter Adrienne was born healthy and happy June 21.

MaryKate Giufurta Burd started a new job as an associate drug supply manager for Bristol-Myers Squibb, Princeton, N.J. She is excited to report that she enjoys her new job and also celebrated her five-year wedding anniversary in August 2009. MaryKate’s daughter turned 2 this November.

Dan Fitzgerald got engaged to Cathy Pushchak, who attended Syracuse University. They plan to marry next fall.

Sara Yevics is engaged to Alexander Beccia. They planned an October wedding.

Michael Muffley is engaged to Alissa Grell, and they plan to wed in September.

Ryan Fullerton was set to marry Pam Vogt Sept. 25 in Hackettstown, N.J. Joe Carson and Dylan Noyes planned to be in the wedding party.

Erin North is excited to announce that she passed her professional engineer exam in April.

Kate Curcio, Sue Ferry Hoey, Beth Gulotta, Jenna Menard, and Jill Tibbs got together for a beach weekend in Brigantine, N.J. Kate Curcio lives in Bethlehem, Pa., where she is a lawyer. She enjoys traveling, including to San Francisco to visit Jessica Hamnett. Sue Ferry Hoey is now happily married and lives with her husband, Brian, and dog, Bogey, in Brigantine. She received her licensed professional counselor degree and is working toward her doctorate in clinical psychology at Chestnut Hill College, Philadelphia. Beth Gulotta received her master’s in public relations and corporate communications at New York University and is back to school for her second master’s in counseling. She lives in New Rochelle, N.Y., with her twin sister and is training for her first half Ironman in San Diego. Jenna Menard lives in New York City, where she works as a makeup artist. Represented by the Art Department agency, she works for fashion designers, magazines, and celebrity clients. Her work has given her the opportunity to travel all over the world including Iceland, Japan, and Peru. She completed the New York City Marathon in 2009 and trained to run in 2010. Jill Tibbs is married and lives in New Jersey. She got her master’s in teaching and is a fourth grade teacher in Ridgewood, N.J. She received tenure and looked forward to a new school year with new students. These friends missed Kara Henry, who was unable to make the trip. Kara lives in Boston, where she is a high
school teacher and coaches both girls’ diving and boys’ lacrosse. She has taught for four years and continues to further her education by taking graduate courses in history.

I spent the July Fourth weekend in Philadelphia, where I caught up with Carrie Chaitt and Alex Pelberg Slawter ’02.

Thanks to everyone who continues to email me with updates. Keep it up! Many classmates sent pictures of their weddings, babies, and other celebrations; you can view them on the Lafayette web site.

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After reading the last issue of Lafayette Magazine, I realized that I must get back to campus. Lafayette has so many development projects in the works that parts of the campus are unrecognizable from when we left almost seven years ago.

Casey Wyant Remer and husband Matt ’02 welcomed their first child, son Arlo Harrison, May 10.

Stephanie Napolitano Mejia and husband John welcomed their first child, Michael Louis, May 31.

We have already printed the Class of 2032 shirts for both future ’Pards.

Kristen Gibbons married Nicholas Feden Dec. 19. The happy couple embarked on a cruise to the Bahamas in August. Kristen graduated from Temple University Beasley School of Law this year and clerks for a judge. She is licensed in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Jim Sarruda married Tara Sheedy ’06 July 3 in Albany, N.Y. Dave Homsher served as best man, and Ross Dodd and Dave Phillips served as groomsmen. Dave Norton, Lance Leimberg, Chris Mack, and Michelle Ferguson Homsher also attended, along with fellow Leopards from other years, including groomsmen Jeremy ’05 and wife Liz Cassidy ’05 Cooke, maid of honor Hannah Tuson ’06, bridesmaid Megan Fromuth ’06, Tom Brennan ’06, Mike Kaufman ’05, Nick ’06 and Kirby Waldinger ’07 Baldwin, Mark Wells ’05, Nick Birosik ’06, and Charlie Mellina ’06.


Cassandra Appel and Robert Frederickson of Charlestown, Mass., were set to marry Sept. 4. Cassandra is a senior consultant with NaviNet, a health care information technology company in Cambridge, Mass. Robert holds bachelor’s degrees in computer science and business from George Washington University and a law degree from Boston College. He is an attorney with Goodwin Proctor in Boston.

Vincent Ross and Sarah Barnes were set to marry Oct. 3 in Jamestown, N.C. Vincent has been a long-time employee of Catalent Pharma Solutions. The couple lives in Cary, N.C.

Danielle DeVita and Springfield College alumnus Michael McWilliams planned to wed Oct. 30 in New York City.

Amy Magos and Craig Alexander are engaged and will marry Sept. 10 in New Jersey.

Alyssa Picchini moved to Washington, D.C., where she is a fellow with the American Association for the Advancement of Science and works in science policy regarding anti-bioterrorism in conjunction with the Department of Health and Human Services.

Brian Clark was promoted to project manager in the office of the president at the University of Chicago. Brian is responsible for furthering the planning and implementation of the University’s global initiatives, including the development of two international research centers in Beijing and New Delhi.

Garret Nicodemus earned a Ph.D. in chemical and biological engineering from the University of Colorado–Boulder in November 2009. A professional research associate in the department, he works on course materials for active teaching styles.

Brandon Ripley is the project manager for Forrester Construction in Rockville, Md., and has started working toward an MBA at George Washington University.

Please keep the updates coming, and I encourage you to follow Lafayette—especially Lafayette sports—on Twitter. It’s a great way to feel like you are still on campus.

2005

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You know it is fall when a few things happen: the air gets cooler, the leaves change color, and Lafayette Magazine shows up in your mailbox!

Thanks again to everyone who submitted updates, and please continue to do so!

Richard Jackson is engaged to Danielle Bovelle (Muhlenberg ’05). The couple will wed July 16. Please send an update and pictures after the wedding.

Matthew Hontz wed Lori Carita in August. Lindsay DiBiase was married to Eric Succullo Aug. 14 in a gorgeous ceremony with numerous Lafayette alumni in attendance. Please send pictures for the next update.

Kelly Foran and Mike Tuller were married Aug. 14 at St. Joseph’s Church, Philadelphia, Pa. The reception was held at The Grand Ballroom of the Bellevue in Philadelphia.

Steve Connlain was married July 10 to Alecia White (Towson ’07) in Moorestown, N.J. Jay Amarillo was Steve’s best man, and fellow Lafayette alumni in attendance were Stephanie Benash, Jakub Pritz, Derek ’04 and Melissa Mitchell ’03 Pizarro, Daniele Menard ’06, Brandon Cochenour ’03, Carrie Abildgaard ’04, and JB Worster ’08.

Shanette Leree and Liam-Lovestone Senam Yao ’06 were married Dec. 12 in Upper Marlboro, Md. The couple resides in Fairfax, Va., where Shanette works for the National Academy of Public Administration as a research associate.
Robert McEwen finished his Ph.D. in mathematics at the University of Virginia and will be starting a position at the National Ground Intelligence Center soon. Robert also became engaged to Amanda Driscoll ’06, in early October.

On the baby front, Caitlin Sullivan Allen and husband Adam ’04 were expecting a beautiful baby boy around Nov. 5. Adam got a new job closer to home, still working as a civil engineer, and Caitlin teaches chemistry and coaches tennis. Please be sure to send pictures with your next update.

Samantha Lucas-Walley and husband Scott had their first baby, Harrison Peter, April 6. He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and was 22 inches long.

Kate Robbins works at Lafayette and is enrolled in a psychology certificate program at the Wescos School of Muhlenberg College. While Kate works on her education, Michelle Railsback graduated summa cum laude in May from San Francisco State University with her master’s in public administration.

When Erin McCan isn’t attending baseball games in Maryland with me, she lives in Washington, D.C. In August, Erin started graduate school at George Washington University for her master’s in higher education administration. In July, she completed her first triathlon in 1 hour, 45 minutes.

Jack Furlong informed me that he is finishing his second year leading the pep band in support of our Lafayette athletes. Jack also took over the job of running the percussion ensemble for the fall semester while Professor Larry Stockton is on sabbatical. On the baseball front, Jack completed year four of New Jersey certified umpiring and was wrapping up year two as manager of the Hopewell Valley Senior Babe Ruth team, featuring top players from the Pennington, N.J., area, ages 15–19. Jack is an animated umpire apparently, as he dislocated his shoulder calling a player out at home plate! Most important, The Jack Furlong Quartet, featuring Sean Gough ’09, Pat Kelley ’09, and John O’Keefe ’96, was set to record an album in August and will play a huge release concert on the main stage in Morris R. Williams Center for the Arts Friday, Feb. 4. Get free tickets for the event at the Lafayette box office.

I reside in Bethlehem, Pa., and work as a special education teacher at the Centennial School of Lehigh University. I am taking a few graduate courses in educational leadership at Lehigh as well, despite the fact that I already obtained a master’s in special education in 2008. I think I am subconsciously trying to remain a lifelong student and never grow up! If you are ever in the Lehigh Valley, please call me.

Please send me updates at any time during the year! A special thanks to everyone who sent updates. Always remember: We are ’05, we do what we want.

2006

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Hello from your new class correspondent! It is tough to fill Amy Schwartz’s shoes after four years of her engaging updates, but I will try! Thanks for keeping us connected, Amy, and good luck with your studies at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

Since Amy’s last update, our accomplished class kept our minds and bodies busy, traveled the world, and reached exciting milestones. Nkosi Aberdeen celebrated the launch of his second book, Home of Jahim: the 019696910 Spiritual Path of Creation, Lifeforce and 9Movement, published in July. His degrees in anthropology & sociology and Africana Studies played an integral part in his achievement. Check out his other book, A Caribbean Footballer's Guide to Study Abroad, available on Amazon.com. Nkrumah Pierre also earned press in the form of prestigious articles about a July 11 soiree in The Hamptons, N.Y., that his PLC Consulting Group organized with Jaguar and the marketing consultancy Diversity Affluence. The inaugural brunch series and awards presentation unveiled the new 2011 Jaguar XJ and celebrated the achievement of individuals who are advancing the diversity agenda in America. Wow, Nkosi and Nkrumah, we want signed copies of your books and invitations to next year’s bash!

In professional and academic news, Nicole Black was admitted to the Connecticut, New Hampshire, and New York bar associations. She works at Clair & Gjertsen in Scarsdale, N.Y., which handles foreclosures and bankruptcies. Andrew Genco moved from Missoula, Mont., to Fort Collins, Colo., to attend graduate school at Colorado State University. Liam Yao is pursuing an MBA at American University in Washington, D.C., and lives in Fairfax, Va., with his wife, Shanette Leree Yao ’05.

Jenna Breslin graduated from the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine this past spring. She works as an associate veterinarian at the Animal Hospital of West Lake Forest and is engaged to boyfriend Justin Peterson, who works for the Chicago Bears. She is excited to be planning a wedding for summer 2011. Kristine Kerk is a new homeowner in Phoenix, Ariz., where she works as an occupational therapist in a school district and does pediatric home health and hospital work on the side. When she is not busy working, she cools off in her swimming pool with her two dogs and kitten to beat the Arizona heat. Kristine was back on the East Coast last summer for Katie Rose and Matt Gately’s wedding.

Colleen Walsh married Marc Cardella June 5 in Spring Lake, N.J. The alumni who celebrated their nuptials were Claire Bourquin ’07, Christine Burke ’07, Steve Caruso, Maureen Weissmueller Costello ’05, Laura Danberg, William Dietz, Jared Doucette, Austin Holtsclaw, Gregory Heitmann ’09, Lauren Hugel, Michael Johnson, John Jorizzo, Alex Kenney, Jonathan Kurz ’05, Kristen Linderth ’10, Kristan Lucas, Nick Masluk, Kristin Riebergen, Matthew Robinson ’05, Bud Rose ’72, Matthew Spencer ’05, Michael Slattery ’08, Tacie Steidel, Laurel Waterhouse, Eric Wilson ’09, and Michael Xanthopoulos. The couple sent us a lovely photo (see online) from the wedding, which could easily be mistaken for a Lafayette reunion.
with all those alums in attendance! Colleen graduated from Wake Forest University School of Medicine in May and moved to Charlotte, N.C., to start her residency at Carolinas Medical Center. Marc works as a senior fund administrator for TIAA-CREF.

The Wild Win against Algeria that sent World Cup in South Africa, including seeing all of Team USA’s games at the ‘08 Olympics, was the highlight of my summer vacation in South Africa, including the wild win against Algeria that sent them through to the Round of 16! Mike also is leaving his job as senior hedge fund analyst at Cambridge Associates to pursue his MBA full time at Carroll School of Management at Boston College.

I handle the communications for incredibly innovative aviation companies at the PR agency Edelman, and I live in New York City. I am lucky to be reporting all of your great achievements, so please keep in touch. I look forward to updates and photos!

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Gina Colaizzo and Kathleen Kretzmer matriculated in the BSN to MSN Nursing program at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. Upon completion of the program, they will both be nurse practitioners.

Stephanie Ernestus started at the State University of New York–Albany this fall in the clinical psychology Ph.D. program. Her program will last until 2015, so if anyone is up in Albany, please visit Stephanie.

Julie McNeish completed her first year at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. She performed rigorous research this summer at UConn and looked forward to her school year this fall.

Lauren Jones is a financial control specialist at J.P. Morgan in Wilmington, Del. She has the opportunity to travel, including spending two weeks in London! Lauren loves her job, and all of the interesting people she has met through work.

Paul Sommers works at the American Institute for History Education and has begun his master’s in guidance counseling.

Jaclyn DiSanti continues to pursue her master’s in industrial psychology at Montclair State University, which she will finish in May. This fall also marks Jaclyn’s second year as assistant field hockey coach at Montclair.

Jacquelyn Marchese is an environmental analyst at CSC in Alexandria, Va. In her spare time, she trains for marathons, which included running in the Disney World Marathon last fall. She is also a member of a semi-professional women’s soccer team in Virginia, which plays teams throughout the southeastern coast.

I completed my first year in Arcadia University’s doctorate of physical therapy program, and I spent the fall in Idaho on my first clinical rotation.

Please continue to send updates.

2010

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To the recent graduates of Lafayette College, and in the words of Elle Woods: We did it! I hope everyone has dried off from what was an exciting yet rainy graduation day in May.

By June 1, I had started my job with a television show on WFMZ, the local network in the Lehigh Valley and eastern Pennsylvania. I quickly moved to Northampton, Pa., since my office is in Bethlehem. Since graduating, I joined the Northern New Jersey Tri Delta Alumniae Chapter, I attend many events with the Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, and I get to share in the excitement of being a Lafayette alumna with my mom, Angela DiChiara Garofalo ‘82, and my aunt, Maria DiChiara Campolattaro ’90.

Our class president, Jeff Zimmer, has been working since June at The Solidarity Center in Washington, D.C., as a program assistant for the Middle East and North Africa. He also started at American University this fall, pursuing a master’s degree in international affairs, Middle East studies. Ally Lando is pursuing a Ph.D in organic chemistry with Dr. Amir Hoveyda at Boston College. Dennis Waldron lives in Washington.
Hampton, Va., near the NASA Langley Research Center, where he is pursuing his Ph.D in electrical engineering at the National Institute of Aerospace through a program with the University of Virginia.

Since September, Sara Peterson has been teaching English to children in Beauvais, France, with a program by the French Embassy in Washington, D.C., and the French Ministry of Education. The program lasts for nine months.

Jonathan Werkmeister headed to the Austrian Alps in October on a Fulbright teaching grant. He teaches high school students in the town of Irdning until June.

Amanda Pisetzner now calls New York City home, where she works as an executive assistant for a nonprofit organization called Computers for Youth. Austin Kennedy is the assistant to the program manager with the Blue Mountain Project in Hagley Gap, St. Thomas, Jamaica. This nongovernment organization works in education, economic development, water systems, and health. Hannah Smock works in Washington, D.C., for CitiHope International, a nongovernment organization.

After spending the summer in California working for Proximity Theatre, Liz Witmer headed back to Pennsylvania in September and now works at InterAct Theatre in Philadelphia.

Alyson Fitzpatrick is a case manager at St. Mary’s Villa for Children and Families in Ambler, Pa.

Wystan Carswell spent her summer in Philadelphia, training at the Undine Barge Club to continue her career in competitive rowing. She competed at the Royal Canadian Henley, an international regatta, in August. Wystan now lives in Massachusetts, where she is pursuing a master’s in structural engineering at UMass-Amherst.

Rob Curley and Mark Leggiero are members of the Carlstad Crusaders of Sweden, a European football team. Curley led the team to a 27-0 victory over the London Blitz in June, which advanced the team to the championship game of the European Federation of American Football Cup. Both were stars on the Lafayette football team. In addition, another former football player, Evan Nardone, moved to LaGrange, Ga., where he is an assistant football coach for the LaGrange College Panthers. Nardone is also working on his master’s in teaching.

After graduation, Sarah Mulford traveled for three weeks in Europe, visiting Greece, Italy, Spain, France, and England. She now works as a corporate sales assistant at Polo Ralph Lauren in Midtown Manhattan. Julia Bateman works as an account executive in advertising sales for CBS Radio in Philadelphia.

Anthony Romanoski, Andrew Kotsopay, Laura Bochner, Billy Kingston, Jenn Bell ’11, Bryan McAtee ’11, and Tom Voltz ’09 converted a 1982 Blue Bird Mini Bus into a motor home and took a road trip to 12 national parks over the summer. Their five-week trip took them through 21 states and one province in Canada. Romanoski is pursuing a master’s degree in geology at Texas Tech. Kingston is working toward a master’s in civil engineering. Voltz is pursuing a master’s in civil engineering at Penn State. Kotsopay is searching for a job in engineering, and Bochner is searching for a job in land conservation.

I wish the Class of 2010 good luck! I look forward to further wonderful updates in the future.
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